

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 4 July, 2017

- 1. Prayers
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- 8. Matter(s) of Urgent Public Importance
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. Consolidation of Bills:

- (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Legion Act, Cap. N119, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to ensure the proper Welfare and Health Condition of Military Veterans, Expand the Operation and Functions of the Legion for National Development and for Related Matters (HB. 392) (Hon. Bassey Eko Ewa); and
- (b) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Legion Act, Cap. N119, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Establish and include Certain Functions of the Corps of Nigerian Commissionaires for the Proper Care, Good Health and Welfare of the Nigerian Legion and for Related Matters (HB. 1036) (Hon. Abdulrahman Shuiabu Abubakar).
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency (Establishment, etc.) Act, 2006 and for Related Matters (HB. 964) (Hon. Obinna Chidoka) Second Reading.
- 3. A Bill for an Act to Enhance Transparency in the Management and Accounting of Tax Incentives by Relevant Authorities so as to check Corruption in the System and for Related Matters (HB. 1040) (Hon. Jarigbe Agom Jarigbe) Second Reading

MOTIONS

4. Devastating Gully Erosion in Igangan, Idiyan and Tapa in Ibarapa North Local Government, Oyo State

Hon. Ayoade Olugbenga Ojoawo.

The House:

Notes the devastating gully erosion which is ravaging Igangan Local Government Area leading to loss of lives, displacement of thousands of residents, destruction of properties, dislocation of businesses and adversely affecting agricultural productivity which is the major economic activity in the area;

Aware that the Ecological Fund Office has a mandate to reduce ecological challenges to the environment to the barest minimum within the territorial confines of Nigeria;

Concerned that if not urgently remediated, the people of Igangan, Idiyan and Tapa will continue to suffer the adverse challenges imposed by the devastating gully erosion which has been impeding development in the area;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Ecological Fund Office to intervene and save Igangan, Idiyan and Tapa communities from being washed away; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Environment and Habitat to liaise with the Federal Ministry of Environment to ensure implementation and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.
- 5. Need to Control the Erosion Menace Threatening Eke Street and Environs in Upper Sakponba Road, Benin City:

Hon. Ehiozuwa Johnson Agbonayinma:

The House:

Notes that Eke Street, United Street, Eke Lane and adjoining communities of Upper Sakponba Road, in Ikpoba-Okha LGA of Egor/Ikpoba-Okha Federal Constituency, Edo State are on the verge of being submerged as a result of perennial flooding;

Also notes that whenever there is heavy down pour, vast portions of land cave in to the flood, taking along with them, houses, properties and humans who are unaware of the immense danger the flood portends;

Concerned that all adjoining roads and communities are under siege from the rampaging erosion which has deterred schools attendance within the localities and is adversely affecting movement of residents, and all efforts by the communities, utilizing their limited resources, to contain the menace have yielded no results;

Resolves to:

- (i) call on the Federal Government to direct the Ecological Fund Office and other relevant agencies to embark on erosion and flood control in the affected streets and environs to avert extinction of those areas;
- (ii) urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to send relief materials to residents of the affected streets to alleviate their sufferings; and

(iii) mandate the Committee on Environment and Habitat to visit the erosion sites and make recommendations within eight (8) weeks on measures towards ensuring a permanent solution to the menace.

(6.) Need for Verification of Moveable Assets from Contracts Awarded by Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs):

Hon. Kehinde Agboola

Hon. Darlington Nwokocha Hon. Samson Olugbemi Hon. Sani Danlami

Hon. Goodluck Opiah Hon. Isiaka Ibrahim

Hon. Obasa Adekunle:

Hon. Henry Ofongo

The House:

Notes that Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) are not accountable for their assets or maintain adequate book keeping/records of assets as required by paragraphs 2106 and 2128 of the Financial Regulations;

Also notes that most Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), in proposing award of contracts for capital, consultancy and supplies, make provisions for purchase of assets such as project vehicles, computers, earth moving equipment, among others, in their Bills of Quantity;

Aware that those assets are usually never purchased or accounted for, and in most cases, the costs are deducted from final payment to contractors without any of the assets being traced, thus accounting for losses to the Federal Government of over two (2) Trillion Naira in the last five years;

Concerned about the practice of disposing assets without due process and the failure to pay the revenues amounting to over N50 Billion accruing from them into Government coffers;

Cognizant that if nothing is done to check these nefarious activities, corruption will remain endemic in the public sector and revenue leakages will persist;

Resolves to:

Set up an Ad-hoc Committee to verify assets from contracts awarded from 2010 to date by Federal Ministries, Departments and Agencies and report back within twelve (12) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

- 7. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Architects (Registration, etc.) Act, Cap. A19, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to enhance the Penalties and to Make Appeals from the Disciplinary Committee Lie to the High Court and for Related Matters (HB. 254) (*Committee of the Whole*: 6/6/2017).
- 8. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Non-Academic Staff of Educational and Associated Institutions: Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Non-Academic Staff of Educational and Associated Institutions against Dr J. C. Okonkwo, Executive Director, National Root Crops Research Institute, Umudike over misappropriation of funds and abuse of office and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*:14/5/2017):

Urge Dr J. C. Okonkwo, Executive Director, National Root Crops Research Institute, Umudike to implement and respect the terms and conditions of the agreement reached as evidenced by Memorandum of Understanding dated 5 April, 2017 in order to restore sanity in the Institute.

9. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by S. P. Inuwa Ahmed (rtd):

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by S. P. Inuwa Ahmed (*rtd*) over non-payment of Gratuity and Pension by the Nigerian Army/Nigeria Police and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid*:14/5/2017):

- (i) that S. P Inuwa Ahmed (rtd) should present his retirement credentials to the Nigeria Police Force;
- (ii) urge the Nigeria Police to pay Inuwa Ahmed his gratuity forthwith.

10. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Ita Oku Ita against Somotex Nigeria Limited:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ita Oku Ita against Somotex Nigeria Limited on the unjust termination of appointment and deprivation of entitlements and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*:14/5/2017):

That Somotex Nigeria Limited should pay Ita Oku Ita the sum of Four Million, Four hundred and Forty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Naira (₹4,447,500.00) being his salary and pay his leave, transportation allowances and hospital bills.

11. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by China Africa Investment FZC against Zhongfu International Investment (Nig.) FZE:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by China Africa Investment FZC against Zhongfu International Investment (Nig.) FZE for unlawfully occupying and claiming ownership of Ogun Guangdong Free Trade Zone and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*:14/5/2017):

That China Africa Investment FZC should be recognized as the authentic operators of the Ogun Guangdong Free Trade Zone and accord it all rights and privileges accruing thereto.

		COMMITTEE MEETINGS		•
1.	Committee Rules and Business	Date Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	<i>Time</i> 3.00 p.m.	Venue Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Ad-hoc Committee on Central Bank Intervention Funds	Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 144 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	NDDC	Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 460 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Public Accounts	Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 446 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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5.	Ad-hoc Committee on investigation of the alleged Corruption in the award of OPL 245	Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 456 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Local Content	Tuesday, 4 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

