



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

Tuesday, 15th May, 2018

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

1. School of Mines and Geological Studies Akoko Edo, Edo State (Est, etc) Bill, 2018 (HB. 105) – *First Reading*
Sen. Ahmad Lawan (*Yobe North-Senate Leader*).
 2. National Institute of Credit Administration (Est, etc) Bill, 2018 (HB. 425) – *First Reading*
Sen. Ahmad Lawan (*Yobe North-Senate Leader*).
 3. Value Added Tax CAP V1 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 676) – *First Reading*
Sen. Emmanuel Paulker (*Bayelsa Central*).
 4. Lottery Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 678) – *First Reading*
Sen. Ogba Obinna (*Ebonyi Central*).
 5. FCT Area Courts Act 2010 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 679) – *First Reading*
Sen. David Umaru (*Niger East*).
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PRESENTATION OF A REPORT

1. Report of the Committee on Appropriations
2018 Appropriation Bill (SB. 575)
Sen. Goje M. Danjuma (*Gombe Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Appropriations on the 2018 Appropriation Bill (SB. 575) - *To be Laid*.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. Urgent call for the Speedy Resuscitation of the Osara / Ekuku Dams in Kogi Central Senatorial District.

Sponsor: Senator Ahmed Salau Ogembe (*Kogi Central*)

The Senate:

Notes that the Osara dam and Ekuku dam are both situated in Kogi Central Senatorial District, while Osara dam is the largest source of water in Kogi State and the Ekuku dam is the second largest;

Further notes that the Osara dam was first conceived in 1995 under the Ibrahim Babangida administration as part of the country's Public Irrigation Sector Schemes. The dam was meant to serve a dual purpose, firstly for irrigated crop production and secondly for safe drinking water systems;

Aware that the development of the Dam under the Greater Lokoja Project in 1995 to produce tens of millions of gallons of water per day and was contracted to the Geof Construction Company at the cost of ten billion naira, with the aim of supplying portable drinking water to the whole of Kogi state and its environs;

Further aware that the Construction of the Osara dam is a strategic component in the development of Nigeria's Iron Ore and Steel projects in Itakpe and Ajaokuta as the Osara dam site is situated about 6km north of the National Iron Ore Mining Company, Itakpe (NIOMCO) and is accessible through the Lokoja-Okene highway;

Worried that the construction works and the development of the necessary infrastructure for Osara dam to effectively function as an irrigation project and water supply scheme was truncated;

Further worried that the abandonment of this laudable project impacts negatively on the socio-economic life of not just the people of Kogi Central Senatorial District, but the entire Kogi State and indeed the whole country. Kogi state being a gateway between the Northern and the Southern Nigeria, the possibility of outbreak of diseases due to water crisis cannot be overruled;

Recognizes that Kogi State is geographically located in the heart of Nigeria. The state is well blessed with water resources being the host of the confluence, the meeting point of two great rivers, Benue and Niger. Despite this natural advantage, the lack of potable drinking water supply accurately rhymes with the anonymous sailor's distress cry: "Water, water everywhere, but not a single drop to drink." This perfectly describes the portable water supply situation in Kogi State;

Knows that the economic and social values that will accrue from the completion of the Osara dam and Ekuku dam cannot be overemphasized. The irrigation project will immensely boost the agricultural sector and Nigeria will spend less on the importation of products it can locally produce. Socially, the resuscitation of these dams will not only provide portable drinking water but will have a multiplier effect on the employment generation, creation of jobs, reduction of social vices such as kidnapping,

Accordingly resolves to:

Mandate the Senate Committee on Water Resources to liaise with the Federal Ministry of Water Resources to make budgetary provision for the completion of the Osara dam.

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Conference Committee Report

Maritime University of Nigeria, Okerenkoko (est. etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 295)

Sen. Barau I. Jibrin (*Kano North*)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the Conference Committee Report on the Maritime University of Nigeria, Okerenkoko (est. etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 295).

2. Conference Committee Report

Chartered Institute of Capital Market Registrars (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2018 (SB. 25)/(HB. 79)

Sen. Ogola Foster (*Bayelsa West*)

-That the Senate do consider the Conference Committee report on the Chartered Institute of Capital Market Registrars (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2018 (SB. 25)/(HB. 79).

3. Report of the Committee on Communications

Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) Budget Proposal for the year ending 31st December, 2017
Sen. Gilbert Nnaji (*Enugu East*)

-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Communications on the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) Budget Proposal for the year ending 31st December, 2017.

4. Report of the Committee on Communications

Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF) Budget Proposal for the year 31st December, 2017
 Sen. Gilbert Nnaji (*Enugu East*)

-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Communications on the Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF) Budget Proposal for the year 31st December, 2017.

5. Report of the Committee on Trade and Investment

Companies and Allied Matters Act CAP C20 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 355)
 Sen. Sabo Mohammed N. (*Jigawa South-West*)

-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Trade and Investment on the Companies and Allied Matters Act CAP C20 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 355).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Police Affairs	Tuesday, 15 th May, 2018	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
2.	Conference Committee on National Transport Commission Bill	Tuesday, 15 th May, 2018	2.00pm	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building
3.	Local Content	Tuesday, 15 th May, 2018	2.00pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building
4.	Ad-hoc Committee on Promissory Note Programme And a Bond Issuance to Settle Inherited Local Debts and Contractual Obligations	Tuesday, 15 th May, 2018	1.00pm	Committee Room 224 Senate New Building
5.	Senate and House of Representatives Joint Committee to Investigate the Incident of the Senate Chamber Invasion	Tuesday, 15 th May, 2018	11.00am	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
6.	Poverty Alleviation and Social Welfare	Tuesday, 15 th May, 2018	2.00pm	Committee Room 328 Senate New Building
7.	Media and Public Affairs	Wednesday, 16 th May, 2018	2.00pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building