

**Senate of Pakistan** 

# Parliamentary Year Report

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### **List of Abbreviations**

Acronyms	Abbreviations
APA	Asian Parliamentary Association
СРА	Commonwealth Parliamentary Association
FC	Functional Committee
HE	His Excellency
НН	His Highness
IPR	International Parliamentary Relations
IPU	Inter-Parliamentary Union
IPC	International Parliamentarians' Congress
LDU	Legislative Drafting Unit
NA	National Assembly
NPDC	National Parliamentary Development Course
PC	Parliamentary Committee
PDU	Project Development Unit
PIPS	Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services
PPT	Public Petition Table
PUIC	Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States
PY	Parliamentary Year
SC	Standing Committee
UN	United Nations

#### **Definitions**

"Adviser" means a person appointed as Adviser under Article 93 of the Constitution;

"Amendment" means a motion to amend an earlier motion, before that earliermotion is put to the Senate for its decision;

"Assembly" means the National Assembly;

"Bill" means a motion for making a law;

"Chairman" means the Chairman of the Senate and includes the Deputy Chairman or in relation to a particular sitting, any other member when acting or performing the function of the Chairman;

"Committee" means a Committee constituted under the rules;

"Constitution" means the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan;

"Gazette" means the Gazette of Pakistan;

"Government" means the Federal Government;

"House" means the Senate;

"Leader of the House" means the Prime Minister or a member appointed by him to represent Government and regulate Government business in the Senate when the Prime Minister is not sitting in the House;

"Leader of the Opposition" means a member of the House, who enjoys the support of the majority of the members in opposition to the Government in the House, and is declared as such by the Chairman of the Senate;

"Member" means a member of the Senate;

"Member-In-Charge" means, in the case of a Government Bill, a Minister or an Adviser and, in any other case, the member who has introduced the Bill or a member authorised by him in writing to assume charge of the Bill;

"Minister" means the Prime Minister, a Federal Minister or a Minister of State;

"Motion" means a proposal made by a member or a Minister or an Adviser relating to any matter which may be discussed by the Senate and includes an amendment;

"Orders of the Day" means the list of business to be brought before the Senate on any day;

"Presiding officer" means, in relation to a sitting, any person who is presiding over that sitting;

"Private member" means a member other than a Minister or an Adviser:

"Resolution" means a motion for the purpose of discussing and expressing an opinion on a matter of general public interest and includes a resolution specified in the Constitution;

"Schedule" means a schedule appended to the rules;

"Secretary" means the Secretary of the Senate and includes any person for the time being performing the functions of the Secretary;

"Session" means the period commencing on the day of the first sitting of the Senate after having been summoned and ending on the day it is prorogued;

"Sitting" means the meeting of the Senate or a Committee from the commencement of its business to the termination of the business for the day;

"Standing Orders" means the written Orders of the Chairman notified by the Senate Secretariat;

"Starred Question" means a question for an oral answer; and

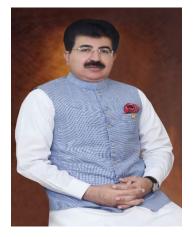
"Unstarred Question" means a question for a written answer.

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



#### Dear people of my beloved country,

It is my privilege to present to you the comprehensive annual report of the Senate of Pakistan that chronicles the extensive scope, working and performance of the Upper House during the parliamentary year 2023-2024.

The year under review has been immensely significant historically, marking an epoch in Pakistan's parliamentary and democratic history, for being the Golden Jubilee year of the Upper House.

The Golden Jubilee of the Senate was celebrated with great fervor, symbolizing a moment of pride and reflection on the Upper House's

journey over the past five decades. The commemorative session held from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 brought together leaders from various sectors of national endeavor, reaffirming the Senate's role as the true embodiment of 'unity in diversity' and the House of Federation. It served as an opportunity to renew federal-provincial harmony and connectivity, essential for a robust and homogenous federation. The Golden Jubilee underscores Pakistan's journey as a united and harmonious federation over the past five decades.

The Senate of Pakistan, being the House of Federation, diligently carried out its legislative, representative, and oversight mandates with utmost commitment. It has also been a year of reformation and innovation, whereby we embarked on a journey of transformation to optimize our procedural mechanisms, rules, and parliamentary tools. We materialized landmark internal reforms and initiatives to optimize the Upper Chamber's procedural mechanisms, rules and parliamentary tools as per international benchmarks and good practices right from the floor of House to standing, functional and special committees.

The Senate embarked on a comprehensive self-assessment exercise related to Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Target 16.6 and 16.7, aligning our parliamentary processes with international benchmarks. This initiative aims to enhance the effectiveness of our legislative and oversight functions.

On the front of parliamentary diplomacy, Pakistan Senate went an extra mile, reaching out to parliamentary chambers around the world in order to cement mutually-beneficial collaborations and partnerships for parliamentary strengthening and capacity-building. In this regard, we augmented inter-parliamentary ties and connectivity with the New Zealand, Hellenic and Libyan parliaments, also signing an MoU with the latter.

In addition, several other reforms have been introduced to optimize Senate's working. The Finance & Accounts Management System and Budget Management System have automated financial processes, improving budget tracking and expense management. The revision of financial rules and organizational design has enhanced transparency and accountability in Senate Secretariat operations.

Moreover, the Education Parliamentarians Caucus (EPC) was established to promote education for all and foster dialogue for enhancing education standards in Pakistan. This caucus reflects our commitment to building a knowledgeable and educated society.

Efforts are also afoot to establish a Parliamentary Budget office in collaboration with the Congressional Budget office, providing independent analyses to support the budget process.

Moreover, E-enablement of the Upper House is another continuous endeavor and a hallmark of our journey towards a fully automated e-parliament. The modernization of ICT infrastructure has improved communication and collaboration among senators and staff, facilitating better decision-making and governance. These efforts have led to tangible improvements in the overall working and performance of the Senate, significantly improving efficiency, effectiveness, and security, and setting a benchmark for other institutions to follow.

The automation of parliamentary processes, such as bill tracking and motion management systems, has streamlined operations, reducing time and resources required while enhancing accuracy and accountability. Furthermore, introduction of citizen-centric services, including user-friendly web and mobile applications, has increased accessibility to Senate services for the general public. Senators now have access to mobile applications that enable efficient management of parliamentary business and communication, enhancing their ability to serve their constituents effectively.

I take this opportunity to extend my gratitude and acknowledgment to all my esteemed colleagues for their invaluable contributions and support in our collective endeavor to strengthen democratic governance and federalism, and alleviate regional disparities.

As we embark on the next phase of our democratic journey on the heels of recently held general elections, with Senate polls in the offing, I call upon the nation to join hands in building a prosperous and inclusive future for our great country.

Our perseverance to tide over all enduring and emerging challenges is rooted in our integrity and unity. Only by closing ranks, can we turn adversity into opportunity, ensuring a brighter tomorrow for generations to come.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

(Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani)

### 1.LEGISLATION

### 1.1 Annual Summary of Senate Sessions (Including Joint Sessions)

Annual Summary of Senate Sessions (Including Joint Sessions)							
(From 15-03-2023 to 08-03-2024)							
<b>Total Senate Sessions</b>	10						
Joint Sittings	1						
<b>Number of Working Days</b>	112						
<b>Number of Actual Sittings</b>	62						
Number of Private Member's Days	12						
Maximum Attendance	82 on 30/03/2023						
Minimum Attendance	24 on 29/12/2023						
Average Attendance	55 per session						
Percentage of Attendance	55%						
<b>Total Hours of Sittings</b>	152 Hours 58 Minutes						
<b>Maximum Hours of Sittings</b>	04 Hours 07 Minutes on 13/11/2023						
Minimum Hours of Sittings	05 Minutes on 29/12/2023						
<b>Average Hours Per Sitting</b>	2 Hours 35 Minutes						

### 1.2 Top 10 Members Attendance

Top Ten Members of Senate with Maximum Attendance Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

S.No	Senator Names	Province	Total Attendance
1	Mr. Shahadat Awan	Sindh	63
2.	Mr. Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo	Balochistan	61
3.	Mr. Kamran Murtaza	Balochistan	59
4	Mr. Mushtaq Ahmed	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	58
5	Mst. Abida Muhammad Azeem	Balochistan	58
6	Ms.Falak Naz	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	57

7	Mr. Muhammad Hamayun Mohmand	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	55
8	Ms.Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan	Sindh	55
9	Mr. Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani	Balochistan	54
10	Ms. Nuzhat Sadiq	Punjab	53

# 1.3 Duration of Presiding Time during PY 2023-24

S.N o	Sessi on	Date	Start Time	Adjour ned Time	Durati on	Durati on in Words	Chairm an	Presided by Dy.Chair man	Presidi ng Officer
1	326	15/3/20 23*	11:10: 00 AM	8:20:00 PM	9:10	9 Hours 10 Minute s	9 Hours 10 Minutes		
2	326	16/3/20 23*	8:45:0 o PM	9:06:00 PM	0:21	O Hours 21 Minute s	Hours 10 Minutes		16 Minutes
3	326	17/3/20 23	10:35: 00 AM	11:52:00 AM	1:17	1 Hours 17 Minute s	1 Hours 17 Minutes		
4	327	30/3/20 23	10:35: 00 AM	12:28:00 PM	1:53	1 Hours 53 Minute s	1 Hours 53 Minutes		
5	327	31/3/20 23	10:30: 00 AM	12:32:00 PM	2:02	2 Hours 02 Minute s	2 Hours 02 Minutes		
6	327	3/4/202	11:00: 00 AM	2:15:00 PM	3:15	3 Hours 15 Minute s	2 Hours 06 Minutes	1 Hour 09 Minutes	

7	327	4/4/202	10:32: 00 AM	12:40:00 PM	2:08	2 Hours 08 Minute s	2 Hours 08 Minutes		
8	327	7/4/202 3	10:30: 00 AM	12:26:00 PM	1:56	1 Hours 56 Minute s	2 Hours 46 Minutes		
9	327	10/4/20 23 #	11:00: 00 AM	2:10:00 PM	3:10	3 Hours 10 Minute s	3 Hours 5 Minutes		
10	328	19/4/20 23	2:00:0 0 PM	2:57:00 PM	0:57	O Hours 57 Minute s	o Hours 57 Minutes		
11	329	5/5/202 3	10:30: 00 AM	12:12:00 PM	1:42	1 Hours 42 Minute s	1 Hours 42 Minutes		
12	330	9/6/202	7:46:0 o PM	7:57:00 PM	0:11	O Hours 11 Minute s	o Hours 11 Minutes		
13	330	12/6/20 23	3:10:0 0 PM	5:16:00 PM	2:06	Hours o6 Minute s	1 Hour 30 Minutes		
14	330	13/6/20 23	3:06:0 o PM	6:03:00 PM	2:57	2 Hours 57 Minute s	1 Hour 14 Minutes	1 Hour 43 Minutes	
15	330	15/6/20 23	3:15:0 o PM	7:40:00 PM	4:25	4 Hours 25 Minute s	1 Hour 10 Minutes	3 Hours 15 Minutes	

16	330	16/6/20 23	10:46: 00 AM	12:55:00 PM	2:09	2 Hours 09 Minute s	1 Hour 21 Minutes		
17	330	19/6/20 23	11:33: 00 AM	1:40:00 PM	2:07	Hours 07 Minute s	2 Hours 07 Minutes		
18	331	24/7/20 23	3:15:0 o PM	7:35:00 PM	4:20	4 Hours 20 Minute s	3 Hours	1 Hour 20 Minutes	
19	331	25/7/20 23 #	10:30: 00 AM	11:50:00 AM	1:20	1 Hours 20 Minute s	2 Hours 22 Minutes		
20	331	27/7/20 23	10:35: 00 AM	1:08:00 PM	2:33	Hours 33 Minute s	2 Hours 48 Minutes		
21	331	30/7/20 23	12:10: 00 PM	3:00:00 PM	2:50	Hours 50 Minute s	2 Hours 50 Minutes		
22	331	2/8/202	3:00:0 o PM	7:23:00 PM	4:23	4 Hours 23 Minute s	2 Hours 20 Minutes	2 Hours 03 Minutes	
23	331	4/8/202 3**	10:37: 00 AM	4:52:00 PM	4:33	4 Hours 33 Minute s	4 Hours 33 Minutes		
24	331	6/8/202	12:18: 00 PM	2:48:00 PM	2:30	Hours 30 Minute s	2 Hours 30 Minutes		

25	331	7/8/202	3:17:0 o PM	5:48:00 PM	2:31	2 Hours 31 Minute s	3 Hours 42 Minutes		
26	331	9/8/202	2:07:0 0 PM	4:47:00 PM	2:40	2 Hours 40 Minute s	3 Hours 08 Minutes		
27	332	27/10/2 023	10:46: 00 AM	12:50:00 PM	2:04	Hours 04 Minute s	2 Hours 04 Minutes		
28	332	30/10/2 023	2:30:0 0 PM	4:56:00 PM	2:26	2 Hours 26 Minute s	3 Hours 8 Minutes		
29	332	31/10/2 023	2:35:0 o PM	6:48:00 PM	4:13	4 Hours 13 Minute s	1 Hour 50 Minutes	2 Hours 23 Minutes	
30	332	1/11/202 3	10:30: 00 AM	12:27:00 PM	1:57	1 Hours 57 Minute s	1 Hour 30 Minutes		
31	333	2/11/202	4:05:0 o PM	5:07:00 PM	1:02	1 Hours 02 Minute s	2 Hours 40 Minutes		
32	333	3/11/202	11:00: 00 AM	12:00:00 PM	1:00	1 Hours 00 Minute s	1 Hour 55 Minute		
33	333	6/11/20 23	4:10:0 o PM	5:30:00 PM	1:20	1 Hours 20 Minute s	1 Hours 20 Minutes		
34	333	7/11/202 3	10:34: 00 AM	12:08:00 PM	1:34	1 Hours 34	1 Hours 34 Minutes		

						Minute s			
35	333	10/11/20 23	10:35: 00 AM	12:30:00 PM	1:55	1 Hours 55 Minute s	1 Hours 55 Minutes		
36	333	13/11/20 23	3:08:0 o PM	7:15:00 PM	4:07	4 Hours 07 Minute s	4 Hours 07 Minutes		
<b>3</b> 7	333	14/11/20 23	10:30: 00 AM	10:46:00 AM	0:16	O Hours 16 Minute s	o Hours 16 Minutes		
38	333	17/11/20 23	10:35: 00 AM	10:43:00 AM	0:08	O Hours o8 Minute s	o Hours o8 Minutes		
39	333	20/11/2 023	3:06:0 o PM	6:35:00 PM	3:29	3 Hours 29 Minute s	3 Hours 29 Minutes		
40	333	21/11/20 23	10:33: 00 AM	11:50:00 AM	1:17	1 Hours 17 Minute s	1 Hour 15 Minutes	02 Minutes	
41	333	24/11/2 023	10:30: 00 AM	12:00:00 PM	1:30	1 Hours 30 Minute s	1 Hours 30 Minutes		
42	333	27/11/20 23	3:05:0 o PM	6:25:00 PM	3:20	3 Hours 20 Minute s	3 Hours 20 Minutes		
43	334	26/12/2 023	10:35: 00 AM	11:43:00 AM	1:08	1 Hours 08 Minute s	1 Hours 08 Minutes		

44	334	29/12/2 023	2:30:0 0 PM	2:35:00 PM	0:05	O Hours O5 Minute S	o Hours 05 Minutes		
45	334	1/1/202 4	2:35:0 o PM	5:43:00 PM	3:08	3 Hours o8 Minute s	3 Hours 08 Minutes		
46	334	2/1/202 4	10:32: 00 AM	12:07:00 PM	1:35	1 Hours 35 Minute s	1 Hours 35 Minutes		
47	334	5/1/202 4**	10:33: 00 AM	3:15:00 PM	3:20	3 Hours 20 Minute s	3 Hours 20 Minutes		
48	335	19/2/20 24	3:05:0 o PM	5:24:00 PM	2:19	2 Hours 19 Minute s	2 Hours 19 Minutes		
49	335	20/2/20 24	10:35: 00 AM	1:52:00 PM	3:17	3 Hours 17 Minute s	-	3 Hours 17 Minutes	
50	335	23/2/20 24	10:30: 00 AM	12:00:00 PM	1:30	1 Hours 30 Minute s	-	1 Hours 30 Minutes	
51	335	26/2/20 24	3:20:0 o PM	6:15:00 PM	2:55	2 Hours 55 Minute s	-	2 Hours 10 Minutes	45 Minutes
52	335	27/2/20 24	10:30: 00 AM	12:35:00 PM	2:05	2 Hours 05 Minute s	-	2 Hours 05 Minutes	

53	335	1/3/202 4	10:30: 00 AM	12:40:00 PM	2:10	2 Hours 10 Minute s	-	2 Hours 10 Minutes	
54	335	4/3/202	3:00:0 0 PM	5:55:00 PM	2:55	2 Hours 55 Minute s	-	2 Hours 55 Minutes	
55	335	6/3/202	11:00: 00 AM	12:18:00 PM	1:18	1 Hours 18 Minute s	-	1 Hours 18 Minutes	
56	335	7/3/202	11:10: 00 AM	2:10:00 PM	3:00	3 Hours oo Minute s	-	3 Hours 00 Minutes	
<b>5</b> 7	335	8/3/202 4 **	10:37: 00 AM	1:47:00 PM	3:10	Hours 12 Minute s	-	2 Hours 12 Minutes	
				Total:		136 Hours 05 Minut es	101 Hours 13 Minute s	21 Hours 56 Minutes	1 Hour 01 Minute s

<sup>\*</sup> On 15/3/2023 as Committee of the Whole.

<sup>\*</sup> On 16/3/2023 - From 10:40 A.M to 8:45 PM as Committee of the Whole.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Break of 1 Hour 42 Minutes on 4/8/2023 and 1 Hour 22 Minutes at 05/1/2024 excluded from Total Duration.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Break of 1 Hour on 8/3/2024 excluded from total duration.

<sup>#</sup> Sente and Joint Session on the same dates.

# 1.4 Duration of Presiding Time of Joint Session during Parliamentary year 2023-2024

S.N o	Sessio n	Date	Star t Tim e	Adjourn ed Time	Durati on	Durati on in Words	Speak er	Preside d by Chairm an	Presidi ng Officer
1	Joint	22/3/20 23	5:26 PM	7:56 PM	2:30	2 Hours 30 Minutes	Hours 30 Minute s		
2	Joint	27/3/20 23	4:00 PM	5:38 PM	1:38	1 Hours 38 Minutes	1 Hours 38 Minute s		
3	Joint	10/4/20 23	4:53 PM	6:06 PM	1:13	1 Hours 13 Minutes	1 Hours 13 Minute s		
4	Joint	15/5/20 23	5:00 PM	7:35 PM	2:35	2 Hours 35 Minutes	Hours 35 Minute s		
5	Joint	6/7/202	4:45 PM	7:23 PM	2:38	2 Hours 38 Minutes	Hours 38 Minute s		
6	Joint	25/7/20 23	3:32 PM	5:20 PM	1:48	1 Hours 48 Minutes	1 Hours 48 Minute s		
7	Joint	26/7/20 23	1:53 PM	5:50 PM	3:57	3 Hours 57 Minutes	3 Hours 57 Minute s		
8	Joint	7/8/202 3	1:18 PM	1:52 PM	0:34	o Hours 34 Minutes	O Hours 34 Minute s		

		Total	16:53	16 Hours 53 Minute s	16 Hours 53 Minut es	
		Grand Tot	tal	152 Hours 58 Minute s		

1.5 Statement showing number of senate sessions, dates of summoning and prorogation of the sessions along-with actual sittings and number of working days during the parliamentary year 2023-2024.

S. No	SESSIO N NUMBE R	SUMMONE D ON	PROROG UED ON	ACTUAL SITTING S	NO. OF WORKING DAYS	REMARKS
1.	326 <sup>th</sup>	15-03-2023	17-03-2023	03	03	Special Commemorati ve Session of the Senate (Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Senate).
2.	Joint Sitting	08-02-2023	07-08-2023	*05	*05	Joint Sitting summoned during previous Parliamentary Year. *Joint Sittings held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 27 <sup>th</sup> March, 15 <sup>th</sup> May, 6 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 have been counted while the Joint

						Sitting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> April, 25 <sup>th</sup> July and 7 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023 have not been counted as there were also sitting of the Senate which have been counted.
3.	327 <sup>th</sup>	30-03-2023	10-04-2023	06	12	
4.	328 <sup>th</sup>	19-04-2023	19-04-2023	01	01	Requisitioned session
5.	329 <sup>th</sup>	05-05-2023	05-05-2023	01	01	
6.	330 <sup>th</sup>	09-06-2023	19-06-2023	06	11	
7•	331 <sup>st</sup>	24-07-2023	09-08-2023	09	17	
8.	332 <sup>nd</sup>	27-10-2023	01-11-2023	04	06	Requisitioned session
9.	333 <sup>rd</sup>	02-11-2023	27-11-2023	12	26	
10.	334 <sup>th</sup>	26-12-2023	05-01-2024	05	11	
11.	335 <sup>th</sup>	19-02-2023	08-03-2024	10	19	
			Total: -	62		112 Days

# 1.5 SENATE SESSIONS

<b>Total Senate Sessions</b>	10
Joint Sittings	1
Number of working days	112
Number of actual sittings	62
Number of Private Members' days	12

# 1.6 Statement of Private Members' days During the Parliamentary year 2023-2024. (12 sittings)

SL. NO.	SESSION NUMBER	DATES OF SITTINGS
1.	326 <sup>th</sup>	Nil
2.	<b>32</b> 7 <sup>th</sup>	03-04-2023 (Monday) 10-04-2023 (Monday)
3.	328 <sup>th</sup>	Nil
4.	329 <sup>th</sup>	Nil
5.	330 <sup>th</sup>	Nil
6.	331 <sup>st</sup>	24-07-2023 (Monday) 07-08-2023 (Monday)
7•	332 <sup>nd</sup>	Nil
8.	333 <sup>rd</sup>	06-11-2023 (Monday) 13-11-2023 (Monday) 20-11-2023 (Monday) 27-11-2023 (Monday)
9.	334 <sup>th</sup>	01-01-2024 (Monday)
10.	335 <sup>th</sup>	19-02-2024 (Monday) 26-02-2024 (Monday) 04-03-2024 (Monday)

#### 1.7 LEGISLATION AT A GLANCE

During the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024, the Senate of Pakistan continued to play its significant role as the prime legislative body. The summary of the legislative business transacted by the Senate of Pakistan is as follows: -

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION	
Ordinances laid before the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	01
Government Bills introduced in the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 (including one Ordinance laid first in the Senate and treated as Bill introduced in the Senate).	14
Government Bills introduced in the Senate and passed by the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	10
Government Bills introduced in the Senate and pending with the Standing Committees.	03
Government Bills introduced in the Senate and pending for consideration.	01
Money Bills received from the National Assembly (including one Private Member's Bill).	03
Government Bills received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	34
Government Bills received from the National Assembly and passed by Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 (including seven Bills received during the previous Parliamentary Year 2022-2023).	39
Government Bills received from the National Assembly during 2022-2023 but not passed by the Senate within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the House and returned to the National Assembly.	05
Government Bills received from the National Assembly during 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 and passed in Joint Sitting.	06
Government Bills received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 which were lapsed and returned to the National Assembly on its dissolution.	02
Government Bills received from the National Assembly during 2023-2024 and pending for consideration.	Nil

Government Bills received from the National Assembly during 2023-2024 and rejected.	Nil
Government Bills received from the National Assembly during 2023-2024 and pending with the Standing Committees.	Nil
Private Members' Bills introduced in the Senate during Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	99
Private Members' Bills introduced in the Senate and passed by the Senate during Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	29
Private Member's Bill passed by the Senate but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of its laying on the Table of the Assembly and referred to Joint Sitting.	01
Private Members' Bills passed by the Senate but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the Assembly which were passed in Joint Sitting and made Acts.	03
Private Members' Bills introduced in the Senate and pending with the Committees.	53
Private Member's Bill introduced in the Senate and pending with the Select Committee.	01
Private Members' Bills introduced in the Senate and withdrawn.	01
Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly during Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	46
Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly and passed by Senate. (Including one Bill received during the Parliamentary Year 2022-2023).	18
Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly but not passed by the Senate within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the House and returned to the National Assembly.	03
Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly but not passed by the Senate within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the House which were passed in Joint Sitting and made Acts.	04
Private Member's Bill received from the National Assembly and rejected.	01

Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 which were lapsed and returned to the National Assembly on its dissolution.	31
Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly and pending with the Standing Committees.	Nil
Statutory Reports laid in the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.	10

# 1.8 Ordinances Laid Before The Senate During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

The following one Ordinance was laid before the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE ORDINANCE	LAID ON
1.	The National Accountability (Amendment) Ordinance, 2023. (Ordinance No. I of 2023)	02-11-2023

### 1.9 Government Bills Introduced in The Senate During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

The following fourteen Government Bills were introduced in the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 (including one Ordinance laid first in the Senate and treated as Bill introduced in the Senate): -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	INTRODUCED ON
1.	The National University of Pakistan Bill, 2023.	30-03-2023
2.	The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	16-06-2023
3.	The Toshakhana (Management and Regulation) Bill, 2023.	25-07-2023
4.	The One Stop Service Bill, 2023.	25-07-2023
5.	The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023
6.	The Cantonments (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023

7•	The Defence Housing Authority Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023
8.	The Board of Investment (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023
9.	The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
10.	The Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
11.	The Federal Public Service Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-08-2023
12.	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Ordinance No. I of 2023)	02-11-2023
13.	The Banking Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
14.	The Deposit Protection Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024

# 1.10 Government Bills Introduced in Senate and Passed by The Senate During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

The following ten Government Bills introduced in the Senate were also passed by the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	PASSED ON
1.	The National University of Pakistan Bill, 2023.	07-04-2023
2.	The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	16-06-2023
3.	The Defence Housing Authority Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023
4.	The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023
5.	The Cantonments (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023
6.	The Board of Investment (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-07-2023

7•	The Toshakhana (Management and Regulation) Bill, 2023.	30-07-2023
8.	The Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Conversion) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-08-2023
9	The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-08-2023
10.	The Federal Public Service Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023

# 1.11 Government Bills Introduced in The Senate and Pending with The Standing Committees

The following three Government Bills introduced in the Senate are pending with the Standing Committees concerned: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	INTRODUCED ON
1.	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Ordinance No. I of 2023)	02-11-2023
2.	The Banking Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
3.	The Deposit Protection Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024

# **1.12** Government Bill Introduced in The Senate and Pending for Consideration

One Government Bill introduced in the Senate is pending for consideration in the House: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENTED ON
1.	The One Stop Service Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023

# 1.13 Money Bills Received from The National Assembly During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

The following three Money Bills (including one Private Member's Bill) were received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	RECEIVED ON
1.	The Charged Sums for General Election (Provincial	10-04-2023
	Assemblies of the Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) Bill,	
	2023.	
2.	The Chairman and Speaker (Salaries, Allowances and	25-05-2023
	Privileges) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	
	(Mr. Mohammad Aslam Bhootani, MNA)	
3.	The Finance Bill, 2023.	09-06-2023

# 1.14 Government bills received from the National assembly during the parliamentary year 2023-2024

The following thirty four Government Bills were received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL.	TITLE OF THE BILL	RECEIVED ON
1	The Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Bill, 2023.	29-03-2023
2	The Lawyers Welfare and Protection Bill, 2023.	29-03-2023
3	The Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	31-03-2023
4	The Emigration (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	31-03-2023
5	The Private Power and Infrastructure Board (Amendment), Bill, 2023.	31-03-2023
6	The Kalam Bibi International Women Institute Bannu Bill, 2023.	05-04-2023
7	The Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	17-04-2023
8	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	17-04-2023
9	The Hajj and Umrah (Regulation) Bill, 2023.	18-04-2023

10	The Trade Marks (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-05-2023
11	The National Skills University Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	25-05-2023
12	The NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology Multan (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	26-05-2023
13	The Pakistan Ruet-e-Hilal Bill, 2023.	26-06-2023
14	The Pakistan Airports Authority Bill, 2023.	21-07-2023
15	The Pakistan Civil Aviation Bill, 2023.	21-07-2023
16	The Pakistan Air Safety Investigations Bill, 2023.	28-07-2023
17	The Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences and Technology, Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	01-08-2023
18	The Pakistan Sovereign Wealth Fund Bill, 2023.	01-08-2023
19	The Official Secrets (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	01-08-2023
20	The National Commission for Human Development (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	01-08-2023
21	The Gas (Theft and Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
22	The Zakat and Ushr (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
23	The Press Council of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
24	The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
25	The Apostille Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
26	The National Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Financing of Terrorism Authority Bill, 2023.	03-08-2023
<b>2</b> 7	The Gun and Country Club Bill, 2023.	03-08-2023
28	The National Logistics Corporation Bill, 2023.	03-08-2023
29	The Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	03-08-2023

30	The Press, Newspapers, News Agencies and Books Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	03-08-2023
31	The Federal Prosecution Service Bill, 2023.	08-08-2023
32	The National Commission for Minorities Bill, 2023.	08-08-2023
33	The Price Control and Prevention of Profiteering and Hoarding (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	08-08-2023
34	The Islamabad Nature Conservation and Wildlife Management Bill, 2023.	08-08-2023

# 1.15 Government Bills Received from The National Assembly and Passed by The Senate During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.

The following thirty nine Government Bills received from the National Assembly were also passed by the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 (including seven Bills received during the previous Parliamentary Year 2022-2023): -

SL.	TITLE OF BILL	PASSED ON
1	The Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Bill, 2023.	30-03-2023
2	The Lawyers Welfare and Protection Bill, 2023.	30-03-2023
3	The Inter Boards Coordination Commission Bill, 2023.	30-03-2023
4	The Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-04-2023
5	The Publication of the Holy Quran (Elimination of Printing and Recording Errors) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	07-04-2023
6	The Federal Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	07-04-2023
7	The Pir Roshaan Institute of Progressive Sciences and Technologies Miranshah Bill, 2023.	07-04-2023
8	The Pakistan Maritime Zones Bill, 2023.	19-04-2023

9	The Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	19-04-2023
10	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	19-04-2023
11	The Private Power and Infrastructure Board (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	05-05-2023
12	The Kalam Bibi International Women Institute Bannu Bill, 2023.	05-05-2023
13	The NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology Multan (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
14	The Trade Organizations (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
15	The Pakistan Airports Authority Bill, 2023.	30-07-2023
16	The National Commission for Human Development (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
17	The Pakistan Air Safety Investigations Bill, 2023	02-08-2023
18	The Pakistan Civil Aviation Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
19	The Pakistan Sovereign Wealth Fund Bill, 2023.	02-08-2023
20	The Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
21	The Pakistan Ruet-e-Hilal Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
22	The National Skills University Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
23	The Trade Marks (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
24	The Gas (Theft and Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
25	The Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences and Technology, Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
26	The Emigration (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
<b>2</b> 7	The Press Council of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023

28	The Press, Newspapers, News Agencies and Books Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
29	The Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
30	The National Logistics Corporation Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
31	The Gun and Country Club Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
32	The National Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Financing of Terrorism Authority Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
33	The Hajj and Umrah (Regulation) Bill, 2023.	04-08-2023
34	The Official Secrets (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-08-2023
35	The Zakat and Ushr (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-08-2023
36	The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023
37	The Islamabad Nature Conservation and Wildlife Management Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023
38	The Price Control and Prevention of Profiteering and Hoarding (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023
39	The Federal Prosecution Service Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023

### 1.16 Government Bills Received from The National Assembly During Parliamentary Year 2022-2023 But Not Passed Within Ninety Days

The following five Government Bills were received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2022-2023 but not passed by the Senate within ninety days and returned to the National Assembly

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	RETURNED TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON
1.	The Qanun-e-Shahadat (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	17-03-2023
2.	The Industrial Relations (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	20-04-2023

3.	The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	26-04-2023
4.	The Petroleum (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	04-07-2023
5.	The Trade Dispute Resolution Bill, 2023.	04-07-2023

### 1.17 Government Bills Received from The National Assembly During 2022-23 and 2023-24 Which Were Passed in Joint Sitting

The following six Government Bills received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 were passed in Joint Sitting: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	PASSED ON
1.	The Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Bill, 2023.	10-04-2023
2.	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	15-05-2023
3.	The Petroleum (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	25-07-2023
4	The Qanun-e-Shahadat (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	25-07-2023
5.	The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	25-07-2023
6.	The Trade Dispute Resolution Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023

### 1.18 Government Bills Received from The National Assembly During 2023-2024 Which Were Lapsed and Returned to The National Assembly on Its Dissolution

The following two Government Bills received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 were lapsed and returned to the National Assembly on its dissolution: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	RETURNED TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON
1.	The Apostille Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
2.	The National Commission for Minorities Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023

# 1.19 Private Members' Bills Introduced in The Senate During the Parliamentary year 2023-2024.

The following ninety-nine Private Members' Bills were introduced in the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

Sr. No.	TITLE OF THE BILLS AND MOVER(S)	INTRODUCED/ REFERRED ON	
	Senator Shahadat Awan (24)		
1.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Amendment of section 9)	06-11-2023	
2.	The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
3.	The National Security Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
4.	The Limited Liability Partnership (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
5.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Charities Registration, Regulation and Facilitation (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
6.	The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
7•	The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
8.	The Pakistan Names and Emblems (Prevention of Unauthorised Use) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	13-11-2023	
9.	The Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	13-11-2023	
10.	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024	
11.	The Fatal Accidents (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024	
12.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of section 22)	01-01-2024	

13.	The Service Tribunals (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of section 4).	01-01-2024
14.	The General Clauses (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
15.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Insertion of new sections 59A, 431A, amendment of sections 154 and 431 in Schedule II of Cr.PC).	01-01-2024
16.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Insertion of new section 297A in the PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule II of Cr.PC).	01-01-2024
17.	The Service Tribunals (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of section 3).	01-01-2024
18.	The Pakistan Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
19.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Watersides Safety Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
20.	The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
21.	The Pakistan Nursing Council (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
22.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of sections 292, 293 and 294 of PPC and subsequent amendments in Schedule II of Cr.PC).	01-01-2024
23.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Amendment of sections 513 and 514 of Cr.PC).	01-01-2024
24.	The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	19-02-2024
	Senator Sania Nishtar (08)	
25.	The Pakistan Opportunistic Screening and Treatment of Hypertension Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023

26.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023. <b>(Substitution of Article 140A)</b>	24-07-2023
27.	The Rehribaan (Street Vendors) Livelihood Protection Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
28.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Amendment of Article 84)	07-08-2023
29.	The Pakistan Ehsaas Targeted Subsidies (Riayat) Programme Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023
30.	The Pakistan Emergency Treatment Coverage Programme Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023
31.	The Universal Health Coverage Bill, 2024.	26-02-2024
32.	The Pakistan Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2024.	04-03-2024
	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri (06)	
33.	The Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	10-04-2023
34.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Insertion of new section 376B in PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule-II of Cr.PC.)	10-04-2023
35.	The Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	27-11-2023
36.	The Prevention of Electronic Crimes (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
37.	The Prevention and Control of Human Trafficking (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024
38.	The Guardians and Wards (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024

Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani (05)			
39.	The National Commission on the Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	03-04-2023	
40.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Injured Persons (Medical Aid) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023	
41.	The Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023	
42.	The Injured Persons (Medical Aid) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
43.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Protection of Breast-Feeding and Child Nutrition Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
	Senator Fawzia Arshad (05)		
44.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Omission of section 124A of PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule II of Cr.PC.)	07-08-2023	
45.	The National Database and Registration Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
46.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Substitution of section 289 of PPC and subsequent amendment in schedule II of Cr.PC.)	20-11-2023	
47•	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Amendment of sections 84, 89, 90, 98, 108, 306, 308, 310, 313, 337M, 337O, 361, 376A, 464 and 491 of the PPC 1860, amendment of sections 198, 199, 199A, 345, 468, 470, 471, 473, 474, 475 and substitution of sections 464, 465, 466, 469 and entries relating thereto in Scheduled II of Cr. PC, 1898 and amendment of Articles 2, 59, 121 of the Qanun-e-Shahadat, 1984).	01-01-2024	

48.	The International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences Bill, 2024.	19-02-2024
Senator Mohsin Aziz (05)		
49.	The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	04-03-2024
50.	The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	04-03-2024
51.	The Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of sections 2, 33Q, insertion of new sections 23B to 23D and 24B to 24F in the Factories Act, 1934).	04-03-2024
52.	The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of section 376 of PPC).	04-03-2024
53.	The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Bill, 2024.	04-03-2024
	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad (04)	
54•	The Pakistan Institute of Management, Sciences and Technology Bill, 2023	24-07-2023
55•	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Insertion of Articles 100A and 140A)	24-07-2023
56.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Amendment of Article 142)	24-07-2023
<b>5</b> 7•	The Prevention of Electronic Crimes (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi (04)		
58.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Amendment of section 182 of PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule II of Cr.PC)	24-07-2023
59.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Students Unions Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
60.	The Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023

61.	The State-Owned Enterprises (Governance and Operations) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	20-11-2023	
	Senator Mushtaq Ahmed (03)		
62.	The Toshakhana (Maintenance, Administration and Regulation) Bill, 2023.	03-04-2023	
63.	The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023	
64.	The Khunsa (Intersex) Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023	
	Senator Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan (	(02)	
65.	The Rain Water Harvesting Facility in Urban Areas Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023	
66.	The Cutting of Trees (Prohibition) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023	
	Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur (	(02)	
67.	The Right of Access to Information (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	20-11-2023	
68	The National Occupational Health and Safety Bill, 2023.	27-11-2023	
	Senator Khalida Ateeb (02)		
69.	The Equal Scales of Salary and Allowances Bill, 2024.	26-02-2024	
70.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Substitution of Article 140A and Amendment of Article 160)	26-02-2024	
Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah (01)			
71.	The Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023	

Senator Hidayat Ullah (01)		
72.	The Horizon University Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
	Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand	(01)
73.	The Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
	Senator Sajid Mir (01)	
74.	The Imam Bukhari International Islamic Institute Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
	Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi (01)	
75.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
	Senator Umer Farooq (01)	
76.	The University of Innovation and Technology Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
	Senator Fida Muhammad (01)	
77•	The Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir (01)		
78.	The Islamabad University of Communication and Emerging Sciences Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
Senator Mian Raza Rabbani (01)		
79.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Omission of section 124A and entries	13-11-2023

relating thereto in Schedule II of the Code of
Criminal Procedure, 1898.)

Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Mian Raza Rabbani, Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Dilawar Khan, Farooq Hamid Naek, Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Atta-ur-Rehman, Mohammad Abdul Qadir, Hafiz Abdul Karim, Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition, Zeeshan Khan Zada, Fawzia Arshad, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Hidayatullah Khan, Saeed Ahmed Hashmi, Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, Muhammad Akram, Fida Muhammad, Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani, Saifullah Abro, Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai, Danesh Kumar, Rana Mahmood ul Hassan, Falak Naz, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Seemee Ezdi, Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, Keshoo Bai, Bahramand Khan Tangi, Abida Muhammad Azeem, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Nuzhat Sadiq, Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan, Taj Haider, Hillal ur Rehman, Rubina Khalid, Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee, Khalida Ateeb and Anwar Lal Dean (03)

Milailua	Aleeb and Anwar Lai Dean (03)	
80.	The Members of Senate (Salaries and Allowances) Bill, 2023	16-06-2023
81.	The Chairman Senate (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Bill, 2023.	16-06-2023
82.	The Deputy Chairman Senate (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Bill, 2023.	16-06-2023
	Senators Dilawar Khan and Naseebullah Baz	zai (02)
83.	The Smart Institute of Sciences and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	20-11-2023
84.	The Federal Institute of Management Sciences Bill, 2023.	27-11-2023
Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Naseebullah Bazai, Sana Jamali and Danesh Kumar (02)		
85.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of Article 51).	01-01-2024

86.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of Article 106).	01-01-2024
Senators Samina Mumtaz Zehri and Mushtaq Ahmed (01)		
87.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Insertion of new sections 52B, 52C, 52D, 348A, 348B and 348C in PPC and subsequent amendments in Schedule-II of Cr.PC).	
Senato	rs Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan and Bahram (01)	and Khan Tangi
88.	The Premier Institute of Advance Studies Bill, 2023.	24-07-2023
S	enators Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan and Kamra (01)	n Murtaza
89.	The Pakistan Animal Science Council Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
Sei	nators Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah and Naseel (01)	bullah Bazai
90.	The Rahim Jan University Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
Senato	rs Faisal Saleem Rehman, Dilawar Khan, Manz Hidayat Ullah (01)	zoor Ahmed and
91.	The Export Processing Zones Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	03-04-2023
Senator	rs Kamran Murtaza, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Ha Muhammad and Atta-ur-Rehman (01)	
92.	The Societies Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	07-08-2023
Senators Zeeshan Khan Zada, Faisal Saleem Rehman and Mohammad Abdul Qadir (01)		
93.	The Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	06-11-2023
Senators Naseebullah Bazai, Faisal Saleem Rehman and Kauda Babar (01)		
94.	The Banking Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	13-11-2023
	Senators Kauda Babar and Naseebullah Baz	ai (01)
95.	The National Excellence Institute Bill, 2024.	01-01-2024

	Senators Manzoor Ahmed and Dilawar Kha	n (01)	
96.	The Falcon University of Sciences and Technology Bill, 2024.	19-02-2024	
S	Senators Mohammad Abdul Qadir and Dilawar Khan (01)		
97•	The Pakistan Minerals Regulatory Authority Bill, 2024.	19-02-2024	
Senators Mohammad Abdul Qadir and Kauda Babar (01)			
98.	The Aliz Institute of Arts and Sciences Bill, 2024.	26-02-2024	
Senators Fawzia Arshad, Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan and Umer Farooq (01)			
99.	The Wapda University Islamabad Bill, 2024.	26-02-2024	

# 1.20 Private Members' Bills Introduced in Senate and Passed by The Senate During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.

The following twenty-nine Private Members' Bills introduced in the Senate were passed by the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL.	TITLE OF THE BILLS AND MOVER (S)	PASSED ON
1.	The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	03-04-2023
2.	The National Disaster Management (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Seemee Ezdi)	10-04-2023
3.	The Export Processing Zones Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Senators Faisal Saleem Rehman, Dilawar Khan, Manzoor Ahmed and Hidayat Ullah)	10-04-2023
4.	The Pakistan Environmental Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Senator Seemee Ezdi)	10-04-2023

5.	The Members of Senate (Salaries and Allowances) Bill, 2023.  (Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Mian Raza Rabbani, Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Dilawar Khan, Farooq Hamid Naek, Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Atta-ur-Rehman, Mohammad Abdul Qadir, Hafiz Abdul Karim, Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition, Zeeshan Khan Zada, Fawzia Arshad, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Hidayatullah Khan, Saeed Ahmed Hashmi, Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, Muhammad Akram, Fida Muhammad, Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani, Saifullah Abro, Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai, Danesh Kumar, Rana Mahmood ul Hassan, Falak Naz, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Seemee Ezdi, Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, Keshoo Bai, Bahramand Khan Tangi, Abida Muhammad Azeem, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Nuzhat Sadiq, Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan, Taj Haider, Hillal ur Rehman, Rubina Khalid, Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee, Khalida Ateeb and Anwar Lal Dean).	16-06-2023
6.	The Chairman Senate (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Bill, 2023. (Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Mian Raza Rabbani, Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Dilawar Khan, Farooq Hamid Naek, Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Atta-ur- Rehman, Mohammad Abdul Qadir, Hafiz Abdul Karim, Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition, Zeeshan Khan Zada, Fawzia Arshad, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Hidayatullah Khan, Saeed Ahmed Hashmi, Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, Muhammad Akram, Fida Muhammad, Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani, Saifullah Abro, Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai, Danesh Kumar, Rana Mahmood ul Hassan, Falak Naz, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Seemee Ezdi, Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, Keshoo Bai, Bahramand Khan Tangi, Abida Muhammad Azeem, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Nuzhat Sadiq, Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan, Taj Haider, Hillal ur	16-06-2023

	Rehman, Rubina Khalid, Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee, Khalida Ateeb and Anwar Lal Dean).	
7.	The Deputy Chairman Senate (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Bill, 2023. (Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Mian Raza Rabbani, Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Dilawar Khan, Farooq Hamid Naek, Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Atta-ur-Rehman, Mohammad Abdul Qadir, Hafiz Abdul Karim, Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition, Zeeshan Khan Zada, Fawzia Arshad, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Hidayatullah Khan, Saeed Ahmed Hashmi, Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, Muhammad Akram, Fida Muhammad, Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani, Saifullah Abro, Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai, Danesh Kumar, Rana Mahmood ul Hassan, Falak Naz, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Seemee Ezdi, Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, Keshoo Bai, Bahramand Khan Tangi, Abida Muhammad Azeem, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Nuzhat Sadiq, Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan, Taj Haider, Hillal ur Rehman, Rubina Khalid, Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee, Khalida Ateeb and Anwar Lal Dean).	16-06-2023
8.	The Pakistan Institute of Management, Sciences and Technology Bill, 2023 (Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad)	24-07-2023
9.	The Horizon University Bill, 2023. (Senator Hidayat Ullah)	24-07-2023
10.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi)	07-08-2023
11.	The Prime University of Nursing, Sciences and Technology (PUNST) Islamabad Bill, 2023.  (Senator Naseebullah Bazai).	07-08-2023
12.	The Rahim Jan University Bill, 2023. (Senators Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah and Naseebullah Bazai).	09-08-2023

13.	The Falcon University of Sciences and Technology Bill, 2024. (Senators Dilawar Khan and Manzoor Ahmed) (Not referred to the Standing Committee)	19-02-2024
14.	The International Islamic University (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Senator Mushtaq Ahmed)  (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	19-02-2024
15.	The Pharmacy (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Senator Mushtaq Ahmed)  (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	19-02-2024
16.	The Christian Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Senator Kamran Michael)  (Passed as amended by the House)	26-02-2024
17.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (substitution of section 277 of PPC and subsequent and amendment in schedule II of Cr.PC) (Senator Seemee Ezdi) (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	26-02-2024
18.	The Easements (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Seemee Ezdi) (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	26-02-2024
19.	The Injured Persons (Medical Aid) (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani)  (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	26-02-2024
20.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Insertion of new sections 52B, 52C and 52D, 348A, 348B, and 348C in PPC and subsequent amendments of Scheduled-II of CR.PC.) (Senators Mushtaq Ahmed and Samina Mumtaz Zehri) (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	26-02-2024
21.	The Federal Institute of Management Sciences Bill, 2024. (Senators Dilawar Khan and Naseebullah Bazai)	26-02-2024
22.	The Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology Bill, 2024. (Senator Fida Muhammad)	26-02-2024
23.	The Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	04-03-2024

24.	The Pakistan Emergency Treatment Coverage Programme	04-03-2024
	Bill, 2024. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	
	(Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	
25.	The Pakistan Opportunistic Screening and Treatment of Hypertension Bill, 2024. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	04-03-2024
26.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Protection of Breast-Feeding and Child Nutrition Bill, 2024.  (Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani)  (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	04-03-2024
27.	The International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences Bill, 2024. (Senator Fawzia Arshad)	04-03-2024
28.	The National Database and Registration Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2024.  (Senator Fawzia Arshad)  (Passed as reported by the Standing Committee)	04-03-2024
29.	The National Excellence Institute Bill, 2024.  (Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Naseebullah Bazai and Sana Jamali)	04-03-2024

# 1.21 Private Member's Bill Passed by The Senate but Not Passed by The National Assembly Within Ninety Days and Referred to Joint Sitting

The following one Private Member's Bill passed by the Senate but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of its laying on the Table of the Assembly was referred to Joint Sitting: -

SL.	TITLE OF THE BILL AND MOVER	REFERRED
NO		ON
1.	The Islamabad Women University Islamabad Bill,	09-08-2023
	2021.	
	(Senator Seemee Ezdi)	

# 1.22 Private Members' Bills Passed by The Senate but Not Passed by The National Assembly Within Ninety Days Which Were Passed in Joint Sitting and Made Act.

The following three Private Member's Bills passed by the Senate but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the Assembly were passed in Joint Sitting and made Acts: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE ACT AND MOVER (S)	PASSED IN JOINT SITTING ON
1.	The Day Care Centres Act, 2023. (XXVIII of 2023) (Senator Quratulain Marri)	15-05-2023
2.	The Trained Paramedical Staff Facility Act, 2023. (XXX of 2023) (Senator Quratulain Marri)	15-05-2023
3.	The Maternity and Paternity Leave Act, 2023. (XXXI of 2023) (Senator Quratulain Marri)	15-05-2023

# 1.23 Private Members' Bills Introduced in The Senate and Pending with The Standing Committees Concerned

The following fifty-three Private Members' Bills introduced in the Senate are pending with the Standing Committees concerned: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE BILLS  STANDING COMMITTEE	INTRODUCED/ REFERRED ON ON LAW AND JUS	REMARKS STICE
1.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019. (Senators Bahramand Khan Tangi, Rubina Khalid, Imamuddin Shouqeen, Anwar Lal Dean, Keshoo Bai and Mushtaq Ahmed)	02-09-2019	Amendment of Articles 1, 51, 59, 106, 175A, 198 and 218 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
2.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021. (Senators Saadia Abbasi and Mushahid Hussain Sayed)	27-09-2021	Insertion of Article 25B in the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

3.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021. (Senators Kauda Babar, Dilawar Khan, Ahmed Khan, Hidayat Ullah and Naseebullah Bazai)	27-09-2021	Amendment of Articles 63A, 64 and 160 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
4.	The Constitution (Amendment), Bill, 2021. (Senator Mushtaq Ahmed)	15-11-2021	Amendment of Article 37 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
5.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan)	17-01-2022	Amendment of Articles 1, 51, 59, 106, 154, 175A, 198 and 218 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
6.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah).	07-02-2022	Amendment of Articles 1, 51, 59, 106, 154, 175A, 198 and 218 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
7•	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Mushtaq Ahmad)	30-05-2022	Amendment of Articles 9 and 10 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
8.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Mushtaq Ahmad)	30-05-2022	Amendment of Article 198 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
9.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan)	03-10-2022	Amendment of Article 62 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
10.	The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Fawzia Arshad)	30-01-2023	The work-load of cases before the highest judiciary, with the current composition of the said Court, it has

			become difficult to conclude cases and pronounce prompt judgments in efficient and effective manner Hence, this amendment has proposed increase in number of Judges and also ensures reservation of seats for women judges in the Supreme Court of Pakistan.
11.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi)	30-01-2023	Amendment of Article 160 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
12.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani)	13-02-2023	Amendment of Articles 62 and 63 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
13.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	07-08-2023	Amendment of Article 84 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
14.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Naseebullah Bazai, Sana Jamali and Danesh Kumar)	01-01-2024	Amendment of Article 51 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
15.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senators Kauda Babar, Manzoor Ahmed, Naseebullah Bazai, Sana Jamali and Danesh Kumar)	01-01-20024	Amendment of Article 106 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
16.	The General Clauses (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Insertion of new section 5B in the General Clauses Act, 1897 (X of 1897).

17.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Khalida Ateeb	26-02-2024	Substitution of Article 140A and amendment of Article 160 of the Constitution.
	STANDING COMMI	ITEE ON INTERIC	DR
18.	The Rehribaan (Street Vendors) Livelihood Protection Bill, 2023. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	07-08-2023	To provide for the regulation of street Vending at public spaces in the cities for the protection of Street Vendors' livelihood.
19.	The Prevention of Electronic Crimes (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri)	01-01-2024	Amendment of sections 22 and 42 of the Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016.
20.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Fawzia Arshad)	01-01-2024	Amendment of sections 84, 89, 90, 98, 108, 306, 308, 310, 313, 337M, 337O, 361, 376A, 464 and 491 of the PPC 1860, amendment of sections 198, 199, 199A, 345, 468, 470, 471, 473, 474, 475 and substitution of sections 464, 465, 466, 469 in scheduled II of Cr PC, 1898 and amendment of Articles 2, 59, 121 of the Qanun-e-Shahadat, 1984.
21.	The Fatal Accidents (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Amendment of sections 1, 2, insertion of new sections 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D and Omission of section 4 of the Fatal

			Accidents Act, 1855 (XIII of 1855).
22.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Insertion of new sections 59A, 431A, amendment of sections 154 and 431 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.
23.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Watersides Safety Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	New Law.
24.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Amendment of sections 513 and 514 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.
25.	The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	04-03-2024	Substitution of section 100 of the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965.
26.	The Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	04-03-2024	(Amendment of sections 2, 33Q, insertion of new sections 23B to 23D and 24B to 24F in the Factories Act, 1934).
27.	The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	04-03-2024	Amendment of section 376 of the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860.
28.	The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	04-03-2024	Substitution of section 6 of the Payment of Wages Act, 1936.
	STANDING COMMITTE	E ON HUMAN RIG	HTS
29.	The National Commission on the Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	20-02-2023	Amendments are proposed to inspect institutions where children are housed,

	(Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur)		promoting the incorporation of child rights in the school curriculum, preparing and publishing an annual database of child rights violations, and including the number of cases filed in police stations and the action taken.
30.	The Khunsa (Intersex) Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2023. (Senator Mushtaq Ahmed)	07-08-2023	To provide for protection, relief and rehabilitation of rights of the Khunsa person and their welfare.
31.	The Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi)	06-11-2023	Amendment of sections 4, 5 and 6 of the Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929.
	STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFO	ORMATION AND B	BROADCASTING
32.	The Right of Access to Information (Amendment) Bill, 2020. (Senators Walid Iqbal and Manzoor Ahmed)	25-01-2021	Amendment of section 2 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017.
33.	The Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Saleem Mandviwalla)	31-01-2022	Amendment of sections 2, 12 substitution of sections 13 and 14 and insertion of new sections 14A, 16A, 16B, 20A to 20P in the Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals Act, 2021 (XXIII of 2021).
34.	The Right of Access to Information (Amendment) Bill, 2023.	20-11-2023	Amendment of long title, preamble, section

	(Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur)		5 and substitution of section 16 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017.	
	STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANN INITIA	IING, DEVELOPMI ATIVES	ENT AND SPECIAL	
35.	The China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2021. (Senator Mian Raza Rabbani)	12-07-2021	Amendment of sections 3, 4, 10, 12, 13 and 16, substitution of sections 5, 6, 7, 24 and 25 and insertion of new sections 7A, 7B and 7C in the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act, 2021.	
36.	The China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir)	07-02-2022	The amendments in this Act provide for prescribing public and political representation in the Federal Government Authority, so that it reflects and represents the provincial diversity.	
STAI	NDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL CO-ORD	HEALTH SERVICE	ES, REGULATIONS AND	
37•	The Universal Health Coverage Bill, 2024. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	26-02-2024	New Law.	
	STANDING COMMITTEE ON CABINET SECRETARIAT			
38.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Amendment of section 22 of the Civil Servants Act, 1973.	

39.	The Service Tribunals (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Amendment of section 4 of the Service Tribunals Act, 1973.
40.	The Pakistan Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	01-01-2024	Amendment of section 15 of the Pakistan Commissions of Inquiry Act, 2017.
41.	The Pakistan Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2024. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	04-03-2024	New Law.
S	STANDING COMMITTEE ON FEDERA TRAI	AL EDUCATION AN NING	ND PROFESSIONAL
42.	The National Excellence Institute Bill, 2024. (Senators Kauda Babar and Naseebullah Bazai)	01-01-2024	New law for the establishment of the National Excellence Institute at Islamabad.
43.	The Wapda University Islamabad Bill, 2024. (Senators Fawzia Arshad, Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan and Umer Farooq	26-02-2024	New Law.
44.	The Aliz Institute of Arts and Sciences Bill, 2024. (Senators Mohammad Abdul Qadir and Kauda Babar)	26-02-2024	New Law.
S	TANDING COMMITTEE ON POVERT	Y ALLEVIATION A	ND SOCIAL SAFETY
45.	The Pakistan Ehsaas Targeted Subsidies (Riayat) Programme Bill, 2023. (Senator Sania Nishtar)	06-11-2023	New Law for the establishment of the Pakistan Ehsaas Targeted Subsidies (Riayat) Programme.
46.	The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Shahadat Awan)	19-02-2024	Amendment of sections 4, 5, 11, 14, 20 and insertion of new section 25 in the

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			Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal		
			Act, 1992		
	STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERNCE				
47•	The Copyright (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Senator Faisal Javed)	16-01-2023	The amendments aims at empowering the Copyright Board to fix the royalties for licensing and assignment of work.		
	STANDING COMMITTEE ON	SCIENCE AND TE	CHNOLOGY		
48.	The Pakistan Halal Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur	30-01-2023	Amendments are proposed in order to signify and specifically delineate the role and functions of an accredited halal certification body and have proposed certain definition items in order to make it more comprehensive.		
	STANDING COMMITTEE ON INI	FORMATION TECH	HNOLOGY AND		
49.	The Personal Data Protection Bill, 2023. (Senator Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan)	13-02-2023	Bill ensures that any personal data shall be only by lawful and fair means from an individual and must be used or disclosed for the purposes for which it was collected.		

STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY AND RESEARCH			
50.	The Pakistan Animal Science Council Bill, 2023. (Senators Rana Mahmood ul Hassan and Kamran Murtaza)	07-08-2023	To constitute the Pakistan Animal Science Council.
	STANDING COMMITTEE O	N FINANCE AND I	REVENUE
51.	The Equal Scales of Salary and Allowances Bill, 2024. (Senator Khalida Ateeb)	26-02-2024	New Law.
52.	The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Senator Mohsin Aziz)	04-03-2024	Insertion of new section 36A in the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.
STANDING COMMITTEE ON PETROLEUM			
53.	The Pakistan Minerals Regulatory Authority Bill, 2024. (Senators Mohammad Abdul Qadir and Dilawar Khan)	19-02-2024	New Law

# 1.24 Private Member's Bill Introduced in The Senate and Pending with The Select Committee.

The following one Private Member's Bill introduced in the Senate is pending with the Select Committee: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE BILL	REFERRED ON	REMARKS
1.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Trust (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Senator Mushtaq Ahmed)	30-05-2022	Amendment of sections 16, 17 and 24 of the Islamabad Capital Territory Trust Act, 2020 (XXV of 2020).

#### 1.24 Private Members' Bills Introduced in The Senate and Withdrawn.

The following one Private Member's Bill introduced in the Senate was withdrawn during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE BILL	WITHDRAWN ON
1.	The Pakistan Animal Science Council Bill, 2022. (Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan)	27-11-2023

# 1.25 Private Members' Bills Received from The National Assembly During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.

The following forty-six Private Members' Bills were received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE BILLS AND MOVER (S)	TRANSMITTED BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON
1.	The Pakistan Institute of Research and Registration of Quality Assurance Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Mohammad Aslam Bhootani, MNA).	31-03-2023
2.	The Supreme Court (Review of Judgments and Orders) Bill, 2023. (Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja, MNA)	17-04-2023
3.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Ahmed Hussain Deharr, MNA)	18-04-2023
4.	The National University for Security Sciences Islamabad Bill, 2023. (Dr. Nisar Ahmed Cheema, MNA)	16-05-2023
5.	The Contempt of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) Bill, 2023.  (Rana Muhammad Qasim Noon, MNA)	17-05-2023

6.	The National Excellence Institute Bill, 2023. (Rana Muhammad Qasim Noon, MNA)	01-06-2023
7•	The Pakistan Nursing Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Jaam Abdul Karim Bijar, MNA)	23-07-2023
8.	The Pakistan General Cosmetics Bill, 2023. (Mr. James Iqbal, MNA)	24-07-2023
9.	The National Institute of Technology Bill, 2023. (Mr. James Iqbal, MNA)	30-07-2023
10.	The National University of Health Emerging Sciences and Technologies Islamabad Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	30-07-2023
11.	The Kalam Bibi International Women Institute Bannu (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Ms. Aliya Kamran, MNA)	30-07-2023
12.	The Mufti-e-Azam Islamic University Bill, 2023. (Ms. Aliya Kamran, MNA)	30-07-2023
13.	The International Islamic Institute for Peace (IIIP) Bill, 2023. (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	30-07-2023
14.	The Metropolitan International Institute of Science and Technology Bill, 2023.  (Raja Riaz Ahmed, MNA)	30-07-2023
15.	The Institute of Health and Professional Studies (IHPS) Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Nawab Sher, MNA)	30-07-2023
16.	The Askari Institute of Higher Education Bill, 2023. (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	30-07-2023
17.	The Sheikhupura Institute of Advance Sciences (SIAS) Bill, 2023. (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	30-07-2023
18.	The Cosmic Institute of Science and Technologies Islamabad (CISTI) Bill, 2023 (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	30-07-2023

19.	The RAVI Institute (RI) Sahiwal Bill, 2023. (Ch. Faqeer Ahmed, MNA)	30-07-2023
20.	The Indus University of Science and Technology Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh, MNA)	30-07-2023
21.	The Bulleh Shah International University Bill, 2023. (Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA)	30-07-2023
22.	The University of Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Bill, 2023. (Mr. Nawab Sher, MNA)	30-07-2023
23.	The Ume Abeeha Institute of Health Sciences (UIHS) Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Zahara Wadood Fatemi, MNA)	30-07-2023
24.	The Pak China Gwadar University Lahore Bill, 2023. (Mr. Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh, MNA)	30-07-2023
25.	The Al-Biruni International University Bill, 2023.  (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	30-07-2023
26.	The Protection of Family Life and Wedlock Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Zahra Wadood Fatmi, MNA)	30-07-2023
27.	The Islamabad Institute of Modern Sciences (IIMS) Bill, 2023. (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	30-07-2023
28.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Syed Javed Hasnain, MNA)	30-07-2023
29.	The Islamabad International University Bill, 2023. (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	30-07-2023
30.	The Pakistan Points of Entry (Public Health) Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	30-07-2023
31.	The Shah Bano Institute Jaranwala Bill, 2023. (Mr. Nawab Sher, MNA)	30-07-2023
32.	The Institute of Management and Technology (IMT) Bill, 2023. (Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA)	30-07-2023

33.	The Federal Ziauddin University Bill, 2023. (Dr. Mahreen Razzaq Bhuttoo, MNA)	30-07-2023
34.	The International Memon University Bill, 2023. (Mr. Salahuddin, MNA)	30-07-2023
35.	The Thar International Institute Bill, 2023. (Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA)	01-08-2023
36.	The Margalla International University Bill, 2023. (Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA)	01-08-2023
37•	The Promotion and Protection of Gandhara Culture Authority Bill, 2023.  (Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA)	01-08-2023
38.	The King's Institute of Higher Education Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Qasir Ahmed Shaikh, MNA)	02-08-2023
39.	The Akhuwat Institute Kasur Bill, 2023. (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	02-08-2023
40.	The Islamabad University of Health Sciences and Emerging Technologies Islamabad Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	02-08-2023
41.	The Monarch Institute Bill, 2023. (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	02-08-2023
42.	The Babrak Institute of Science, Arts and Technology Bill, 2023. (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	02-08-2023
43.	The Quaid-e-Azam Institute of Management Sciences, Sargodha Bill, 2023. (Mr. Riaz-ul-Haq, MNA)	02-08-2023
44.	The Falcon University of Sciences and Technology Bill, 2023. (Mr. Wajiha Qamar, MNA)	02-08-2023
45.	The Institute of Gujrat (IOG) Bill, 2023. (Chaudhry Armghan Subhani, MNA)	03-08-2023

46.	The Wapda University Islamabad Bill, 2023	08-08-2023
	(Ms. Mussarat Rafique Mahesar, MNA)	

# 1.26 Private Members' Bills Received from The National Assembly and Passed by The Senate During The Parliamentary Year 2023-2024.

The following eighteen Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly were also passed by the Senate during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 (including one Bill received during the Parliamentary Year 2022-2023): -

SL.	TITLE OF THE BILLS AND MOVER (S)	PASSED ON
1.	The Pakistan Institute of Research and Registration of Quality Assurance Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Mohammad Aslam Bhootani, MNA in the National Assembly and Senators Kauda Babar, Naseebullah Bazai and Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri in the Senate)	03-04-2023
2.	The Supreme Court (Review of Judgments and Orders) Bill, 2023. (Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja, MNA in the National Assembly and Senators Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, Rana Maqbool Ahmad, Hafiz Abdul Karim and Nuzhat Sadiq, in the Senate)	05-05-2023
3.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Amendment in Schedule II of Cr.PC)  (Mr. Ahmed Hussain Deharr, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Bahramand Khan Tangi and Kauda Babar, in the Senate)	24-07-2023
4.	The Pakistan Nursing Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023.  (Jam Abdul Karim Bijar, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senator Saleem Mandviwalla, in the Senate.	24-07-2023
5.	The National University for Security Sciences Islamabad Bill, 2023. (Dr. Nisar Ahmed Cheema, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senator Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan, in the Senate)	24-07-2023
6.	The Contempt of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) Bill, 2023.  (Rana Muhammad Qasim Noon, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Kauda Babar, Sarfraz Ahmed	24-07-2023

	Bugti, Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan, Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai and Naseebullah Bazai, in the Senate).	
7•	The Pakistan General Cosmetics Bill, 2023. (Mr. James Iqbal, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Rana Maqbool Ahmad and Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, in the Senate).	30-07-2023
8.	The National Institute of Technology Bill, 2023.  (Mr. James Iqbal, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad, in the Senate)	30-07-2023
9.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of section 298-A of PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule II of Cr. PC).  (Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Hafiz Abdul Karim and Mushtaq Ahmed, in the Senate).	07-08-2023
10.	The Federal Ziauddin University Bill, 2023.  (Dr. Mahreen Razzaq Bhuttoo, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Saleem Mandviwalla and Taj Haider, in the Senate).	07-08-2023
11.	The Protection of Family Life and Wedlock Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Zahra Wadood Fatmi, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Zeeshan Khan Zada, Fida Muhammad, Kamran Murtaza and Dost Muhammad Khan, in the Senate).	07-08-2023
12.	The Askari Institute of Higher Education Bill, 2023.  (Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani and Hidayatullah Khan, in the Senate).	09-08-2023
13.	The Metropolitan International Institute of Science and Technology Bill, 2023.  (Raja Riaz Ahmed, MNA, in the National Assembly and Senators Kauda Babar and Naseebullah Bazai, in the Senate).	09-08-2023

14.	The Islamabad University of Health Sciences and Emerging	09-08-2023
	Technologies Islamabad Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA, in the National Assembly	
	and Senator Rana Magbool Ahmad, in the Senate).	
	and Schutor Runa Maqboor minua, in the Schute).	
15.	The Mufti-e-Azam Islamic University Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023
	(Ms. Aliya Kamran, MNA, in the National Assembly and	
	Senator Kamran Murtaza, in the Senate).	
16.	The International Islamic Institute for Peace (IIIP) Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023
	(Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA, in the National Assembly	
	and Senators Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, Sarfraz Ahmed	
	Bugti and Rana Maqbool Ahmad, in the Senate).	
17.	The Kalam Bibi International Women Institute Bannu	09-08-2023
-/•	(Amendment) Bill, 2023	09 00 2023
	(Ms. Aliya Kamran, MNA, in the National Assembly and	
	Senator Kamran Murtaza, in the Senate).	
18.	The Akhuwat Institute Kasur Bill, 2023.	09-08-2023
10.	(Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA, in the National Assembly	09 00 2023
	and Senator Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui, in the National	
	Assembly).	

# 1.27 Private Members' Bills Received from The National Assembly but Not Passed by The Senate Within Ninety Days

The following three Private Members' Bills were received from the National Assembly during the Parliamentary Year, 2022-2023 but not passed by the Senate within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the House and returned to the National Assembly, during the Parliamentary Year, 2023-2024:

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE BILL AND MOVER (S)	RETURNED TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON
1.	The Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2022. <b>(Syed Javed Hasnain, MNA)</b>	15-05-2023
2.	The International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences Bill, 2022.  (Mr. Qadir Khan Mandokhail, MNA)	15-05-2023
3.	The Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA)	16-05-2023

#### 1.28 Private Members' Bills Received from The National Assembly but Not Passed by The Senate Within Ninety Days and Passed in Joint Sitting and Made Act

The following four Private Members' Bills were received from the National Assembly during the previous years but not passed by the Senate within ninety days of their laying on the Table of the House were passed in Joint Sitting and made Acts, during the Parliamentary Year, 2023-2024: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF BILL	PASSED ON
1.	The Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues (Amendment) Act, 2023. (XXIX of 2023) (Ms. Keshwer Zehra, MNA)	15-05-2023
2.	The Limitation (Amendment) Act, 2023. (XXXII of 2023) (Syed Javed Hasnain, MNA)	15-05-2023
3.	The Specific Relief (Amendment) Act, 2023. (XXXIII of 2023) (Syed Javed Hasnain, MNA)	15-05-2023
4.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2023. (XXXVII of 2023) (Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz, MNA)	15-05-2023

### 1.29 Private Member's Bill Received from The National Assembly but Rejected by The Senate

The following one Private Member's Bill received from the National Assembly was rejected by the Senate: -

SL.	TITLE OF THE BILLS AND MOVER (S)	REMARKS
1.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2022. (Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali, MNA)	Amendment of sections 292, 293 and 294 of the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 (XLV of 1860) and subsequent amendments in Schedule II of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (V of 1898).  Rejected by the Senate on 9th August, 2023 and returned to the National Assembly on 18th August, 2023.

# 1.30 Private Members' Bills Received from The National Assembly Which Were Lapsed and Returned to The National Assembly on It Dissolution

The following thirty-one Private Members' Bills received from the National Assembly were lapsed and returned to the National Assembly on its dissolution: -

SL. NO.	TITLE OF THE BILLS AND MOVER (S)	Returned to the National Assembly on
	The National Excellence Institute Bill, 2023.	
1.	(Rana Muhammad Qasim Noon, MNA)	16-08-2023
2.	The National University of Health, Emerging Sciences and	16-08-2023
	Technologies Islamabad Bill, 2023.	
	(Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	
3.	The Institute of Health and Professional Studies (IHPS) Bill,	16-08-2023
	2023.	
	(Mr. Nawab Sher, MNA)	
4.	The Sheikhupura Institute of Advance Sciences (SIAS) Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	
5.	The Cosmic Institute of Science and Technologies Islamabad	16-08-2023
	(CISTI) Bill, 2023.	
	(Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	
6.	The RAVI Institute (RI) Sahiwal Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Ch. Faqeer Ahmed, MNA)	
7•	The Indus University of Science and Technology Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
_	(Mr. Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh, MNA)	
8.	The Bulleh Shah International University Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA)	
9.	The University of Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Mr. Nawab Sher, MNA)	
10.	The Ume Abeeha Institute of Health Sciences (UIHS) Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Ms. Zahara Wadood Fatemi, MNA)	
11.	The Pak China Gwadar University Lahore Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Mr. Qasir Ahmed Sheikh, MNA)	
12.	The Al-Biruni International University Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	
13.	The Islamabad Institute of Modern Sciences (IIMS) Bill, 2023.	16-08-2023
	(Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhatti, MNA)	

14.	The Islamabad International University Bill, 2023. (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)  16-08-2023	
15.	The Pakistan Points of Entry (Public Health) Bill, 2023.  (Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA)	16-08-2023
16.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019.  (Mr. Mohsin Dawar, MNA)  17-08-2023	
17.	The Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Amendment) Bill, 2022.  (Mr. Mohsin Dawar, MNA)	
18.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023. (Syed Javed Hasnain, MNA)	17-08-2023
19.	The Shah Bano Institute Jaranwala Bill, 2023. (Mr. Nawab Sher, MNA)	17-08-2023
20.	The Institute of Management and Technology (IMT) Bill, 2023. (Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA)	
21.	The International Memon University Bill, 2023. (Mr. Salahuddin, MNA)	17-08-2023
22.	The Thar International Institute Bill, 2023. (Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA)	17-08-2023
23.	The Margalla International University Bill, 2023.  (Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA)	17-08-2023
24.	The Promotion and Protection of Gandhara Culture Authority Bill, 2023. (Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA)	17-08-2023
25.	The King's Institute of Higher Education Bill, 2023.  (Mr. Qasir Ahmed Sheikh, MNA)	17-08-2023
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30.	The Institute of Gujrat (IOG) Bill, 2023.	17-08-2023

	(Chaudhry Armghan Subhani, MNA)	
31.	The Wapda University Islamabad Bill, 2023. (Ms. Mussarat Rafique Mahesar, MNA)	17-08-2023

#### 1.31 Laying of Constitutional - Statutory Reports

Rules 151 to 156 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 requires laying before the Parliament the reports of Observance and implementation of the Principles of Policy, Council of Common Interests, National Economic Council, National Finance Commission, Auditor General and Council of Islamic Ideology for discussion thereon by the Parliament and expressing of opinion of the Parliament, if any. During the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 following reports were laid before the Senate:

#### Constitutional - Statutory Reports laid during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

S. NO	TITLE OF REPORT	LAID ON TABLE OF HOUSE ON
1.	Reports on the observance and implementation of the Principles of Policy, in relation to the affairs of the Federation for the years 2013-14 to 2017-18 and for the years 2018-19 to 2019-20 as required under clause (3) of Article 29 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.	31-03-2023
2.	The Annual Report of the National Accountability Bureau for the year, 2022, under section 33-D of the National Accountability Ordinance, 1999.	05-05-2023
3	The Half Year Report of the Board of Directors of State Bank of Pakistan on the State of Pakistan's Economy for the year 2022-2023, under sub-section (2) of section 39 of the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.	25-07-2023
4.	The appropriation accounts for the financial year, 2021-2022 and regularity/special study performance audit reports of the Auditor-General for the audit year 2022-2023 as required by Article 171 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.	25-07-2023
5.	The Annual Report of the National Commission for Human Rights for the period from December, 2021 to December, 2022 as required by sub-section (2) of section 28 of the National Commission for Human Rights Act, 2012.	02-08-2023
6.	Annual Reports of the Council of Islamic Ideology for the period 2018-2019 and 2019-2020, as required by clause (4) of Article 230 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.	06-08-2023

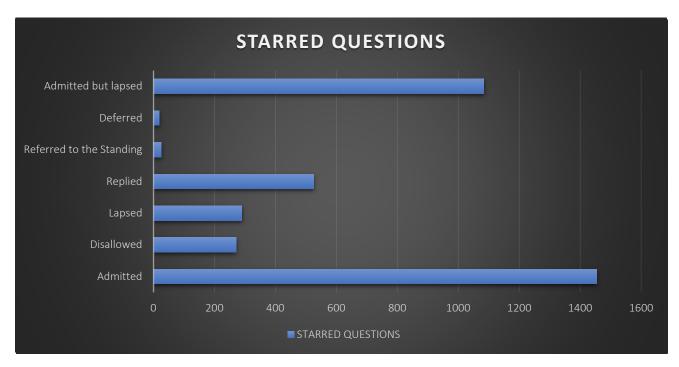
7•	The Annual Report for the year 2022 of the Election Commission of Pakistan, as required under sub-section (2) of section 16 of the Elections Act, 2017.	03-11-2023
8.	The Federal Public Service Commission's Annual Report for the year 2021, as required under sub-section (1) of section 9 of the Federal Public Service Commission Ordinance, 1977 (Ordinance No. XLV of 1977).	03-11-2023
9.	The Annual Report of the State Bank of Pakistan on the state of Pakistan's Economy for the year, 2022-2023, as required under sub-section (2) of section 39 of the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.	03-11-2023
10.		
11.	The State Bank of Pakistan Governor's Annual Report for the year 2022-2023 on the Achievements of the Bank's Objectives, Conduct of Monetary Policy, State of Pakistan's Economy and the Financial System.	20-02-2024

#### 2.PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS

2.1 Statement Showing the Position of Starred and Un-Starred Questions and Resolutions During The 21st Parliamentary Year (326th To 335th Sessions) till Date

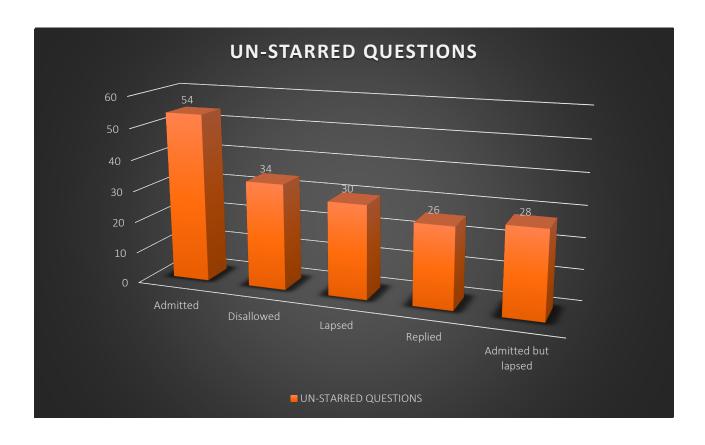
#### STARRED QUESTIONS

<b>Total Question</b>	2015
Admitted	1454
Disallowed	271
Lapsed	290
Replied	525
Referred to the Standing Committees	26
Deferred	19
Admitted but lapsed	1084



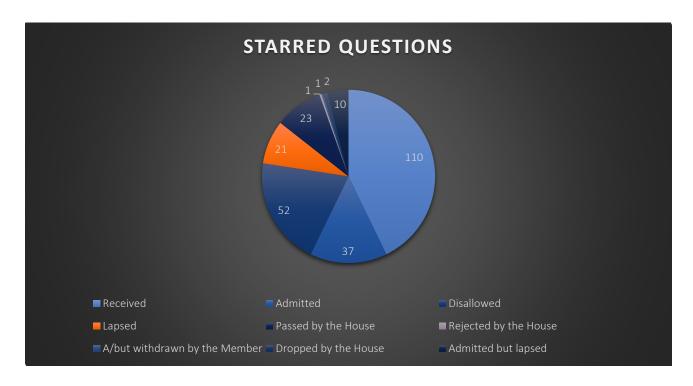
# **UN-STARRED QUESTIONS**

<b>Total Question</b>	118
Admitted	54
Disallowed	34
Lapsed	30
Replied	26
Admitted but lapsed	28



# 3.RESOLUTIONS

Received	110
Admitted	37
Disallowed	52
Lapsed	21
Passed by the House	23
Rejected by the House	01
A/but withdrawn by the Member	01
Dropped by the House	02
Admitted but lapsed	10



#### 3.1 MOTION UNDER RULE 60

Received	01
Admitted	01
Admitted but lapsed	01

#### 4.MOTION

Rule 218 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 provides a parliamentary tool that any Minister or a member may give notice of a motion that any policy, situation, statement or any other matter may be taken into consideration. During the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 Senate Secretariat received Three Hundred and Forty Six (346) Motions under rule 218 as per following details: -

1.	Total number of Motions Under Rule 218 received.	
2.	Admitted Motions Under Rule 218.	248
3.	Motions Under Rule 218 Talked out in the House.	19
4.	Motion Under Rule 218 clubbed with similar Motion	03
5.	Motions Under Rule 218 referred to Senate Standing Committee concerned.	01
6.	Disallowed Motions Under Rule 218.	71
7•	Lapsed Motions Under Rule 218.	04

2. Subject Matters of Motion under Rule 218 discussed in the Senate are as under: -

S.	Mover(s)	Subject of the Motion Under Rule 218
No.		
1.	Senators	"The House may discuss the steps taken by the government
	Irfan ul Haque	to implement Article-251 of the Constitution of Pakistan in
	Siddiqui	letter and spirit wherein the State is required to make
	&	arrangements for using Urdu as the National language".
	Mushtaq	Minister of State for Law and Justice responded on 3rd April,
	Ahmed	2023.
2.	Senator	"The House may discuss marked increase in human
	Mushtaq	trafficking, domestic as well as international, especially in
	Ahmed	relation to women and children and steps taken by the
		Government to address the issue". <b>Minister of State for</b>
		Interior responded on 10 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.
3.	Senator	"This House may discuss the lacunas in wheat supply chain
	Sania Nishtar	leading to shortages of wheat flour in the country and the
		measures to remove the same." <b>Minister for</b>
		Parliamentary Affairs, responded on 27th November,
		2023.
4.	Senator	"This House may discuss the issue of not allowing operation
	Taj Haider	of People's Bus Service on Lyari express way, Karachi by the

		Federal Government." Minister of State for Law and Justice responded on 24th July, 2023.
5.	Senator Mushtaq Ahmed	"The House may discuss the mushrooming of the social media apps offering online interest based loans in the Country."  Minister for Interior, Narcotics Control, Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development, responded on 13 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
6.	Senators Mushtaq Ahmed & Kamran Murtaza	"The House may discuss the continuous increase in the electricity and gas tariffs." <b>Minister for Power and Petroleum, responded on 20</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>November, 2023.</b>
7.	Senator Mohsin Aziz	"This House may discuss that State Bank of Pakistan may take necessary steps to eliminate the note of Rs. 5000/ as this is cause of inflation and corruption in the country." <b>Minister for Information and Broadcasting, responded on 20</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>November, 2023.</b>
8.	Senator Kamran Murtaza	"The House may discuss the devaluation of Pakistan Rupee and shortage of US Dollars in the market resulting into high inflation and causing financial hardships for general public." <b>Minister for Finance, Revenue &amp; Economic Affairs</b> <b>responded on 27</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>November, 2023.</b>
9.	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	"The House may discuss the need to regulate the production and sale of Baby Formula Milk and related products in the country and create awareness among young mothers about its safe use." Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, responded on 27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
10.	Senators Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Muhammad Tahir Bizenjo & Haji Hidayatullah Khan	"This House may discuss the sudden decision of Federal Government to expel the Afghan Refugees from Pakistan on a very short time period and without announcing any policy which is badly effecting the poor Refugees." Minister for Interior, Narcotics Control, Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development, responded on 13 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
11.	Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwady Taimur	"This House may discuss the ways and means to control the non-developmental/recurring expenditures of the Government." Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, responded and the motion was referred to Standing Committee concerned on 27th November, 2023.

12.	Senator	"The House may discuss the need to devise and launch
	Samina	technical training programs for the youth of Balochistan to
	Mumtaz Zehri	equip them with advanced skills to secure employment
	Training Zonii	opportunities worldwide as well as in the proposed FDI
		projects in the province including CPEC projects." <b>Minister</b>
		for Federal Education and Professional Training,
	_	responded on 1st January, 2024.
13.	Senator	"The House may discuss the reasons of under development of
	Muhammad	Balochistan despite tall claims of successive Governments to
	Tahir Bizenjo	develop Balochistan under the CPEC and other FDI projects."
		Minister for Planning, Development and Special
4.4	Comoton	Initiatives, responded on 1st January, 2024.
14.	Senator	"This House may discuss opportunities of getting economic
	Mushtaq	benefits and earning precious foreign exchange through
	Ahmed	export of pink salt after value addition in the Country."  Minister for Planning, Development and Special
		Initiatives, responded on 1st January, 2024.
15.	Senator	"The House may discuss the pressing issue of water resources,
-0.	Mohammad	floods, and water mismanagement in Pakistan, especially in
		light of the recent devastating floods in 2022, and in 2010."
	Humayun	Minister for Parliamentary affairs, responded on
	Mohmand	19 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024.
16.	Senator	"This House may discuss the non-presentation of annual
	Mushtaq	report of Islamic Ideology Council under Article 230 (4) of the
	Ahmed	Constitution in the House, strategy for implementation of
		recommendations of these reports and the steps being taken
		by the government in this regard." Minister for
		Parliamentary affairs, responded on 19th February,
4=	Compton	2024.
17.	Senator	"This House may discuss the performance of State-Owned Enterprises of Pakistan which, according to World Bank
	Mushtaq	Report, is worse in Asia despite the fact that these entities
	Ahmed	together receive a huge amount of Rs. 458 billion annually
		from the Government." <b>Minister for Parliamentary</b>
		affairs, responded on 26th February, 2024.
18.	Senator	"This House may immediately discuss the issue of
	Mushtag	abolishment of the subject of Pakistan Affairs by the Higher
	Ahmed	Education Commission, from the syllabus at graduation
	7 Hilliou	level." Minister for Parliamentary affairs, responded
		on 26 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024.
19.	Senator	"This House may discuss the increasing number of out of
	Mushtaq	school children and its impact on country's future." Minister
	Ahmed	for Parliamentary affairs, responded on 26 <sup>th</sup>
		February, 2024.

#### **5.CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES**

Rule 64 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate 2012 provides a tool to give a notice of Calling Attention according to which a member may call the attention of a Minister to any matter of urgent public importance and Minister may make a brief statement or ask for time to make a statement at later hour of a day. The Senate Secretariat received one hundred and twenty six (126) Calling Attention Notices during the Parliamentary Year 2023 -2024 as per following details: -

1.	Total number of Calling Attention Notices Received	126
2.	Admitted Calling Attention Notices	55
3.	Talked out in the House / Briefed by the Minister concerned	15
4.	Calling Attention Notices referred to Senate Standing Committee Concerned	2
5.	Disallowed / out of order Calling Attention Notices	40
6.	Lapsed Calling Attention Notices	10
7•	Pend Calling Attention Notices	3
8.	Calling Attention Notices Withdrawn by the Member	1

2. Subject Matters of the Calling Attention Notices responded by the Ministers in the Senate are as under: -

S. No	Mover(s)	Subject of the Calling Attention Notices
1.	Senator Mohsin Aziz & Faisal Saleem Rehman	"To draw attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training towards inappropriate/ obscene material in O-Level syllabus from the Course Book Sociology under the chapter "The Family" its sub heading "Same Sex Family."  Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training gave briefing on 4 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.
2.	Senators Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Mohsin Aziz, Kamran Murtaza, Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur & Mushahid Hussain Sayed	"To draw attention of the Minister for Water Resources, towards a notice which has been served by India on Government of Pakistan through the Indus Water Commission on 25 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023 for revision of the Indus Water Treaty." <b>Minister for Climate Change gave briefing on 7<sup>th</sup> April</b> , 2023.

<b>3. 4.</b>	Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi Senator	"To draw attention of the Minister for Law and Justice, towards the pending cases/backlog in Supreme Court/High Courts and steps taken by the Government for speedy disposal of such cases."  Minister for Law and Justice gave briefing on 7 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.  "To draw attention of the Minister for
	Abida Muhammad Azeem	Communications towards the sub-standard material used in the construction of Kech-Harnai road (107.2Km) and Harnai-Sanjavi road (55.1Km) was laid in the House on 25 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 and the matter was referred to Senate Standing Committee Concerned.
5.	Senator Mushtaq Ahmed	"To draw attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs towards a grave violation of human rights in case of Ms. Aafiya Siddiqui whose health is deteriorating in the jail of USA and to apprise the House about the efforts being made by the Government of Pakistan for her release." Minister for Law and Justice gave briefing on 27 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023.
6.	Senator Danesh Kumar	"To draw attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, towards the directions issued by the Higher Education Commission in June 2023, advising all Higher education institutions to distance themselves from celebrating activities like Hindu festival of "Holi" terming it incompatible with country's societal values and identity." <b>Minister for Law and Justice gave briefing on 27</b> th <b>July, 2023.</b>
7•	Senator Danesh Kumar	"To draw attention of the Minister for Communications towards a matter of an utmost importance relating to the deterioration of highways after floods in Balochistan, specially the 'Pinjra Pul', district Bolan and 'Hub Pul', that connects district Hub to Karachi, that got completely damaged last year and despite spending millions of rupees by the National Highway Authority, the reconstruction could not be completed; as a result of corruption and

8.	Senator Mohsin Aziz	poor planning both these bridges got washed away once again in just slight rainfall and in a usual flow of water, as a result human lives in Balochistan are very badly affected." Minister for Law and Justice gave briefing on 4 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023.  "To draw attention of the Minister for Communications towards the problems being faced by commuters traveling from Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa due to non-availability of dedicated access from M-1 Section to Islamabad International Airport." Minister for Parliamentary Affairs gave briefing on 7 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
9.	Senator Mian Raza Rabbani	"To draw attention of the Minister in charge of the Cabinet Division towards the issuance of Notification No. F.5/3/2023.COM. dated 23 <sup>rd</sup> August whereby Cabinet Committee for Disposal of Legislative Cases (CCLC) has been constituted." <b>Minister for Parliamentary Affairs gave briefing on</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> <b>November, 2023.</b>
10.	Senator Mushtaq Ahmed	"To draw attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs towards the siege of land, sea and air routes of Ghaza by the Israeli occupying forces and killing of innocent Palestinians by dropping phosphorous bombs on residential units, hospitals, schools, refugee camps and mosques which is worst form of terrorism and violation of International Law and Human Rights."  Minister for Foreign Affairs gave briefing on 24 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
11.	Senator Mian Raza Rabbani	"To draw attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs towards the revision of Management Position (MP) Salary package with effect from 1st October, 2023, notified through O.M. No. F.3 (2) R-4/2011 dated 31st October, 2023 of the Finance Division." Minster for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs gave briefing on 24th November, 2023.
12.	Senator Prof.Dr. Mehar Taj Roghani	"To draw attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, towards the non-availability of vaccines especially the Anti-Diphtheria serum in the country with

13.	Senator Zeeshan Khanzada	particular reference to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa resulting into deaths of children." Minister for Parliamentary Affairs gave briefing on 2 <sup>nd</sup> January, 2024.  "To draw attention of the Minister for National Food
	Zeesiiaii Kiiaiizada	Security and Research, towards the problems being faced by farmers due to shortage of urea fertilizer and its soaring rates." <b>Minister for Parliamentary Affairs gave briefing on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.</b>
14.	Senator Mushtaq Ahmed	"To draw attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training towards the decision of Higher Education Commission to exclude the subject of Pakistan studies at the undergraduate / graduate level." Minister for Parliamentary Affairs gave briefing on 26th February, 2024.
15.	Senator Kamran Murtaza	"To draw attention of the Minister for Industries and Production is brought towards the issue of retrenchment and non – payment of salaries to 32 Khateeb / Moazzin performing duties in the various Mosques under administrative control of Pakistan Steel Mill." <b>Minister for Parliamentary Affairs gave briefing on 26</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>February, 2024.</b>

#### 6. PRIVILEGE MOTIONS

Rule 70 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate 2012 provides a tool to give a notice of Privilege according to which a member may, with the consent of the Chairman, raise a question involving a breach of Privilege either of a Member or of the Senate or of a Committee. The Senate Secretariat received eighteen (18) Privilege Motion during the parliamentary year 2023-2024 as per following details: -

1.	<b>Total Number of Privilege Motions Received.</b>	18
2.	Privilege Motions referred to the Committee on Rules of Procedure and	15
	Privilege.	
3.	Privilege Motions held out of order by the Honourable Chairman Senate.	01
4.	Privilege Motions withdrawn by the Member / Mover	02

2. Subject matter of the Privilege Motions referred to Senate Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges are as under: -

S. No	Mover(s)	Subject of Privilege Motions
1.	Senators Fida Muhammad, Prince Ahmed Omer Ahmed Zai & Shamim Afridi	"Against Secretary Petroleum for his misbehaviour with Committee Chairman and its members during Senate Standing Committee meeting on Petroleum."  Referred to Committee on 22 <sup>nd</sup> June, 2023.  Report laid in House.
2.	Senator Falak Naz Chitrali	"Against DC upper and lower Dir" <b>Referred to Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2023. Report laid in House.</b>
3.	Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen	"Against Mr. Sajjad JS (Org) M/o. Science & Technology (MoST) and Dr. H.U. Khan, DG- Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (PSQCA), Syed Ali M Bukhari, Director (Admin), PSQCA."  Referred to the Committee on 16 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023.
4.	Senator Umar Farooq	"Against ADC® Quetta and SMBR" <b>Referred to the Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.</b>
5.	Senator Saif Ullah Abro	"Against officers of Larkhana Police" <b>Referred to Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2023.</b>
6.	Senators Dr. Mehar Taj Roghani, Robina Khalid, Dr. Zarqa Suharwardi Taimur & Dr. Hamyun Mohmand	"Against the Neo News regarding its report that some Senators belonging to Pakistan People's Party and Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf are involved to get the failed candidates passed." Referred to the Committee on 11 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023. Report to be laid in the House.
7•	Senator Mohammad Talha Mahmood	"Against office bearer of Hattar Economic Zone"  Referred to the Committee on 15 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023.
8.	Senators Dilawar Khan, Bahramand Khan Tangi, Haji Hidayatullah Khan, Fida Muhammad & Saifullah Abro	"Against Members of Board of Directors (BOD) NTDC. Wherein, serious reservation and displeasure were expressed over the response of NTDC vide their letter No. NTDC/BOD/5152-53, dated 13 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023." <b>Referred to the Committee on 24</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>October, 2023.</b>
9.	Senators Naseeb Ullah Khan Bazai &	"Against Mr. Rehmat Ali Hasnie, President, National Bank of Pakistan was discussed in the House in Senate Session on 13th November, 2023." The Honourable Chairman Senate with the sense

	Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen	of House referred the said Privilege Motion to the Committee on 13th November, 2023.
10.	Senators Saleem Mandviwalla, Faisal Saleem Rehman & Sabir Shah	"Against the Flt Lt. (Retd) Khaqan Murtaza, Director General Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) was discussed in the House in Senate Session." The Honourable Chairman Senate with the sense of House referred the said Motion to the Committee on 13 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
11.	Senator Taj Haider	"Against the Station House Officer (SHO) and Assistant Sub Inspector (ASI) of Sadder Police Station, Karachi was discussed in the House in Senate Session." The Honourable Chairman Senate with the sense of House referred the said Privilege Motion to the Committee on 13th November, 2023.
12.	Senator Waqar Mehdi	"Against Member Board of Revenue, Government of Sindh. Referred to the Committee on 24 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
13.	Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi	"Against Secretary Interior" <b>Referred to the Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.</b>
14.	Senator Palwasha Khan Muhammad Zai	"Against CPO Rawalpindi" <b>Referred to the Committee on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.</b>
15.	Senator Dost Muhammad Khan	"Against Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Police" <b>Referred to the Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.</b>

## 7.ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Rule 85 of the rules pf procedure and conduct of business in the Senate, 2012 provides for Adjournment Motion according to which a motion for an adjournment of the business of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of recent occurrence and of urgent public importance may be moved with the consent of the Hon'ble Chairman Senate.

The Senate Secretariat received seventeen (17) adjournment motions during the parliamentary year 2023-2024, as per following details.

1.	Total number of Adjournment Motions Received	17
2.	Admitted but Lapsed Adjournment Motions	03
3.	Disallowed / Held out of order Adjournment Motions	11
4.	Lapsed Adjournment Motions	01
5.	Moved by the Member in the House for Determination of Admissibility by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate	02

**2.** Subject Matters of Adjournment Motions admitted but lapsed during the PY 2023-2024 are as under: -

S. No	Mover(s)	Subject of Adjournment Motions
1.	Senator Kamran Murtaza	"To discuss the tragic incident of drowning of over two dozen Pakistanis in a boat tragedy in Italy. According to media reports, at least 59 people died, including 28 Pakistanis, when a wooden sailing boat carrying migrants to Europe crashed against rocks near the southern Italian coast." <b>Approved by</b>
		the Hon'ble Chairman Senate on 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023, to
		be discussed in House, however stood lapsed.
2.	Senator	"To discuss the "Review and identification of loopholes and
	Rana Maqbool	lapses in the existing policy as well as legal and enforcement
	Ahmed	mechanism in Pakistan that exposed the precious human lives
		and poor victims to vagaries of Human Trafficking and led to
		repeated boat sinking disasters like Greek boat incident".
		Approved by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate on 26th
		June 2023, to be discussed in House, however stood
		lapsed.
3.	Senator	"To discuss the situation arising due to India stopping the flow
	Sania Nishtar	of Ravi river to Pakistan after completion of Shahpur Kandi
		Barrage, and its implication for national and human security." <b>Approved by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate on 28</b> th

		February 2024, to be discussed in House, however stood lapsed.
4.	Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo & Muhammad Shafiq Tareen	"To discuss the situation arising out of the controversial General Election results as all major political parties are protesting the results of the election." <b>Minister for Human Rights, responded on 20</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>February, 2024.</b>
5•	Senator Irfan ul Haq Siddiqui	"Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaaf's (PTI's) spokesperson, Mr. Raoof Hassan, sent a letter, written by the founder of PTI, Imran Khan, to IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva on 28th February, 2024 wherein he urged the International Monetary Fund to satisfy itself of all the conditionalities before granting the state of Pakistan of any loan while challenging the legitimacy of the elected government of the country in the wake of General Elections, 2024." Approved by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate on 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024, to be discussed in House, however stood lapsed."

#### 8.COMMITTEES AT WORK

Senate of Pakistan has an efficient Committee system which, over the years, has impressively strengthened the conventions of Parliamentary oversight. The non-partisan forum of Committees collects information, sifts it out to recommend appropriate course of action, polishes legislative proposals, and akin to eyes and ears of the House, handles significant Business of the Senate. The Senate Committees derive powers and working mechanism from the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 and the Standing Orders.

The Rule 158 (2) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, provides that:

"Each Committee shall deal with subject assigned to the Ministry with which it is concerned or any other relevant matter referred to it by the Senate."

Key functions of the Committees include, but are not limited to, examination of a Bill, subject or matter referred by the House or Chairman Senate, scrutiny of the budgetary allocation and its utilization, administration, delegated legislation, public petition and policies of the concerned Ministry and its attached departments/ public bodies. During the year 2023 the Senate Committees conducted 289 meetings and laid 160 reports in the House. A brief account of the performance of the Senate Committees is provided below:

# 8.1 RECORD OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD AND REPORTS LAID DURING THE PARLIAMENTARY YEAR 2023-24

Sr. No.	Name of Committee	Total No. of meetin gs held		Reports laid in the House	Business Lapsed	Report on matter referred by the Chairman Senate and Public Petitions
1.	SSC on Maritime Affairs	08	17 H	NIL	NIL	2
2.	SSC on Petroleum	05	8.5 H	1	1	3
3.	SSC on Communications	10	25 H	1	NIL	NIL

4.	SSC on Planning, Development and Special Initiatives	01	2 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
5.	SSC on Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development.	05	13.5 H	1	2	2
6.	SSC on Parliamentary Affairs.	04	7 H	3	NIL	1
7•	SSC on Information and Broadcasting.	09	20 H	1	1	NIL
8.	SSC on Information Technology and Telecommunication.	04	10 H	NIL	1	NIL
9.	SSC on Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony.	06	8 H	3	NIL	1
10.	SSC on Defence.	03	4.5 H	3	NIL	NIL
11.	SSC on Railways.	02	4 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
12.	SSC on Power.	21	61.5 H	1	NIL	2
13.	SSC on Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan.	03	6 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
14.	SSC on Climate Change.	09	30 H	4	NIL	2
15.	SSC on Poverty Alleviation.	04	5.5 H	2	2	NIL
16.	SSC on Science and Technology.	09	20 H	2	1	NIL
17.	SSC on Defence Production.	01	2 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
18.	SSC on National Food Security and Research.	04	9 H	1	2	NIL
19.	SFC on Devolution	06	15.5 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
20.	Senate Standing Committee on Economic Affairs.	02	4 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
21.	SSC on Industries and Production.	09	20 H	3	NIL	NIL
22.	SSC on Privatization.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
23.	SSC on Housing and Works.	08	22 H	2	NIL	NIL
24	SSC on States and Frontier Regions.	02	5 H	NIL	1	NIL
25.	SSC on Law and Justice.	04	8 H	3	2	NIL
26.	SSC on Interior.	12	38 H	26	2	4
27.	SSC on National Heritage and Culture.	03	6 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
28.	SSC on Commerce.	09	22 H	6	1	1

29.	SSC on Finance and Revenue.	30	105 H	14	1	6
30.	SC on Rules of Procedure and Privileges.	09	14 H	4	NIL	NIL
31.	SSC on Aviation.	10	18 H	1	NIL	1
32.	SSC on Human Rights.	12	21 H	9	3	NIL
33.	SSC on water Resources.	02	5 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
34.	SSC on Narcotics Control.	02	4.5 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
35.	SSC on Foreign Affairs.	07	6 H	02	NIL	NIL
36.	SSC on Inter-Provincial Coordination.	01	2 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
<b>3</b> 7•	SC on Government Assurance.	01	2 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
38.	SC on delegated Legislation.	05	16 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
39.	SSC on National Health Services Regulation and Coordination.	15	45 H	14	1	5
40.	SSC on Federal Education and Professional Training.	13	30 H	39	NIL	5
41.	SSC on Cabinet.	15	28 H	13	3	2
42.	Senate Special Committee on the matter of Employees of the National Bank of Pakistan Belonging to Balochistan.	03	6 H	NIL	NIL	NIL
43.	Parliamentary Committee to Examine the Amendment proposed by the Election Commission of Pakistan.	02	4 H	01	NIL	NIL
44.	Senate Special Committee for the Promotion and Development of Football in the Country	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
45.	Parliamentary Committee to protect Minorities from Forced Conversion	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
46.	Special Committee Parliamentary Caucus on Water Resources in the Country.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
47•	Special Committee Education Parliamentary Caucus.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
	TOTAL	290	700.5 H	160	26	37

# 8.2 An overview of Parliamentary Business referred to Senate Committees during the Parliamentary year 2023-24

• Status of Legislative Business (Bills) referred to Senate Committees:

Total No. of	Legislative Business	Legislative Business under Consideration of the Committees	Lapsed/With
Legislative	disposed of by the		drawn/Retur
Business (Bills)	Committees		n Un passed
147	117	20	10

• Status of Calling Attention Notices referred to Senate Committees:

Total No. of Calling Attention Notices	Calling Attention Notices disposed of by the Committees	Calling Attention Notices under Consideration of the Committees
3	3	

• Status of Points of Public Importance referred to Senate Committees:

Total No. of Points of Public Importance	Points of Public Importance disposed of by the Committees	Lapsed
16	13	03

• Status of Questions referred to Senate Committees:

Total No. of Questions	Questions disposed of by the Committees	Lapsed
34	22	12

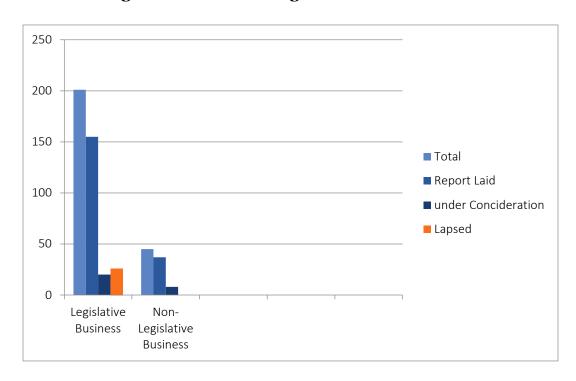
• Status of public petition & matter referred by the Chairman Senate.

Total No. of Public Petitions	Public Petitions disposed of by the Committees	Public Petitions under Consideration of the Committees
45	37	08

Status of Motion under Rule 218.

Total No. of Motion under Rule 218	Report presented on Motion under Rule 218	Lapsed
1	0	1

Status of Legislative and Non-Legislative Business referred to Senate Committees



Graphical Representation of Status of Legislative and Non-Legislative Business referred to Senate Committee

# 8.3 Details of Points of Public Importance (PPI) referred to the Committees and their status:

#### 1. Senate Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 2. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication</u>

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	Consideration of
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

### 3. Senate Standing Committee on Religious Affairs

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reporting the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 4. Senate Standing Committee on Defence

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio n of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	PPI regarding an incident of torture using FC force in Balochistan moved by Senator Naseema Ehsan	04-03-23	04-05-23	Disposed of

#### 5. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Planning, Development and Special</u> Initiatives

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 6. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource</u> <u>Development</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of Public importance regarding missing of record of recruitment/appointme nt in Workers Welfare Board Balochistan	20-11-2023	NIL	Lapsed

### 7. Senate Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 8. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 9. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Power</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of public importance regarding "The Process of appointments in MEPCO" moved by Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan	07-04-23	30-07-23	Disposed of

## 10. Senate Standing Committee on Communications

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio n of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of Public Importance regarding "Excessive use of Arable Land for the construction of Swat Motorway".	03-04-2023	02-06-2023	Report presented on 25-07-2023

## 11. Senate Standing Committee on Maritime Affairs

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

### 12. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Petroleum</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 13. Senate Standing Committee on Railways

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 14. Senate Standing Committee on Science and Technology

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

### 15. Senate Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 16. Senate Standing Committee on Defence Production

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 17. Senate Standing Committee on Climate Change

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio n of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of Public Importance regarding flood mitigation measures in Pakistan	24-07-23	NIL	Lapsed
2.	Point of Public Importance regarding increasing smog in various cities of Punjab	20-11-2023	18-01-24	Disposed of

### 18. Senate Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
	NIII	NIII		NIII
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

### 19. Senate Functional Committee on Devolution

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status
No.	House	Date	presentatio	
			n of report	
			in the	
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 20. Senate Standing Committee on Economic Affairs

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

### 21. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Industries and Production.</u>

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 22. Senate Standing Committee on Privatization.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 23. Senate Standing Committee on Housing and Works.

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 24. Senate Standing Committee on States and Frontier Regions.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio n of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of public importance regarding "the issue of shoulder promotions given to the Levis personnel of erstwhile FATA."	24-07-2023	NIL	Lapsed.

## 25. Senate Standing Committee on Law and Justice.

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	Consideration of
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 26. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Interior</u>

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio n of report in the House	of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of Public Importance regarding incident of target killing of the members of minorities communities in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in general and incident of killing of Mr. Diyal Singh, a member of Sikh Community in Peshawar.	3-04-2023.	04-04-2023.	NIL

## 27. <u>Senate Standing Committee on National Heritage and Culture.</u>

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 28. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Commerce.</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

### 29. Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio n of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan regarding sugar smuggling.	07-04-2023.	30-07-2023.	NIL
2.	Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Hilal-Ur-Rehman regarding non-payment of compensation to the affectees of Mohmand Dam.	4-08-2023.	3-11-2023.	

## 30. Senate Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privilege.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 31. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Aviation.</u>

Sr. No	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 32. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights.</u>

Sr. No	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio	Status (Disposed of / Under
•			n of report in the House	Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of Public Importance Murder of Professor Ajmal Sawand in Kandhkot, Sindh, raised by Senator Saifullah Abro.	07-04-2023.	24-11-2023.	NIL
2.	Point of Public Importance Regarding domestic violence incidents in the country with special reference to the case of minor girl Rizwana in ICT raised by Senator Prof.Dr. Meher Taj Roghani.	30-07-2023	29-12-2023.	NIL.

# 33. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources.</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 34. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Narcotics Control.</u>

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio	of / Under
			n of report	<b>Consideration of</b>
			in the	the Committee)
			House	
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 35. Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of public importance regarding hr d.o letter issued by the section officer of Foreign Affairs in which it is declared that parliamentarians cannot be appointed as honorary council generals.	3-04-2023	25-07-2023.	NIL

## 36. Senate Standing Committee on Inter-Provincial Coordination.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 37. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Government Assurance.</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of reportin the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# 38. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation.</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

## 39. Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services Regulation.

Sr.	PPI referred by the	Referral	Date of	Status (Disposed
No.	House	Date	presentatio n of report in the House	of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	Point of public importance raised by Senator Fawzia Arshad regarding the measures taken by the Ministry of National Health, Capital Development Authority and Capital Administration regarding the prevention of spared of Dengue in rural and urban area of Islamabad.	10-04-2023.	25-08-2023.	NIL
2.	Point of Public Importance regarding the denial of Ministry to release funds to 5 hospitals of Islamabad raised by Senator Fawzia Arshad.	20-11-2023.	Report preset to legislation Branch.	
3.	Point of Public Importance regarding alarming numbers of maternal and neonatal	20-11-2023.	Report preset to legislation Branch.	

mortality rates in the	
country raised by	
Senator Prof.Dr Meher	
Taj Roghani.	

#### 40. Senate Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training.

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentation of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

#### 41. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Cabinet.</u>

Sr. No.	PPI referred by the House	Referral Date	Date of presentatio n of report in the House	Status (Disposed of / Under Consideration of the Committee)
1.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

#### 8.4 Impact of Government Policy/Achievements of the Committee

#### 1. Senate Standing Committee on Maritime Affairs: -

- i. The Committee recommended the Ministry and all ports to rationally enhance the registration fees, annual fees, security deposits etc. for all types of licenses/permits. The fees were revised by the Ministry and ports accordingly.
- ii. The Committee recommended the Gwadar Port Authority (GPA) to ensure supply of water to all operational and up-coming industries in North & South Free Zone, Gwadar. The recommendation was implemented by the GPA.
- iii. The Committee recommended that PNSC may be allowed to procure not more than seven years old second hand Tanker vessels, and not more than 10 years old Bulker/Container vessels. The Ministry and PNSC adopted the said criteria.

- iv. The Committee recommended the Ministry to form a committee comprising Secretary Maritime Affairs, Secretary Ministry of Railways, Chairman Gwadar Port Authority, Director General Gwadar Development Authority, Deputy Commissioner Gwadar and Revenue Department Government of Balochistan, in order to resolve all issues regarding acquisition of remaining land for the railway track & container yard. A Committee was formed by the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Pakistan Railways to resolve all issues pertaining to Railway connectivity of Gwadar Port with the main railway line ML-I and Quetta. The said committee has resolved all issues and the PC-I for railway connectivity of Gwadar Port with the main ML-I and Quetta will be submitted to the CDWP for approval.
- v. A cell has been established in the Ministry of Maritime Affairs for the promotion of Inland Water Transport on the recommendations of the SSC on Maritime Affairs.
- vi. Amendments in the "Pakistan Merchant Marine Policy" and "Pakistan Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 2001" have been finalized and will be placed before the Cabinet for approval.

#### 2. Senate Standing Committee on Overseas Pakistanis and HRD: -

During its meetings the Committee noted that the Board of EOBI has remained unchanged since 2013. Through the efforts and recommendations of the Committee, a summary for constitution of new Board of the EOBI was moved in the Federal Cabinet.

The Committee unanimously approved the Government Bill Titled "The Immigration (Amendment) Bill, 2023" which aimed to facilitate intending Emigrants by allowing them to appear before the protector Emigrants either in person or through video link or any other modern devices. The Committee noted that this was a welcome step and would remove hardships for many Pakistanis planning to emigrate.

## 3. Senate Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs: -

Committee passed and laid reports in the House on the following Bills: -

- i. The Election (Amendment) Bill, 2022
- ii. The one Stop Service Bill, 2023

## 4. Senate Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting: -

i. The Committee took up the PEMRA (Amendment) Bill, 2023.

- ii. The Committee's deliberations led to creation of The PTV Flix.
- iii. The Committee probed into the utilization of Radio Pakistan.
- iv. The Committee worked on pension and commutation for employees of PCB.

#### 5. Senate Standing Committee on Power: -

The Committee discussed major aspects related to Power / Energy sector during the year under report. Some of the achievements of the Committee while highlighting the irregularities of Power Division in different areas / projects are as under: -

- i. Upon repeated recommendations of the Committee, the Government of Pakistan and K-Electric have recently signed various agreements including Power Purchase Agency Agreement (PPAA), Tariff Differential Subsidy Agreement (TDSA) and Interconnection Agreement (ICA) underpinning Karachi's energy security.
- ii. The Committee observed that there was no permanent CEO working in all GENCOs since July, 2021. The Committee therefore queried how could these power generation plants operate without the appointment of Chief Engineers in all GENCOs and believed that appointment of technical staff in all GENCOs is essential for improving the efficiency of GENCOs.
- iii. Regarding the promotion policy for technical staff in all GENCOs and upon the recommendation of the Committee, the pending cases of promotion from XEN to S.Es posts were rescheduled in 2023 to fill the human resource gap.
- iv. The Committee observed that the post of DMD (SO) NTDC was created for the first time in the history of NTDC. Mr. Ali Zain Banatwala, who at the same time was the Member of BoD, NTDC and as Member BoD, has recommended for his appointment and resigned a day before joining as DMD (SO), NTDC. The Power Division also conducted an internal inquiry and it was mentioned in the inquiry report that his appointment was illegal and he applied for the post after issuance of corrigendum. In the light of above facts, the Committee had a point of view that this post must be abolished. The other DMDs, NTDC may be appointed / promoted as per the procedure adopted by NTDC. The Committee also objected to the salary package of Mr. Ali Zain Banatawala, which was Rs. 18 lac per month. Upon the repeated recommendations of the Committee, the matter was discussed and decided in the meeting of HR Committee, NTDC, and Mr. Ali Zain Banatwala was removed from the post of DMD (SO), NTDC accordingly.

- v. About the massive power breakdown across the country occurred in January, 2023, the Committee maintained that units with facility of black start in Faisalabad Power Station did not have gas supply agreement, however, they must have been operated on diesel and generators during the crisis. The NPCC also admitted that there was a human negligence in the electricity black out. The Committee gave its recommendation to Power Division to form an internal departmental Committee. The Federal Cabinet also directed the same to Power Division to probe the matter further. Recently, NTDC probe Committee has held two officials responsible for the power breakdown.
- vi. On the recommendation of the Committee, Power Division and QESCO nominated their officials who met Senator Muhammad Akram and resolved the issue of electricity billing in four union Councils of Turbat, Balochistan.
- vii. About the functions and responsibilities of BoDs in a DISCO and the appointment procedure of CEOs in a DISCO, the Committee maintained that Board is interfering in day to day affairs of the DISCOs instead of making a meaningful policy for the DISCOs. The appointment procedure must be implemented through a criteria as mentioned in the Act. The new Members with good credentials may also be given a chance to be appointed in these Boards. The conflict of interest must be checked in this regard. The Committee analyzed their CVs and concluded that mostly Members were non-technical and not related to the concerned field. They were appointed on political / pick & choose basis. The department is the appointing authority of Members of BoD. The Act must be implemented by the appointing Committee as well. The Committee maintained that technical persons may be appointed as Member of Board of Directors (BoD) in the Discos. These Members of BoD must be appointed on merit basis.
- viii. On the matter of illegal extension of the KAPCO Power Plant, the Committee maintained that why the extension was accorded when agreement was expired and it was necessity of a country that IPPs agreement should not be renewed because they caused huge cost to poor people of Pakistan in the shape of capacity payment & Tariff paid in US Dollars. The country has surplus installed Power Plants which are also receiving capacity payment and maintenance payment in closing time. Those public sector power plants must have been started because their expiry time

is still not matured. Upon the recommendation of the Committee, Power Division committed to not giving further extension in the contract of KAPCO Power Plant.

- ix. In the tendering process of the 765kV double circuit transmission from Dasu Hydro Power Station to Islamabad I/C Grid Stationand ADB-401B-2022 LoT-II A procurement of goods 500kV Double Circuit Quad Bundle Transmission Line from Sangal to 500kV Maira Switching Station (approx. 83km), using ACSR "Bunting" Conductor, the Committee referred the matter for detailed inquiry to a Committee consisting of caretaker Federal Minister for Energy (Power Division), Secretary, Power Division and MD, NEPAK.
- x. Upon the recommendation of the Committee, a representative from NTDC and M/s AJ Textile Mills Ltd Gadoon Amazai accompanied the CEO, PESCO and visited the site. The CEO, PESCO amicably resolved the issue of non-provision of billing of Export units through solar system to A.J Textile Mills Pvt. Limited, Gadoon Amazai and compliance with all the regulations.

#### 6. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Climate Change: -</u>

- i. The Members of the Committee actively participated in the deliberations and discussions held at the Pakistan Pavilion during COP 28.
- ii. The Committee conducted various home ground visits to support local community leaders and climate change activists including:
  - a. Visit to Shahdara, Margalla Hills National Park to participate in cleanliness derive and commemorate World Environment Day.
  - b. Visit to Farash Town Islamabad managed by WWF to observe community based initiatives in addressing climate relating challenges.
  - c. Visit to WWF Wetland Centre Karachi for briefing from Sindh Forest Department and WWF on Mangrove Forests.
- iii. The Committee gave valuable points in the proposed Carbon Trading Policy.

## 7. Senate Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation: -

The Committee thoroughly examined legislative matters referred by the House and presented reports on both government and private members' Bills following careful consideration. Additionally, the Committee received briefings from PPAF, BISP, and TVO to evaluate their

performance and recommended that these departments extend the range of projects being implemented to encompass all underdeveloped regions throughout the country.

#### 8. Senate Standing Committee on Science & Technology: -

The Committee envisaged that the Bill Titled "The Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023 as passed unanimously by the Committee will also be replicated in other Councils including the Nursing Council.

#### 9. Senate Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research: -

The Committee after due deliberations on the Bill titled "The Pakistan Animals Science Council Bill, 2022" recorded its observations that there is already a regulatory body in relation to veterinary education under the Ministry of IPC throughout Pakistan. The Committee therefore turned down the idea of creating another regulatory body with the same mandate.

#### 10. Senate Functional Committee on Devolution: -

The Committee made several achievements with regards coordination between provinces and the Federal and by resolving issues including: -

- i. Price Control in Punjab (Stay order on Sugar issue)
- Higher Education issues in Punjab and the problems in VCs hiring.
- iii. Issues pertaining to students of erstwhile FATA, among others.

#### 11. Senate Standing Committee on Economic Affairs: -

The Committee unanimously passed a resolution to show solidarity with persons affected by floods and acknowledged the efforts of international community.

#### 12. Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights.

i. The committee took vulnerable segments of society pertaining to "Domestic violence incidents in the country with special reference to the case of minor girl Rizwana in the ICT" and "Murder of Professor Ajmal Sawand in Kandhkot, Sindh" and directed the concerned to expedite the inquiry/investigation to assist the Court in timely and just disposal of the cases.

- ii. The Committee visited Adiala Jail and made recommendations for Jail Reforms and that the prisoners belonging to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa should be repatriated to the respective jails in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, to reduce the burden on Central Jail Adiala, Rawalpindi. The Committee also recommended that convenience to the families of the prisoners ought to be provided, the legislation for early hearing of reviews of death sentences, by the Supreme Court of Pakistan to be proposed, and the potential donors of books to the library at Central Jail Adiala be kept in touch with the Jail Superintendent.
- iii. The Committee drafted the Khunsa (Intersex) Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2023, and with an aim to reforming and repealing the Transgender persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2018, for the reasons that numerous provisions of the Act,2018, are repugnant to the injunction of Islam as laid down in the Holy Quran and Sunnah. The newly drafted Bill not only keeps intact, the case of khunsa (intersex) persons, those very rights and protections as are afforded to transgender persons under the 2018 Act, but also provides for certain additional rights and protections over and above the same, along with increasing the severity of punishment in cases involving maltreatment of khunsa (intersex) persons. In addition, the Bill nevertheless defines and recognizes "gender dysphoria" as a condition in the same terms and to the same extent as is done by the World Health Organization, and extends to persons afflicted with such condition several of the rights and protections as have been guaranteed therein to khunsa (intersex) persons.
- iv. The Committee took up the matter regarding the Pakistanis detained in Guantanamo Bay prison. Due to the Committee's, along-with ministries of interior and foreign affairs, continuous efforts and highlighting the issue of unlawful detention, one of the three jailed Pakistanis, Mr. Saifullah Paracha, against whom neither any case was registered nor was he ever convicted, has been repatriated to Pakistan after 19 years. As per the information provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the cases of two detainees, namely the Rabbani brothers have been settled with the US Government, and although they could not return by mid-January 2023, they were repatriated in a few weeks after completion of codal formalities by the US authorities.

#### 13. Senate Standing Committee on Aviation

The Senate Standing Committee on Aviation made extensive deliberations on matters pertaining to suspension of licenses of pilots of PIA, whose were criminally charged on account of fake degrees, and restoration and revival of those pilots, who were wrongly removed from their services, and directed Ministry of Aviation to resolve pilots' issue as soon as possible.

The Committee also discussed the issue related to non-increase in pension emoluments to employees of the Civil Aviation Authority who retired between fiscal years 2014 and 2023 as announced by the Federal Government on different occasions, and in conclusion, directed the Ministry for Aviation to address the concerns of the above-mentioned pensioners.

#### 14. Senate Standing Committee on Finance Revenue and Economic Affairs.

- i. The Committee discussed the issue of exclusion of Private Secretaries from executive allowance, and as a result of the committee's unwavering efforts, the government has finally notified the Private Secretaries eligible for the allowance.
- ii. The Committee resolved the issue of Hayat Kimya pvt ltd and Dawlance pvt ltd regarding opening LC's.
- iii. The Committee held a pre-budget meeting along with all the stakeholders to garner their input in the presence of Ministry of Finance and FBR.
- iv. Under Article 73 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Senate has an important role in passage of the money bill. The Standing Committee diligently worked for six days and eight meetings of the Committee were held, the committee considered the recommendations of the Hon'ble Members and different clauses of the Finance Bill on behalf of the Senate of Pakistan.
- v. The Committee approved 81 recommendations out of which 80% of the recommendations were accepted for Finance Bill, 2023-24.
- vi. The Committee directed SBP to open a facilitation desk to facilitate the business community with regard to issues related to LCs. By dint of Committee's unwavering efforts, the facilitation desk has been established and is serving the business community.

- vii. The Committee included the agenda for briefing on the AJK budget, resultantly the PM AJK graced the meeting with his presence. The Committee had detailed briefing on the current economic situation in Pakistan, and the then Minister for Finance herself briefed the Committee.
- viii. The Committee considered the matter of delay in payment of salaries for four months at the end of AGPR to teaching and non-teaching staff. The Committee took strong notice of the lethargic attitude of AGPR officials and vigorously directed to pay the salaries and resultantly the issue was resolved.
- ix. The Committee extensively discussed issue of money laundering by Solar panel importers and unearthed 69 billion rupees money laundering by solar panel importers, resulting in the recommendation by the Committee urging State Bank of Pakistan and FBR to upgrade their mechanism to avoid any further money laundering in future.
- x. The Committee took strong notice of the banks charging extra US dollars from customers for opening of LC's and vigorously directed SBP for action in this regard and also directed to submit report.

# 15. <u>Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services Regulation and Coordination.</u>

- i. Resolved the issue of Election of National Council for Homeopathy (NCH) without implementing recommendation to Sub-Committee of Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulation and Coordination.
- ii. Directions issued against illegal and unlawful degree courses of bachelor in doctor of Dermal Science by University of Faisalabad and illegal practice by unqualified Doctors (Rachna Hospital Satiana Road Faisalabad).
- iii. Recommendation issued to PMDC on hefty fees being charged by the Private Medical Colleges especially by DOW Medical College Karachi in US dollars.
- iv. Took up an existential problem of PMDC regarding passing percentage of NREI examination for foreign graduates.
- v. Discussed with the Ministry of National Health Services Regulation and Coordination on their newly-proposed Public Sector Development Program (PSDP) projects.

- vi. Proposal/step taken by the Ministry of National Health Services Regulation and Coordination to cope with the shortage of medicines and control their price hike.
- vii. Implementation status of the directions made by the committee in its meeting held on 28th February, 2023.

#### 16. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training.</u>

- i. The matter of daily waging teachers under the Federal Directorate of Education was resolved by the regularizations under the Federal Directorate of Education;
- ii. The matter of Technologists and Technicians was taken up and progress was made on devising the service structure of these trades. The matter is under consideration in Higher Education Commission;
- iii. The Government was sensitized on the issue of the National Technology Act which is under consideration before the Government for onward passage in the Parliament.

#### 17. Senate Standing Committee on Law and Justice.

The Senate Standing Committee on Law and Justice successfully addressed anomalies in local government in the provinces under the 18<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment's devolution process through a unanimously passed bill presented by Senator Sania Nishtar. The Amendments, including a four-year term for local government tiers and changes in Article 140-A, establish a robust constitutional framework for effective devolution, mitigating issues of centralization by provincial governments. Furthermore, the committee's deliberations on Public Petition (PP-5183) on appointment of member judges, on merit in National Industrial Relations Commission (NIRC), significantly influenced government policy, fostering transparency and merit-based appointments in the NIRC

#### 18. <u>Senate Standing Committee on Housing and Works.</u>

The committee held hearings/meetings to ensure parliamentary oversight on implementation of housing and other civil work projects being executed by the Ministry. Main focus of the committee was to address public service matters. Housing projects of FGEHA were minutely examined by the committee members at different times. Transparency and fiscal discipline

remained top priority of the committee. On the recommendations of the committee, the Ministry has constituted a probe committee for inquiry into alleged Rs. 22 billion embezzlement matter in civil works projects of Pak.PWD.

# 19. <u>Senate Committee on Delegated Legislation.</u>

The Committee in its yearly tenure reviewed a number of sub-ordinate legislation, pointed out anomalies and took up those with concerned Ministries. The Ministries concerned rectified the anomalies found in rules and regulations.

# 20. Senate Standing Committee on Industries and Production.

- i. The Committee recommended stopping the privatization process of the Pakistan Steel Mills and preparing a comprehensive plan for its revival. The government of Pakistan vide Cabinet decision, delisted the Pakistan Steel Mills from the Privatization List.
- ii. Committee directed that Pakistan Gems & Jewellery Development Company (PGJDC) be made functional and to establish a licensing authority in it to promote export of Gems and Jewellery.

# 21. Senate Standing Committee on States and Frontier Regions.

- i. In Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government, as a result of the committee recommendations, a GIS system has been integrated with work schemes and system of loading of images as is introduced, so that pre, in progress and post image of the development can be monitored. This GIS interface is publicly available and verifiable information on this is the basis of fund release to vendors.
- ii. As a result of the Committee efforts, in KPK government, the procurement is made strictly in accordance with KPPPRA Rules. The Procurement process now is fully on line on a public website along with all attachments till work order so that forensics and accountability has financial evolution, performance guarantee by successful bidder and issuance of Work Order must be made through the E-Tendering process and that there should neither be a paper trail in the process nor any space for discretionary decision making.
- iii. The issue of khasadar and levies had been resolved on the recommendations of the committee.

## 22. Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs.

- i. The Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, as per its mandate, took up key issues on foreign policy, diplomatic, parliamentary, bilateral, regional and international fronts during the parliamentary years. To this effect, the Committee passed recommendations where required and gave policy guidelines in light of Pakistan's national interest and foreign policy perspective.
- ii. The Committee carried out extensive discussions on various important issues during meetings and gave directions in this regard. Few key issues taken up by the Committee in its meetings are highlighted as under: -
- iii. Briefing by Foreign Minister on atrocities being committed by India in IIOJK as well as against Muslims living in India after the sacrilegious statements given against our Holy Prophet (PBUH).
- iv. Committee recommended that diplomatic passport may be issued to Ms. Mushaal Mullick, wife of Mr. Yasin Malik along with provision of foolproof security for her safety. The FM assured that he would take the matter up with the Interior Minister to arrange more security for Ms. Mullick.
- v. The matter of travel conditions imposed upon Pakistanis traveling to UAE was taken up and necessary directions were conveyed to MoFA for its resolution.
- vi. The Committee asked MoFA to continue to facilitate Pakistani students studying in China in line with guidelines issued by the Chinese government.
- vii. Issue of Afghan spectators during the Pak-Afghan cricket match played in the UAE was taken and up and the MoFA was directed to take the matter up with concerned authorities including the Afghan and UAE government so that such incidents may be avoided in future.
- viii. The Committee directed that SoPs in respect of visits abroad by the senators, either official or private, may be drafted and put up to the Committee for approval. The same was done by the MoFA.
  - ix. The matters pertaining to detention of Kashmiri Ulema in the Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir and up-to-date position of detained Kashmiri leader Yasin Malik in the context of human rights violations by India were also taken up by the committee.

- x. Difficulties being faced by Pakistanis living and working in the Gulf countries including renewal of Iqamas, issuance of lost passport, non-payment of salaries by their Kafeels etc., were addressed.
- xi. The Committee asked the MoFA to resolve the issues faced by Pakistani community living in Rwanda.
- xii. Briefing was sought on how Pakistan is balancing its foreign policy and diplomatic relations with Russia and Western Bloc in the context of Ukrainian crisis.
- xiii. Diplomatic, bilateral and multilateral initiatives being taken and progress made to maximize full potential of Pakistan-Africa co-operation in various fields were also reviewed.
- xiv. The Committee recommended to the MoFA to ensure that no Pakistani mission be closed in the name of austerity, particularly in the African countries.
- xv. Issuance of Pakistani visas to 1,600 Afghans on bogus residence cards of Sweden and the findings through an inquiry launched by MoFA.
- xvi. Briefing on Pakistan's diplomatic, economic, peace & security and strategic objectives accrued during FM Bilawal Bhutto Zaradari's participation in the SCO Council of Foreign Minister's meeting held in India.

# 23 Senate Standing Committee on Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan

- i. In each of its meetings, the committee took up the issues of Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan in a good manner and gave its recommendations on them, which led to the development of the area. The most important step taken up by the Committee was to highlight the issue of repealing Articles 370 and 3sA, revoking special status of Indian Illegally Occupied Kashmir by India, on various international forums. The committee in its meetings passed directions for highlighting the issue of Kashmir in the UK, Europe and America. The public perception towards Kashmiri struggle is different, therefore, the Committee recommended for launching of mass awareness campaign at national and international levels especially for the knowledge and information of young population.
- ii. Since the location of GB lies at a very important geostrategic location, sharing borders with India, Afghanistan, and China, the Committee played important role in enhancing cooperation and coordination of Federal ministries with Governments of Gilgit Baltistan & AJK for construction of pending schemes/projects of CPEC in timely manner.

- iii. The Committee also focused on different projects meant for increasing energy supply to Gilgit-Baltistan and in its meetings passed directions to concerned Ministries and governments of AJK and GB for a timely release of funds and completion of the projects.
- iv. While taking up the issue of non-release of funds from federal government for major projects in Muzaffarabad to AJK Government like Ms. Benazir Bhutto Shaheed Medical College, Mirpur and Mirwaiz Muhammad Farooq Shaheed Medical College, the Committee passed repeated directions/recommendations to concerned Ministries especially the Finance Division for immediate release of allocated funds for early completion of the projects.

# 24 Senate Standing Committee on Railways

- i. The Committee in one of its meeting took up the agenda of Karachi Circular Railway Project. The Committee in its meeting passed directions that Karachi Circular Railway track must be linked with Karachi Airport in order to facilitate more people and expand its linkages to all important locations within the city.
- ii. The Committee also disposed of the public petition regarding provision of alternate residence to the affected resident of Karachi Circular Railway. The Committee under Rule 166 (5) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Senate, 2012 passed directions for compliance of Supreme Court orders to provide alternate residence to the affected resident of KCR in letter and spirit.

# 9. INTER PARLIAMENTARY RELATIONS (IPR)

The Senate of Pakistan is an active and well-respected member of the International Parliamentary Community. Inter-Parliamentary Relations (IPR) activities help to keep the Upper House of Parliament relevant, effective and innovative. These activities include a program of inter-parliamentary visits, membership of inter-parliamentary organizations, participation in Parliamentary Friendship Groups, and contributing to parliamentary conferences, workshops and study programs. Parliamentary diplomacy increases mutual understanding between countries, develops best parliamentary practices, and ensures that Pakistan is playing an active part in the international parliamentary community, regionally and globally. Members' active participation in inter-parliamentary organizations improves their knowledge and insight as legislators, which in turn improves parliamentary scrutiny of government.

The Inter-Parliamentary Relations (IPR) Division fosters connections between the Senate of Pakistan and parliamentarians globally, complementing the relationships that exist between governments, non-governmental, and international organizations. The IPR Division strives to support the Leadership and Members of Senate in effective promotion and strengthening of relations with the world parliaments and multilateral parliamentary bodies through effective parliamentary diplomacy, outreach activities, frequent visits, interaction and conduct of various seminars and conferences.

#### **'CHAIRMAN-LED DIPLOMACY'**

In order to strengthen close relations, numerous Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) are signed between the Senate of Pakistan and the respective countries. The MoU aims to enhance parliamentary interaction in bilateral and multilateral areas to improve mutual trust, expand consensus and promote cooperation. Moreover, the MoU endeavors to build capacity of parliamentarians and parliamentary staffers through exchange of experiences, knowledge & expertise and study visits.

#### Following MoUs were signed

i) Memorandum of Understanding between The Senate of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan & The Arab Parliament for the Strengthening of Cooperation on Parliamentary Affairs: -

ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Senate of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and the Senate of the Republic of Rwanda for Strengthening of Cooperation on Parliamentary Affairs signed on 31st October, 2023

# 9.1 Invitations Extended by H.E. Senator Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman Senate of Pakistan: -

For promotion of Parliamentary diplomacy on reciprocity basis, the Hon'ble Chairman Senate of Pakistan has extended invitations to the following:

S. NO.	DETAILS
1.	H.E. Mr. Dileita Mohamed Dileita, Speaker of the National Assembly, Republic of Djibouti, dated 29 <sup>th</sup> March, 2023.
2.	H.E. Mr. Abdullah Saleh Bishbishi, Cost Engineer, PetroRabigh Co, Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, dated 12 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.
3.	H.E. Mr. Gombojav Zandanshatar, Chairman of the State Great Hural, Mongolia, dated 27 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.
4.	H.E. Mr. Leji Zhao, Chairman, Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, People's Republic of China, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
5.	H.E. Mr. Amos Masondo, Chairman, National Council of Provinces, Republic of South Africa, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
6.	H.E. Mr. Rodrigo Otavio Soares Pacheco, President of the Federal Senate, Federative Republic of Brazil, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
7•	H.E. Mr. Saqr Ghobash, Speaker of the Federal National Council, United Arab Emirates, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
8.	H.E. Sheikh AbdulMalik bin Abdullah Al Khalili, Chairman of the State Council, Sultanate of Oman, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
9.	H.E. Ms. Dunyagozel Akmuhammedovna Gulmanova, Chairwoman of the Assembly, Republic of Turkmenistan, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
10.	H.E. Mr. Hidehisa Otsuji, President of the House of Councillors, Japan, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
11.	H.E. Mr. Brahim Bouderbala, President of the Assembly of People's Representatives, Republic of Tunisia, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
12.	H.E. Ms. Sue Lines, President of the Senate, Commonwealth of Australia, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
13.	H.E. Mr. Kim Jin-pyo, Speaker of the National Assembly, Republic of Korea, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
14.	H.E. Mr. Hassan bin Abdulla Al-Ghanim, Speaker of the Shura Council, State of Qatar, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.
15.	H.E. Dr. Tulia Ackson, Speaker of National Assembly, United Republic of Tanzania, dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 2023.

**16.** H.E. Mr. Ignazio La Russa, President of the Senate, Italian Republic, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2023. H.E. Dr. Ousmane Bougouma, President of the Transitional Legislative Assembly, Burkina Faso, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2023. **18.** H.E. Ms. Patty Murray, President, Pro tempore of the Senate, United States of America, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2023. H.E. Mufti Sheikh Rawil Gaynetdin, Chairman of Russia Mufties Council / 19. Chairman of Religious Board of Muslims of European part of Russia, Russian Federation, dated 14th June, 2023. **20.** H.E. Ms. Valentina Matvienko, Speaker of the Council of the Federation, Russian Federation, dated 16th June, 2023. H.E. Rt. Hon. Ganesh Prasad Timilsina, Chairperson of the National Assembly, Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2023. H.E. Rt Hon. Lord McFall of Alcluith, Lord Speaker, House of the Lords, United Kingdom, dated 28th August, 2023. H.E. Rt Hon. Sir Lindsay Hoyle, Speaker of the House of Commons, United Kingdom, dated 28th August, 2023. H.E. Mr. Gian Marco Centinaio Vice President of the Senate of the Republic, Italian Republic, dated 20th September, 2023. H.E. Mr. Agegnehu Teshager, President of the House of Federation, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2023. H.E. Ms. Raymonde Gagné, Speaker of the Senate, Canada, dated 6th November, 2023. H.E. Mr. Abdul Rahman, Speaker of the Legislative Council, Negara Brunei Darussalam, dated 6th November, 2023. 28. H.E. Mr. Mohsen Al-Mandalawi, Acting Speaker, Council of Representatives, Republic of Iraq, dated 6th December, 2023. **29.** H.E. Mr. Sagr Ghobash, Speaker of the Federal National Council, United Arab Emirates, UAE, dated 12th December, 2023. 30. H.E. Ms. Ana Lilia Rivera Rivera, President of the Senate of Mexico, United Mexican States, dated 12th December, 2023. H.E. Mr. Rustam Emomali, Chairman of Majlisi Milli, Republic of Tajikistan, dated 9th January, 2024.

# 9.2 Calls-on / Video Call / Telephonic Calls-on H.E. Senator Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman Senate of Pakistan, by Foreign Dignitaries.

Ambassadors and High Commissioners of various countries called on H.E. Senator Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman Senate of Pakistan, and discussed issues of mutual interest. This helped in further strengthening the parliamentary cooperation for fostering long-standing partnerships, with the regional and international Parliaments, strengthening the parliamentary networks,

agreements, and technical assistance programmes; asserting Pakistan's views and influencing the activities of inter-parliamentary organizations.

S.NO.	DATE	DIGNITARIES		
1.	16.03.2023	Telephonic call-on the H.E. Mr. Dileita Mohamed Dileita, President of the National Assembly, Republic of Djibouti		
2.	02.05.2023	Call-on by H.E. Seyed Mohammad Ali Hosseini, Ambassador of Iran to Pakistan		
3.	23.05.2023	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Andrew Dalgleish, Acting British High Commissioner to Pakistan		
4.	20.06.2023	Courtesy call-on by Mr. Naeem Ullah Khan, Pakistan High Commissioner-designate to Rwanda		
5.	20.06.2023	Courtesy call / Meeting by H.E. Mr. Abrar H Hashmi, Ambassador of Pakistan to Nepal		
6.	22.06.2023	Telephonic call to H.E. Mr. Numan Kurtulmuş, Speaker of the Grand National Assembly of Turkiye, Republic of Turkiye		
7•	03.08.2023	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Hossein Amir Abdollahian, Foreign Minister of Iran		
8.	22.08.2023	Call-on by H.E. Ms. Jane Marriott CMG OBE, British High Commissioner to Pakistan		
9.	22.08.2023	Call-on by H.E. Dr. Reza Amiri Moghaddam, Ambassador of Iran to Pakistan		
10.	22.09.2023	Courtesy meeting by H.E. Mr. Jemal Beker Abdula, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to Pakistan		
11.	26.09.2023	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Jiang Zaidong, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Pakistan		
12.	16.10.2023	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Adam Mulawarman Tugio, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Pakistan		
13.	16.10.2023	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Hamid Abbas Lafta, Ambassador of the Republic of Iraq to Pakistan		
14.	20.10.2023	Call-on by H.E. Ms. Leslie Scanlon, Canadian High Commissioner to Pakistan		
15.	02.11.2023	Call-on by H.E. Col. (Rtd.) PG Kamal Bashah PG Ahmad, High Commissioner of the Negara Brunei Darussalam to Pakistan		
16.	15.11.2023	Video call to H.E. Senator Tan Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi Bin Tuanku Jaafar, President of the Senate of Malaysia		

17.	05.12.2023	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Maen Khreisat, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to Pakistan
18.	02.01.2024	Call-on by H.E. Mr. Fahad Sulaiman Khalaf Al Kharusi, Ambassador of the Sultanate of Oman to Pakistan

#### 9.3 INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES

# **Outgoing Parliamentary delegations:**

Thirty-Six parliamentary delegations from the Senate of Pakistan visited abroad during the period from March 2023 to till date to further promote parliamentary diplomacy and relations with other parliaments and international parliamentary assemblies. The Honorable Chairman Senate and Members of Senate traveled abroad for bilateral visits as well as for participating in various parliamentary events and other international forum through IPR Division.

1	67 <sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 67) New
	York, USA from 7-8 March, 2023.
2	146 <sup>th</sup> Session of IPU Assembly and related meetings held in Manama Bahrain from 11-15 March, 2023.
3	1st Annual Conference of the GCPR in London, United Kingdom from 14-15 April, 2023.
4	Visit of Honorable Chairman Senate to Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from 14-19 April, 2023
5	Visit of Senate Delegation to Washington D.C, USA from 1-5 May, 2023.
6	Meeting of the APA Standing Committee on Economic Affairs & Sustainable Development in Manama, Bahrain from 16-17 May, 2023.
7	Visit of Honorable Chairman Senate to UAE from 6-10 May, 2023.
8	Two days Conference at Institute of Oriental Studies at Moscow, Russia from 22-23 May, 2023.
9	SCO Forum on Poverty Reduction & Sustainable Development at Yangling, Shannxi Province, China from 29-31 May, 2023
10	Visit of Chairman Senate along with Senate Delegation to Russain Federation from 5-9 June, 2023
11	Parliamentary Conference on Interfaith Dialogue in Marrakech, Kingdom of Morocco from 13-15 June, 2023
12	Meeting of IPU Executive Committee held in Lisbon Portugal from 28-30 June, 2023.
13	Visit of Senate Parliamentary Delegation to New York, United States of America from 20-26 June, 2023.

14 Senate Delegation attending the 6th meeting of ICAPP Youth Wing and 7th meeting of the ICAPP Women's Wing at Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia from 4-7 August, 2023. Visit of Senate Special Committee / Working Group of Streamline for Holding Mango 15 Festival in Urumqi, People's Republic of China from 17-21 August, 2023. Parliamentary Conference on the World Trade Organization (WTO) at Geneva, Switzerland from 12-15 September, 2023. Meeting of APA Standing Committee on Social & Cultural Affairs, Baku, Azerbaijan **17** from 20-23 September, 2023. Parliamentary event at SDG Summit and other High Level Meeting held in New York, 18 USA on 21st September, 2023. 147th IPU Assembly & Related Meetings held in Luanda, Angola from 23-27 October, 19 International Symposium to Commemorate the 10th Anniversary of People's Republic 20 China Principal of Amity Sincerity Mutual Benefit & Inclusiveness in Neighborhood Diplomacy held in Beijing, People's Republic of China on 24th October, 2023. 5th meeting of the Asia-Europe political forum & the 40th meeting of the ICAPP standing committee held in Kathmandu, Nepal from 13-16 October, 2023. (only airfare paid in this visit) Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) Standing Committee on Political Affairs held in 22 Baghdad, Iraq from 9-12 November, 2023. 6th meeting of KAPP media forum in Seoul, Republic of Korea from 17-19 December, 23 2023. (Only airfare paid in this visit) Meeting of APA Executive Council in Antalya, Turkiye from 26th – 29th Nov, 2023. 24 Exploring Technology Zone Park and Solar Project in Shenzhen, China 2-6 December, 25 Parliamentary meeting of COP-28 at Dubai, UAE on 6th December, 2023. **26** Visit of Hon'ble Chairman Senate to Baghdad, Iraq and Dubai from 6-13 Dec. 2023. **2**7 Human Resources and Labor services expo held in Riyadh, Saudi Arab from 24-27 **28** December, 2023. Visit of Mirza Muhammad Afridi, Deputy Chairman Senate to US Congress 29 Washington D.C and New York from 2-5 January, 2024. (only airfare paid in this visit) 1st meeting of Palestine Committee held at Tehran, Iran from 9-11 January, 2024. 30 Visit of Honorable Chairman Senate to Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from 18-22 January, 31 2024 Presidential Election observation to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan on 7 February, 2024 32 2024 Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations at UN Headquarters in New York, USA from 8-9 February, 2024. Executive Council Meeting and 14th Plenary Session of APA in Baku, Azerbaijan from 34 20-24 February, 2024.

35	Abu Dhabi Session of Parliamentary Conference on WTO, UAE on 25 February, 2024.
36	148th IPU Assembly and related Meetings to be held in Geneva, Switzerland from 23-27 March, 2024.

# **Incoming Parliamentary delegations: -**

Keeping in view the importance of inter-parliamentary interactions, the Senate of Pakistan successfully hosted the following delegations:

S. NO.	DETAILS
1.	Visit of H.E. Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President, Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and various International Parliamentarians to Pakistan from 30 <sup>th</sup> July to 1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2023
2.	Visit of a 7-Member Parliamentary delegation led by H.E. Rt. Hon. Dr. KALINDA François-Xavier, President of the Senate, Republic of Rwanda to Pakistan from 30 <sup>th</sup> October to 2 <sup>nd</sup> November, 2023

## Friendship Groups: -

Parliamentary Friendship Groups help deepen Pakistan's relations with other countries and assist in promoting parliamentary democracy. The groups provide members with opportunities for direct engagement with legislators from other countries and enhance understanding of regional and global issues. With a view to strengthening the Inter-Parliamentary links and promote Parliamentary cooperation, Senate of Pakistan has established Parliamentary Friendship Groups on reciprocal basis. At present there are 100 Parliamentary Friendship Groups in the Senate of Pakistan.

#### 9.4 INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ORGANIZATIONS

At the multilateral level, the Senate and the National Assembly are members of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) and Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) and actively participate in their events/ conferences.

# **Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU):**

The Inter-Parliamentary Union is one of the oldest and biggest parliamentary organization in the world with 173 members and 11 regional assemblies as associate members. The total Membership of IPU

is divided into o6 Regional Groups. The Union has its headquarters at Geneva, Switzerland. Established in 1889, it is considered to be a focal point for world-wide parliamentary discussions and also for nurturing healthy tradition in representative democracies. The IPU supports the efforts of and works in close co-operation with the United Nations, whose objectives it shares. IPU statutory Assemblies and specialized meetings serve as a testing ground for new ideas and initiatives leading to important breakthroughs in the search for peace and advancing international co-operation. Pakistan is part of Asia-Pacific geopolitical group. IPU holds its Assemblies, twice a year, to consider questions of international concern and also to express views on political, economic, social, cultural, humanitarian and environmental problems of international significance.

The Senate of Pakistan became Member of IPU in 1973, immediately after adoption of bicameral system of democracy and since then Senate delegations have been actively participating in IPU conferences and its related meetings. Pakistan's representation at various IPU Committees has remained instrumental and highly recognized. Following Members from the Senate of Pakistan are elected as Bureau Members of IPU from the Asia-Pacific Group.;

S.No.	Name	IPU Standing Committee/ Bureau	Expiry of term as member
1.	Senator Farooq	Standing Committee on	March, 2025
	Hamid Naek	Democracy and Human	
	(Expiry of Term as	Rights	
	Senator March, 2027)		
2.	Senator Mushahid	IPU Committee on	October, 2027
	Hussain Sayed	Human Rights of	
	(Expiry of Term as	Parliamentarians	
	Senator March, 2024)		

It is important to note that Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed during the meeting of the IPU's Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians, held in January, 2024 in Geneva, was unanimously elected as the Vice President of the Committee.

At the 147<sup>th</sup> Assembly of IPU held in Luanda, Angola from 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, the Senate of Pakistan had the honor to present before the IPU Member Parliaments, Senate of Pakistan's success story in Self-Assessment of Democratic Parliament Indicators during the Special segment to launch the

Indicators for Democratic Parliaments. The Senate of Pakistan was acknowledged and celebrated for its exceptional achievement in the self-assessment of democratic parliament indicators.

## **Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA):**

The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) is a platform of nations and prominent legislators from Commonwealth countries to exchange experiences and promote understanding for parliamentary institutions by holding conferences at regular intervals for debates on matters of immediate concern to Commonwealth countries. It also connects, develops, promotes and supports Parliamentarians and their staff to identify benchmarks of good governance and implementation of enduring values of the Commonwealth. Active participation by Senate delegations in these conferences has helped in maintaining contact with the Commonwealth countries and conveying Pakistan's stance on various matters. These conferences have also helped in boosting cooperation between parliaments of member countries on social and economic issues like ever-growing trade imbalance between third world and developed countries etc. Pakistan's active participation at CPA conferences has proved to be mutually beneficial to us and the forum.

The Senate of Pakistan has closely coordinated with CPA Headquarters on various parliamentary procedural and capacity building Programs of parliamentarians and staff in the sphere of parliamentary capacity building of parliamentarians. On the invitation of CPA Headquarters and CPA UK Branch, parliamentary delegations from Senate of Pakistan had visited London wherein Members were introduced to parliamentary practice and procedures. Senate of Pakistan regularly attends the CPA annual conference and other related activities in coordination with the National Assembly Secretariat.

S.No	<b>Engagements with Commonwealth parliamentary Association (CPA)</b>		
01	Study visit of Senate Delegation to CPA Head Quarter London, United Kingdom		
	from 26-30 June, 2023.		
02	Study visit to CPA headquarter and UK Parliament etc., in London, United Kingdom		
	from 15-16 January, 2024.		

# **Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA):**

Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) was established as an outcome of decisions of 5th General Assembly session of Association of Asian Parliaments for Peace (AAPP) held in Islamabad in December 2004. However, it took two years to formally establish APA in 2006 at the 7<sup>th</sup> Session of the AAPP in

Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran. Senate of Pakistan is one of the co-founders and Pakistan has become the birth place of APA. The Charter of APA was adopted at the First Session of the APA Plenary in November 2006. With 44 Member Parliaments and 14 Observer Parliaments from Asia and with 10 Regional/ International Organizations as Observers, the APA has so far convened 12 Plenary Sessions.

#### **Asian Parliament:**

The creation of an Asian Parliament has remained resonating in the agenda of APA Plenaries and meetings from the past in one way or the other. But it was during two-year APA Presidency of Pakistan (2013-2015) which led to tangible efforts for creation of Asian Parliament. In 6<sup>th</sup> APA Plenary Session, Pakistan coined the idea of Asian Parliament and since then Pakistan has remained actively engaged in its realization. As in 7<sup>th</sup> Plenary held during December, 2014, adoption of Lahore Declaration remarked establishment of Special Committee for Creation of Asian Parliament (SCCAP) to be based in Islamabad, to work on a single agenda of establishing Asian Parliament. Senate of Pakistan took initiatives for streamlining the work of SCCAP and generating its momentum in the right direction for an Asian Parliament. In January 2015, former Chairman Senate of Pakistan held a meeting with Mr. Martin Schulz, President of European Parliament, with a special focus and intention on seeking input on establishment of European Parliament. Besides, Senate of Pakistan passed a unanimous resolution in favour of the establishment of the Asian Parliament on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

Pakistan with its hectic efforts and commitment is now among the leading Members of APA especially with regard to the creation of Asian Parliament. Members of APA are supportive of Pakistan leadership and guidance to transform APA into in the institutional voice of Asia.

# New Approach to Parliamentary Connectivity Virtual Meetings / Conferences and Webinars:

Face to face interactions between parliamentarians and parliaments are extremely essential to foster and strengthen bilateral relations between the countries. These interactions can take place at both bilateral level or during meetings/ conferences of multilateral parliamentary bodies.

Inter Parliamentary Relations (IPR) Branch with the aim to promote and strengthen relations with world parliaments and international parliamentary for during the global pandemic has adopted and implemented new procedures and innovative solutions with a view to supporting the Senate of Pakistan

in achieving its goals. This includes coordination with the host parliament/ event organizers on the virtual event, provision of I.T equipment, communication tools such as Zoom, Skype, WebEx and fast internet connection in coordination with the I.T. Directorate for the participation and facilitation of Hon'ble Members of Senate in various virtual conferences and webinars hosted by international parliamentary bodies, especially the IPU, CPA and APA. The IPR Branch led following Virtual Meeting/ Webinars during the Parliamentary year 2022-2023;

S. <b>No.</b>	Virtual Meeting / Webinars
1.	Online Briefing for newly elected Members for new IPU - office holders on 15 <sup>th</sup> May, 2023
2.	Strengthening Parliamentary Action at COP28: A Virtual Briefing and Knowledge Exchange for Parliaments held on 25 <sup>th</sup> May, 2023
3.	Virtual Event: Sixth Briefing on Youth in Climate Negotiations held on 31st May, 2023
4.	Virtual Meeting on Second Global Parliamentary Summit against Hunger and Malnutrition at Valparaiso, Chile held on 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> June, 2023
5.	Virtual Event on Engaging Youth in the work of Parliament in the Asia- Pacific Region held on 28 <sup>th</sup> June, 2023
6.	Virtual Event on Parliamentary Solidarity Supporting MPs under Threat held on 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023
7•	Virtual Roundtable on Parliaments Using Technologies for Combating Corruption: Fostering Transparency and Partnerships towards the UN Summit of the Future held on 5 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023
8.	Virtual Event on PUIC Emergency Meeting held on 16th October, 2023

# 10.PROTOCOL BRANCH

> Details of the visits of various groups of schools, colleges and other organizations to Senate of Pakistan under the programme 'Know your Parliament' are reproduced as under: -

Sr. No	Visit Date	Group	No of
			persons
1.	10-03-2023	Visit of Bahria Town to Parliament House	18 Persons
2.	22-03-2023	Visit of Islamic University to Senate of Pakistan	43 Persons
3.	30-03-2023	Visit of Minority Children to Senate of Pakistan	13 Persons
4.	31-03-2023	Visit of the Students of Rawalpindi Law College	64 Persons
5.	05-05-2023	Visit of Bahria University Islamabad	26 Persons
6.	08-05-2023	Visit of Teachers and Students of Modern age Public School I-8 Campus Islamabad.	89 Persons
7•	19-05-2023	Visit of Students of the Department of Political Science Lakki Marwat	18 Persons
8.	19-05-2023	Visit of the Students and Faculty Members of Department and Politics and International Relations University of Sargodha to Parliament House	90 Persons
9.	26.05-2023	Visit of the Students of the University of Punjab Institute of Administrative Science to Parliament House.	16 Persons
10.	26-05-2023	Visit of International Islamic University Islamabad	36 Persons
11.	29-05-2023	Visit of the Students and Frontier Scouts Cadet College Warsak Peshawar	22 Persons
12.	05-06-2023	Visit of Teachers and Students of International Islamic University Islamabad Schools I-8 Campus Islamabad  51 Persons	
13.	12-06-2023	Visit of Teachers and Students of Legend College Multan to Senate of Pakistan	31 Persons
14.	13-06-2023	Visit of Teachers and Students of Quaid e Azam University School of Politics and International Relations	54 Persons
15.	14-06-2023	Visit of Riphah University Islamabad	46 Persons
16.	23-06-2023	Visit of Bilal Ghaar with a 12 members delegation	12 Persons

17.	17-07-2023	Visit of the Participants of Mid-Career Management Course (MCMC), Balochistan Civil Services Academy to Senate of Pakistan	28 Persons
18.	20-07-2023	Visit of Humaira Iqbal Barrister at UK along with her family members	5 Persons
19.	24-07-2023	Visit of the Youth Parliament	45 Persons
20.	26-07-2023	Visit of Wefixers Organization, Islamabad	31 Persons
21.	02-08-2023	Visit of a Delegation of Young Leaders Parliament to Senate of Pakistan	40 Persons
22.	08-08-2023	Visit of the Students of the University of Makran	29 Persons
23.	07-08-2023	Visit of Students of the University of Gujrat	60 Persons
24.	28-09-2023	Visit of Members of British Parliamentary Delegation to Parliament House	10 Persons
25.	13-10-2023	Visit of Inland Study Tour 53 <sup>rd</sup> PN Staff Course to Parliament House	94 Persons
26.	19-10-2023	Visit of Participants of Second National Training of Trainers Workshop on Parliamentary Studies by PIPS.	45 Persons
27.	27-10-2023	Visit of Law Students of Benazir Bhutto University Shingrial Upper Dir to Senate of Pakistan	60 Persons
28.	06-11-2023	Visit of American Pakistani Public Affairs Committees Delegation to Parliament House	17 Persons
29.	08-11-2023	Visit of the Students of Bhunat Islam Nagr, Bagh Azad Kashmir	65 Persons
30.	13-11-2023	Visit of the Students of Jurists College of Law, Sargodha	62 Persons
31.	14-11-2023	Visit of National Law College of Rawalpindi	52 Persons
32.	15-11-2023	Visit of (PIPS) Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services	14 Persons
33.	16-11-2023	Visit of a Women Football Team of Alshams Women Football Club Hunza	17 Persons
34.	17-11-2023	Visit of Government College Women University Faisalabad.	83 Persons
35.	23-11-2023	Visit of Youth Delegation from Balochistan	60 Persons
36.	23-11-2023	Visit of Students of Law Department from University of Turbat	35 Persons

37.	24-11-2023	Visit of Air University, Islamabad	58 Persons
38.	27-11-2023	Visit of Students of NUST to Senate of Pakistan	48 Persons
39.	28-11-2023	Visit of Cadet College Killa Saifullah	45 Persons
40.	29-11-2023	Visit of Model CCI Participants to the Senate of Pakistan	30 Persons
41.	01-12-2023	Visit of Department of Law, Institute of Southern Punjab, Multan	50 Persons
42.	06-12-2023	Visit of Balochistan Residential College Zhob	25 Persons
43.	08-12-2023	Visit of Balochistan Residential College Loralai	50 Persons
44.	15-12-2023	Visit of Cadet College Mastung, Balochistan	40 Persons
45.	20-12-2023	Visit of the students of the University of Turbat, Balochistan	16 Persons
46.	26-12-2023	Visit of Government High School Shafi Muhammad Umrani Naseerabad, Balochistan	26 Persons
47•	27-12-2023	Visit of the Students of the Political Science Department, International Islamic University, Islamabad	o8 Persons
48.	29-12-2023	Visit of the Students of the Air University Islamabad	84 Persons
49.	05-01-2024	Visit of the Members of the Youth Assembly to Senate of Pakistan.	51 Persons

# > Summary of Guest of Parliaments/ Visiting groups from March 2023 to March 2024

Sr. No.	Total number of visiting groups	Total number of participants/	
		visitors	
1.	49	2,012	

# > DETAILS OF CALL ON/ INCOMING FOREIGN DELEGATIONS

Sr. No.	Date	Name of Delegation	Remarks
1.	20-06-	Visit of Christian Delegation led by	Dinner hosted by the Hon'ble
	2023	Professor Dr. Chris Ganakan from	Chairman Senate in honour
		Liberty University Virginia USA	of the Christian Delegation.

2.	31-07- 2023 To 02-08- 2023	Visit of H.E. Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) to Pakistan from 31 <sup>st</sup> July to 2 <sup>nd</sup> August, 2023	Grand Reception hosted by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate in honour of IPU President/ Delegates and Pakistani Politicians in front of Parliament House, Islamabad on 31st August, 2023.
3.	02-08- 2023 To 15-08- 2023	Visit of a Delegation Led by HRH Prince Motab Bin Mohammed Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud to Pakistan From 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	Dinner hosted by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate and gifts presented in honour of HRH Prince Mohtab Bin Muhammed Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud.
4.	23-08- 2023	Visit of US Congressman Delegation on 23 <sup>rd</sup> August, 2023	Dinner hosted by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate and gifts presented in honour of the US Congressman Delegation.
5.	06-10- 2023 To 12-10-2023	Visit of the President and Chairman Board of Directors of Miracle Salt Works Collective Inc. to Pakistan from 6 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023	Dinner hosted by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate and gifts presented in honour of President of the Miracle Salt Works Collective Inc.
6.	30-10- 2023 To 03-11-2023	Visit of a Parliamentary Delegation led by H.E. Rt. Hon. Dr. Kalinda Francois- Xavier, President of the Senate, Republic of Rwanda, to Pakistan from 30 <sup>th</sup> October to 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2023	Dinner hosted by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate in honour of H.E. R.T Hon. Dr Kalinda Francois-Xavier, President of Senate, Republic of Rawanda Prince Mohtab Bin Muhammed Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud.
7•	24-11-2023 To 01-12-2023	Visit of Three Member Qatari Delegation led by Mr. Noor Muhammad Ali to Pakistan from 24 <sup>th</sup> November to 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	Dinner hosted by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate in honour of Qatari Delegation

# Summary of Incoming Parliamentary Delegation/ Logistics Arrangements from March 2023 to March 2024

Sr.	Incoming Parliamentary Delegation/ Logistics Arrangements	
No.		
1.	07	

#### 11.RESEARCH DIRECTORATE

During the Parliamentary Year, 2023-24, the Research Directorate continued to provide not only research support, but also managed a total of six Senate Standing and Special Committees as Secretaries of the Committees. The Research Directorate, maintaining its values of efficiency and timeliness, managed to meet deadlines and execute significant research-based assignments, information for hosted events, and briefs and talking points for both outgoing and incoming delegations. The Research Directorate also continued to supply speeches and statements for the Honorable Chairman Senate, Deputy Chairman Senate, Leader of the House, and Leader of the Opposition. Moreover, individual requests from members of the Senate of Pakistan were also catered to by following the principles of balanced and unbiased parliamentary research.

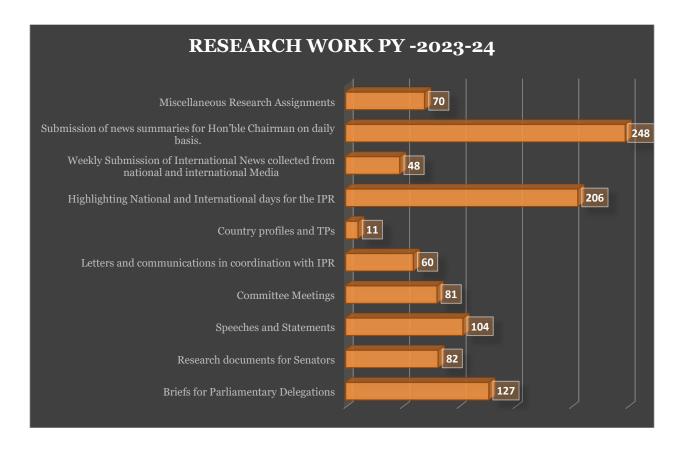
The Research Directorate provided a wide range of research products during the Year 2023-24, which included:

- ➤ Research Briefs; Background Papers; Talking Points for local and international events; Country Profiles; Comparative Studies; Fact Sheets etc. for support during debates; and provision of statistics and data.
- > Research material to the IPR Branch of the Senate with regards to UN, IPU, IPC, APA, CPA and other International Parliamentary Conferences as well as events hosted by the Senate.
- > Speeches and Statements for the office of the Honorable Chairman Senate, Deputy Chairman Senate, Leader of the House and Leader of the Opposition and members of the Senate, as and when required.
- > Six Standing & Special Committees of the Senate continue to be officiated by five officers of Research Directorate aside from their Research assignments as well.
- Provision of daily news summaries and weekly international news summaries to the office of the Chairman Senate.
- ➤ Highlighting National and International days for the IPR
- > Input on and editing of all letters written by IPR for international communication and parliamentary engagements.

# Statistics of Research Work Carried out during PY 2023-2024

S.No	Products	Statistics
1	Briefs for Parliamentary Delegations	127
2	Research documents for Senators	82
3	Speeches and Statements	104
4	Committee Meetings	81
5	Letters and communications in coordination with IPR	60

6	Country profiles and TPs	11
7	Highlighting National and International days for the IPR	206
8	Weekly Submission of International News collected from national and international Media	48
9	Submission of news summaries for Hon'ble Chairman on daily basis.	248
10	Miscellaneous Research Assignments	70



# 12. PUBLIC PETITION TABLE (PPT)

The Platform of Public Petitions has been a key component of fulfilling the Senate's core principles of reaching out to the public at large and enabling the common man to put matters of concern onto the agenda of the Parliamentary business. The online portal simply guides the petitioners through the stages of submitting petitions, the ongoing status and progress of their petitions, and also the final outcome after consideration/decision by the house or Committees.

The subsequent section contains an overview of public petitions received and processed by the Public Petitions Table during the Parliamentary Year 2023-24.

## Progress of PPT during the Parliamentary Year 2023-24

During the Parliamentary year 2023-24, a total of **710** public petitions were received in the PPT. After approval by the Chairman Senate on admissibility, **145** petitions were referred to Senate Committees. Out of these **60** petitions were disposed of by the committees and **85** are still with committees to be finalized. **565** petitions were found inadmissible after scrutiny.

#### **Record of Petitions Referred to Senate Committees**

STANDING COMMITTEE	PETITIONS	DISPOSED	DENIDING
			PENDING
ON	REFERRED	OF	
Aviation	1	0	1
Cabinet Secretariat	2	2	0
Defence	1	1	0
Religious Affairs and	1	1	0
Inter-Faith Harmony			
Foreign Affairs	1	0	1
Finance Revenue and	2	2	0
Economic Affairs			
Federal Education and	19	19	0
Professional Training			
Interior	77	5	<b>72</b>
Information and	2	0	2
Telecommunication			
National Health Services	5	3	2
Regulations and			
Coordination			
Petroleum	10	10	0
Law and Justice	1	1	0

Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development	2	2	0
Power	15	11	4
Senate Committee on	1	0	1
Parliamentary Affairs			
Maritime Affairs	2	2	0
Science and Technology	1	1	0
<b>Human Rights</b>	1	0	1
Communication	1	0	1
TOTAL	145	60	85

## **Important Petitions Referred to the Senate Committees**

#### **SSC on Cabinet Secretariat:**

- PP-5242 regarding appeal to review SME Bank closure.
- PPP-5638 regarding proposal for large-scale SEZ Near Hakla Interchange.

#### SSC on Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony

• PP-5531 regarding Hajj Organizers Association of Pakistan (HOAP) that represents more than 100 quota holder registered group organizers. We work under the Ministry of Religious Affairs, and we want to alert you about an illegal company called FIFTH PILLER TAKAFUL Ltd.

#### **SSC** on Defence

• PP- 5264 regarding unauthorized, illegal and commercial activities at Westridge-I Rawalpindi Cantt.

# SSC on Federal Education and Professional Training:

- PP-5110 regarding Non-Payment of tender and extra civil work at International Islamic University old campus.
- PP-5131 regarding inordinate delay in passage of National Technology Council bill 2022.
- PP-5266 Request to take notice of noncompliance by the National Commission for Human Development, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, regarding recommendation of Senate Functional Committee on Problems of Less Developed Areas held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.
- PP-5271 regarding injustice and high handedness in HEC recruitment.

- PP-5471 regarding the protection of Family Life and Wedlock Bill 2023.
- PP-5509 regarding complaint against various universities that have started medical programs which are not registered with the PMDC and the Higher Education Commission.
- PP-5600 regarding revision of curriculum for special students' and up-gradation of all educational standards for them.
- PP-5615 & PP-5616 regarding accreditation of international qualifications in Pakistan.

#### SSC on Information and Telecommunication

• PP-5331 regarding request for PTCL pensioners concerning sale of PTCL land.

#### **SSC** on Interior

- PP-5154 regarding application for reinstatement of petitioner as junior executive in RHO Nadra.
- PP-5221 regarding a land dispute in Pano Aqil.
- PP-5228 & PP-5244 complaint against Inspector FIA Mansoor Mohmand, Corporate Crime Circle Karachi.
- PP-5276 regarding delay in issuance of the National Identity Card to petitioner's family without any justified reason.
- PP-5316 regarding delaying tactics for dispensing legitimate lawful rights.
- PP-5373 regarding appeal to control spread and use of narcotics in areas of District Malir, Karachi.
- PP-5431 regarding Reopening of NRCs Nadra Registration Center at Dasht Kech.
- PP-5683 to PP-5751 (70 petitions) regarding appeal for creation for NADRA Mega Center in Karachi.

# SSC on National Health Services Regulation & Coordination

- PP-5226 regarding abysmal facility of education in Behlolzai Badaber, suburb of Peshawar,
   Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- PP-5343 & 5344 regarding orders to place the list of registered and non-registered life-saving drugs on the DRAP website.
- PP-5411 to PP-5413 & PP-5415 to PP-5422 regarding Maintaining the Services of Fixed Pay Contract Employees at the University of Swabi till Selection Board (11 petitions).

- PP-5623 regarding murder of merit in Sindh through MDCAT leakages.
- PP-5752 regarding faulty design of Auto Lock Syringes Potential risk of spreading diseases like HIV and Hepatitis among drug addicts and rural population.

# **SSC on Petroleum**

PP-5196 to PP-5205 (10 petitions) Petition Against SSGC and Ogra.

#### SSC on Law and Justice

 PP-5183 regarding appointment of members judges on merit in the National Industrial Relation Commission (NIRC).

## SSC on Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development

- PP-5192 Request for the arrangements regarding the release of petitioner's son namely Sikandar Mudassar on humanitarian grounds in Saudia Arabia.
- PP-5282 regarding appeal to take action for the petitioner's orphan son's release from Doha Dark Prison.

#### SSC on Finance Revenue and Economic Affairs

- PP-5194 regarding discrimination by the top management of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan SECP.
- PP-5642 regarding request for deletion of proviso in Custom Act 1969, added by Finance Act 2022.

#### **SSC on Power:**

- PP-5232 regarding Rana Muhammad Asif, an international hockey player, recommended for appointment as Sports officer in MEPCO.
- PP-5290 to PP-5293 regarding dispensation of justice and continuity of service to two dailywages employees of FESCO.
- PP-5297 to PP-5299 regarding dispensation of justice for disabled person and continuity of service into regular cadre.
- PP-5309 regarding a bill pending in Senate.
- PP-5338 regarding design supply installation testing amp commissioning of 765kv double circuit transmission lines Dasu Mansehra Islamabad lot i ii iii being a classic case of loss of billions of rupees caused to poor people of Pakistan by corrupt officials.

- PP-5350 regarding violations of All Procurement Regulations by Project Team Including Compromised Officials from World Bank, NTDC and Gopa Intec Design Supply Installation Testing Amp Commissioning of 765kv Double Circuit Transmission Lines Dasu Mansehra Islamabad Lot-I.
- PP-5485 regarding Subject Urgent Petition for the Restoration of Electricity in Meerani Dam Feeder Dasht District Kech.
- PP-5539 regarding request for raising the matter of delay in completion of different schemes by Mepco despite having received required funds.
- PP-5652 & PP-5653 against the Management of K-Electric, IBC Gadap and Mr Manzoor Lodhi Saheb for illegal disconnection of PMT in Jahanabad near Gulshan-e-Maymar Karachi.

#### **SSC on Maritime Affairs**

- PP-5278 regarding an appeal from the wife of a deceased employee of Karachi Port Trust.
- PP-5363 regarding giving job to the petitioner's son at the Karachi Port Trust (KPT).

#### **SSC on Aviation**

PP-5328 regarding grievance of Civil Aviation Authority's retired employee.

#### **SSC on Foreign Affairs**

• PP-5643 regarding a request for providing justice to the petitioner in an alleged fake case.

#### SSC on Rules of Procedure and Privileges

• PP-5754 regarding Privilege Motion against CPO Rawalpindi Mr. Khalid Hamdani.

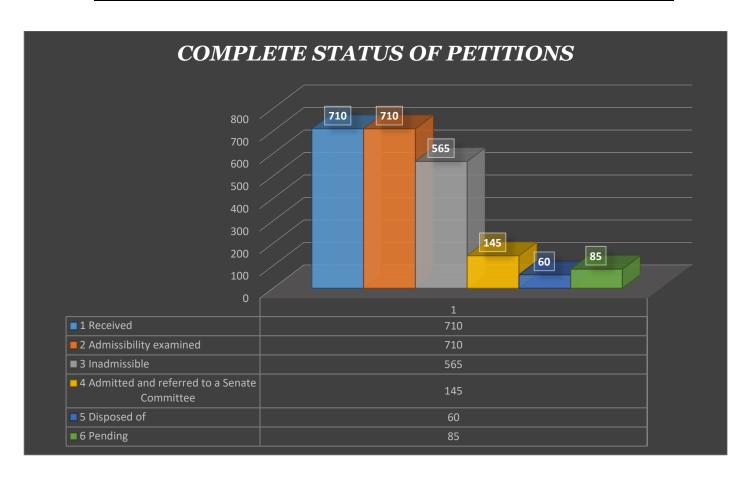
#### **Senate Committee on Parliamentary Affairs**

• PP-5471 regarding the status of the protection of Family Life and Wedlock bill 2023.

# Report of the Business Transacted During the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024

S.No	Status	No. of Petitions
1	Received	710
2	Admissibility examined	710
3	Inadmissible	565

4	Admitted and referred to a Senate	145
	Committee	
5	Disposed of	60
6	Pending	85



# 13. MEDIA DIRECTORATE

In the course of the Parliamentary year 2023-24, the Media Directorate demonstrated unwavering commitment in fortifying the connection between the Senate and the citizens. The primary goal was to showcase various activities of the House, Committees, and significant events/visits to keep the public well-informed.

- 1. The Directorate persistently provided support, contributing significantly to the effective dissemination of legislative business.
- 2. Throughout this Parliamentary year, the Directorate effectively promoted the Senate's work through the implementation of a robust media relations and communications strategy. This strategy played a pivotal role in disseminating information about the Senate, attracting public attention, particularly from educational institutions, civil society, trade bodies, and other significant forums, both nationally and internationally.
- 3. The Media Department ensured that the highest standards of Senate House proceedings details were transparently conveyed to the people of Pakistan.
- 4. Key achievements during the year included:
- Increased public awareness about the Senate's work.
- Empowered citizens with knowledge and information on critical issues and parliamentary decisions.
- Institutionalized sustainable outreach and communication efforts.
- 5. Specific accomplishments during the year encompassed:
  - a) Organizing extensive media coverage for Senate Golden Jubilee celebrations, utilizing both traditional and digital media platforms.
  - b) Providing media-related assistance to IPC for the Global Summit on Road Safety.
  - c) Managing the Social Media handle of the office of the Chairman Senate, amassing 5404 followers.
  - d) Social Media Campaign showcasing Senate of Pakistan's history of last 50 years through sharing of interesting facts and information about Senate office holders and members.
  - e) Organized pictorial exhibition highlighting Senate history through presentation of historical photos.
  - f) Design and placement of advertisements about Senate Golden Jubilee celebrations to sensitize the common public about Senate's role in shaping Pakistani political landscape.

- g) Collection of Historical Photos and placement on Wall of Federation under the supervision DG Coordination Senate.
- h) Design and Placement of Photo Collages at Senate Hall entrances.
- 6. The Directorate focused on human resource development, exemplified by one officer's participation in the national-level "Train the Trainer" program and the prestigious international visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) sponsored by the US embassy in Pakistan. Contributed while assisting PDU, Senate to organize training workshop for Parliamentary Reporters Association in Lahore.
- 7. Ensuring comprehensive coverage, the Directorate reported all official engagements and assignments of the Upper House, issuing a total of 960 press releases during the parliamentary year. The department consistently worked on expanding outreach through social media handles, resulting in increased followers on Facebook (30K) and Twitter (215K).
- 8. Additionally, the Directorate extensively covered important international delegation visits, including high-level delegations from friendly countries, such as Rwanda, USA, Denmark, IPU, Africa, and China, as well as the visits of the Honorable Chairman Senate and his delegation to Russian Federation, China, Saudi Arabia, UAE, and Iraq, which received substantial media coverage.
- 9. The live telecasting of House proceedings remained a regular feature, facilitating journalists and contributing to our commitment to transparency.

# 14. LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING UNIT

The Senate has taken a number of innovative steps to strengthen the Parliament. The establishment of Senate Legislative Drafting Unit (LDU) is one of such initiatives. The unit has been set up to comply with a decision made during the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council of Chairmen held on the 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 to provide support services to the Members of the Senate for facilitating them in the legislative business.

#### Mandate

The mandate of the LDU includes: -

- a. To assist the Members in drafting of Private Members Bills.
- b. To scrutinize existing laws, rules, regulations etc. of the Federal Government.
- c. To support the Committee on Delegated Legislation in the performance of its functions as mentioned in Rule-172-C and 172-D, of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business, 2012.
- d. To support all other Senate Standing/Functional/Special Committees in general legislative issues.

# **Standing Operating Procedures**

In order to streamline its procedures for provision of drafting services to the Members and the Committees, the LDU has framed its Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs). The SOPs provide for working of the LDU and how it will be approached by the Members for drafting support. Those SOPs will go a long way in achieving the objectives for which this Unit has been established and improving of overall standard of drafting in the legislature.

## **Progress**

Despite the fact the LDU is a newly created Unit; it has rendered valuable services in the core areas of drafting of Private Member's Bills, review of the Bills, review of the Delegated Legislation and assistance to the Committees. Following are some of the achievements of the LDU:

1. Private Member's Bills Drafted

In the parliamentary year 2023-2024, the LDU has drafted the following 121 Private Member's Bills for the Members.

Sr.	Title of the Bill
1.	The Public office Holders (Declaration of Assets and Accounts) Bill, 2023
2.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Students Unions Bill, 2023
3.	The Pakistan Air Force (Amendment) Act, 2023.
4.	The Pakistan Navy (Amendment) Act, 2023.
5.	The Workmen's Compensation (Amendment) Act, 2023.
6.	The Domestic Violence (Prevention and Protection) Act, 2023.
7•	The Toshakhana (Maintenance, Administration and Regulation) Act, 2023.
8.	The Khunsa (Intersex) Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2023.
9.	The Patient's Rights Act, 2023.
10.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Act, 2023.
11.	The Personal Data Protection Act, 2023.
12.	The Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2023.
13.	The State-Owned Enterprises (Governance and Operations) (Amendment) Act, 2023.
14.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2023.

15.	The Maintenance of Public Order, Ordinance (Amendment) Act, 1960.	
16.	The Provincial Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Act, 2023.	
17.	The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Act, 2023.	
18.	Members of Senate (Salaries and Allowances) Bill, 2023	
19.	The Chairman Senate (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Bill, 2023	
20.	Deputy Chairman Senate (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Bill, 2023	
21.	The Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment in Section 3 of The Act)	
22.	The Pakistan Minerals Regulatory Authority Bill, 2024	
23.	The Export Processing Zones Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendments of Sections 2 And 12 And Insertion of Sections 9a & 12 A)	
24.	The State-Owned Enterprises (Control and Operations) (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendments of Section 2 & 7 of The Act)	
25.	The Christian Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 60 of the Act)	
26.	The National Commission on The Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 3 of The Act)	
27.	The Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 18 of The Act)	
28.	The Provincial Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill, 2023(Insertion of Section 101A In the Ordinance)	
29.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 9 of the Act)	
30.	The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 6 of the Act)	

31.	Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (Amendment of Section 18 of the Act)
32.	National Security Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 4 of the Act)
33.	The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 14 of the Act)
34.	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Insertion of Section 49A In the Act)
35.	The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of 377A of the Code)
36.	The Constitution Amendment, Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Article 51 of the Constitution)
37.	The Pakistan Nursing Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 25 of the Act)
38.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Charities Registration, Regulation and Facilitation (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendments of Sections 6, 9 & 15 of the Act)
39.	The Limited Liability Partnership (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 20 of the Act)
40.	The Pakistan Names and Emblems (Prevention of Unauthorized Use) (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 3 of the Act)
41.	The Election (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Section 19 of the Act)
42.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Watersides Safety Bill, 2024.
43.	The Fatal Accidents (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Amendment of 1 & 2, Insertion of Sections 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D And Omission of Section 4 of the Act)
44.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2024. (Insertion of New Sections 59A, 431 A, and Amendment of Sections 154 And 431 of the Code)
45.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Insertion of New Section 297A In the PPC and Subsequent Amendment in Schedule II of The Code)
46.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Sections 292, 293 And 294 of PPC and Subsequent Amendments in Schedule II of The Code)
47•	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Section 22 of the Act)

48.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Sections 513 And 514 of the Code)
49.	The Services Tribunal (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 3 of the Act)
50.	The Services Tribunal (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Section 4 of The Act)
51.	The General Clauses (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Insertion OF Section 5B)
52.	Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2023
53.	Banking Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2023
54.	Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2023
55•	Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023
56.	Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023
57•	Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023
58.	Electronic Crimes (Amendment) Bill, 2023
59.	FBISE (Amendment) Bill, 2023
60.	Injured Persons (Medical Aid) (Amendment) Bill, 2023
61.	ICT Protection of Breastfeeding and Child Nutrition Bill, 2023
62.	National Commission on Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2023
63.	PECA (Amendment) Bill, 2023

64.	The Industrial Hemp, Hemp Cultivation, Permit and Medicinal Cannabis Act
•	2023.
65.	The Members of Parliament Privileges Act, 2022.
66.	The Equal Employment Opportunity for Women Act 2023
67.	The Premier Institute of Advance Studies Bill 2023
68.	The Payment of Wages Act (Amendment) Act, 2022.
69.	The Cutting of Trees (Prohibition) (Amendment) Act, 2023.
70.	The Rain Water Harvesting Facility in Urban Areas Act, 2023.
71.	The Chairman Remuneration Act, 2023.
72.	The Deputy Chairman Remuneration Act, 2023.
73.	The Members of Senate (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 2023.
74.	The Banking Companies (Amendment) Act, 2023.
75.	The Kulsum University Act, 2023.
76.	The Muslim Family Laws (Amendment) Act 2023.
77•	Pakistan Rock Salt Reserves, Mineral Resources Act 2023
78.	The National Highways Safety (Amendment) Act, 2023.
79.	The Guardians and Wards (Amendment) Act, 2023.

80.	The Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Act 2023.
81.	The Prevention of Smuggling of Migrants (Amendment) Bill, 2023
82.	The Prevention and Control of Human Trafficking (Amendment) of Bill, 2023
83.	The Pakistan General Cosmetics Bill, 2023
84.	The National University of Health, Emerging Sciences and Technologies Islamabad Bill, 2023
85.	The Kalam Bibi International Women Institute Bannu (Amendment) Bill, 2023
86.	The Mufti-E-Azam Islamic University Bill, 2023
87.	The International Islamic Institute for Peace (IIIP)Bill, 2023
88.	The Metropolitan International Institute of Science and Technology, Bill 2023
89.	The Institute of Health and Professional Studies Bill 2023
90.	The Askari Institute of Higher Education Bill 2023
91.	The Sheikhupura Institute of Advanced Studies Bill 2023
92.	The National Commission for Human Development (Amendment) Bill 2023
93.	The Pakistan Sovereign Wealth Fund Bill 2023
94.	Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences and Technology, Islamabad (Amendment) Bill 2023,
95.	The official Secret (Amendment) Bill 2023,

96.	The Al-Bairuni International University Bill 2023,
97•	The International Memon University Bill 2023
98.	The Institute of Management and Technology Bill 2023
99.	The Shah Bano Institute Jaranwala Bill 2023
100.	Protection of Family Life and Wedlock Bill 2023
101.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill 2023
102.	The Islamabad International Bill 2023
103.	The Gas (Theft Control and Recovery) (Amendment) Bill 2023
104.	The Zakat and Usher (Amendment) Bill 2023
105.	The Press Council of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill 2023
106.	The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill 2023
107.	The Apostile Bill 2023
108.	The Margalla International University Bill 2023
109.	The Thar International Institute Bill 2023
110.	The Cosmic Institute of Science and Technology Islamabad (CISTI) Bill 2023
111.	The Ravi Institute (RI) Bill 2023

112.	The Indus University of Science and Technology Bill 2023
113.	The Bulleh Shah International University Bill 2023
114.	The University of Shaheed Benazeer Bhutto Bill 2023
115.	The Ume-Abeeha Institute of Health Sciences (UIHS) Bill 2023
116.	The Quaid-E-Azam Institute of Management Sciences Sargodha Bill 2023
117.	The Kings Institute of Higher Education Bill 2023
118.	The Falcon University of Sciences and Technology Bill 2023
119.	The Institute of Gujrat ( IOG) Bill 2023
120.	The Islamabad Nature Conservation and Wildlife Management Bill 2023
121.	The National Commission for Minorities Bill 2023

## 2. Private Member's Bills Reviewed

The LDU has reviewed following 79 Private Member's Bills for the Members.

Sr.	Title of the Bill
1.	Amendments In the Pakistan Civil Aviation Bill, 2023
2.	The Pakistan Airports Authority Bill, 2023
3.	The Right of Access to Information (Amendment) Act, 2023.
4.	The Pakistan Airports Authority Act, 2023.

5.	The Sheikhupura Institute of Advance Sciences, Act, 2023.
6.	The Pakistan Ehsaas Targeted Subsidies (Riayat) Programme Act, 2023.
7•	The Pakistan Future Council Act, 2023.
8.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Injured Persons (Medical Aid) Bill, 2023.
9.	The Control of Narcotics Substances (Amendment) Act, 2023.
10.	The Price Control (Amendment) Act, 2023.
11.	The Falcon University of Science and Technology Act, 2023.
12.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2023.
13.	The Christian Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 60 of The Act)
14.	The National Commission on The Rights of Child (Amendment) Act, 2023. (Amendment of Section 3 of The Act)
15.	The Injured Persons (Medical Aid) (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Sections 2, 3, 12 And 14 of The Act)
16.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Protection of Breast-Feeding and Child Nutrition Bill, 2023
17.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Students Unions Bill, 2023
18.	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Insertion of Section 49a In the Act)
19.	The Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment in Section 3 of The Act)
20.	The Services Tribunal (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Section 4 of The Act)

21.	The Smart Institute of Sciences & Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023
22.	The Rain Water Harvesting Facility in Urban Areas Bill, 2023
23.	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Insertion of Section 49a In The Act)
24.	The Services Tribunal (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 3 of the Act)
25.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Article 106).
26.	The Rahim Jan University Bill, 2023
27.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Amendment of Article 51).
28.	The University of Management and Technology Lahore Bill, 2023.
29.	The Islamabad University of Communication and Emerging Sciences Bill, 2023
30.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Omission of Section 124 A of the PPC And Corresponding Schedule II of The CrPc).
31.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Substitution of 289 of The PPC And Corresponding Schedule II of The CrPc).
32.	The Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Sections 4, 5, and 6 of The Act)
33.	The State-Owned Enterprises (Governance and Operations) (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Sections 11, 17 And 18 of The Act)
34.	The Cutting of Trees (Prohibition) (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment In Sections 2,3 And 4 of The Act)
35.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Article 142 of The Constitution)
36.	The Pakistan Animal Science Council Bill, 2023

37•	The Export Processing Zones Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendments of Sections 2 And 12 And Insertion of Sections 9a & 12 A)
38.	The Pakistan Institute of Management, Sciences and Technology Bill, 2023
39.	The Rehribaan (Street Vendors) Livelihood Protection Bill, 2023
40.	The Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2023(Amendment of Section 33-Q of The Act)
41.	The Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology Bill, 2023
42.	The Criminals Laws (Amendment) Bill 2023. (Insertion of New Section 376b In PPC And Subsequent Amendment In Schedule-II of Cr.Pc).
43.	The Personal Data Protection Bill, 2023
44•	The Universal Health Coverage Bill, 2024
45.	The Imam Bukhari International Islamic Institute Bill, 2023.
46.	Declaration of Assets and Accounts Bill, 2023
47•	National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 3 of The Act)
48.	The Zainab Alert, Response and Recovery (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment in Sections 3 And 4 of The Act)
49.	The Prevention of Smuggling of Migrants (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Insertions of Sections 7, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D And 7E In the Act)
50.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment in Article 100 And Insertions of 140A In the Constitution)
51.	Occupational And Health Safety Bill, 2023
52.	Pakistan Ecological and Biological Management Bill, 2023

53.	PECA (Amendment) Bill, 2023
54.	Muslim Family Law (Amendment) Bill, 2023
55.	Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2023
56.	Rehribaan (Street Vendors) Livelihood Protection Bill, 2023
57•	Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023
58.	Horizon University Bill, 2023
59.	Islamabad Capital Territory Students Union Bill, 2023
60.	Pakistan Opportunistic Screening and Treatment of Hypertension Bill, 2023
61.	Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023
62.	Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2023
63.	Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2023
64.	General Clauses (Amendment) Bill, 2023
65.	Pakistan Nursing Council (Amendment) Bill, 2023
66.	Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023
67.	ICT Watersides Safety (Amendment) Bill, 2023
68.	The Protection of Family Life and Wedlock Bill 2023

69.	The Pakistan Animal Science Council Bill 2023
70.	The International University Islamabad Bill 2023
71.	Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill 2023 Section 376 PPC. Section 52 PPC And Schedule IICrPc.
72.	CPC (Amendment) Bill 2023
73•	The Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (Amendment) Bill 2023
74•	Constitution (Amendment) Bill 2023 Article 140 A
<i>7</i> 5•	Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill 2023 Section 182PPC And Schedule IICrPc.
76.	The National Database and Registration Authority (Amendment) Bill 2023
77•	The Guardian and Wards (Amendment) Bill 2023
78.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill 2023 Section 124 A PPC From CrPc Schedule
79.	The Pakistan Names and Emblems (Prevention of Unauthorized Use) (Amendment) Bill 2023

## 3. Private Member's Bills Re-Drafted

In the last year, the LDU has re-drafted the following 36 Private Member's Bills for the

Sr.	Title of the Bill
1.	The Publication of The Holy Quran (Elimination of Printing and Recording Errors) (Amendment) Bill, 2022
2.	The Toshakhana (Maintenance, Administration and Regulation) Bill, 2023

3.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Article 142)
4.	The Pakistan Cosmetics Authority, Bill, 2023
5.	The National Commission for Human Development Bill, 2023
6.	The Institute of Health and Professional Studies, 2023
7•	The Metropolitan International Institute of Science And Technology Bill, 2023
8.	The Islamabad Institute of Modern Sciences, Bill, 2023
9.	The Margalla International University Bill, 2023
10.	The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2023
11.	The University of Innovation and Technology Bill, 2023
12.	The International Islamic University (Amendment) Bill, 2023
13.	The Mental Health (Amendment) Bill, 2023
14.	The ICT Charities Registration, Regulation and Facilitation (Amendment) Bill, 2023
15.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2023
16.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Section 375ppc And in Crpc)
17.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (Amendment of Sections 401, 402, 402A, 402B)
18.	The Limited Liability Partnership (Amendment) Bill, 2023

19.	The Civil Servant (Amendment) Bill, 2023
20.	The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023
21.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023
22.	The Islamabad Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2023
23.	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023 (To Penalize Preaching of Zionism)
24.	The Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023
25.	The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Act, 2022
26.	The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2021
27.	The Pharmacy (Amendment) Bill, 2022.
28.	The Inter-Governmental Commercial Transactions Bill, 2022.
29.	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2023.
30.	The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2022.
31.	The Khunsa (Intersex) Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2023.
32.	The Pakistan Emergency Treatment Coverage Programme Bill, 2023.
33.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Injured Persons (Medical Aid) Bill, 2023.
34.	The Pakistan Opportunistic Screening and Treatment of Hypertension Bill, 2023.

35.	Amendments To the Sovereign Wealth Fund Bill, 2023
36.	The Khunsa (Intersex)Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, (Amendment) 2023

## 4. Support to other Standing/Functional/Special Committees

The LDU has extended its assistance to the other Committees of the Senate. The Chairman of a Committee or its Secretary may refer a Bill to the Drafting Unit for input or review from the drafting perspective. By using office of the Drafting Unit, Committee Members may also receive opinion on drafting issues and seek amendments in legislative format. Members may also ask the Drafting Unit to review the amendment in light of the Constitution and the existing laws. So far, the LDU has extended legal and drafting services to the Members on various subjects. In this regard, the list of the Bills reviewed by the LDU is as under:

Sr.	Name of Committees	Number of Bills in the
		Committees.
1.	SSC on Delegated Legislation	5
2.	SSC on Law and Justice	16
3.	Committee on Finance and Revenue	10
4.	Committee on Narcotics Control	3
5.	Committee on Human Rights	5
6.	SSC on Science and Technology	4
7.	Standing committee SAFRON	03
	Total	46

## 5. Miscellaneous

S. No	Subject of Draft	No
1.	Comments	10
2.	Resolution	3
3.	Question	9
4.	Opinion	5
5.	Talking Points on various issues.	10
Total		37

## 15. PARLIAMENTARY DEVELOPMENT UNIT

## Initiatives taken in collaboration with the development partners

- 1. The Parliamentary Development Unit (PDU) successfully carried out the exercise related to testing all Indicators under SDG Target 16.6 and 16.7, as provided by the IPU. The Senate of Pakistan is the first and only parliament, out of 100 parliaments, in the world to have tested the seven (07) Sub-Targets, 25 Indicators, 111 Dimensions, with 498 Criterion under SDG Target 16.6 and 16.7 that aim to empower and strengthen parliaments while promoting democracy. IPU expressed gratitude to the Senate of Pakistan in the 147th session of the IPU Assembly, wherein the casestudy of the Senate of Pakistan was featured. The IPU session, held in Luanda Angola from 23th 027th October, 2023, featured a special segment to launch the "Indicators for Democratic Parliaments" report, which highlighted Pakistan's Senate as a standout success story. The Senate of Pakistan anticipated 14 actions for strengthening the institution, which included initiatives such as establishing a new Parliamentary Budget office (PBO), legislation on conflict of interest, gender parity, and empowering the Upper House with financial control and decision-making authority. The Senate of Pakistan's success in completing the self-assessment sets a precedent for other democratic parliaments worldwide.
- 2. The PDU extended its support to the Education Parliamentarians' Caucus (EPC), and held two seminars by EPC, in collaboration with JICA, in Islamabad and Quetta, in July and September, 2023, respectively. EPC held its first national seminar on education on 20th July, 2023, in Islamabad, and held the second seminar on 8th September, 2023, in Quetta, Balochistan, in commemoration of International Literacy Day. Both the seminars resulted in the unveiling of a national declaration, a comprehensive roadmap that outlines the commitment to transformative action in the education sector, ensuring the fundamental right of every child to access quality education, irrespective of gender, location, or socioeconomic status. On the basis of the declaration, a Resolution has been passed by the Senate of Pakistan on 20th November, 2023, that includes key action points i.e., to take effective steps for promoting literacy for children and youth in general and girls in particular in Pakistan, to strengthen non-formal education (NFE) system on an urgent basis to deliver programs; to promote skills -based and innovative learning models to provide the right to education to out-of-school children, youth with a social focus on girls

education to facilitate life-long learning; to take steps for promoting gender equality in education and eliminating disparities by ensuring girls and women's access to quality education and eliminating any barriers impeding their access to education; and to launch comprehensive awareness campaigns to inform both urban and rural communities about the significance of education through outreach programs, workshops, and community events in collaboration with all stakeholders and partners.

- 3. PDU also supports one of its priority areas, i.e. the International Parliamentarians Congress (IPC), which held its first 2-day International Conference on Road Safety, on 8<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> February, 2023, at Islamabad, in collaboration with Mustehkam Parliamaan/IP5 that resulted in the Islamabad Declaration that outlines the key steps that need to be taken to improve road safety in Pakistan. Moreover, PDU also collaborated with IPC to mark a historic moment with the ground breaking ceremony of IPC's Permanent Headquarters in the Diplomatic Enclave of Islamabad, on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2023.
- 4. A virtual interactive session between the officers of the Legislative Drafting Unit (LDU) of the Senate Secretariat, and Legislative Drafters of the New Zealand Parliament on "Sharing experiences and practices on Legislative Drafting" was held on 2nd March, 2023, jointly organized by the Parliamentary Development Unit (PDU), the Senate Secretariat, and the office of the Inter-Parliamentary Relations (IPR) New Zealand Parliament.
- 5. PDU also successfully held a one-day Parliamentary Interface on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024, in collaboration with Mustehkam Parliamaan/IP5, which was a learning experience of the secretariats of the Provincial Assemblies with the National Parliament, aimed at fostering collaboration, constructive dialogue, and deliberation on pivotal matters that impact our parliamentary and legislative agenda.
- 6. The PDU, in collaboration with the Mustehkam Parlimaan / IP5, organised a study tour with a delegation from the National Assembly and the Senate, to the Parliaments of Austria and Ireland from 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, in order to establish the Parliamentary Budget office (PBO) that will support the Members on economic, fiscal and budgetary oversight. The same could not materialized due to the dissolution of the National Assembly.
- 7. The PDU held a two-day Residential Training regarding "National Workshop for Parliamentary Journalists", with officers from Research Directorate, Media Directorate and Parliamentary

- Reporters Association (PRA), with the support of Mustehkam Parlimaan / IP5, at Hotel Avari, Lahore, on 5<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.
- 8. The PDU held a three-day Residential Training regarding "Professional Excellence and Gender Mainstreaming", with 25 officers from Admin, HRM, IPR and Protocol Branches of Senate Secretariat, with the support of Mustehkam Parlimaan / IP5, at Bhurban, Murree on 31st January-2nd February, 2024.
- 9. The PDU successfully carried out the Young Parliamentary Associates (YPA) Programme i.e. January 2023-2024, with the support of Mustehkam Parlimaan / IP5. Ten (10) YPAs have been engaged with the Senate of Pakistan who were discharging their duties in PDU, Research Directorate, Legislation Branch, Education Parliamentarians' Caucus, and International Parliamentarians Congress (IPC).
- 10. The PDU engaged with Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF) for holding a final round of Model Council of Common Interests (CCI) 2023, a debating event and a simulation of Council of Common Interests (CCI) and a flagship project by HSF, wherein 30 students/participants from more than 27 universities participated in an interactive discussion with Honorable Senator Sana Jamali on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.
- 11. The PDU is in the process of holding AI Integration workshop for the officers of the Senate Secretariat, with the support of Mustehkam Parlimaan / IP5, to streamline workflows, automate routine tasks, and facilitate informed decision-making.
- 12. The PDU is in the developmental phase of the green initiative of the Senate of Pakistan and is in dialogue with many partners, i.e., WWF, UNDP, GIZ and others, to introduce solid waste management into the Senate of Pakistan.
- 13. The Parliamentary Development Unit (PDU) held a virtual meeting with the team of the Congressional Budget office (CBO) U.S. Congress, and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) on "An Introductory Meeting to Discuss the Assistance for Establishment of the Parliamentary Budget office (PBO)" at the Parliament of Pakistan on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to share the idea of the establishment of the PBO at the Parliament of Pakistan and to seek assistance and sharing of expertise from one of the established parliamentary budget offices in the world: the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) U.S.

Congress. To build on further, the PDU team is in coordination with the CBO and the OECD teams.

## **Parliamentary Outreach**

- 1. The PDU held 34 meetings, i.e. 30 physical meetings and 04 virtual meetings, with the local and international development partners for establishing partnership and collaborative efforts towards parliamentary development.
- 2. The PDU engaged with three (03) international parliaments i.e. Parliaments of New Zealand; Bundesrat, Germany; and Congressional Budget office (CBO) U.S. Congress; and held 04 virtual meetings in this regard, for establishing partnership and collaborative efforts towards parliamentary development.
- 3. The PDU took part virtually in the 147<sup>th</sup> IPU-ASGP session in Kigali and presented the case-study of the Senate of Pakistan related to testing of all Indicators under SDG Target 16.6 and 16.7, as provided by the IPU.
- 4. Consultations with 14 potential partner organizations for developing partnerships are under discussion. The partners include Ethiopian Embassy, UN-WFP, UNODC, USAID, GIZ, IPU, European Union, International Labour Organization (ILO), Muslim Hands, Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF), UNDP, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and Pakistan Humanitarian Forum (PHF).
- 5. The PDU compiled and published a catalogue, featuring 50 years of the Senate of Pakistan through historical pictures since the inception of the Upper House in 1973, in order to preserve the legacy of the Senate of Pakistan. The Senate Catalogue and the Golden Jubilee Report will be shared with the Members of the Senate and developmental partners for parliamentary outreach.
- 6. The PDU compiled the historical data regarding the then Presidential Complex, comprised of three (03) buildings, i.e., Parliament House, President House, and Cabinet Division.
- 7. The Parliamentary Development Unit (PDU) organized a Photo Exhibition in soft launch of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Senate, 2023, with the theme of "Showcasing 50 Years of the Senate of Pakistan, 1973-2023." The photo exhibition showcased the rich history of the Senate from its inception in 1973 to the Golden Jubilee year. The exhibition featured a curated collection of photographs, capturing the historic moments, legislative achievements, visits of notable dignitaries, and significant addresses to the Upper House. The event provided a comprehensive

- insight into the Senate's role as a prominent forum for robust debates and legislation to further the nation's progress and welfare.
- 8. The Senate of Pakistan inaugurated the **Wall of the Federation** on 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2024, which was the compilation of all historical pictures of the Senate of Pakistan since 1973, stretching across the wall, symbolizing the collective effort of generations to overcome adversities and build a cohesive society. The Parliamentary Development Unit (PDU) supported the creation of the Wall of the Federation, by means of utilising all the historical pictures, once used in Photo Exhibition at Golden Jubilee Celebrations, and in the continuation of the same.
- 9. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed with the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, for collaboration on various assistance areas such as food security and nutrition, and other relevant subjects for legislation and oversight etc.
- 10. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed with the International Parliamentarians Congress (IPC) on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2023, for collaboration on various assistance areas such as exchange study visits, parliamentary experiences, and knowledge sharing.

## 16.LIBRARY

- > Annexure of the questions scanned and sent via email to media persons/journalists: 35
- ➤ Books issued to the Senator and senate staff: 121
- ➤ Quick reference services to Standing Committees: 91
- > References of laws provided to Legislation branch on Private Members Bills: 62
- > Books purchased: 93
- > 89 books are amended/ updated by enacting 39 laws.
- ➤ Online information retrieval and printing of documents: 8425
- ➤ Inter Library Loan of books: 4

## 17. ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH

#### **Administration Branch-I:**

The Administration Branch-I under the Joint Secretary (Administration) is mandated to carry out the general administration including procurement of stationery items, equipment, store and inventories of various item for onward provision to other offices of Secretariat, Chairman office, offices of Chairman Senate Standing Committees located in the Parliament House Building. The Administration Branch keeps close liaison with the Capital Development Authority's Coordination Wing, Islamabad Electric Supply Company, Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Company Ltd, Pakistan Public Works Department, and National Tele Communication for smooth provision of civil, electrical and communication services in the Parliament House Building and allied buildings/Houses.

- 2. During the course of the Parliamentary Year 2023-2023, the Administration Branch carried out the following activities in supporting the House, Committees and Secretariat:
  - Coordination in connection with Golden Jubilee Celebrations 2023
  - Tendering for procurement of stationery items and other office equipment 2023
  - Tendering for procurement of uniform for the security and House officers and staff 2024
  - Renovation of Rooms: Room No. 304-B and Room No. 150-B for the Joint Secretary Legislation and Legislative Drafting Unit
  - Renovation and placements of tenure-wise list of senators in the corridors adjacent to the Gali-e-Dastoor
  - Renovation and fixing of the pictures in the "Wall of the Federation" adjacent to the Museum
  - Initiated renovation of cafeteria for parliamentarians and staff through Capital Development Authority which is under construction and is in progressive stage

## **Printing and Publication Wing**

The Printing and Publications Branch of the Senate of Pakistan is an important wing of the Senate Secretariat that plays a crucial role in the smooth running of House Business. The department consists

of three prime units that support all outreach efforts of the House and internal communications of the Secretariat. Sections that come under the department include the Proofreading Cell, External Printing Division and the Reproduction Unit.

- ➤ The Proofreading Cell houses a team of proof-readers and copyholders that primarily facilitates the Editing Directorate for the publishing of Hansards. The team also assists in proofing of Special Publications that are generated by the department periodically.
- The External Printing Division facilitates important offices within the Secretariat for the printing of collateral that assists in office outreach efforts. It also facilitates other departments that seek to publish documents and books highlighting important events of the House. The External Printing Division facilitates the printing of 'Questions and Replies' in collaboration with the Reproduction Unit; that are taken up by the House.
- ➤ The Reproduction Unit while facilitating efforts for internal communications within the Secretariat plays an important role in conducting House Business. Documents generated by the Unit range from Orders of the Day to Bills, Reports and office Circulars. It also facilitates key departments for the printing of information kits for visiting delegations.
- In order to facilitate the House, Committees and other offices of the Secretariat in carrying out parliamentary services, the Printing and Publications Branch during the Parliamentary Year 2023-2024 carried out the following major tasks:
  - Publication of 10 Statute Books (Legislation)
  - Printing of 500 Catalogues for Golden Jubilee of Senate of Pakistan
  - Printing of 1000 Golden Jubilee Reports
  - Printing of D.O. letters for Hon. Chairman/Deputy Chairman/Leader of House and Leader of Opposition
  - Printing of Special File Covers for Hon. Chairman/Deputy Chairman/Leader of House and Leader of Opposition
  - Printing of D.O. letters for Chairperson Senate Standing/Functional Committees
  - Printing of File Covers and Note Pads for Admin Branch for onward utilization by the Secretariat
  - Printing of 14500 copies of Starred and Un-Starred Questions for the House

- Printing of 70 copies of various Bills/Reports/Gazette Notifications for the House.
- Printing of 300 copies of Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) Act 1974.
- Printing of Senate 615 copies of debates of the House;
- Printing of 339 Government/Private Members Bill for introduction in the Senate
- Printing of 273 admitted lists of Questions in the Senate
- Reproduction of 323 Notices for Standing Committees along with briefs

## **18.SERVICES BRANCH**

The Services Branch of Senate Secretariat has provided the following range of Services / facilities to the Hon'ble Members of the Senate during the Parliamentary year 2023-24.

## ACCOMMODATION FACILITY:

The Services Branch processed the cases of the Hon'ble Senators pertaining to the allotment of suites at Parliament Lodges / Government Hostel as well as the allotment of Servant Quarters / Side Rooms and Lift Rooms at the Parliament Lodges for the staff of the Senators.

## REPAIR/MAINTENANCE OF THE ALLOTTED ACCOMMODATION:

The Services Branch liaisoned with Director/ Deputy Director / Caretaker of Parliament Lodges / Government Hostel, CDA for carrying out repair & maintenance of the suites allotted to the Hon'ble Senators.

#### **MEDICAL FACILITY:**

The Federal Services Medical Attendance Rules, 1990, entitles the sitting and former Members of the Senate of Pakistan and their dependents for obtaining free medical treatment from the Government hospitals. In order to obtain medical treatment, the Services Branch issued the entitlement certificates to the Hon'ble Members (on Demand). Furthermore, the branch also processed Re-imbursement of medical claims of the Hon'ble sitting as well as former Senators who obtained medical treatment from various hospitals countrywide in accordance with stipulated rates

#### INSTALLATION OF PRIVILEGE TELEPHONE FACILITY:

The Hon'ble Senators are entitled to avail one privilege telephone connection countrywide at the location of their choice. The Services Branch hence coordinated with NTC authorities for installation of the said telephone connections.

#### TRAVELLING FACILITY:

The Services Branch, in accordance with the Members of the Parliament (Salaries & Allowances) Act, 1974, has provided Travel Vouchers/ Cash Allowance as well as Privilege Return Air Tickets or Travel Vouchers of equivalent value as the case may be to the Hon'ble Senators for the period from 01-07-2023 to 30-06-2024 during the financial year, 2023-2024.

## ISSUANCE OF VIP AIRPORT PASSES:

In order to facilitate the Members of the Senate of Pakistan in performing their duties, the Services Branch got issued VIP Airport entry passes to the Hon'ble Senators through Aviation Division, Islamabad.

## PROVISION OF PVC CARDS FOR SITTING/RETIRED SENATORS:

The Services Branch also processed the issuance of PVC cards to the Hon'ble sitting and former Senators.

# COORDINATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND PROVINCES FOR PROVISION OF SECURITY:

The Services Branch coordinated with the Ministry of Interior and the Chief Secretaries of provinces for provision of security to the Hon'ble Senators (on demand).

## **PHOTOGRAPHS:**

The Services Branch maintained the record and made arrangements for preparation of photographs of Hon'ble Senators, officers/officials of the Senate Secretariat, required for Passport and Visa purposes as well as Security Passes etc.

#### MAINTAINING THE LIST OF RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES:

The Services Branch maintained the list of the addresses and telephone numbers of the Senators of their official/local and permanent addresses to ensure timely transmission of official dak etc.

#### ISSUANCE OF PASSES DURING SESSIONS:

The Services Branch issued OG-I & OG-II passes to the officers of the Ministries/Divisions who attend the session in connection with their regular business. Furthermore, the Branch also issued Gallery passes for the guests of the Hon'ble Senators and visiting delegates.

## **SECURITY PASSES:**

The Services Branch coordinated with the Special Branch of Islamabad Police for issuance of Security passes to the officers/officials of the Senate during Session period.

## ARRANGEMENT OF QARIES FOR RECITATION:

The Services Branch arranged Qaries for the recitation of the Holy Quran during the sitting of the Senate Sessions and other official functions as per the set procedure in place.

# PRINTING OF TRAVEL VOUCHERS FROM NATIONAL SECURITY PRINTING COMPANY, KARACHI:

The Services Branch coordinated with National Security Printing Company, Karachi for the printing of Travel Vouchers of different denomination.

## 19.HUMAN RESOURCE BRANCH (HRM)

In order to facilitate the Hon'ble Members of the Senate as well as to run the affairs of the Senate Secretariat in an efficient and appropriate manners and to address the problems of employees of Secretariat in an adequate way, the Human Resource Management Wing under the guidance of Hon'ble Chairman Senate has taken the following initiatives during the Parliamentary Year 2023-24: -

- (i). In compliance of decision of the Senate Finance Committee in its meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2023, Hon'ble Members of the Senate of Pakistan have been provided supporting staff with the aim to carry out their official legislative business in a befitting manner;
- (ii). The Hon'ble Chairman Senate regularized the services of employees who were working on contract basis on humanitarian grounds.
- (iii). In view of recent increase in inflation of the country, the Hon'ble Chairman Senate increased salaries of employees of Senate Secretariat.
- (iv). Time Scale Policy for employees of the Senate Secretariat was adopted at par the same is applicable for the Federal Government employees;
- (v). Adoption of Policy of Federal Government regarding up-gradation of posts of Junior Assistants and Sub-Assistants from BPS 09 to 11 and 11 to 13, respectively and one time dispensation to other employees from BPS 01 to 16 is also under consideration;
- (vi). In consultation with the Administration Wing, a "Day Care Center" has been established in C Block of the Senate Secretariat for facilitation of the employees of this Secretariat.
- (vii). In order to get versatile experience and knowledge of different branches, postings/transfers of the employees were made irrespective of their posts and gender, to provide them equal opportunity to work in different sections of the Secretariat;

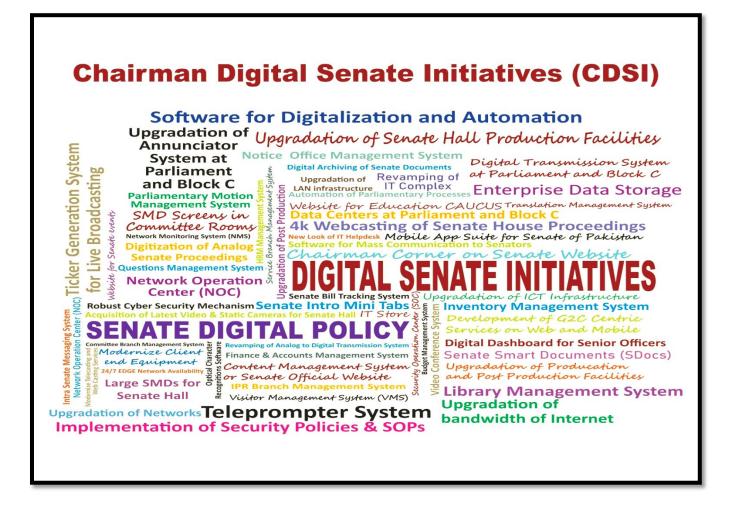
- (viii). To enhance skills, knowledge and capacity building of the employees relating to their jobs, different trainings and development programs were conducted through Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services (PIPS) so that they can adhere to their working environment and also their performance and efficiency be increased.
- (ix). Different officers of the Secretariat were sent on trainings of MCMC, SMC and NMC to make them eligible for promotion in the Senate Secretariat.
- (x). To enhance skills and knowledge of the officers, some officers were sent to foreign countries for higher studies.
- (xi). Litigation Cell has been created by the Senate Secretariat to address various court cases and to resolve grievances of the staff by suggesting solutions under the prevailing laws.
- (xii). A latest HRM Database Software is being developed in consultation with European Union Project "Support to Parliamentary Development in Pakistan" to manage provision of employees related information in a paper free manner with easy access of HRM.
- (xiii). The Human Resource Management Wing conducts surprise visits to check the attendance and flow of work of the Secretariat to eliminate red-tapeism.

## 20.INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) DIRECTORATE

## Chairman Digital Senate Initiative - 2023-2024

The IT Directorate of the Senate of Pakistan achieved significant milestones to accomplish the goals of the "Chairman Digital Senate Initiative (CDSI)" program. The IT Directorate spearheaded crucial projects to modernize the Senate's infrastructure and processes under of the auspices of Honorable Chairman Senate. The main focus was on synergy of ICT with parliamentary procedures, advancing digital services for both Honorable Members, Secretariat employees and general public.

State-of-the-art hardware was rolled out to users, coupled with robust upgrades to network and security infrastructure. Additionally, tailor-made software applications are under development to automate Secretariat operations and improve public outreach. This annual report provides a comprehensive



overview of these initiatives, highlighting the IT Directorate's commitment to proliferate ICT services across the board at all Senate tiers. This initiative will enhance service delivery, streamline operations, and foster greater transparency for all stakeholders.

## Digital Strategy Drives Efficiency, Transparency, and Security at the Senate of Pakistan

The Senate of Pakistan's IT Directorate is committed to leveraging technology to optimize services, operations, and data security. This digital strategy serves as a roadmap, outlining key objectives achieved in the past year and the path forward:

**Improved Stakeholder Services:** Technology is at the forefront of enhancing services for all stakeholders. New solutions are being implemented to streamline processes, making information and resources more accessible and user-friendly.

**Enhanced Efficiency and Cost Savings:** Streamlining and automating internal processes is a core focus. This not only reduces administrative burdens, but also translates to cost savings, allowing for better resource allocation across the Senate.

**Uncompromising Security and Data Privacy:** Robust security measures are paramount for protecting the Senate's critical information systems and data. The strategy prioritizes implementing advanced security protocols and fostering a culture of data privacy awareness.

**Empowering IT Staff:** Investing in the professional development of IT staff is crucial for ensuring long-term success. Training and development opportunities equip the team with the latest skills and knowledge to navigate the evolving technological landscape.

By embracing these key objectives, the Senate's digital strategy aims to establish a more efficient, transparent, and secure institution, ultimately serving the needs of its stakeholders effectively.

## **Digital Framework**

The Senate of Pakistan's Digital Framework is a comprehensive plan for using technology to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and transparency of the Senate. By implementing this framework, the Senate can better serve the needs of its stakeholders and strengthen democracy in Pakistan.

**Senate Digital Policy:** This pillar outlines the overall vision and goals for the Senate's digital transformation. It also includes strategies for achieving these goals, such as promoting the use of ICT in parliamentary processes and improving public access to information.

**Upgradation of ICT Infrastructure:** This pillar focuses on improving the Senate's IT infrastructure, including its hardware, software, and network. This is essential for supporting the Senate's growing digital needs and ensuring the security and reliability of its systems.

**Modernize Broadcasting and Web Casting Services:** This pillar aims to improve the quality and reach of the Senate's broadcasting and webcasting services. This will make it easier for the public to follow Senate proceedings and learn more about the work of the Senate.

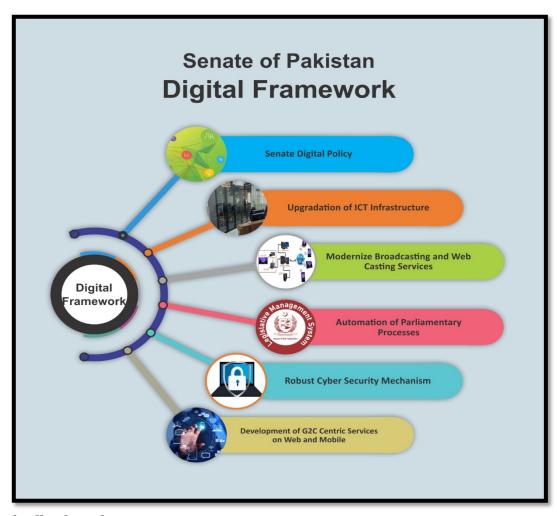
**Management:** This pillar covers the management of the Senate's digital transformation initiatives. This includes developing and implementing policies and procedures, as well as training staff on new technologies.

The framework also includes a number of other important components, such as:

**Automation of Parliamentary Processes:** This involves using technology to automate tasks such as scheduling meetings, drafting documents, and tracking legislation. This can help to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Senate's work.

**Robust Cyber Security Mechanism:** This is essential for protecting the Senate's IT systems from cyberattacks. The framework includes measures to identify and mitigate cyber risks.

**Development of G2C Centric Services on Web and Mobile:** This involves developing online and mobile services that make it easier for the public to interact with the Senate. This could include things like providing information about Senate proceedings, allowing people to submit public petitions,



and giving feedback to the Senate.

## **Senate Special IT Initiatives**

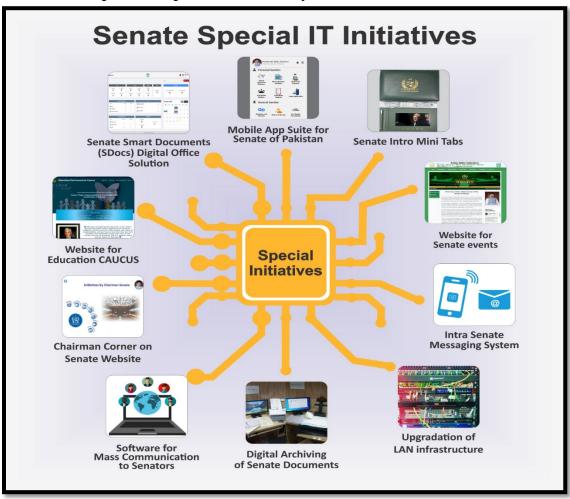
These initiatives are part of the Senate's overall effort to modernize its IT infrastructure and improve its digital services. By doing so, the Senate hopes to improve efficiency, transparency, and accountability.

**Mobile App Suite for Senate of Pakistan:** This suite includes apps for Smart application for Citizen, Complaint Management System for Senate Secretariat, Mass Communication System for Senators and Intra Senate Messaging System. These apps provide Senators with a mobile-friendly way to access important information and documents, as well as communicate with each other.

**Website for Education CAUCUS:** This website provides information about the Senate Education Caucus, its members, and its activities.

**Website for Senate events:** This website provides information about upcoming Senate events, as well as recordings of past events.

**Upgradation of LAN infrastructure:** This project involved upgrading the Senate's local area network (CAT-6) to improve its speed and reliability.



**Digital Archiving of Senate Documents:** The Digital Archiving of Senate Documents project is a comprehensive initiative focused on the digitization of Senate documents, with the ultimate goal of providing convenient online access to these records. The project, which commenced last year, has been diligently scanning an average of 20 thousand pages per day, ensuring the swift and systematic conversion of a vast amount of historical and contemporary documents into digital formats.

This initiative serves a dual purpose: firstly, it aims to facilitate Senators in retrieving and referencing crucial documents efficiently, thereby optimizing their workflow. By leveraging cutting-edge scanning technology, the project contributes to the preservation of Senate records while simultaneously embracing the advantages of digitization.

S. No.	Branch / Directorate	Years
1	Legislation Branch	1973 to 2014
2	Motion Branch	1985 to 2014
3	Committee-I Branch	1985 to 2021
4	IPR Branch	1975 to 2004
5	Hiring branch	2004 to 2019
6	Service Branch	1973 to 2021
7	Notice office	1975 to 2016
8	Senator Service Centre	1994 to 2009
9	Finance & Accounts Branch	1984 to 2016
10	Committee-II Branch	20182021

## **Automation of Parliamentary Business Processes**

The automation of parliamentary business processes has significantly enhanced the efficiency and transparency of the Senate's operations. The implementation of a Legislative Business Management System has played a pivotal role in automating critical parliamentary procedures, including the introduction and tracking of bills, motions, and resolutions. This system has proven instrumental in supporting stakeholders in their day-to-day activities, streamlining workflows, and providing a more effective means of managing legislative matters.

## Implementation of Digital Parliament and office Automation Solution for the Senate of Pakistan

The Senate of Pakistan, House of the Federation, seeks to modernize its operations through the implementation of a comprehensive digital parliament and office automation solution. The primary goal is to enhance the performance and efficiency of legislative and Senate Secretariat business processes. The project also includes capacity building for the IT staff to ensure the sustainable and effective use of the implemented solutions.

## **Project Phases:**

#### Milestone 1

- Develop a comprehensive Business Requirement Document outlining the scope, modules, features, workflows, business rules, and system architecture for all modules.
- Implement a Workflow Management System (E-Filing) to streamline document processing and enhance efficiency in the Senate Secretariat.

## Milestone 2

- Legislation Management: Develop a module to manage legislative documents, track changes, and facilitate collaborative drafting and review processes.
- Question Management: Implement a system for handling parliamentary questions, ensuring their efficient processing and tracking.
- *Motion/Resolution Management:* Create a module to manage parliamentary motions and resolutions, tracking their progress and outcomes.
- Notice office Management: Develop a system to manage official notices within the Senate Secretariat.
- Legislative Drafting: Implement a tool for efficient legislative drafting, ensuring accuracy and adherence to legal standards.

## Milestone 3

• *Members One Window Facility:* Develop a centralized platform for members to access various services and information.

- *Dynamic Reporting Engine:* Implement a robust reporting engine for generating dynamic reports as needed by different stakeholders.
- *Member's Portal:* Create a dedicated portal for members to access relevant information, documents, and participate in discussions.
- *Committee Management:* Develop a module to streamline the functioning of parliamentary committees, managing their schedules, documents, and communications.

## **Milestone 4**

- Reporting Management: Enhance reporting capabilities to provide real-time insights into parliamentary activities.
- Debate Management: Develop tools for reporting, editing, translation, and proofreading of debates.
- *Notifications SMS*: Implement an SMS notification system to keep stakeholders informed of important events and updates.
- Interfaces with Ministries/Divisions/Attached Departments: Establish interfaces for seamless communication and data exchange with relevant government entities.

## Milestone 5

- *Public Portal:* Create a user-friendly public portal for citizens to access parliamentary information and resources.
- Inter-Parliamentary Relation Management: Develop tools for managing relations with other parliamentary bodies.
- Interpretation Management: Implement a system to manage language interpretation services.
- Research Management: Create a module for efficient research management, supporting datadriven decision-making.

## Milestone 6

• Information Archival and Retrieval System: Implement a robust system for archiving and retrieving parliamentary information.

- *Human Resource Management:* Develop a comprehensive system for managing HR processes within the Senate Secretariat.
- Transport Management System: Create a module to efficiently manage the transportation needs of the Senate.

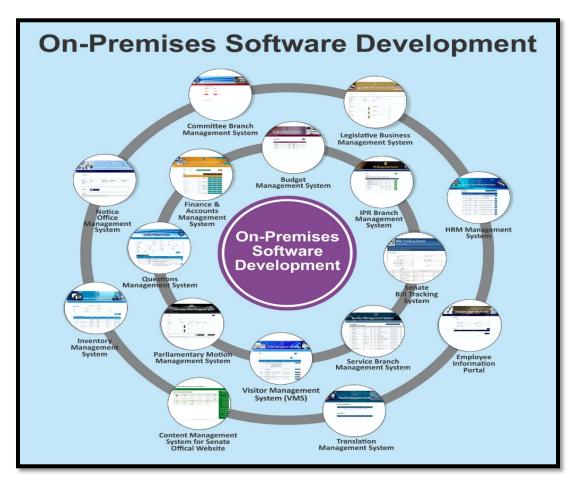
## Milestone 7

- Administration Management: Implement tools for effective administrative management of Senate operations.
- *Hiring (House Acquisition):* Develop a module for managing the hiring process, including house acquisition for members.
- Protocol Management: Create a system for managing official protocols within the Senate.
- Service Management: Develop tools to manage various services provided by the Senate.

## Milestone 8

- Executive Dashboards: Implement dashboards for executives to monitor and analyze key performance indicators.
- *Library Management:* Develop a system for efficient management of the Senate library.
- Cash and Accounts: Implement modules for managing cash and accounts within the Senate.
- Finance and Accounts: Develop comprehensive tools for financial management within the Senate.
- *Visitor Management:* Create a system for managing visitor access and interactions within the Senate premises.

This project aims to transform the Senate of Pakistan into a modern, efficient, and transparent institution through the implementation of a state-of-the-art digital parliament and office automation solution. The phased approach ensures a systematic and thorough integration of various modules, ultimately leading to improved governance and better service delivery. The capacity building of IT staff further ensures the sustainability and long-term success of the implemented solutions.



**Online Election System for IPC** 

Additionally, the introduction of the Online Election System for the IPC (International Parliamentarians Congress) represents another crucial initiative. This online system is designed to modernize and streamline the election processes within the IPC, making it more accessible, efficient, and accountable. By leveraging technology in the electoral procedures, this project contributes to the Senate's commitment to embracing digital advancements for the improvement of parliamentary functionalities.

## **Telecasting & Post Production of House Proceedings during Senate Session**

These endeavors are geared towards the modernization and enhancement of telecasting and postproduction processes during Senate sessions, with the goal of making the proceedings more accessible to a broader audience in a user-friendly and engaging format. The emphasis is on delivering highquality telecasting services, utilizing cutting-edge technology to elevate the viewing experience and

simplify access for individuals seeking to stay informed about Senate proceedings. The initiatives strive to leverage the latest advancements in telecommunication to ensure that the public can easily engage with and comprehend the happenings within the Senate.

## First time Live ticker during Senate session

The introduction of a "First-time Live Ticker" during Senate sessions marks a significant advancement in communication and transparency. A Live Ticker is a real-time, scrolling display of updates, summaries, or key points related to the ongoing proceedings. In the context of the Senate sessions, this innovation implies that viewers, whether present in the Senate Hall or accessing the proceedings remotely, can receive immediate and concise information about the discussions, debates, and decisions as they unfold.

This Live Ticker serves as a dynamic tool to keep the audience informed about crucial moments and key highlights without having to watch the entire session continuously. It provides a quick and efficient way for the public, media, and stakeholders to stay updated on the latest developments in real-time. By introducing this feature, the Senate aims to enhance accessibility, engagement, and transparency, allowing a wider audience to follow and understand the legislative process with greater ease and efficiency. This technological advancement aligns with the commitment to leverage digital tools for better public engagement and information dissemination during Senate sessions.

**Upgradation of Broadcasting & Post Production:** This stage involves upgrading the equipment and software used to broadcast and edit Senate proceedings. This ensures that the quality of the broadcasts is high and that they can be easily distributed to viewers around the world.

**4k Webcasting of Senate YouTube Channel:** This refers to the Senate's YouTube channel, which broadcasts Senate proceedings in 4K resolution. This provides viewers with a high-quality viewing experience.

**Acquisition of Latest Video & Static Cameras for Senate Hall:** This refers to the installation of new, high-quality cameras in the Senate Hall. These cameras provide better coverage of the proceedings and allow for more creative camera angles.

**Teleprompter System:** This system allows Honorable Chairman Senate to read their speeches from a prompter, which helps them to deliver their speeches more smoothly and confidently.



# **Boosting Efficiency and Transparency: Senate of Pakistan Embraces Virtual Meetings** and Enhanced Website

In a move towards greater efficiency and inclusivity, the Senate of Pakistan has implemented several key initiatives:

## **Virtual Meetings and Online Committee Sessions:**

• Remote participation for members has become a reality, allowing for greater flexibility and convenience.

 Senate Standing Committees now leverage online meetings, enabling members to contribute regardless of location, boosting committee work efficiency.

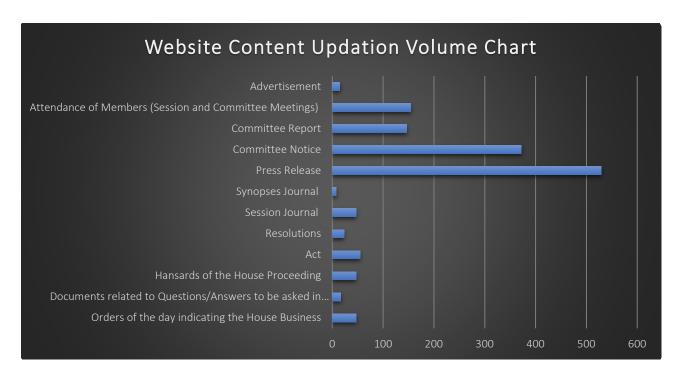
## **Website Enrichment:**

- The website now boasts a wealth of information, including:
  - House Business updates
  - Details on supporting committees
  - Relevant publications and policies
  - House business information for members
- Transparency is enhanced with the publication of:
  - House Business agendas
  - Questions and answers raised in sessions
  - official records like Hansards, Acts, and Resolutions
  - Session journals and committee reports
  - Press releases, committee notices, and attendance data
  - Advertisements for public awareness

These initiatives demonstrate the Senate's commitment to adapting to modern technologies and fostering a more transparent and efficient legislative environment. Following business of the parliament was posted on the website: -

- 47 Orders of the day indicating the House Business
- 17 Documents related to Questions/Answers to be asked in the house were uploaded at the time of start of proceedings of the Session
- 47 Hansards of the House Proceeding
- 55 Act
- 23 Resolutions.
- 47 Session Journal
- 8 Synopses Journal
- 529 Press Release

- 372 Committee Notice
- 146 Committee Report
- Attendance of Members (Session and Committee Meetings) 154
- 15 Advertisement



## Streamlining Communication: The Senate of Pakistan's WhatsApp System

The IT Directorate of the Senate of Pakistan has implemented a robust WhatsApp communication system to ensure timely and efficient information dissemination to Honorable Senators. This system serves as a crucial tool for keeping Senators informed about important Senate events and activities. Following information is shared on WhatsApp

## **Senate Session Updates:**

- Summons and prorogation of Senate sessions are communicated promptly.
- Any changes to the schedule, including postponements or cancellations, are relayed immediately.

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## **Committee Meeting Notices:**

- o Senators receive timely notifications about upcoming committee meetings.
- o Information about agendas and venue changes are readily available.
- o Any last-minute updates or cancellations are communicated efficiently.

## **Other Event Information:**

 The system is used to share information about other relevant events, such as training workshops, seminars, and gatherings.

Overall, the Senate of Pakistan's WhatsApp communication system represents a commendable effort to leverage technology for improved communication and efficiency. By keeping Senators informed, the system contributes to a more transparent and responsive legislative environment.



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