

LEAD DEBATE ON A BILL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
FEDERAL UNIVERSITY, GASHUA (SB. 459).

Sponsor: Senator Ahmad Lawan (*Yobe North*)

Mr. President, Distinguished Colleagues, permit me to lead the debate of this very important Bill for the establishment of the Federal University, Gashua.

The Bill was read for the First Time in this Hallowed Chamber on Thursday, 6th April, 2017.

Mr. President, Distinguished Colleagues, this Bill seeks to establish the Federal University, Gashua and comprehensive provisions for its due management and administration.

The establishment of this Institution is informed by the imperative to create more access to university education in view of the large number of qualified candidates who are annually stranded in their failed attempt in gaining admission into university of education in the North east.

The objects of the University shall be to —

- (a) encourage the advancement of learning and to hold out to all persons without distinction of race, creed, sex or political conviction the opportunity of acquiring higher and liberal education;
- (b) provide courses of instruction and other facilities for the pursuit of learning in all its branches, and to make those facilities available on proper terms to such persons as are equipped to benefit from them;
- (c) encourage and promote scholarship and conduct research in restricted fields of learning and human endeavour;

(d) relate its activities to the social, cultural and economic needs of the people of Nigeria; and

(e) undertake other activities appropriate for a university of the highest standard.

Mr. President, Distinguished Colleagues, our economy has very high potentials, and requires high level technical, scientific and administrative skills to drive it. The establishment of this university will go a long way into achieving those targets.

Mr. President, Distinguished Colleagues, this Bill is well organized for its very own purpose of a modern academic and research Institution. The objectives of the university as articulated above are supportive of its mission and broad vision of a modern institution that will develop world-class human resources that can sustainably manage our nation's economy by providing technical and management expertise at the highest level.

The University is therefore to further advanced knowledge through research and nurture unique innovations, entrepreneurship and wealth management in its core area of interest.

Mr. President, Distinguished Colleagues, the enactment of this Bill will help in transforming the educational fortunes in Nigeria in producing the desired manpower and expertise that Nigeria is yearning for.

In line with our order 77(3), the compendium of financial implication is hereby attached.

I urge you all to support this Bill for the Second Reading.

Thank you.

COMPENDIUM OF THE FEDERAL UNIVERSITY GASHUA (EST, ETC) BILL 2017
Sponsored by Senator Ahmad Lawan

In compliance with Order 77(3) of the Standing Rules of the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria with respect to the procedure of Bills, Compendium and Consolidation, which states inter alia that "On the introduction of a Bill, a compendium of background information and financial implications of such Bills if passed into Law shall be delivered to all Senators", the following compilation with regard to the aforementioned Bill is herewith presented for the general information of senators.

It is worthy of note that the compilation shown below is a summary of the anticipated recurrent and capital expenditure in the first twelve months immediately following the commencement of this Act.

TOTAL: FEDERAL UNIVERSITY, GASHUA	1,126,529,588
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TOTAL ALLOCATION:	1,126,529,588.
PERSONNEL COST	737,640,699
 SALARY:	 655,680,621
SALARIES AND WAGES	655,680,621
CONSOLIDATED SALARY	655,680,621
ALLOWANCES AND SOCIAL CONTRIBUTION:	81,960,078
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 NON REGULAR ALLOWANCES:	 32,784,031
FOREIGN SERVICE ALLOWANCE:	49,176,047
TOTAL GOODS AND NON-PERSONAL SERVICES GENERAL	111,111,111
OVERHEAD COST:	111,111,111
TRAVEL & TRANSPORT GENERAL:	111,111,111
LOCAL TRAVEL & TRANSPORT: TRAINING:	111,111,111
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE:	277,777,778
CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION:	277,777,778
CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION OF FIXED ASSETS - GENERAL:	277,777,778
CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION OF INFRASTRUCTURE:	277,777,778
 TOTAL PERSONNEL:	 737,640,699
TOTAL OVERHEAD:	111,111,111
TOTAL RECURRENT:	848,751,810
TOTAL CAPITAL:	277,777,778
TOTAL ALLOCATION':	1,126,529,588