



**SENATE OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER**

Thursday, 14th November, 2019

1. **Prayers**
2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
3. **Oaths**
4. **Announcements (if any)**
5. **Petitions**

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission Act CAP N117 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2019 (SB. 20) - *First Reading*
Sen. Orji, Theodore Ahamefule (*Abia Central*).
2. 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (Alteration) Bill, 2019 (SB. 48) - *First Reading*
Sen. Oko, Rose Okoji (*Cross River North*).
3. Flags of Nigeria Ships Act CAP F31 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (SB. 61) - *First Reading*
Sen. Mustapha, Olalekan Ramoni (*Ogun East*).
4. Fire (Hazard and Safeguard) Bill, 2019 (SB. 98) - *First Reading*
Sen. Bassey, Gershom Henry (*Cross River South*).
5. Integrated Data Management Commission (Est, etc) Bill, 2019 (SB. 102) - *First Reading*
Sen. Yusuf, Abubakar Yusuf (*Taraba Central*).
6. Electoral Act No. 6 2010 (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (SB. 112) - *First Reading*
Sen. Ekwunife, Uche Lilian (*Anambra Central*).
7. Cyber Crimes (Prohibition and Prevention) Act 2010 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2019 (SB. 163) - *First Reading*
Sen. Buhari, Abdulfatai (*Oyo North*).
8. Federal College of Education (Technical) Iwo, Osun State (Est, etc) Bill, 2019 (SB. 164) - *First Reading*
Sen. Oriolowo, Adelere Adeyemi (*Osun West*).
9. Federal University Birnin-Kebbi Kebbi State (Est, etc) Bill, 2019 (SB. 165) - *First Reading*
Sen. Adamu, Muhammad Aliero (*Kebbi Central*).
10. Sickle Cell Anaemia (Prevention, Control and Management) Bill, 2019 (SB. 166) - *First Reading*
Sen. Egwu, Samuel Ominyi (*Ebonyi North*).
11. South West Development Commission (Est, etc) Bill, 2019 (SB. 167) - *First Reading*
Sen. Amosun, Ibikunle Oyelaja (*Ogun Central*).

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions
Sen. Akinyelure, Patrick Ayo (*Ondo Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the reports of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions in respect of:
 - a. Petition from Nwachukwu A. Ndukwe Against the Hon. Minister of Water Resources for Delaying His Appointment as Executive Director in Anambra/Imo River Basin Development Authority;
 - b. Petition from Elder C.D. Ndukwe on Behalf of Forty-Three (43) Aba Early Retirees of the Nigerian Breweries Plc Against the Nigerian Breweries Plc for Non-Payment of Their Full Retirement Benefits; and
 - c. Petition from Murtala A. Ibrahim Against the Federal Mortgage Bank of Nigeria for Alleged Refusal to Pay Arrears of His Entitlements and Failure to Remit His Pension Contributions - *To be Laid.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Council on Public Procurement and Bureau of Public Procurement Act No. 14 of 2007 and for related matters, 2019 (SB. 106) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Isa, Shuaibu Lau (*Taraba North*).
2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Council on Public Procurement and Bureau of Public Procurement Act No. 14 of 2007 and for related matters, 2019 (SB. 109) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ekwunife, Uche Lilian (*Anambra Central*).
3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Council on Public Procurement and Bureau of Public Procurement Act No. 14 of 2007 and for related matters, 2019 (SB. 158) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Sankara, D. Abdullahi (*Jigawa North-West*).

MOTIONS

1. The need for the continuous implementation of policy reforms for the diversification of the Nigerian economy through the Agricultural and Solid Mineral Sectors.

Sponsor: Sen. Amosun, Ibikunle Oyelaja (*Ogun Central*)

Co-sponsors:

Sen. Kalu, Orji Uzor (<i>Abia North</i>)	Sen. Dahiru, Aishatu Ahmed (<i>Adamawa Central</i>)
Sen. Adetunmbi, Olubunmi Ayodeji (<i>Ekiti North</i>)	Sen. Gaya, Kabiru Ibrahim (<i>Kano South</i>)
Sen. Oduah, Stella Adaeze (<i>Anambra North</i>)	Sen. Utazi, Chukwuka Godfrey (<i>Enugu North</i>)
Sen. Kyari, Abubakar Shaib (<i>Borno North</i>)	Sen. Bassey, Gershom Henry (<i>Cross River South</i>)
Sen. Manager, James Ebiowou (<i>Delta South</i>)	Sen. Abaribe, Enyinnaya Harcourt (<i>Abia South</i>)
Sen. Shekarau, Ibrahim (<i>Kano Central</i>)	Sen. Egwu, Samuel Ominyi (<i>Ebonyi North</i>)
Sen. Abdullahi, Aliyu Sabi (<i>Niger North</i>)	Sen. Alimikhena, Francis Asekhome (<i>Edo North</i>)
Sen. Bamidele, Micheal Opeyemi (<i>Ekiti Central</i>)	Sen. Orji, Theodore Ahamefule (<i>Abia Central</i>)
Sen. Shettima, Kashim (<i>Borno Central</i>)	Sen. Nnamani, Chimaroke Ogonnia (<i>Enugu East</i>)
Sen. Tinubu, Oluremi Shade (<i>Lagos Central</i>)	Sen. Tanimu, Philip Aduda (<i>F.C.T Senate</i>)
Sen. Urhoghide, M. Aisagbonriodion (<i>Edo South</i>)	Sen. Goje, Mohammed Danjuma (<i>Gombe Central</i>)
Sen. Ubah, Ifeanyi Patrick (<i>Anambra South</i>)	Sen. Okorocho, Anayo Rochas (<i>Imo West</i>)
Sen. Bulkachuwa, Adamu Muhammad (<i>Bauchi North</i>)	Sen. Barau, I. Jibrin (<i>Kano North</i>)
Sen. Adeola, Solomon Olamilekan (<i>Lagos West</i>)	Sen. Ahmad, Babba Kaita (<i>Katsina North</i>)
Sen. Suswam, Gabriel Torwua (<i>Benue North East</i>)	Sen. Adamu, Muhammad Aliero (<i>Kebbi Central</i>)
Sen. Isah, Jibrin (<i>Kogi East</i>)	Sen. Yaroo, Binos Dauda (<i>Adamawa South</i>)
Sen. Akpan, Albert Bassey (<i>Akwa-Ibom North East</i>)	Sen. Alhaji, Ya'u Sahabi (<i>Zamfara North</i>)
Sen. Oloriegbe, Yahaya Ibrahim (<i>Kwara Central</i>)	Sen. Osinowo, Sikiru Adebayo (<i>Lagos East</i>)

Sen. Na'allah, Bala Ibn (*Kebbi South*)
Sen. Adamu, Abdullahi (*Nasarawa West*)
Sen. Musa, Mohammed Sani (*Niger East*)
Sen. Umar, Sadiq Suleiman (*Kwara North*)
Sen. Akinyelure, Patrick Ayo (*Ondo Central*)
Sen. Boroffice, Robert Ajayi (*Ondo North*)
Sen. Adeola, Solomon Olamilekan (*Lagos West*)
Sen. Folarin, Teslim Kolawole (*Oyo Central*)
Sen. Sekibo, George Thompson (*Rivers East*)
Sen. Yusuf, Abubakar Yusuf (*Taraba Central*)
Sen. Buhari, Abdulfatai (*Oyo North*)
Sen. Degi-Eremienyo, W.Biobarakuma (*Bayelsa East*)

Sen. Fadahunsi, Francis Adenigba (*Osun East*)
Sen. Barkiya, Abdullahi Kabir (*Katsina Central*)
Sen. Odebiyi, Tolulope Akinremi (*Ogun West*)
Sen. Moro, Patrick Abba (*Benue South*)
Sen. Wamakko, Aliyu Magatakarda (*Sokoto North*)
Sen. Basiru, Surajudeen Ajibola (*Osun Central*)
Sen. Al-Makura, Umaru Tanko (*Nasarawa South*)
Sen. Gyang, Istifanus Dun (*Plateau North*)
Sen. Gobir, Ibrahim Abdullahi (*Sokoto East*)
Sen. Gaidam, Ibrahim Alhaji (*Yobe East*)
Sen. Lawali, Hassan Anka (*Zamfara West*)

The Senate:

Notes with satisfaction the policy reform measures introduced by the present administration in Agriculture and solid minerals sectors as part of efforts to diversify the Nigerian Economy;

Notes further that the agricultural sector remains the mainstay of the Nigerian economy in spite of the dominant role of the petroleum sector as the major foreign exchange earner for the country;

Aware that Agriculture is the largest employer of labour and a key contributor to wealth creation and poverty alleviation, as a large percentage of the population derive their income from agriculture and related activities;

Further aware that available statistics shows that while the contribution of crude petroleum and natural gas to the nations GDP declined from 14.95 per cent in 2011 to 9.61 per cent in 2015, the agricultural sector contributed 23.35 and 23.11 per cent to the nations GDP in these respective periods;

Observes that Nigeria is blessed with a wide variety of solid minerals which are widely distributed in almost all the states of the Federation including coal, tin ore, columbite, marble, tantalite, wolfram, gold, lead, zinc, limestone, kaolin, clay, shales, and radioactive minerals such as monazite, zircon, molybdenite and barytes. Others are glass sand, bitumen sand, uranium, serpentine, phosphate, cuprite, granite, talc ore, gypsum, feldspar, bentonite, soda ash, iron ore, dolomite, etc and some of these minerals are currently mined either legally or illegally while some others have the potential of being exploited on commercial scale;

Aware that prior to the emergence of petroleum as a major foreign exchange earner in Nigeria, the solid minerals sector ranked second only to the agricultural sector as a source of export earnings for the country;

Further aware that in the last four years of the administration of President Muhammadu Buhari GCFR, the government has introduced a number of broad and sectoral policies intended to harness Nigeria's Agricultural and solid minerals potentials in a bid to diversify the Nigerian economy from a mono -economy largely dominated by crude oil to other viable sectors;

Acquainted with the fact that some of these policies include the Anchor Borrowers Programme, the Livestock Transformation Plan, Presidential Task Force on Rice and Wheat production, Presidential Fertilizer Initiative and the adoption of a Solid Mineral Development Strategy to achieve enhanced growth through exploitation of assessed abundant solid mineral resources in the country;

Convinced that the laudable policy initiatives by the Federal Government to reposition the Agricultural and solid mineral sectors to contribute to sustainable development of the Nigerian economy needs to be ramped up and taken advantage of for optimal utilization for the diversification of the economy; and

Convinced further that the Agricultural and solid minerals sectors holds the secret to the current efforts by the Federal Government to diversify the Nigerian economy and also lift 100 million Nigerians out of poverty in the next ten years.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Commend* this administration for the laudable policies introduced and the vigorous efforts put in to revamp the agricultural and solid mineral sectors as critical sectors to Nigeria's quest for diversification of the economy;
- ii. *Urge* the Federal Government to collaborate with State and Local governments and the private sector to invest heavily in infrastructure particularly infrastructure development that will promote private investment in all areas of agriculture and solid minerals to facilitate linkage of agriculture/solid minerals to industry;
- iii. *Strengthen* agricultural research activities through increased and stable funding, proper coordination, strengthening of linkages among research centers;
- iv. *Invest* in the collection of geoscientific information/ data of estimates for mineral deposits and grade of our mineral reserves so as to attract investors;
- v. *Urge* the Federal Ministry of Mines and Steel Development to formalize the operations of illegal miners so that government can start to generate revenue from the collection of taxes and royalties;
- vi. *Urge* the Federal Government through the Federal Ministry of Mines and Steel Development to grant tax holidays for investors in the solid minerals sector, grants for feasibility studies and low interest rates for leasing and purchasing of equipment as well as to simplify the processes of acquiring mining licenses including electronic submission of applications for licenses, permits, certificates etc;
- vii. *Urge* the Federal Government through the Federal Ministry of Agriculture to ensure strict adherence to policies and set goals for the various intervention policies and further develop strategies that will move farmers from subsistence farming to mechanized farming by collaborating with relevant Agencies to push for Zero tariffs for import on agricultural equipment and agro-processing equipment, Tax holidays for investors, Increase levy on any commodities that Nigeria can produce (starch, sugar and wheat); and
- viii. *Direct* the Senate Committees on Agriculture and Solid Mineral Development to organize round table conferences with relevant stakeholders to review the various intervention policies and programs both in the Agricultural and solid minerals sectors with a view to addressing the challenges militating against effective impact of the various Federal Government policies on the economy.

2. The proliferation of Fake Medical Reports emanating from Public Hospitals in Nigeria

Sponsor: Sen. Ekwunife, Uche Lilian (*Anambra Central*)

The Senate:

Notes with discomfort, a recent investigation which revealed the ease with which "authentic" medical reports can be obtained from some public hospitals in Nigeria for a fee, and without requiring any medical tests whatsoever, or even proof of identity;

Worried that this commercialization of medical reports poses a grave danger to the medical health and safety of our citizens and could result in fatal misdiagnosis of patients or anyone else who relies on the contents of such medical reports;

Recognizes the dire importance of the medical report as a document which is accorded great weight and importance in the ordinary course of our day to day business, including courts of law;

Recognizes further that the medical report contains an individual's personal medical records and details which are used to ascertain a person's medical condition, obtain health benefits, certify one's mental state, investigate addictions, diagnose treatments, and most importantly, ascertain and form medical opinions;

Regrets that the integrity of the medical report is being compromised and eroded by the realization that it may not contain the true and accurate medical details of the person named in the report;

Aware that the Code of Ethics of the medical profession abhors the illegal issuance of medical certificates and records to patients without conducting all the relevant tests;

Further aware that guidelines exist in the medical profession which proscribe these conducts, but no effective implementation of these regulations; and

Desirous of curbing what appears to be a trend of commercialization of medical reports in some public hospitals where “authentic” medical reports are obtained for a fee, and without undergoing any tests whatsoever.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Direct* the Federal Ministry of Health to set up an efficient and proper mechanism to identify and prevent this very dangerous trend in Public Hospitals; and
- ii. *Urge* the Nigerian Medical Association (NMA) to intensify its effort in checking incidences of fraud and quackery in the medical profession, especially in public hospitals.

3. The need to upgrade the Ibadan Airport to International Airport with modern facilities.

Sponsor: Sen. Balogun, Kola Ademola (*Oyo South*)

Co- Sponsors:

Sen. Folarin, Teslim Kolawole (*Oyo Central*)

Sen. Fadahunsi, Francis Adenigba (*Osun East*)

Sen. Omo-Agege, Ovie Augustine (*Delta Central*)

Sen. Musa, Mohammed Sani (*Niger East*)

Sen. Dahiru, Aishatu Ahmed (*Adamawa Central*)

Sen. Ekpenyong, C. Stephen (*Akwa-Ibom North West*)

Sen. Ewhrudjakpo, Lawrence O. (*Bayelsa West*)

Sen. Moro, Patrick Abba (*Benue South*)

Sen. Nwaoboshi, Peter Onyeluka (*Delta North*)

Sen. Adetunmbi, Olubunmi Ayodeji (*Ekiti North*)

Sen. Nnamani, Chimaroke Ogonnia (*Enugu East*)

Sen. Umar, Sadiq Suleiman (*Kwara North*)

Sen. Tinubu, Oluremi Shade (*Lagos Central*)

Sen. Adeola, Solomon Olamilekan (*Lagos West*)

Sen. Amosun, Ibikunle Oyelaja (*Ogun Central*)

Sen. Akinyelure, Patrick Ayo (*Ondo Central*)

Sen. Tofowomo, Nicholas Olubukola (*Ondo South*)

Sen. Gyang, Istifanus Dun (*Plateau North*)

Sen. Eyakenyi, Akon Etim (*Akwa-Ibom South*)

Sen. Buhari, Abdulfatai (*Oyo North*)

Sen. Ekwunife, Uche Lilian (*Anambra Central*)

Sen. Kalu, Orji Uzor (*Abia North*)

Sen. Mandiya, Bello (*Katsina South*)

Sen. Yaroo, Binos Dauda (*Adamawa South*)

Sen. Ubah, Ifeanyi Patrick (*Anambra South*)

Sen. Suswam, Gabriel Torwua (*Benue North East*)

Sen. Onor, Sandy Ojang (*Cross River Central*)

Sen. Bamidele, Micheal Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central*)

Sen. Oloriegbe, Yahaya Ibrahim (*Kwara Central*)

Sen. Adamu, Muhammad Aliero (*Kebbi Central*)

Sen. Ashiru, Oyelola Yisa (*Kwara South*)

Sen. Osinowo, Sikiru Adebayo (*Lagos East*)

Sen. Boroffice, Robert Ajayi (*Ondo North*)

Sen. Odebiyi, Tolulope Akinremi (*Ogun West*)

Sen. Gaya, Kabiru Ibrahim (*Kano South*)

Sen. Basiru, Surajudeen Ajibola (*Osun Central*)

Sen. Apiafi, Betty Jocelyn (*Rivers West*)

The Senate:

Notes that the need to upgrade the Ibadan Airport to International Airport with modern facilities because of the potential of Ibadan to attract economic development both locally and Internationally, due to the presence of national and International institutions like University of Ibadan, University College Hospital Ibadan, International Okerete Market, etc;

Also notes that the presence of an International Airport in Ibadan will complement the activities of the Ibadan inland dry port and accelerate the derivation of the expected socio-economic benefits from the inland dry port;

Aware that the presence of an International Airport in Ibadan will enhance efficient and effective movement of goods and people from Nigeria and across the world and reduce excess pressure on the road and infrastructure within Oyo and adjoining States and thus save lives;

Notes also the proximity of Ibadan Airport to Murtala Mohammed International Airport Ikeja is about 145km, therefore with the Ibadan International Airport in place, it will be easier for already established investors in Lagos to expand their businesses and companies and as such add to the GDP of the country;

Also aware that the total land area acquired for the Ibadan Airport which is currently about 557.1 hectares and is yet to be fully utilized can conveniently accommodate a standard International Airport;

States that the necessary compensation for the land has been paid to the original owners since 1992 and is free from encumbrance;

Notes also that hosting an International Airport in Ibadan will propel the tourist sector and provide a communication link which is vital between different groups of people involved within the region; and

Cognizant of the fact that upgrading the Ibadan Airport to an International Airport will attract foreign investments to the region, economic development to both Oyo State and other neighboring South West, improve the quality of life of the Oyo people and ultimately increase the gross domestic product of Nigeria.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Urge the Ministry of Aviation and the relevant authorities to upgrade the Ibadan domestic Airport Alakia, to the status of an International Airport; and*
- ii. *Refer the motion to the Senate Committee on Aviation for a follow up and report to the Senate within eight weeks*

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Marine Transport	Thursday, 14 th November, 2019	2.00pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building
2.	Customs, Excise and Tariff	Thursday, 14 th November, 2019	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
3.	Police Affairs	Thursday, 14 th November, 2019	2.00pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building
4.	Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions	Monday, 18 th November, 2019	1.00pm	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
5.	Lands, Housing and Urban Development	Tuesday, 19 th November, 2019 (Interactive Meeting)	2.00pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
6.	Power	Wednesday, 20 th November, 2019 (Joint Committee Meeting)	12.00noon	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building
7.	Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions	Thursday, 21 ST November, 2019	1.00pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building