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1. **Prayers**
2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
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5. **Petitions (*if any*)**
6. **Matter(s) of Urgent Public Importance *(if any)***
7. **Personal Explanation**

ORDERS OF THE DAY
BILLS

1. CONSOLIDATION OF BILLS:

(a) A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Council on Ageing so as to Provide Social Welfare Services for the Elderly and for the Purpose of Designing Developmental Programmes and activities for the Advancement of Elderly Persons in Nigeria; and for Other Matters Related Thereto, (HB. 84) *Hon. Joan Onyemaechi Mrakpor.*

(b) A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Council for Public Assistance to Widows, Dependent Children and Orphans and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, (HB. 124) *(Hon. Ayuba Mohammed Bello).*

(c) A Bill for an Act to Establish a Welfare Trust Fund and Management Commission for Effective Management of the Welfare of the Unemployed, People with Disability (Temporal/Permanent), Orphans, Widows, the Elderly and the Youths, Compensation for Citizens who are deprived of means of Livelihood as a result of Population, Demolition, Forced Relocation, Retirement and Health, Provision of Medical care and Subsidies for poor Families and to protect the less Privileged in the Society; and for Other Matters Related Thereto, (HB. 126) *(Hon. Rita .O. Orji).*

2. A Bill for an Act to Alter Sections 80 (1), (2) and (3) and 81 (1) and (2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) to provide for appropriate use of the terms 'Federation' and 'Federal Government' and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, (HB. 106) *(Hon. Leo Okuweh Ogor) – Second Reading.*

3. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to empower

the National Judicial Council (NJC) to appoint its Secretary rather than doing so on the recommendation of the Federal Judicial Service Commission and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 05) *(Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai) – Second Reading.*

4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the River Basin Development Authorities Act, Cap. R9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to make provisions for proper Utilization of Nigerian Dams under the Control of a given River Basin Development Authority and for Other Matters Related Thereto; (HB. 58) *(Hon. Musa Sarkin Adar),* a Bill for an Act to Amend the First Schedule to the River Basin Development Authorities Act, Cap. R9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, and for Other Matters Related Thereto; (HB. 235) *(Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai)* and a Bill for an Act to Amend the River Basin Development Authorities (Establishment, Etc.) Act, Cap. R9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to provide for the Establishment of the Lower Anambra and Upper Niger River Basin Development Authorities and list them in the first Schedule to the Act and for Other Matters Related Thereto; (HB. 350) *(Hon. Patrick Asadu) – Second Reading.*

5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Chartered Institute of Stockbrokers Act, Cap. C9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to increase the Prescribed Penalties; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 242) *(Hon. Tajudeen Yusuf) – Second Reading.*

6. A Bill for an Act to Alter Section 243 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended) (Third Alteration) Act No. 3 of 2010 to Provide for appeals to the Court of Appeal from final decisions of the National Industrial Court and for Other Matters Connected Thereto (HB. 173) *(Hon. Joan) Mrakpor) – Second Reading.*

7. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Veterinary Surgeons Act, Cap. V3, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to reduce the Membership of the Veterinary Council and for Other Matters Related Thereto; (HB. 294) *(Hon. Chike John Okafor) – Second Reading.*

8. A Bill for an Act to Provide a Legal Framework for the Protection of the Rights of Internally Displaced Persons during and after Displacement, Resettlement, Relocation and Reintegration and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 331) *(Hon. Asabe Bashir Vilita) – Second Reading.*

9. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Biotechnology Development Agency and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 33) *(Hon. Gyang Isitifanus Dung) – Second Reading.*

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

10. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Office of the Auditor-General for the Federation, Provide for Additional Powers and Functions to the Office, Establish the Federal Audit Service Commission; Repeal the Audit Act of 1956, the Public Accounts Committee Act, Cap. P35, LFN, 2004 and Enact the Federal Audit Service Bill, 2015; and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 107) *Committee of the Whole 15/12/2015.*

11. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerians in Diaspora Commission, Provide for the Engagement of Nigerians in Diaspora in the Policies, Projects and Participation in the Development of Nigeria and for the Purposes of utilizing the Human, Capital and Material Resources of Nigerians in Diaspora towards the overall Socio-Economic, Cultural and Political Development of Nigeria; and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 160) – *Committee of the Whole 21/1/2016.*

MOTIONS

12. Urgent Need to Investigate the Sale of Eleme Petrochemical Company to Indorama Corporation by the Bureau of Public Enterprises

Hon. Oluwole Oke.

The House:

Notes that the Eleme Petrochemical Company, situated on a 400 acre land in Eleme, Rivers State, was conceived and built by the Federal Government with a vision to industrialize the country and position it as a Petrochemical hub in Africa;

Aware that the Company was built at the cost of $2.4 billion with state of the art olefins plant, polyethylene/butane and polyprophene plant, captive power plant, caustic soda plant and other numerous facilities;

Also aware that due to lack of proper assets valuation, the Company was sold to Indorama Corporation for the sum of $215 million by the Bureau of Public Enterprises;

Concerned that the sale of the Company seemed to have lacked transparency and did not follow due processes in line with the Public Procurement Act;

Convinced that had the Company that was operating at 100% installed capacity and also employed 1000 Nigerians at inception not been sold, it would have by now been providing employment for about 10,000 Nigerians;

Resolves to:

Investigate the sale of Eleme Petrochemical Company to Indorama Corporation by the Bureau of Public Enterprises and make appropriate recommendations within Four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

13. Need to ascertain the number of Oil Mining Leases granted by the Federal Government, their expiry dates and determine whether Due Process was complied with during Renewals.

Hon. Shadimu Mutiu Alao.

The House:

Aware that the Federal Government has, over the years, been granting oil mining leases to Companies and individuals as beneficial owners;

Also aware that item 10 section 2(3) in the First Schedule of the Petroleum Act provides that the term of an oil mining lease shall not exceed twenty (20) years, but may be renewed in accordance with the Act;

Further aware of item 12, Section 2 (3) of the same schedule provides that ten (10) years after the grant of the lease, one half of the area of the lease shall be relinquished to the basket;

Concerned that at the expiration of oil mining leases, renewals of the licences do not often comply with laid down processes and guidelines for the acquisition of oil and gas assets;

Conscious of the need to ascertain the number of Oil mining leases that have been granted, their expiration dates and whether due process was followed during renewals;

Resolves to:

Set up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to carry out investigations of all Oil Mining Leases granted by the Federal Government in order to ascertain their total number, expiry dates and whether due process and guidelines for the acquisition of oil and gas assets were complied with, and make appropriate recommendations to the House within Five (5) weeks.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	***Date***	***Time***	***Venue***
1.	Health Institutions	Thursday, 2S February, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
2.	Federal Character *(with Pension Transition Arrangement Directorate (PTAD))*	Thursday, 2S February, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Gas Resources	Thursday, 2S February, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex