



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 27 November, 2018

1. The House met at 11.33 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings**

Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 22 November, 2018.

The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.

3. **Announcement**

(a) **Visitors in the Gallery:**

Mr Speaker recognised the presence of the Staff and Students of *King of Kings Academy*, Lugbe, Abuja.

(b) **Bereavement:**

Mr. Speaker read a communication from Hon. Betty Apiafi (*Abua/Odua/Ahoada Federal Constituency*), announcing the death of her father, Sir Reginald T. Apiafi, which occurred on Saturday, 14 July, 2018 at the age of 93.

A minute silence observed in honour of the deceased.

4. **Petition**

A petition from Adeola Joseph Babatunde, on the non-implementation of the National Industrial Court judgment in Suit NO: NICN/LA613/2012, by the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency, was presented and laid by Hon. Oluwale Oke (*Obokun/Oriade Federal Constituency*).

Petition referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.

5. **Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order Eight, Rule 4)**

(i) **Need to Reconstruct Three Broken Bridges at Kudzum, Delchimi and Wurogyande on Mararaba - Michika - Madagali - Gwoza road in Adamawa State:**

Hon. Adamu Kamale (*Michika/Madagali Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need to Reconstruct Three Broken Bridges at Kudzum, Delchimi and Wurogyande on Mararaba - Michika - Madagali - Gwoza Road in Adamawa State:

The House:

Recalls that sometime in June 2015, the House passed a resolution urging the Federal Ministry of Works to construct the above three bridges which were destroyed by Boko Haram insurgents and while urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to construct temporary bridges to facilitate free movement of people and the return of IDPs to their homes within the constituency;

Notes that NEMA did not comply with the resolution, although the Federal Government awarded the contract for the rehabilitate Mararaba - Mubi - Michika - Madagali - Gwoza road including reconstruction of the three broken bridges at Kudzum, Delchimi and Wurogyande in 2016 to Rhas Nig. Ltd at the cost over ₦14 billion;

Also notes that the contractor had been paid mobilization fee two years ago;

Concerned that the contractor has not deployed equipment to the site and has equally not achieved any progress so far which suggests both lack of capacity to handle the project and of contractual insincerity given the duration of gross breach contract and when mobilization received;

Disturbed that recently, the temporary wooden bridge at Kudzum used by motorists broke down thereby cutting off the entire Michika - Madagali Federal Constituency from the other parts of Nigeria;

Also disturbed that at the moment, motorists from Yola are forced to go through Mubi town and the bypass to Michika/Madagali Federal Constituency, thereby making cost of transportation tripled with attendant inconveniences;

Aware that the Michika/Madagali Federal Constituency will continue to remain cut-off from the rest of Nigeria if urgent action is not taken to reconstruct the broken bridges;

Resolves to:

- (i) mandate the Committee on Works to:
 - (a) invite the Hon. Minister of Power, Works and Housing to give details of the status of the contract and reasons why the three broken bridges have not been repaired,
 - (b) investigate the circumstances surrounding the contract award, capacity of the contractor, amount of mobilization released and any other relevant information that may justify the revocation and re-award of such contract for proper execution; and

- (ii) urge the Federal Ministry of Works, the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) or any relevant institution of government to facilitate immediate repair of the broken temporary bridges to re-connect the Michika/Madagali Federal Constituency to the rest of the country (*Hon. Adamu D. U. Kamale — Michika/Madagali Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

(HR. 86/11/2018).

Motion referred to the Committee on Works, pursuant to Order Eight, Rule 9 (5).

- (ii) ***Refusal of the Minister of Finance to Release Funds Standing to the Credit of the Judiciary:***

Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari (*Yabo/Shagari Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
(b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Refusal of the Minister of Finance to Release Funds Standing to the Credit of the Judiciary:

The House:

Notes that the Funding of Judiciary is on a First Line Charge as stipulated in Section 81 (3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended);

Also notes that the essence of the Constitutional provision is to guarantee Financial and Administrative Independence of the Judiciary thereby insulating it from interference and control by any other Arm of Government, promote and protect the Doctrine of Separation of Powers;

Aware that the total sum of ₦110 billion was approved for the Judiciary in the 2018 appropriation Act as against the sum of ₦100 billion which was proposed by the Executive;

Disturbed that Reports available to the Committee on Federal Judiciary indicate that the Minister of Finance who is a functionary of the Executive Arm of Government has been withholding Funds standing to the Credit of the Judiciary as and when due, thereby undermining section 81 (3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) and the 2018 Appropriation Act;

Worried that withholding of Funds to the Judiciary may disrupt the efficiency of the Judicial Arm and may as well place in jeopardy its financial obligations to both the serving and the retired Judicial Officers and indeed its financial obligations to contractual agreements;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to direct the Minister of Finance to comply with Section 81 (3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) and the 2018 Appropriation Act and release to the National Judicial Council all the outstanding Funds Standing to the Credit of the Judiciary; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Federal Judiciary, Federal Capital Territory Judiciary, and Finance to ensure compliance and report back within one (1) week (*Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari — Yabo/Shagari Federal Constituency*).

*Debate.**Agreed to.*

The House:

Noted that the Funding of Judiciary is on a First Line Charge as stipulated in Section 81 (3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended);

Also noted that the essence of the Constitutional provision is to guarantee Financial and Administrative Independence of the Judiciary thereby insulating it from interference and control by any other Arm of Government, promote and protect the Doctrine of Separation of Powers;

Aware that the total sum of ₦110 billion was approved for the Judiciary in the 2018 appropriation Act as against the sum of ₦100 billion which was proposed by the Executive;

Disturbed that Reports available to the Committee on Federal Judiciary indicate that the Minister of Finance, who is a functionary of the Executive Arm of Government has been withholding Funds standing to the Credit of the Judiciary as and when due, thereby undermining section 81 (3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) and the 2018 Appropriation Act;

Worried that withholding of Funds to the Judiciary may disrupt the efficiency of the Judicial Arm and may as well place in jeopardy its financial obligations to both the serving and the retired Judicial Officers and indeed its financial obligations to contractual agreements;

Resolved to:

- (i) urge the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to direct the Minister of Finance to comply with Section 81 (3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) and the 2018 Appropriation Act and release to the National Judicial Council all the outstanding Funds Standing to the Credit of the Judiciary; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Federal Judiciary, Federal Capital Territory Judiciary, and Finance to ensure compliance and report back within one (1) week (**HR. 87/11/2018**).

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (4) to enable it take more than 2 matters of urgent public importance" (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

(iii) **Unconstitutional Seal-off of the Anambra State House of Assembly Complex by the Commissioner of Police, Anambra State on the Directive of the Governor:**

Hon. Olayonu Tope (Ifelodun/Offa/Oyun Federal Constituency) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Unconstitutional Seal-off of the Anambra State House of Assembly Complex by the Commissioner of Police, Anambra State on the Directive of the Governor:

The House:

Notes that on Thursday, 15 November, 2018, the Anambra State House of Assembly was besieged by armed policemen on the alleged directive of the State Commissioner of Police;

Also notes that the staff of the State legislature were instructed to report at the Office of the Head of Service of the State without justifiable reason;

Aware that there was no likelihood of breakdown of law and order in the Assembly to warrant the seal-off the State Assembly;

Concerned that the action was perpetuated to frustrate the symbol of democracy which is the Legislature from performing its constitutional functions;

Cognizant that the actions of the Police Commissioner and the Executive Governor of Anambra State violate the spirit and principles of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) and the Legislative Houses (Powers and Privileges) Act, 2017;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Inspector-General of Police to withdraw his men and allow Members of the Anambra State House of Assembly access to their offices for legislative functions;
- (ii) set up a delegation to interface with the State Assembly Members and the Governor of Anambra State on a quick and lasting solution to the crisis and report back within four (4) weeks (*Hon. Olayonu Olarinoye Tope — Ifelodun/Offa/Oyun Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that on Thursday, 15 November, 2018, the Anambra State House of Assembly was besieged by armed policemen on the alleged directive of the State Commissioner of Police;

Also noted that the staff of the State legislature were instructed to report at the Office of the Head of Service of the State without justifiable reason;

Aware that there was no likelihood of breakdown of law and order in the Assembly to warrant the seal-off the State Assembly;

Concerned that the action was perpetuated to frustrate the symbol of democracy which is the Legislature from performing its constitutional functions;

Cognizant that the actions of the Police Commissioner and the Executive Governor of Anambra State violate the spirit and principles of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) and the Legislative Houses (Powers and Privileges) Act, 2017;

Resolved to:

- (i) urge the Inspector-General of Police to withdraw his men and allow Members of the Anambra State House of Assembly access to their offices for legislative functions;
- (ii) set up a delegation to interface with the State Assembly Members and the Governor of Anambra State on a quick and lasting solution to the crisis and report back within four (4) weeks (HR. 88/11/2018).
- (iv) ***Attack on the Nigerian Army Base in Melete, Borno State:***
Hon. Chukwuka Onyema Wilfred (Ogbaru Federal Constituency) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:
 - (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
 - (b) *suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.*

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Attack on the Nigerian Army Base in Melete, Borno State:

The House:

Notes that reports from credible news media, including but not limited to Reuters, AFP and Premium Times indicated that no fewer than 118 Nigerian soldiers of the 157 Battalion were massacred by Boko Haram insurgents who now call themselves Islamic State of West Africa on November 18, 2018, at the village of Melete, Borno State;

Also notes that initial figures of the casualty put the death toll at 44 but as more details emerged, it is now alleged that 118 military officers were killed, including their commanding officer, while about 150 additional officers and men still missing;

Further notes that according to reports, the insurgents carted away large cache of arms from the Melete Army base, which security experts say would embolden them and pose greater danger;

Observes that while the death toll continued to increase, neither the President and Commander-in-Chief nor the Minister of Defence or the Army authorities have said anything about the report more than five days after the incident;

Concerned that the President and C-in-C finally broke his silence six days after the attack in a statement issued on his behalf;

Regrets that in the last one year, no fewer than 600 Nigerian soldiers have been killed by insurgents, mostly in Borno State around the fringes of the Lake Chad;

Recalled that on June 18, 2018, Boko Haram attack in Gajiram, Borno state led to the death of civilians and soldiers; on July 13, 2018, Boko Haram ambushed and killed soldiers at Alagaye village near Bama, Borno State and carted away nine (9) trucks of ammunition; on July 14, 2018, Boko Haram attacked the 81 Division of the Forward Brigade at Jilli village in Geidam Local Government Area of Yobe State and killed scores of soldiers; on August 30, 2018, the terrorists attacked an Army Formation at Zari village also in Borno State, killing not less than 48 soldiers with many others missing, while military hardware taken away; on September 8, 2018, the 82 Division Task Force in Gudumbali, Borno State was attacked, resulting in the death of many soldiers, with their equipment carted away;

Disturbed that though the Executive has continued to insist that Boko Haram terrorists have been "technically defeated", or "technically degraded", the insurgents seem to be getting even stronger such that they recently attacked a community just 20 km from Maiduguri, the Borno State capital;

Further disturbed that twice in three years, the Commander-in-Chief has given directives to the Service Chiefs to permanently relocate to the Theatre Command Centre in Maiduguri until Boko Haram is defeated;

Worried that with the recent happenings in the North, all the successes and gains made against Boko Haram have been reversed;

Resolves to:

- (i) dedicate the today's sitting to debate the issue exhaustively and proffer solutions on the way forward; and
- (ii) observe a minute silence in honour of the fallen heroes (*Hon. Chukwuka Onyema Wilfred — Ogbaru Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendments Proposed:

- (i) *Insert* a new Prayer (iii) as follows:
"constitute an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the utilization of all funds appropriated for the execution of the fight against the Boko Haram insurgency and the operational lapses that led to the killing of 118 Nigerian soldiers in Melete" (*Hon. Istifanus Gyang — Barikinaladi/Riyom Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

- (ii) *Insert* a new Prayer (iv) as follows:
"urge the Nigerian Army to release the names of the slain soldiers during the incident in Melete, Borno State after due consultations with the families of the fallen soldiers" (*Hon. Hassan Saleh — Ado/Ogbadibo/Okpokwu Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that reports from credible news media, including but not limited to Reuters, AFP and Premium Times indicated that no fewer than 118 Nigerian soldiers of the 157 Battalion were massacred by Boko Haram insurgents who now call themselves Islamic State of West Africa on November 18, 2018, at the village of Melete, Borno State;

Also noted that initial figures of the casualty put the death toll at 44 but as more details emerged, it is now alleged that 118 military officers were killed, including their commanding officer, while about 150 additional officers and men still missing;

Further noted that according to reports, the insurgents carted away large cache of arms from the Melete Army base, which security experts say would embolden them and pose greater danger;

Observed that while the death toll continued to increase, neither the President and Commander-in-Chief nor the Minister of Defence or the Army authorities have said anything about the report more than five days after the incident;

Concerned that the President and C-in-C finally broke his silence six days after the attack in a statement issued on his behalf;

Regretted that in the last one year, no fewer than 600 Nigerian soldiers have been Killed by insurgents, mostly in Borno State around the fringes of the Lake Chad;

Recalled that on June 18, 2018, Boko Haram attack in Gajiram, Borno state led to the death of civilians and soldiers; on July 13, 2018, Boko Haram ambushed and killed soldiers at Alagaye village near Bama, Borno State and carted away nine (9) trucks of ammunition; on July 14, 2018, Boko Haram attacked the 81 Division of the Forward Brigade at Jilli village in Geidam Local Government Area of Yobe State and killed scores of soldiers; on August 30, 2018, the terrorists attacked an Army Formation at Zari village also in Borno State, killing not less than 48 soldiers with many others missing, while military hardware taken away; on September 8, 2018, the 82 Division Task Force in Gudumbali, Borno State was attacked, resulting in the death of many soldiers, with their equipment carted away;

Disturbed that though the Executive has continued to insist that Boko Haram terrorists have been "technically defeated", or "technically degraded", the insurgents seem to be getting even stronger such that they recently attacked a community just 20 km from Maiduguri, the Borno State capital;

Further disturbed that twice in three years, the Commander-in-Chief has given directives to the Service Chiefs to permanently relocate to the Theatre Command Centre in Maiduguri until Boko Haram is defeated;

Worried that with the recent happenings in the North, all the successes and gains made against Boko Haram have been reversed;

Resolved to:

- (i) dedicate the today's sitting to debate the issue exhaustively and proffer solutions on the way forward;
- (ii) observe a minute silence in honour of the fallen heroes;
- (iii) constitute an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the utilization of all funds appropriated for the execution of the fight against the Boko Haram insurgency and the operational lapses that led to the killing of 118 Nigerian soldiers in Melete; and

- (iv) urge the Nigerian Army to release the names of the slain soldiers during the incident in Melete, Borno State after due consultations with the families of the fallen soldiers, Borno State (HR. 89/11/2018).

6. **Presentation of Reports**

(i) **Committee on Science and Technology**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Science and Technology on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Research and Innovation Trust Fund charged with Responsibility for imposing, Managing and Disbursing the Research and Innovation Levy towards achieving the Commercialization of Research findings in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 574)" (Hon. Beni Lar — Langtang North/Langtang South Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(ii) **Committees on Science and Technology, Power, Petroleum Resources (Upstream) and Environment and Habitat**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committees on Science and Technology, Power, Petroleum Resources (Upstream) and Environment and Habitat on a Bill for an Act to Provide a Policy Framework for the Development of Bio-Fuels Energy Industry in Nigeria; Establish the Bio-Fuels Energy Regulatory Commission; Establish the Bio-Fuels Research Agency; and for Related Matters (HB. 125)" (Hon. Beni Lar — Langtang North/Langtang South Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

7. **Consolidation of Bills**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Public Procurement Act, Cap. P 44, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB. 1311), and a Bill for an Act to Amend the Public Procurement Act, Cap. P 44, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make it Mandatory for 20% of all Public Procurement of the Federal Government in a Financial year to be Awarded to New Indigenous Companies, Indigenous Youths and other Nigerians who fall within the economically disadvantaged Group; and for Related Matters (HB. 1501) be now consolidated (Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

8. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Projects Development Agency (PRODA), Enugu to Conduct Scientific, Engineering and Technological Research aimed at facilitating the Domestication and Industrialization of Appropriate Technology for Socio-Economic Advancement of Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 1542) — Second Reading**

Order deferred by leave of the House.

9. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the Bureau of Military Veterans Affairs and to make Provisions for the Benefits and Welfare of Military Veterans and their Dependents; and for Related Matters (HB. 1070) — Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the Bureau of Military Veterans Affairs and to make Provisions for the Benefits and Welfare of Military Veterans and their Dependents; and for Related Matters (HB. 1070) be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time:

Bill referred to the Committee on Defence.

10. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Colleges of Education Act, Cap. F8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to include the Federal College of Tourism and Wildlife Studies, Igbeti in the first Schedule; and for Related Matters (HB.1521) — *Second Reading*

Order deferred by leave of the House.

11. Rescission of Clause 4 (3) of the National Agricultural Seeds Council Bill, 2018 (HB. 472) Pursuant to Order One, Rule 1(2) and Order Nine, Rule 1 (6) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives

Motion made and Question proposed:

The House:

Notes that the National Agricultural Seeds Council Bill, 2018 (HB.472) was passed by both the House of Representatives, and the Senate;

Observes that Clause 4 (3) of the Bill duplicates Section 6 (a) and (b) of the National Crop Varieties and Livestock Breeds (Registration, etc.) Act, 2004 and would create a conflict between the National Crop Varieties and Livestock Breeds Act and the National Agricultural Seeds Council;

Aware of the need to avoid conflict and duplication of functions amongst government Departments and Agencies;

Desirous of addressing the obvious duplication of functions between the existing National Crop Varieties and Livestock Breeds Committee and the National Agricultural Seeds Council;

Resolves to:

Rescind its decision on Clause 4 (3) of the National Agricultural Seeds Council Bill, 2018 and recommit same to the Committee of the Whole for reconsideration and passage (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok — Jos South/Jos, East Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

12. Discharge of Committees from Referrals on Bills, Pursuant to Order Seventeen, Rule 3 (1) (g) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives

Motion made and Question proposed:

The House:

Notes that the following Bills were read a Second time separately between 2016 and 2018 and referred to respective Committees for legislative actions:

S/No.	Title of Bill	Date	Committee
1.	HB. 171 Good Samaritans' Bill, 2015	16/6/2016	Police Affairs, and Justice
2.	HB. 553 Nigerian Patriot Corporation Bill, 2016	21/6/2016	Public Procurement
3.	HB. 487 Special Maximum Security Prison (Establishment) Bill, 2016	14/7/2016	Interior

4.	HB. 452 Correction and Rehabilitation Centre Act (Establishment) Bill, 2015	14/7/2016	Youth and Interior
5.	HB. 470 and 540 Infrastructure Bank (Establishment) Bill, 2016	19/7/2016	Urban Development and Regional Planning
6.	HB. 520 Chartered Institute of Trade and Investments of Nigeria Bill, 2016	21/7/2016	Commerce
7.	HB. 188 Internal Loan Act (Amendment) Bill, 2015	27/9/2016	Aids, Loan, and Debt Management
8.	HB. 665 Nigerian Institute for Trypanosomiasis and Onchocerciasis Research Bill, 2016	29/9/2016	Science and Technology
9.	HB. 365 Casino Taxation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016	4/10/2016	Finance and Justice
10.	HB. 622 and 721 National Endowment for Arts and Literature (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2016	5/10/2016	Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values
11.	HB. 36 International Trade Commission Bill, 2015	11/10/2016	Commerce
12.	HB. 555 National Merit Award Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016	12/10/2016	Governmental Affairs
13.	HB. 616 Free Advice and Treatment of Breast Cancer Centre Bill, 2016	13/10/2016	Healthcare Services
14.	HB. 112 FCT Wider Area Planning and Development Commission Bill, 2015	13/10/2016	Federal Capital Territory, and Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters
15.	HB. 355 National Mathematical Centre Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016	18/10/2016	Basic Education and Services
16.	HB. 422 and HB. 423 Nigerian Communications Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016	27/10/2016	Telecommunications
17.	HB. 347 Caller Location Information Bill, 2016	27/10/2016	Telecommunications
18.	HB. 46 and HB. 687 Army Colour (Prohibition of Use) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2015	3/11/2016	Army, and Justice
19.	HB. 610 National Health Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016	10/11/2016	Healthcare Services
20.	HB. 606 Nigerian Gas Processing and Marketing Regulatory Board Bill, 2016	9/11/2016	Gas Resources

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| 21. | HB. 804 National Emergency Management Agency Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 | 9/11/2016 | Emergency and Disaster Preparedness |
| 22. | HB. 669 Corporate Bodies (Members Emolument) (Repeal) Bill, 2016 | 15/11/2016 | Commerce |
| 23. | HB. 675 Official Secrets Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 | 16/11/2016 | Justice |
| 24. | HB. 1261 Physically Challenged (Empowerment) Bill, 2017 | 8/2/2018 | Labour, Employment and Productivity |
| 25. | HB. 1384 Electric Power Sector Reform Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 | 17/4/2018 | Power |

Aware that the Committees are yet to present Reports on the Bills, contrary to the provisions of Order seventeen, Rule 3 (1) (g) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives; to wit:

"Any matter referred to any Committee shall be treated within 30 days otherwise the Committee shall stand discharged after 60 days and the matter committed to the Committee of the Whole for consideration".

Resolves to:

Discharge the Committees of the above mentioned Bills and commit same to the Committee of the Whole for consideration (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

13. **Motion made and Question proposed.** "That items 7 to 12 on the **Order Paper** be set down, pursuant to Order Eight, Rule 6 (3)" (*Hon. Edward Pwajok Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

14. **Adjournment**

That the House do adjourn till Wednesday, 28 November, 2018 at 11.00 a.m. (Hon. Idris Ahmed — Deputy House Leader).

The House adjourned accordingly at 3.10 p.m.

Yakubu Dogara
Speaker

CORRIGENDUM

In the **Votes and Proceedings** of Wednesday, 9 May, 2018, item 6, immediately after the words "Bill read the Second Time", *leave out* all other words, and *insert* the following words "**Bill referred to the Committees on Science and Technology, and Health Institutions**".