



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 4 February, 2020

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## PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Maritime Academy of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 632) (*Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok*) – *First Reading*.
2. Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 633) (*Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok*) – *First Reading*.
3. National Institute for Legislative and Democratic Studies Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 634) (*Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok*) – *First Reading*.
4. Niger Delta Development Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 635) (*Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok*) – *First Reading*.

5. Supreme Court Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020(HB. 636) (*Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok*) – *First Reading*.
  6. Chartered Institute of Human Resources and Strategic Management of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 637) (*Hon. Yusuf Adamu Gagdi*) – *First Reading*.
  7. Nigeria Steel Development Authority Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020(HB. 638) (*Hon. Yusuf Adamu Gagdi*) – *First Reading*.
  8. Nigerian Red Cross Society Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020(HB. 639) (*Hon. Yusuf Adamu Gagdi*) – *First Reading*.
  9. Nigerian Mining Corporation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 640) (*Hon. Yusuf Adamu Gagdi*) – *First Reading*.
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## BILLS

### 1. Consolidation of Bills:

- (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Youth Service Corps Act, Cap. N84, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters, (HBs. 360 & 488) – (*Hon. Nkeiruka C. Onyejeocha and Hon. Samuel Chinedu Onwuaso*); and
  - (b) A Bill for an Act to Further Amend the National Youth Service Corps Act, Cap. N84, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Related Matters, 2019. (HB.239) – (*Hon. Halims Abdullahi*).
2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigeria Minerals and Mining Act, 2007 and Establish the Nigerian Minerals and Mining Commission; and for Related Matters (HB. 87) (*Hon. Dachung M. Bagos*) – *Second Reading*.
  3. A Bill for an Act to Establish Nigeria Institute of Plant Protection; and for Related Matters (HB. 109) (*Hon. Henry Archibong*) – *Second Reading*.
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## MOTIONS

### 4. Reconsideration of Outstanding Bills from the Preceding Assembly: Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata:

- (i) *Terrorism (Prohibition and Prevention) Bill, 2019 (HB.56)*;
- (ii) *Veterinary Surgeons Act (Repeal and Enactment) Bill, 2019 (HB.70)*; and
- (iii) *Federal University of Agriculture Dadin Kowa, Gombe State (Establishment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 652)*

#### 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. 56, 70 and 652 respectively and read the first time;

*Resolves to:*

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

**5. Need to Optimize the Functions of the Committee on Legislative Compliance:  
Hon. Ibrahim Kunle Olarewaju:**

**The House:**

*Notes* that the oversight functions of the National Assembly provided for under Section 88 of the 1999 Constitution (as amended) are to enable the Legislature to carry out investigations within its competence in order to prevent and expose corruption, inefficiency or waste in the execution or administration of laws;

*Also notes* that pursuant to the provisions of Order 18, Rule 64 (2) (a) of the Standing Orders of the House, the jurisdiction of the Committee on Legislative Compliance includes, among others,

*"ensuring the implementation of all Acts passed or deemed to have been passed by the National Assembly and all House Resolutions on Motions, Petitions and other Resolutions";*

*Aware* that in the 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly, over 1,588 Resolutions were passed and about 1,192 Petitions were considered by the House of Representatives while a significant number of Motions and Petitions have been presented to the 9<sup>th</sup> Assembly;

*Also aware* that the Committee on Legislative Compliance was constituted to take inventory of the Resolutions that had been passed by the House and measure the level of compliance;

*Believes* that for the Committee to properly function in line with its mandate as prescribed in the House Standing Orders and to achieve the goals set by the Speaker the House, all Resolutions on Motions and Petitions should be forwarded to the Committee for monitoring, implementation and compliance;

*Also believes* that in line with the expectations of the House, the Committee on Legislative Compliance, when empowered, will be able to keep track of all Resolutions arising from Motions and Petitions and would ensure that they are effectively enforced;

*Cognizant* that the inability to ensure compliance with the Resolutions on Motions and Petitions is making the House look ineffective;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) Mandate the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make available, within 3 days, all resolutions arising from Motions and Petitions to the Committee on Legislative Compliance to monitor compliance;
- (ii) urge that all Motions should include, in their prayers, the need for the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance;
- (iii) also mandate the Committee to ensure the implementation of all Acts passed or deemed to have been passed by the National Assembly;

- (iv) further mandate the Clerk of the House of Representatives to notify the Committee of any member attending any parliamentary conference, training, seminar or capacity building;
- (v) also urge any member who attends any seminar, conference etc, pursuant to Order 18, Rule 64(2) (b) of the Standing Orders of the House to file a written report of the said conference, seminar, etc to the Committee on Legislative Compliance within seven (7) days of the return from such conference or seminar.

**6. Rehabilitation of Damaged Infrastructure in Darazo/Ganjuwa Federal Constituency of Bauchi State:**

**Hon. Mansur Manu Soro.**

**The House:**

*Notes* that Bauchi State is strategically placed as the most peaceful and populous State in the North-East Zone of Nigeria and the increasing population of Internally Displaced Persons settling in the State from neighboring States find support for their sustenance in Bauchi State's economy;

*Also notes* that the State's economy is agriculture based particularly livestock rearing and trading with specialized livestock markets being operated weekly across the State;

*Further notes* that Soro Market is one of such specialized livestock market and is adjudged as the largest livestock market in Bauchi State as it is estimated that over 10,000 cattle, lambs and chickens are traded weekly in the market;

*Worried* that almost all access roads to the market have been lost to erosion and some of the Bridges have completely collapsed or degraded and are therefore unsafe for use due to ecological problems;

*Also worried* that during the rainy season, several industrious merchants lose their lives while attempting to cross streams and lakes leading to the market;

*Concerned* that unless the deficit of critical infrastructure supporting the economic wellbeing of the industrious people of Darazo/Ganjuwa Federal Constituency and indeed Bauchi State is addressed, the people will suffer immeasurably and the needless loss of lives and injuries to the well-meaning, peaceful Nigerian will continue;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) Urge the Ecological Fund Office to rehabilitate existing infrastructure to support the operations of the market. particularly, the roads washed away by erosion to facilitate the evacuation of goods and safeguard lives and properties of the people of the area:
- (ii) Mandate the Committees on Ecological Funds and Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

**7. Call for Reconstruction of Bwari Township Roads:**

**Hon. Micah Yohanna Jiba.**

**The House.**

*Notes* that Bwari Township road is a major road that leads to the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board Office, the Nigerian Law School as well as other Federal Government and privately owned establishments in the area;

*Also notes* that the road is increasingly dilapidating due to the large number of vehicles plying it on a daily basis;

*Further notes* that the minor repairs usually carried out at intervals on the road serve only as temporary measures as the small portions on which they are carried out often collapse;

*Aware* that in 2010, a contract for the reconstruction of the road was awarded to Arab Contractors Construction Company but the job was abandoned without any reason and the continuous heavy rainfall has made road to go from bad to worse, thus making it unbearable for both motorists and pedestrians;

*Concerned* that the road has become a deathtrap as vehicles are involved in multiple accidents while trying to avoid potholes, and sometimes either injure or kill pedestrians trying to cross the road;

*Worried* that due to the deplorable condition of the road, vehicles are often trapped in traffic, causing commuters to lose precious time and resources and making them less efficient in carrying their duties due to exhaustion;

*Cognizant* of the need for the Federal Government to insist on the use of standard materials to rehabilitate the road in order to save the cost of continuous repairs and also protect the lives of commuters;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) Urge the Federal Capital Territory Administration to award a contract for the reconstruction of Bwari/Gaba road;
- (ii) Mandate the Committees on Federal Capital Territory and FCT Area Councils and Ancillary Matters to ensure compliance.

**8. Need to Establish Farm Settlement Centres in Ikanekpo, Okenyi, Imane, Agaliga and Bagana in Ankpa/Omala/Olamaboro Federal Constituency, Kogi State:**

**Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali:**

**The House:**

*Notes* that the Agricultural sector presents Nigeria with a vast opportunity to diversify her economy and reduce greatly the over dependence on oil as the major source of revenue;

*Also notes* that agriculture also has the potential to create abundant jobs for youths, women and even the aged, increase wealth, guarantee food security and generate foreign exchange for a robust revenue base for the nation;

*Recalls* that during the Administration of former President, Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida, something akin to farm settlement centres were functional of different locations in many local government areas in Nigeria, where various relevant skills needed for high yield agricultural production were acquired by farmers through the help of agriculture extension workers and the farmers were also able to access farm inputs easily thereby enhancing agricultural sector;

*Aware* that graduate unemployment has reached an alarming state, hence, the urgent need to create innovative ideas to engage the teeming youth in beneficially attractive agricultural ventures like fish farming, snail farming, grass-cutter farming, poultry production etc.;

*Also aware* that the youth can be assisted in accessing soft loans through Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN) to venture into active agricultural practice

and production in order to curtail the tendencies of the youth to engage in social vices and rather contribute meaningfully to the development of the nation's economy;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) Call on the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to establish Farm Settlement Centers in Ikanekpo, Okenvi, Imane (Agaliga) and Bagana in Ankpa/Omala/Olamaboro Federal Constituency, Kogi State;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Agricultural Production and Services and Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

**9. Call for Investigation into the Administration of Donor Assisted Funds for Agricultural Projects:**

**Hon. Awaji-Inombek D. Abiante:**

**The House:**

*Aware* that over the years, the Federal Government has been partnering and acquiring loans and grants from Donor Agencies such as the World Bank, the African Development Bank (ADB), the United Nations (UN), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the International Development Agency. (IDA) to mention a few, with a view to improving agricultural production in the Country;

*Also aware* that over the years, over one billion dollars of the donor's fund have been spent on various Agricultural projects in Nigeria by the three-tiers of government;

*Further aware* that since 1985 the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) has financed eleven (11) Agricultural projects in the Country with \$509.62 million, while several millions of dollars have also been committed to the implementation of Fadama project by the World Bank since 1993;

*Recalls* that the various Agricultural projects were put in place with the aim of assisting Nigerian farmers, especially the rural ones with the necessary funds needed to improve their agricultural venture, thus meeting the food demand of the fast growing population of Nigeria, guarantee food security, reduce oil dependency, diversify and grow the economy;

*Worried* that despite the laudable objectives of these Agricultural projects and the humongous financial contributions of the International donors such as the World Bank, the International Development Agency, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and the African Development Bank over many years! The Country is still-grappling with the problem of food sufficiency and farmers prosperity;

*Observes* that the volume of funds channeled to the Nigeria's Agricultural sector through these donor funding projects over the years is so enormous that one wonders if the resources are well utilized and account for, especially when measured against observed results from the

*Believes* that a thorough investigation of the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and its parastatals that are in charge of the' administration of all Agricultural donor funding projects will help in unearthing the problems that are associated with the inabilities of the projects to achieve its desired goals;

*Resolves to:*

Mandate the Committee on Agricultural Production and Services to investigate the administration and performance of all donor funding Agricultural projects with a view to unearthing the problems associated with its inabilities to achieve its set objectives and report back within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

<i>S/N</i>	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Sports	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 468 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Federal Character <i>(with Federal Medical Centres Jabi, Abuja, Keffi, and Gashua)</i>	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	FCT Area Councils and Ancillary Matters <i>(Interactive Meeting with Hon. Minister of State)</i>	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 144 (New Building) Assembly Complex
5.	Cooperation and Integration Africa	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 304 (New Building) Assembly Complex
6.	Land Transport	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 456 (New Building) Assembly Complex
7.	Media and Public Affairs	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	4.00 p.m.	Conference Room 144 (New Building) Assembly Complex
8.	Health Care Services <i>(with the Director General, Centre for Disease Control for a brief on Update on the Coronavirus and Lassa Fever Diseases)</i>	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 327 (New Building) Assembly Complex
9.	Legislative Budget and Research	Tuesday, 4 February, 2020	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 327 (New Building) Assembly Complex