SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 20th January, 2016

1. The Senate met at 10:49 a.m. The Senate President read prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 19th January, 2016.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Announcement:**
Demise of Baba Na'Allah Wasagu:
The Senate President read a letter from Senator Bala Ibn Na'Allah (*Kebbi South*) as follows:

Sen. Bala Ibn Na'Allah
(DEPUTY SENATE LEADER)

20th January, 2016.

The President of the Senate
Senator Bukola Saraki
National Assembly,
Abuja.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I regret to inform you that, Distinguished Senator and Deputy Senate Leader, Senator Bala Ibn Na'Allah lost his dear beloved father; Baba Na'Allah Wasagu in the early hours of this morning.

Please join the Senator and the entire Na'Allah's family to pray the ALMIGHTY Allah to grant him eternal rest.

Yours Faithfully,
(Signed)
Senator Bala Ibn Na'Allah

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4. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Emmanuel Bwacha *(Taraba South)* drew the attention of the Senate to the recent claim by the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) to the abandonment of the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Taraba State by the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and other security agencies. He informed the Senate that the people in most of the IDPs camps in Taraba State were displaced by insurgents that were dislodged from Yobe and Borno States, who disguised as security operatives.

Senate accordingly notes his explanation.

5. Petition:

Rising on Rule 41, Senator Foster Ogola *(Bayelsa West)* drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from his constituent, MWO John Amgbare, whose salary has been suspended by the Nigerian Navy without officially being disengaged from service. He urged the Senate to look into the matter.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Rule 41(3)] to report within Two (2) weeks.

6. Committee on Marine Transport:

Report on the Motion on Apapa Ports Gridlock:

Motion made: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Marine Transport in respect of the Motion on Apapa Ports Gridlock (*Senator Isiaka A. Adeleke — Osun West*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

7. 2016 Appropriation Bill (SB. 212):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of ₦6,077,680,000,000.00 (Six Trillion, Seventy-Seven Billion, Six Hundred and Eighty Million Naira) only, of which, ₦351,370,000,000.00 (Three Hundred and Fifty-One Billion, Three Hundred and Seventy Million Naira) only is for Statutory Transfers, ₦1,475,320,000,000.00 (One Trillion, Four Hundred and Seventy-Five Billion, Three Hundred and Twenty Million Naira) only is for Debt Service, ₦2,648,600,000,000.00 (Two Trillion, Six Hundred and Forty-Eight Billion, Six Hundred Million Naira) only is for Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the sum of ₦1,845,540,000,000.00 (One Trillion, Eight Hundred and Forty-Five Billion, Five Hundred and Forty Million Naira) only inclusive of ₦157,150,000,000.00 (One Hundred and Fifty- Seven Billion, One Hundred and Fifty Million Naira) Capital Expenditure in Statutory Transfer and ₦86,000,000,000.00 (Eighty-Six Billion Naira) as interest on Capital Loans is for contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2016 be read the Second Time (*Senate Leader*).

Debate:

The following Senators made contribution:

(*i*) Senator Enyinnaya H. Abaribe
(*ii*) Senator Ahmad I. Lawan
(*iii*) Senator Jibrin I. Barau
(*iv*) Senator Philip T. Aduda
(*v*) Senator Ali M. Wakili
(*vi*) Senator Babajide C. Omoworare
(*vii*) Senator Suleiman A. Adokwe
(*viii*) Senator Olugbenga B. Ashafa

(*ix*) Senator John O. Enoh
(*x*) Senator Solomon O. Adeola
(*xi*) Senator Ike Ekweremadu
(*xii*) Senator Rose O. Oko
(*xiii*) Senator Barnabas A. I. Gemade
(*xiv*) Senator Chukwuka G. Utazi
(*xv*) Senator Peter O. Nwaoboshi
(*xvi*) Senator Isa H. Misau

Extension of Time:
Motion made: That the Senate do sit this day beyond the time appointed for the termination of the Sitting of the Senate (Rule 13) (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(*xvii*) Senator Emmanuel I. Paulker
(*xviii*) Senator Ben Murray-Bruce
(*xix*) Senator Umar I. Kurfi
(*xx*) Senator Ibrahim A. Gobir
(*xxi*) Senator Rafiu A. Ibrahim
(*xxii*) Senator Shehu Sani

Further debate deferred to the next Legislative Day.

8. Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions:
Report on the Petition from Maritime Professionals against the Ministry of Transport:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. Adjournment:
And it being 2:18 p.m. the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Thursday, 21st January, 2016 at 10.00 a.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 2:18 *p.m.*

Abubakar Olubukola Saraki, CON
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.