



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 24 September, 2019

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PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Ad-hoc Committee on the Legislative Agenda:

Hon. Julius Ihonvbere:

“That the House do receive the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on the Legislative Agenda of the 9th House of Representatives of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (2019-2023)”.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILL

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission Act, Cap. R7, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provisions for Sanctions to Punish Erring Revenue Generating Agencies, enhance the Revenue Profile and Remittances into the Federation

Account, facilitate National Development; and for Related Matters (HB. 111) ((Hon. Abbas Tajudeen) – Second Reading.

MOTIONS

2. Need to Curtail Nylon and Plastic Pollution:

Hon. Chukwuma Umeoji:

The House:

Notes that over 15% of the solid waste generated in major cities across the country are from nylons' and plastics;

Worried that due to inadequate supply of drinking water in most homes, household resort to sachet and plastic bottled water thereby generating large volume of wastes;

Concern that burning of nylon and plastic wastes cause air pollution due to the release of poisonous gases into the air which jeopardizes public health and deplete the ozone layer;

Also notes that organic waste poses a lesser hazard to the environment due to its easy decomposition while inorganic wastes like nylons and plastics constitute serious environment hazards because it takes more than 30 years for nylon and plastic to decompose;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Environment to carry out a sustainable campaign on the dangers of Nylon and Plastic waste, and to, as a matter of urgency, initiates a programme for collection and recycling of nylon and plastic wastes across the nation;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee on Environment to Investigate the circumstances surrounding the non-implementation of Plastic Policy of the Federal of Environment in Collaboration with States and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

3. Completion of the Ibadan Inland Dry Port in Erunmu, Egbeda Local Government Area of Oyo State and other Inland Dry Ports in the Country:

Hon. S Ajibola Muraina.

The House:

Notes that the establishment of Inland Dry Ports otherwise known as Inland Container Depots (ICD's) and Containers Freight Stations (CFS) by the Nigerian Shippers Council is highly commendable and could lead to economic development of the nation;

Also notes that the Inland Dry Ports which is the equivalent of a sea port located in the hinterland, receives containers by rail or road from the seaport for examination and clearance by Customs and other competent authorities;

Recalls that the 7 approved locations for Inland Container Depots (ICDs) and Container Freight Stations (CFSs) were concessioned to private sector operators by the ICD Implementation Committee of the Federal Ministry of Transportation as follows:

- (i) IsialaNgwa, Aba - East gate Inland Container Terminal Ltd.;
- (ii) Erunmu, Ibadan - Catamaran Logistics Ltd.;
- (iii) Heipang-Jos - Duncan Maritime Ltd.;
- (iv) Zawachi-Kano - Dala Inland Dry Port.;
- (v) Zamfarawa- Funtua - Equatorial Marine Ltd.;
- (vi) Jauri-Maiduguri - Migfor Nigeria Ltd.;
- (vii) ICNL-Kaduna - Commissioned.

Aware that the ICDs/CFSSs were expected to achieve the following objectives among others:

- bringing shipping services to the door steps of shippers across the nation;
- assisting in decongesting the seaports and making them more user friendly;
- providing the impetus to revive and modernize the railway as a primary mode for long distance haulage.

Concerned that besides the Kaduna Inland Dry Port which was recently commissioned by President, Mohmmaed Buhari in January 2018, other dry ports projects are yet to be completed by the concessionaires due to poor funding and the slow pace of work in most of the Inland Ports is worrisome;

Convinced that the completion of those seaports will stop the diversion of Cargo to neighbouring countries which is depriving the country of the much-needed revenue and will also generate employment for Nigerians as in the communities where those Inland Dry Ports are cited and will further reduce the congestion being experienced at the Lagos ports and the gridlock on the Apapa road;

Believes that there is the need to develop the Inland Dry Ports in the hinterlands of the country and with the storage facilities in the ports, exporters will be provided the much-needed facilities to process, package, consolidate and forward their exports to their customers all over the world;

Cognizant that lack of railway network is a major challenge to all the proposed Seaports and road and air network to facilitate quick delivery for trans-shipment of sea cargo to inland destinations;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to complete the rail connection to the Dry Ports and Seaports in order to ensure the realization of the projects at the earliest time possible;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Government to put in place measures to attract investors from Commonwealth countries to the Inland Dry Ports so that the remaining projects being handled by concessionaires can be completed as soon as possible;
- (iii) further urge the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing to complete the dualization of Lagos/Ibadan/Egbeda Road to prepare for the take-off of the Ibadan Inland Dry Port, since Oyo State has the potential of becoming the food basket of the nation with its landmass, soil profile, strategic position and concentration of Agricultural Research Institutions;
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Land Transport, Ports and Harbour, Appropriations and Works to ensure completion of the projects by ensuring that they are well funded having in mind their economic importance to the nation.

4. Need to Investigate Sterling Oil Exploration and Energy Production Company Limited (SEEPCO's) Non-Compliance with Nigeria Local Content Act

Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai:

The House:

Notes that the enactment of the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development Act of 2010 (otherwise called the Local Content Act) was a milestone in the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry;

Also notes that the Local Content Act was enacted to provide a Legal Framework for increased Nigerian's participation in all the activities connected with exploration, exploitation, development, transportation and sale of crude oil and gas resources in the Nigerian oil and gas industry;

Further notes that the Local Content Act specifies 70% use of indigenous labour, materials and resources in all oil and gas projects in the Nigerian oil and gas sector;

Aware that Sterling Oil Exploration and Energy Production Company Limited (SEEPCO), an Indian company with businesses in 6 continents and several countries such as India, USA, China, Japan, Europe, Middle East and South East Asia, ventured into Nigerian oil and gas market in 2005 and is presently, successfully producing crude oil in the Niger Delta;

Observes that most of the human and material resources and services being utilized by SEEPCO in the Niger Delta region and particularly, in Ndokwa/Ukwuani Federal Constituency are mostly Indians;

Informed that under the Local Content Act prescribed that the minimum Nigerian content requirement in any project, service or product specification to be executed in the Nigerian oil and gas industry shall be consistent with the level set-out in the Schedule to the Act;

Cognizant that the neglect over the years by the Nigerian Content Monitoring Board that is saddled with responsibility to monitor, supervise and coordinate the Local Content Act, has grossly defeated the purpose of the prescribed minimum thresholds for Nigerian participation in the activities within the Nigerian oil and gas industry;

Also aware that Section 16 I(c) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 enjoins the Federal Government to "manage and operate major sectors of its economy," thereby avoiding foreign domination of the economy;

Resolves to:

Mandate Committees on Petroleum Resources (Upstream), Petroleum Resources (Downstream) and Nigerian Content and Monitoring Development to investigate the level of utilization of the Local Community and the Nigeria human and material resources by SEEPCO in Ndokwa/Ukwuani Federal Constituency of Delta State and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

5. Call on the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to Implement Section 78 (7) (ii) of the Electoral Act, 2010:

Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok:

The House:

Notes that Section 78 sub-section (7) (ii) of the Electoral Act, 2010 confers on the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) powers to de-register Political Parties;

Also notes that the aforementioned sub-section clearly states that failure of any Political Party to win at least one (1) seat in the National or State Assembly Elections will result in de-registration of the said Political Party;

Concerned that since the commencement of the Act, Section 78 (7) (ii) has not been fully implemented given the rising number of Political Parties in Nigeria with neither a seat in either a State House of Assembly or the National Assembly;

Cognizant that if Section 78 (7) (ii) of the Electoral Act is fully implemented, it would regulate the numerous Political Parties, reduce election costs, as well as reduce void votes caused by the inability of citizens to comprehend the long list of Political Parties on ballot papers;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Electoral Matters to investigate in order to ascertain the circumstances surrounding the non-implementation of Section 78 (7) (ii) of the Electoral Act by the Independent National Electoral Commission to ensure compliance and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

6. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Orientation Agency Act, Cap N64, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for an Operational Framework for the Global Initiative for Harmony Corps in Order to Promote Inter-Ethnic Integration, Mediation, Peace-Building, Mutual Understanding, Patriotism for Peaceful Co-existence; and for Related Matters (HB.12) - *(Committee of the Whole: 16/7/2019)*.
7. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Ear Care Centre, Kaduna for the Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment of Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) Diseases, Co-ordination of Research in Ear, Nose and Throat, and other Supporting Fields; and for Related Matters (HB. 13) - *(Committee of the Whole: 16/7/2019)*.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

<i>S/N</i>	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 24 July, 2019	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 <i>White (House)</i> <i>Assembly Complex</i>
2.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on Illegal Negligence by the Federal Ministries of Justice and Petroleum Resources in the handling of the transaction between the Federal Government and the Process and Industrial Development (P&ID) Limited	Tuesday 24 July 2019	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 357 <i>New Building (House)</i> <i>Assembly Complex</i>