

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN



PERIODICAL REPORT

OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON
COMMUNICATIONS

FOR THE PERIOD FROM
JULY, 2016 TO DECEMBER, 2016

Presented by:
MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI
Chairman

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

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(July, 2016 to December, 2016)

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Communications have the honor to present the Periodical Report of the Committee, under rule 234-A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 for six months from July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

2. The Committee consists of the following Members:-

1)	Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi	Chairman
2)	Mr. Abdul Rehman Khan Kanju	Member
3)	Mr. Sarzameen	Member
4)	Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik	Member
5)	Chaudhry Khalid Javaid Warraich	Member
6)	Ms. Maiza Hameed	Member
7)	Dr. Darshan	Member
8)	Mr. Najaf Abbas Sial	Member
9)	Sardar Muhammad Jaffar Khan Leghari	Member
10)	Mr. Nazir Ahmed Bughio	Member
11)	Mir Shabbir Ali Bijarani	Member
12)	Mr. Ramesh Lal	Member
13)	Mr. Salim Rehman	Member
14)	Engr. Hamid-ul-Haq Khalil	Member
15)	Mr. Sanjay Parwani	Member
16)	Molana Qamar ud Din	Member
17)	Sahibzada Tariq Ullah	Member
18)	Ms. Naseema Hafeez Panezai	Member
19)	Engr. Usman Khan Tarakai	Member
20)	Ms. Shahjehan Muneer Mangrio	Member
21)	Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister Incharge for Communications	Ex-officio Member
	Ch. Mukhtar Ahmed	Secretary Committee

Note: The following changes were made in the composition of the Committee: -

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| i) | Mr. Sufyan Yusuf, MNA | Member excluded on 22.12.2016 |
| ii) | Mr. Sanjay parwani, MNA | Member included on 22.12.2016 |

3. On the July 1, 2016, the following Bills/matters referred by the Assembly/ Honourable Speaker were pending before the Committee.

SL. NO.	BILL/MATTER	REFERRED ON
1.	The Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA).	10-02-2015
2.	Calling Attention Notice of Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali, Sahibzada Tariq Ullah and Ms. Mussarat Ahmad Zeb, MNAs regarding completion of Takht Bai Over-head Bridge.	11-12-2015

4. The Committee held the following meetings:-

SL. NO.	DATE & VENUE OF MEETING	ATTENDANCE OF MNAS	AGENDA
1.	22-08-2016 at 2:00 p.m in Chitral 23-08-2016 at 10:00 a.m in Chitral	09	i) Confirmation of the minutes of previous meeting held on 28 th of June, 2016; ii) Discussion on inclusion of 147 KM Chitral Booni Mastuj Shandoor Road in PSDP 2016-17, as per Prime Minister's Directive and NHA Report of July 2016, via corrigendum; iii) Briefing on Chitral Garam Chashma Road; iv) Briefing on Chitral Kalash Valley (Bumbrate Birir & Rumboor) Road; v) Briefing on Chakdara Chitral Road; vi) Briefing on Lowari Tunnel; vii) Discussion on inclusion of Chitral as an alternate CPEC Route as per Prime Minister's Directive of July, 2016 and subsequent NHA Report; viii) Progress made on Takht Bai over Head Bridge; ix) Briefing on ongoing NHA projects in KPK; and x) Any other item with permission of the Chair.
2.	29-08-2016 at 11:00 a.m in Committee Room No. 7, Parliament House, Islamabad.	14	i) Confirmation of the minutes of previous meetings held on 22 nd and 23 rd of August, 2016; ii) Question No. 86, moved by Malik Abdul Ghafar Dogar, MNA regarding the Construction work of Khanewal Multan Motorway in the House and referred to the Standing Committee

			on 4th of August, 2016; iii) Progress/compliance report on recommendations of Standing Committee given during 2015-16; iv) Progress report of Sub-Committees of Standing Committee on Communications and v) Any other item with permission of the Chair.
3.	20-09-2016 at 11:00 a.m in the Office of Chief Secretary, Karachi.	09 including Ex-officio Member	i) Confirmation of the minutes of previous meeting held on 29th of August, 2016; ii) Progress on Lyari Expressway Project; iii) Green Line Transport System in Karachi; iv) Working progress on M-9 Motorway Project; v) Consideration of report of Sub-Committee constituted under the convener-ship of Engr. Hamid-ul-Haq Khalil to "probe the matter of contract/permanent appointments; issues and problems of National Highways and Motorways Police (NH&MP) during last six year"; vi) Implementation status on recommendations of Standing Committee made in its meetings held on 26th of May, 2014, 10th of July, 2014, 23rd of December, 2014, 1st of December, 2015, 4th of March, 2016 and 28th of June, 2016; and vii) Any other item with permission of the Chair.
4.	01-11-2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Committee Room of Postal Staff College, G-8/4, Islamabad.	06	i) The Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA); ii) The Post office (Amendment) Bill, 2016; and iii) Follow up of the Standing Committee meeting held on 20.09.2016 in Karachi.
5.	29-11-2016 at 2:00 p.m in Committee Room No. 5, Parliament	12	i) Confirmation of the minutes of previous meeting held on 1st of November, 2016;

	House, Islamabad.		ii) To review the performance of National Highway Authority (NHA); iii) Any other item with permission of the Chair.
6.	26-12-2016 at 11:00 a.m in Committee Room No. 7, Parliament House, Islamabad.	12	i) Confirmation of the minutes of previous meeting held on 6 th of December, 2016; ii) To consider The Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA); iii) Suicide of an official of National Highways and Motorway Police (NH&MP) on 30 th of August, 2016; and iv) Any other item with permission of the Chair.

5. The performance of the Committee with reference to the said meetings is detailed below:-

SL. NO.	AGENDA	RECOMMENDATIONS	REMARKS
1.	i) Discussion on inclusion of 147 KM Chitral Booni Mastuj Shandoor Road in PSDP 2016-17 on per Prime Minister Directive and NHA Report of July 2016 via corrigendum. ii) Briefing on Chitral Garam Chashma Road. iii) Briefing on Chitral Kalash Valley (Bumbrate Birir & Rumboor) Road. iv) Briefing on Chakdara Chitral Road. v) Briefing on Lowari Tunnel. vi) Discussion on inclusion of Chitral as an alternate CPEC Route as per Prime Minister Directive of July, 2016 & subsequent NHA Report. vii) Progress made on Takht Bai over Head Bridge. viii) Briefing on ongoing NHA projects in KPK.	i) The Chitral-Booni-Mastuj-Shandur road be included in the current PSDP by the M/o Planning, Development and Reforms; ii) The roads in Chitral might be constructed in consultation with the locals, keeping in view the direction of the sun; iii) The alignment of Bumbrate Birir & Rumboor road would be done on priority basis in consultation with the local administration and representatives; iv) The strategy might be devised by the NHA in consultation with the local administration to keep the Tunnel open during the winter season to facilitate the locals; and v) Approximately seven km new road might be	Done in PSDP Reply awaited Reply awaited Reply awaited Reply awaited

	Standing Committee made in its meetings held on 26th May, 2014, 10th July, 2014, 23rd December, 2014, 1st December, 2015, 4th March, 2016 and 28th June, 2016. vi) Any other item with permission of the Chair.		
4.	i) The Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA) ii) The Post office (Amendment) Bill, 2016. iii) Any other item with permission of the Chair.	i) The Committee recommended to defer the further discussion on the Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA); ii) The Committee recommended to invite the proposals/viewpoint including all the leading courier companies in the country and submitting report on the Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA) from all the stakeholders in the next meeting; and iii) The Committee unanimously recommended to approve the Post office (Amendment) Bill, 2016.	Reply awaited Reply awaited Reply awaited
5.	i) To review the performance of National Highway Authority (NHA). ii) Any other item with permission of the Chair.	The Resolution was passed by the Committee for the removal of Mr. Sufyan Yusuf, MNA, from the office of the Chairman Standing Committee on Communications.	Passed Resolution
6.	i) To consider The Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA). ii) Suicide of an official of National Highways and Motorway Police (NH&MP) on 30th August, 2016	i) The Committee recommended to defer the further discussion on the Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA); ii) The Committee directed the Ministry to invite all the	Defer Reply awaited

	iii) Any other item with permission of the Chair.	Ministry to invite all the stakeholders including leading courier companies in the country to apprise the Committee regarding their concerns in the meeting scheduled for the 2 nd of January, 2016; and iii) The Committee directed the NH&MP to produce the copy of the ticket issued to the Chairman NHA in the upcoming meeting.	Reply awaited
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6. During the particular period of this Report no Sub-Committee was constituted.

7. On the December 31, 2016, the following Bills/Matters referred by the Assembly/ Honourable Speaker were pending before the Committee:-

SL. NO.	BILL/MATTER	REFERRED ON
1.	The Pakistan Private Courier Regulatory Authority Bill, 2015 (moved by Ms. Belum Hasnain, MNA).	10-02-2015
2.	Calling Attention Notice of Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali, Sahibzada Tariq Ullah and Ms. Mussarart Ahmad Zeb, MNAs regarding completion of Takht Bai Over-head Bridge.	11-12-2015
3.	The Post Office (Amendment) Bill, 2016.	02-09-2016

Sd/-
(MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI)
Chairman
Standing Committee on Communications

Sd/-
(ABDUL JABBAR ALI)
Secretary
Islamabad, the 24th March 2017