

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 20 February, 2020

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- 1. National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 673) (Hon. Shehu Barwa Beji) First Reading.
- **2.** National Food Technology Development Agency Bill, 2020 (HB. 712) (Hon. Chinedu Nweke Ogah) First Reading.
- **3.** Federal College of Food Technology, Ikwo (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 713) *(Hon. Chinedu Nweke Ogah) First Reading.*
- **4.** National Orientation Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 714) (Hon. Olajide Olatubosun) First Reading.

- 5. Federal College of Education (Technical) Ikot Uko (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 715) (Hon. Aniekan Umanah) First Reading.
- **6.** National Youth Service Corps Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 ((HB. 716) (Hon. Eta Mbora) First Reading.
- 7. Environmental Health and Safety Agency (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2020 (HB. 717) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen) First Reading.
- **8.** Voting Rights of Nigerian Citizens Living Outside Nigeria Bill, 2020 (HB. 718) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen) First Reading.
- 9. National Primary Education Commission, etc. Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 719) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen) First Reading.
- **10.** National Religious Equity Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 720) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen) First Reading.
- **11.** Federal University of Technology, Asaba (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 721) (Hon. Ndudi Elumelu) First Reading.
- **12.** Civil Society Regulatory Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 712) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen) First Reading.
- **13.** Chartered Institute of Financial and Investment Analysts of Nigeria Bill, 2020 (HB. 723) (Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga) First Reading.
- **14.** Federal College of Education Umunneochi (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 723) (Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha) First Reading.
- 15. National Agency for Population Programmes and Development Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 725) (Hon.Olufemi B. Adebanjo) First Reading.
- **16.** National Institute for Labour Studies Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 726) (Hon. Olufemi B. Adebanjo) First Reading.
- 17. National Agency for the Great Green Wall Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 727) (Hon. Olufemi B. Adebanjo) First Reading.
- **18.** Compulsory Treatment and Care for Victims of Gunshots Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 728) (Hon. Tasir Olawale Raji) First Reading.
- 19. Nigerian Entrepreneurship Development Bank (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 729) (Hon. Afolabi Rasheed Olalekan) First Reading.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal Polytechnic, Orogun, Delta State; and for Related Matters (HB. 642) (Senate) (Leader) Second Reading.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Education Illo, Kebbi State; and for Related Matters (HB.643) (Senate) (Leader) –Second Reading.
- 3. A Bill for an act to Provide for Establishment of Modibbo Adama University, Yola; and for Related Matters (HB. 647) (Senate) (Leader) Second Reading.

- 4. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal University of Agriculture and Technology, Funtua, Katsina State; and for Related Matters (HB. 645) (Senate) (Leader) Second Reading.
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Steel Development Authority Act, Cap.N134, LFN, 2004 and Enact Nigerian Iron and Steel Development Authority Bill and for Related Matters (HB. 130) (Hon. Olawuyi Raheem Tunji) Second Reading.

MOTIONS

6. Reconsideration of Outstanding Bills from the Preceding Assembly:

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata:

- (i) Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria (Repeal and Enactment) Bill, 2019 (HB.69);
- (ii) Witness Protection Programme Bill, 2019 (HB. 207);
- (iii) Companies and Allied Matters Bill, 2019 (HB. 544);
- (iv) Federal University of Technology, Auchi (Establishment) Bill, 2019 (HB. 527); and
- (v) Chartered Institute of Finance and Control of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 680)

The House:

Notes that pursuant to Order Twelve (12), Rule 16 of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives, Bills passed by the preceding Assembly and forwarded to the Senate for concurrence for which no concurrence was made or negatived or passed by the Senate and forwarded to the House for which no concurrence was made or negatived or which were passed by the National Assembly and forwarded to the President for assent but for which assent or withholding thereof was not communicated before the end of the tenure of the Assembly, the House may resolve that such Bills, upon being re-gazetted or clean copies circulated, be re-considered in the Committee of the Whole without being commenced de-novo;

Also notes that the aforementioned Bills were passed by the preceding Assembly and forwarded to the President for assent but for which assent or withholding thereof was not communicated before the end of the tenure of the last Assembly;

Aware that the Bills were re-gazetted as HBs. 69, 207, 544, 527 and 680 respectively and read the first time;

Resolves to:

Commit the Bills to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

7. Need to Dredge the Anambra River to Avert Flooding of Communities in Anambra, Enugu and Kogi States:

Hon. Chinedu Obidigwe.

The House:

Notes that Anambra River had depth which enabled it to contain large volume of water emptying into it from various rivers and tributaries during the raining season without any recorded incident of overflowing its banks to ravage the coastal areas;

Recalls that in 2012, heavy rainfall caused flood to occur, which ravaged the coastal plains and caused water currents to reach the coastal soils, and in the process, moved sands into Anambra River bed, thereby making the river depths to become shallow, as a result of which, whenever large volume of water empties into the river, it overflows its banks into the coastal communities, wreaking havoc on

homes, schools, worship places, farmlands and other valuable places;

Aware that the yearly overflowing of the river overwhelms Enugu Otu, Mkpunando, Ezi Agulu Otu, Umueze Anam, Ifite Anam, Ezi Anam, Nzam, Olumba na'asa and Umundeze communities in Anambra State, Ojor, Igga and Asaba communities in Enugu State and Odeke, Echonu and Obale communities in Kogi State, destroying farmlands and house hold items worth billions of naira;

Also notes that the economic losses to the annual flooding of those communities as a result of the shallowness of the Anambra river depth cannot be compared with the cost of dredging the river to reclaim its normal depth which will enable it contain large volume of water whenever it is emptied into the river, as obtainable in the past before its siltation;

Cognizant that dredging the Anambra River will provide an alternative route for evacuation of oil which is currently being explored in the Anambra basin;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministries of Water Resources, Transportation and Works and Housing and the National Inland Waterways Authority (NIWA) to initiate the process of dredging Anambra River to get it back to its normal depth to contain the large volume of water that is emptied into it during the raining season;
- (ii) also urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to provide relief materials to the victims of flooding whenever it happens;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Water Resources, Harbours and Waterways, Works and Appropriations to ensure the provision of funds for the dredging of the Anambra River in the 2021 budget estimates.

8. Need to Provide Leadership support Mechanism for the Teeming Youth in Nigeria: Hon. Karu Simon Elisha.

The House:

Notes that the youth population is the greatest asset of any nation as they constitute the socio-economic and political leadership that forms a capital base for the development and sustenance of the country's present and future generations;

Also notes that without adequate leadership development mechanism, the country's future leadership may remain in deficit since the youth serve as a good measure of the extent to which the country can reproduce and sustain itself;

Aware of the need to integrate the youth population into the mainstream leadership and consequently, provide legislative and policy frameworks to enhance leadership skills among the youth;

Also aware that although different national policies on youth development exist, they are currently insufficient to cater for the current youth bulge and the growing youth organisations, non-governmental organisations and student bodies;

Concerned that the current youth development structures have become grossly inadequate and as a result, some have emigrated outside the shores of the country to find greener pastures, thereby dissipating the country's human capital potentials;

Resolves to:

(i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports to review and expand current centers to cater for the growing social needs of the youth;

(ii) mandate the Committee on Civil Societies and Development Partners to liaise with development partners and relevant ministries and agencies to support the design of leadership training modules and the establishment of youth leadership development centers across the six geo-political zones to bridge the leadership gap among the growing youth population.

9. Rehabilitation of Abinsi-Agasha-Tyulen-Tse-Ikyo-Anyiin-Arufu-Gbeji-Wukari Road: Hon. Benjamin Mzondu Hon. Richard Gbande Hon. Danjuma Shiddi

The House:

Notes that the Abinsi-Agasha-Tyulen-Tse-Ikyo-Anyiin-Arufu-Gbeji-Wukari Road is an inter-State Road constructed during the then Benue- Plateau State linking Benue/Plateau with the then Gongola State;

Also notes that the 120-kilometer Road is a trunk "A" Federal Road with a crossing point across River Katsina-Ala at Tyulen in Guma Local Government Area and runs through two Federal Constituencies in Benue and Taraba States and is also essential in the conveyance of farm produce to the North East and North-Central States of Nigeria;

Observes that since the construction of the road in 1975, about 45 years ago, there has been no form of maintenance or reconstruction of the failed sections of the highway which links Guma and Logo Local Government Areas in Benue State and Wukari Local Government Area in Taraba State;

Aware that the highway has deteriorated over the years with potholes in many parts, thus making it difficult for motorists to ply the road, thereby leaving communities and major settlements along the road like Agasha, Tyulen, Tse Abi, Tse-Ikyo, Ayilamo, Anyiin, Arufu, Iorja, Gbeji and Vaase in Benue State and Wukari in Taraba State almost abandoned in spite of the high level production of agricultural produce along the axis;

Worried that the poor state of the road has paralyzed socio-economic activities hitherto experienced in the settlements located along the highway as armed robbers and kidnappers have taken over the once busy road, creating insecurity and economic hardship in the areas;

Cognizant that residents of Guma and Logo in Benue State and Wukari in Taraba State, being majorly agrarian, need a good road network for movement of people and farm produce to other parts of the country, particularly to the North East zone;

Convinced that rehabilitation of the road will boost socio-economic activities in the settlements located along the corridor of the highway and will also drastically curtail the armed robbery and incidents of kidnapping frequently experienced on the road;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing to commence the rehabilitation of Abinsi-Agasha-Tyulen-Tse-Ikyo-Anyiin-Arufu-Iorja-Gbeji-Wukari Road;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Works and Appropriations to include the reconstruction of the Road in the 2021 intervention projects or the 2021 budget estimates;
- (iii) also mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure implementation.

10. Deplorable Condition of Armed Forces, Police and Paramilitary Barracks in Eti-Osa Federal Constituency, Lagos State:

Hon. Ibrahim Babajide Obanikoro.

The House:

Notes that Eti-Osa Federal Constituency houses 19 barracks belonging to the Army, the Navy, the Air Force and the Police and also a Correctional Centre;

Aware that the various military and para-military barracks serve as major pillars in the sustenance of security and maintenance of peace in the country;

Concerned about the deplorable conditions of structures in the barracks which also lack water supply, thus raising the likelihood of outbreak of epidemic in the barracks due to environmental decay;

Also concerned that personnel of the military and para-military forces are living with members of their families at those dilapidated barracks in utter neglect for their welfare, thus affecting the psychological wellbeing of the security personnel, thereby endangering the safety of all;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to ensure prompt rehabilitation of military and para-military barracks at Eti-Osa Federal Constituency;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Defence, Police Affairs and Interior to interface with the military and paramilitary formations to identify barracks affected by decay and owing to their neglect and cause their rehabilitation.

11. Need to Investigate Allegations of Breach of Due Process in the ongoing Recruitment Exercise by the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC):

Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai:

The House:

Notes that the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), sometimes in 2019 advertised for applications for the recruitment of suitably qualified Nigerians into the positions of graduate trainees, managerial cadre and senior officer/supervisory cadre;

Aware that over sixty thousand candidates wrote the NNPC qualifying examinations in 94 centres across 22 States of the Federation on 1 June, 2019 and those who passed were invited for oral interview between 1-11 July, 2019;

Worried that there are series of allegations of letters of appointments being issued to some individuals who never participated in either the aptitude test or the oral interviews that were conducted in course of the recruitment processes:

Also notes that Section 17(3) (a) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 provides that: "The State shall direct its policy towards ensuring that all citizens, without discrimination on any group whatsoever, have the opportunity for securing adequate means of livelihood as well as adequate opportunities to secure suitable employment";

Concerned that the act of issuing appointment letters to individuals who never participated in the process of recruitment negates the principles of fairness, equity and justice and also undermine the anti-corruption crusade of the present administration, not to talk of its capacity to demoralize

millions of Nigerian job seekers and impugn on the integrity of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation which is a key player in the Nigerian economic sector;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) to investigate the alleged breach of due process in the ongoing recruitment exercise by the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) and report back within 2 weeks for further legislative action.

12. Need to Ensure the Implementation of the National Assembly Budget of 2018, Particularly on Staff matters:

Hon. Babangida Ibrahim:

The House:

Notes that on Thursday 20 December, 2018 the Report of the Committees on Finance and Judiciary on the need to ensure the implementation of the National Assembly Budget of 2018 was adopted;

Also notes that the Report of the Committees and the provision of the 2018 Appropriation Act showed that on monthly basis, what the National Assembly and the Judiciary received on First Line Charge was short by N1,208,333,333.33 and N833,333,333.33 respectively from January to November 2018;

Aware of the Resolution of the House that urged the Minister of Finance to release 100% Funds on First Line Charge for both the National Assembly and Judiciary as captured in the 2018 Appropriation Act;

Concerned that the failure of the Minister of Finance to comply with the Resolution of the House has continued to affect the smooth operations of the National Assembly;

Resolves to:

- (i) Set up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to liaise with the Minister of Finance to ensure that all outstanding arrears on First Line Charge to both the National Assembly and the Judiciary relating to 2018 and 2019 Appropriations Acts are paid;
- (ii) invite the Management of the National Assembly to brief the *Ad-hoc* Committee on the status of releases to the National Assembly from January, 2018 to December, 2019.

13. Need to Investigate the Non-Remittance of Eight Trillion Naira into the Federation Account by the Nigerian Ports Authority:

Hon. Richard Gbande.

The House:

Notes that the Nigerian Ports Authority was established as one of the Revenue Collection Agencies in the Seaports across the Federation and is expected to remit same to the government treasury;

Also notes the reports in the Punch, the Sun, Daily Trust and the Guardian Newspapers of December 2, 2016 where the Hon. Minister of Finance declared that the Nigerian Ports Authority failed to remit the sum of (N450bn) four hundred and fifty billion naira into the federation account;

Aware of the reports in the Punch, the Sun and the Daily Trust newspapers of 17 December, 2016 that the Nigerian Ports Authority returned (\$5.2 Million) five million, two hundred thousand dollars into the Federation Account, confirming the extent of corruption ravaging the Agency;

Worried by more reports on May 18, 2018 by same National Dailies, including the Nigerian Pilot, Daily Trust and Nigerian Tribune Newspapers on the non-remittance of eight trillion naira by the Authority contrary to the statutory mandate of the Agency and this was after it had collected its budgetary allocation from the Federal Government;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Ports and Habour to investigate the alleged non-remittance of Eight Trillion Naira into the Federation Account by the Nigerian Ports Authority and also the Operations of Seaports across the Federation, and report back within (4) four weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

- 14. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Adeyemi Federal University of Education, Ondo for the Promotion and Development of Teacher Education in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 426) (Hon Makinde Abiola) (Committee of the Whole: 21/11/2019).
- 15. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal University of Agriculture, Sabon Gida, Langtang to make Comprehensive Provisions for its Due Management and Administration; and for Related Matters (HB. 291) (Hon. Ben Lar) (Committee of the Whole: 5/11/2019).
- A Bill for an Act to Establish Chartered Institute of Public Administration of Nigeria and to make Provisions, among other things, for Membership and Control of the Profession of Public Administration; and for Related Matters (HB.329) (Hon. Gideon Gwani) (Committee of the Whole: 6/11/2019).
- 17. A Bill for an Act to Establish Chartered Institute of Social Work Practitioners and to make Provisions, among other things, for Membership and Control of the Profession of Social Work, and for Related Matters (HB. 358) (Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga) (Committee of the Whole: 13/11/2019).
- 18. A Bill for an Act to Establish Nigerian Peace Corps to Develop, Empower and Provide Gainful Employment for the Youth, Facilitate Peace, Volunteerism, Community Services, Neighbourhood Watch and Nation-Building; and for Related Matters (HB.17) (Hon. Tahir Monguno and Hon Uzoma Nkem Abonta) (Committee of the Whole: 24/07/2019).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex	
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 20 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.		
2.	Federal Character (with Fede University Oye Ekiti, Alvan Ik College of Education Owerri, State and Irrua Specialists Hosp Edo State)	oku Imo	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex	
3.	Public Petitions (Investiga Hearing)	tive Thursday, 20 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 427 (New Building) Assembly Complex	

4.	Women	Affairs	and	Social	Thursday, 20 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 203
	Developme	ent					(New Building) Assembly Complex
5.	Committee	es on Air Fo	orce and J	Justice	Thursday, 20 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 141 (New Building) Assembly Complex
6.	Commerce				Thursday, 20 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 304 (New Building) Assembly Complex