

Five Key Government Bills Passed and 10 New Bills Introduced During 363rd Senate Session as MoPA Facilitates Legislative Process Along with Senate Secretariat

Islamabad, September 2, 2026: The 363rd Session of the Senate of Pakistan, which had commenced on August 17, 2026, concluded on August 28, 2026. During the session, five (05) Government Bills were passed, ten (10) new Bills were introduced, five (05) Constitutional and statutory reports were laid before the House and eight (08) Standing Committee Reports were presented.

The five (05) Government Bills passed by the Senate were: the Standard Time (Interpretation of References) (Amendment) Bill, 2026; the Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2026; the National Institute of Folk and Traditional Heritage (Lok Virsa) (Amendment) Bill, 2026; the Defense Forces of Pakistan Bill, 2026; and the National Command Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2026. These Bills covered important areas of Governance, Public Administration, National Heritage, Defence and National Security.

Ten (10) new bills were introduced in the Senate which included one (01) Government Bill and nine (09) Private Members' Bills. The Pakistan General Cosmetics Bill, 2026 was introduced as government legislation to regulate cosmetic products and address matters concerning consumer safety and public health.

The Private Members' Bills covered criminal justice reforms, maintenance of parents, family courts, industrial relations and the investigation and trial of rape cases. Prominent among them were the Muslim Family Laws (Maintenance of Parents) (Amendment) Bill, 2026; the Industrial Relations (Amendment) Bill, 2026; the Family Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2026; and the Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2026.

Five (05) important Constitutional and statutory reports were laid before the Senate, including the Half Yearly Report of the Board of Directors of State Bank of Pakistan on the State of Pakistan's Economy for the Year 2025-26, the Annual Report 2025 of the Election Commission of Pakistan, the appropriation accounts for the Financial Year 2024-2025 and audit reports of the Auditor-General of Pakistan for the audit year, 2025-2026, the 1st Biannual Report on Monitoring of the Implementation of 7th NFC Award for the period from July to December, 2024 and the Annual Report 2025-2026 of the National Commission on the Rights of Child. Eight (08) reports of Senate Standing Committees were presented, further strengthening legislative scrutiny and institutional accountability.

Three Calling Attention Notices concerning matters of urgent public importance were responded to by the Ministry of Finance and Revenue, the Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination and the Petroleum Division of the Ministry of Energy.

The Senate also passed a special resolution moved by Senator Faisal Javed and 29 other Senators to suspend regular business and devote the sitting to speeches on the life and teachings of Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him) in connection with Eid Milad-un-Nabi.

Throughout the session, the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs performed its institutional role as a bridge between the Executive and Parliament by maintaining close coordination with the Senate Secretariat and relevant Ministries and Divisions. The Ministry remains committed to facilitating effective parliamentary proceedings and ensuring that legislative business contributes to improved governance, public welfare and institutional accountability.
