



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday 30 September, 2020

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PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committees on Finance, Appropriations, and National Planning and Economic Development:
Hon. James Abiodun Faleke:

“That the House do receive the report of the Committees on Finance, Appropriations, and National Planning and Economic Development on the 2021–2023 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP)” (*Referred: 21/7/2020*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILL

1. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), and for Related Matters (HB. 511) (*Hon. Femi Gbajabamila and Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fultata*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

**2. Need to Construct the Federal College of Education (Technical) Umunze Road:
Hon. Okwudili Christopher Ezenwankwo:**

The House:

Notes that there are two major roads from Nkwor Market Permanent Site Umunze, and Immaculate Heart Hospital Junction Umunze leading to the Federal College of Education (Technical) Umunze, in Orumba North and South Federal Constituency of Anambra State;

Also notes that the roads are not more than 2 Kilometres each and are in deplorable conditions, and adversely affecting the movement of staff, students and visitors to the college;

Again notes that standard (asphalts) road construction has never been carried out on the two major roads since the establishment of the Federal College of Education (Technical) Umunze;

Aware that during every raining season even pedestrians find it difficult to pass through the two identified roads due to an accumulation of heavy mud and water logging on the roads;

Also aware that time without number heavy mud has trapped vehicles on the roads making it impossible for other road users to gain access to the college;

Alarmed that different stages of gully erosion are developing on the roads, threatening to divide the roads at various locations;

Concerned that if urgent asphalts road construction is not carried out on the roads, the college would be totally cut off from the staff, students and visitors;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing to prioritize carrying out standard road construction on the two roads leading to the Federal College of Education (Technical) Umunze in Orumba South of Anambra State;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Appropriations to make provision for inclusion of construction of the two roads leading to the Federal College of Education (Technical) Umunze in Orumba South of Anambra State in the 2021 budget estimates;
- (iii) also mandate the Committee on Works to ensure implementation.

**3. Urgent Need to Reconstruct the 25 Kilometre Stretch Gumel–Maigatari Niger Republic
Boarder Road, Jigawa State:
Hon. Nazifi Sani:**

The House:

Notes that Gumel–Maigatari road is a Federal Road which serves the Gumel–Maigatari communities in Jigawa State and impacts on the citizens economically, linking Nigeria and Republic of Niger;

Also notes that there is a major international market called the Maigatari market where traders from across the country especially the South East and South West of the country as well as Niger Republic to buy agricultural commodities and livestock in large quantity;

Worried that the road is now in a very terrible condition and has become a death trap to both motorist and travellers;

Concerned that the Road leading to the Maigatari Market which serves the whole country because of its strategic location, is at the verge of total collapse due to disrepair;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing to commence the immediate reconstruction of the Gumel–Maigatari Niger Republic Road;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Works and FERMA to ensure compliance.

**4. Need to Investigate the Purported Concessioning of Airports in Nigeria:
Hon. Ademorin Kuye:**

The House:

Aware that the Ministry of Aviation commenced the concessioning process of four International Airport terminals in Lagos, Abuja, Port Harcourt and Kano;

Also aware that the Public Private Partnership (PPP) arrangement is approved by the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission (ICRC) that reviewed the Outline Business Cases (OBCs) and certified its substantially satisfactory that the requirements of the ICRC (establishment etc.) Act, 2005 and National Policy on Private Partnership (PPP) have been met despite outcries from some quarters;

Informed that the coalition of aviation workers under the aegis of the National Union of Air Transport Employees (NUATE), Air Transport Services Senior Staff Association of Nigeria (ATSSSAN) and Association of Nigerian Aviation Professionals (ANAP) have faulted the process highlighting that the Project Delivery Team have been sidestepped and the Minister of Aviation is acting unilaterally determining programs, stages and steps of the concessioning process;

Cognizant that the Project Delivery Team consisting of five Federal Ministries including Aviation and Finance, and other agencies like Federal Airports Authority of Nigerian (FAAN), ICRC and representatives of the Unions in the Aviation Sector, have also faulted the emergence of Consultants and the payment of N1.7b as consultancy fees, dismissing and disowning reports attributed to the team upon which the ICRC might have erroneously based the issuance of the Certificate of Compliance after reviewing the OBCs;

Worried that the hijack of the process and the unilateral consideration, award and payment of consultants by the Minister of Aviation have already been labelled as deceitful and is facing stiff resistance as the shenanigans continue;

Also worried that the concessioning that is supposed to maximize the utility of the airports and generate income for the country has turned to another conduit to award bogus consultation contracts to cronies and positioned to fail ab initio;

Resolves to:

- (i) Mandate the Committee on Aviation to investigate the concessioning process and selection, and award of N1.7b to two consultants;
- (ii) also mandate the Committee to probe the Outline Business Cases (OBCs) review process by the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission for its appropriateness and overall interest of the country.

5. Need to Investigate the Gruesome Murder of a Popular Trado-Medical Practitioner Alhaji Fatai Yusuf A.K.A Oko. Oloyun:

Hon. S. Ajibola Muraina

Hon. Adeyemi Akeem Adeniyi

Hon. Shina Abiola A. Peller

Hon. Olatubosun Olajide

Hon. Stanley Olajide

Hon. Akinola Adekunle Alabi

Hon. Tolupe Tiwalola Akande

Hon. Musliudeen Olaide Akinremi

Hon. Odebunmi Olusegun. A.

Hon. Ojerinde Olumide Abiodun

Hon. Yemi Taiwo

Hon. Abass Agboworin

Hon. Akintola Oluokun George

The House:

Notes the gruesome murder of a popular Trado-Medical Practitioner Alhaji Fatai Yusuf (Oko Oloyun) on Thursday 23 January 2020 while travelling on the Abeokuta- Igbo-Ora Iseyin Roads, Oyo State;

Also notes that the late Fatai Yusuf was allegedly killed by hoodlums around 4:30 pm in company of his two police escorts who were completely overwhelmed;

Worried that the deceased was killed between two police checkpoints on the Eruwa-Igbora road noted for occasional record of cases of kidnapping and robbery, but had rarely recorded cases of hired assassination, making one to have the impression that the attack was a well thought out plan;

Also worried that preliminary investigation by the police show that Alhaji Fatai Yusuf was assassinated hours after some of his workers set fire to some financial book-keeping records due to an alleged book-keeping fraud he detected in his Lagos office;

Recalls an incident last year of the dastardly attacks carried on Eruwa, Lanlate Igangan, Tapa and Ayete, Igboora and Idere in Ibarapa Central Local Government Areas of Oyo by armed bandits and criminal elements, notorious for kidnapping, rape and extortion of large sums of money from the victims;

Concerned that the level of insecurity in the area is blamed on the inability of security operative to secure the area, thus making the spate of insecurity in the area worsen by the day;

Cognizant that the constitutional duty of Government as contained in Section 14 (b) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) that “the security and welfare of the people shall be the primary purpose of Government” should be taken more serious as people in the area affirmed their confidence in vigilante groups in the community as part of measures to tackle banditry, kidnapping, insurgency and other violent crimes in the society;

Resolves to:

- (i) observe a minute of silence in honour of the deceased;
- (ii) urge the Inspector General of Police (IGP) to direct a thorough investigation into the gruesome murder and to review the security architecture of Ibarapa Area (Ibarapa Central Local Government, Ibarapa North Local Government and Ibarapa East Local Government Areas of Oyo State and Nigeria as a Whole and upgrade Igangan Police Station in Ibarapa North Local Government to a Divisional Police headquarters for effective policing of the Local Government Area;
- (iii) also urge the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) to carry out some rehabilitation work on the Abeokuta-Igbora-Iseyin-Sokoto road;
- (iv) set-up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to visit and commiserate with the immediate family of the deceased and the people and Government of Oyo State over the death of their illustrious son, whose death would not only hurt his family but also a huge blow to many people benefiting from him.

6. **Call for the Establishment of Military Base to Combat Banditry attacks in Shiroro/Rafi/Munya Local Government Areas of Niger State Spilling into Kafinkoro, Ishau and Adunu Wards under Bosso/Paikoro Federal Constituency:**
Hon. Shehu Barwa Beji **Hon. Saidu Umar Doka:**

The House:

Notes that Shiroro/Rafi/Munya Federal Constituency is comprised of three Local Government Areas, two of which are geographically bound by Bosso/Paikoro Federal Constituency of Niger State;

Also notes the recent recurrent attacks in Rafi and Shiroro Local Government Areas of Niger State where lives and property are being lost by the day;

Aware that the operational structure of the Nigerian Military requires urgent reforms;

Recalls that barely few days ago, the nation lost one of her Military Commanders and three other officers of the Nigerian Army at battle field;

Concerned that on 24 September, 2020 a social media outlet, Sahara Reporters reported that troops of the Nigerian Army are furious at the authorities for not recognizing other soldiers killed alongside Dahiru Bako, a colonel and Commander of Sector 2, Operation Lafiya Dole, the Team combating terrorism in the North-East region of the country;

Disturbed that such utter disregard and disrespectful gesture meted out on Bereaved families of junior fallen heroes is demoralizing the gallantry spirit of our soldiers at battle fields;

Worried that despite all efforts to curb banditry activities in affected areas of Niger State, the situation had continued to escalate to the extent that our farmers have completely been severed from farming activities which is the main stay of our economy;

Also concerned that even the Federal Capital Territory where National and International Businesses are being conducted is no longer safe as there have been Reported cases of kidnappings/banditry within the FCT;

Further concerned that the rate of killings across the nation which is now spilling into the Federal Capital Territory is breeding a global embarrassment depicting how less prepared again in terms of security;

Recalls that on 24 September, 2020, the Vanguard Newspaper, reported that some members of the United Kingdom's House of Lords, the British Upper Legislative Chamber, have Petitioned the Commonwealth over the persistence of insurgency and farmer/herder crisis in Nigeria;

Worried that given the proximity of the affected Communities and some parts of Paikoro Local Government Area, the banditry attacks had sometimes spilled into Kafinkoro, Ishau and Adunu Wards under Bosso/Paikoro Federal Constituency;

Disturbed that in the month of December, 2019 the Niger State Caucus of the House of Representatives joined a Contingent of stakeholders from Niger State to the Presidency where the Same problem of banditry and kidnapping was the front burning issue discussed with the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, yet the Killings continues;

Again notes that in view of the recurrent attacks, there have been out cries for Establishment of Military Bases in the affected axis, but the President only ordered for deployment of military men to cover those communities which has not changed anything;

Observes that sporadic approach to the situation at hand is no longer effective as it is now more persistent than ever;

Also observes that with the dwindling oil prices as well as closure of the borders, agrarian economy ought to be the nation's major fall back yet, our villages are no longer safe for farming;

Also aware that the deficit in farming activities resulting from incessant attacks in those areas will further aggravate poverty and hunger in the country, thereby breeding more crime within the clans;

Again observes that from the sophistication of the banditry attacks, anything short of establishing military bases in the affected areas is futile exercise because, when soldiers are around, the bandits go into hiding but the moment soldiers leave, they launch attacks again, hence the need for permanent military structures in the vulnerable areas;

Worried that the unjustifiable retention of the service Chiefs may be the cause of the lingering problem as their defensive strategies seem to be obsolete and must have out grown further learning;

Bothered that if the Federal Government fail to establish Military Base in the areas under reference, the entire constituency may be loss in the nearest future or have the people resorting to self-help;

Alarmed that the spate of insecurity has reached its highest Crescendo that if not urgently addressed, Nigeria may dangerously go the way of Rwanda, Somalia, etc;

Resolves to:

- (i) mandate the Committee on Army to facilitate the establishment of Permanent Military Bases in the affected areas;
- (ii) urge the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to fast track dissolution of the Nigerian Service Chiefs and appoint new ones with fresh Strategies for combatting insecurity;
- (iii) also urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to urgently send relief materials to the victims of the banditry attacks.

**7. Need to Investigate the Refusal of Access Bank Plc and Other Banks to Call back their Forty-Five Percent Staff Recently Laid-Off despite the Directive from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN):
Hon. Chinedu N. Ogah:**

The House:

Notes that pursuant to the provisions of Section 14(2) (b) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) the duty of government includes the security of lives and welfare of the people of Nigeria;

Further notes that as part of this duty, the federal government is to control the economy in such a manner as to ensure the wellbeing and happiness of every citizen as enshrined in Section 16(1) (b) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (As Amended);

Aware that as a result of the merger of Access Bank Plc with the now defunct Diamond Bank Plc, it inherited the assets and liabilities of Diamond Bank Plc and thereby had a total of 31,987 employees, higher than the pre-merger number of 15,316;

Further aware that as a result of the inherited liabilities, Access Bank Plc recently dismissed seventy-five percent of its staff population and reduced the salary of the remaining twenty-five percent by forty percent;

Cognizant that the action of Access Bank Plc will have a negative impact on the society in terms of increase in crimes, lack of employment, depression and probable loss of lives;

Informed that the Central Bank of Nigeria in its response and in the exercise of its powers as enshrined in Section 61(1) (a) of the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act, directed Access Bank Plc to recall the laid-off staff and provided assistance to Access Bank Plc to cushion the effect of the new liabilities it inherited from the merger;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Banking and Currency to investigate why Access Bank Plc and other Banks have not recalled the laid off staff after the CBN has given directives and assistance to the banks to do so and report back within 2 weeks for further legislative action.

8. Need for the National Boundary Commission to Clearly Demarcate the Boundary Between Nasarawa State and Benue State:

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Nalaraba:

The House:

Notes the devastating effects caused by interstate boundary disputes across the country;

Also notes that over the years, lack of clearly defined boundary demarcation between the communities of Awe, Doma and Keana in Nasarawa state and Guma and Makurdi in Benue state has continued to bring complex security and socio-economic problems to these communities;

Aware that before 1910, River Benue was the natural historical boundary line between Nasarawa State and Benue state and any land from the north bank of the River Benue was in Keana as well as Awe and Doma;

Also aware that between 1910 and 1924, following discussions among colonial administrators, the boundary was adjusted further inland from the north bank of River Benue through the 1916, 1919, and 1924 instruments of description which although was resisted by the Chief (Osana) of Keana as early as 1914;

Further aware that between 1985 and 1990 and to date, discussions among military governors and government officials on the same boundary adjustment yielded no positive result, yet the indigenes of Benue state are claiming further inland whereas, the 1916, 1919 and 1924 boundary instruments/description remains the last known and established gazetted instruments;

Cognizant that Section 8 (2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) provides the procedure to be followed in any case of boundary adjustment, yet this express provision has not been explored in addressing the boundary dispute between Nasarawa and Benue states by the relevant stakeholders;

Concerned that since 1990, there has been further claim and encroachment into Keana, Doma and Awe Local Government Areas by the people of Guma and Makurdi in Benue state hence the lingering crisis involving ethnic groups of Alago, Fulani and Tiv;

Worried that if urgent steps are not taken to address this incessant dispute it will further stall socio-economic improvement in the affected communities, increase violence, loss of more lives and damage of properties;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the National Boundary Commission to immediately commence the demarcation of the boundary between the warring communities in order to curb incessant crises;

- (ii) mandate the Committee on Special Duties to convene a meeting of relevant stakeholders for the purpose of the boundary adjustment and demarcation;

- (iii) mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure implementation of the resolutions and report back to within two (2) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

9. Committees on Finance, Appropriations, and National Planning and Economic Development: Hon. James Abiodun Faleke:

“That the House do consider the report of the Committees on Finance, Appropriations, and National Planning and Economic Development on the 2021–2023 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP) and approve recommendations therein” (*Laid: 30/9/2020*).

- (i) Mandate the Committees on Finance and National Planning and Economic Development in partnership with the Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning and the Auditor General of the Federation to conduct a detailed analysis of all Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) funded by the Federal Government of Nigeria Budget to identify more Agencies that need to be taken off the budget wholly or partially and those that need to be retained, to further reduce the deficit burden of the Federal budget and free up more resources for other critical projects;
- (ii) that on Auto Policy, the Committee recommends downward review of the levy imposed on Imported Vehicles to 15% and 20% on both Commercial Vehicles (Buses and Trucks) and Luxury Vehicles respectively;
- (iii) that the Committees recommends enhancement of capacities of the Federal Inland Revenue Services (FIRS), Personnel and Technology Deployment to boost Non-Oil Revenue Collections;
- (iv) that the House do commence the process of amending the Establishment Acts of all the Revenue Generating Agencies to conform with the provisions of the Fiscal Responsibility Act (FRA) 2007;
- (v) recommends the amendment of Sections 21 and 22 of the (FRA) 2007 to conform with the current circular on expenditure to Revenue ratio of 70/30 and 60/40 issued by the Executives;
- (vi) that the Nigeria Customs Service device plans and policies to facilitate trade as the already signed African Continental Force Trade Area (AFCTA) will reduce Revenue, while collaborations with neighbouring countries are improved for increased transnational/ trans-border trade for more IGR by the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS);
- (vii) that the Federal Government, through its relevant MDAs be advised to be more proactive in improving the welfare and well-being of citizens and residents in border communities across Nigeria;
- (viii) recommends that the proposed Finance Act 2019 Amendment Bill to be submitted to the National Assembly by the Executives considers the amendment of Sections of Fiscal Responsibility Act do address the LACUNAE created in Stamp Duties Administration in Nigeria, this will eliminate losses and needless rivalry among MDAs.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
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1. Rules and Business

Wednesday, 30 September, 2020 3.00 p.m.

Committee Room 06
*(White House) Assembly
Complex*

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| 2. | Public Petitions
<i>Hearing</i> | <i>(Investigative</i> | Wednesday, 30 September, 2020 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 429
<i>(New Building) Assembly
Complex</i> |
| 3. | Reformatory Institutions | | Wednesday, 30 September, 2020 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 244
<i>(New Building) Assembly
Complex</i> |
| 4. | Federal Roads
Agency (FERMA) | Maintenance | Wednesday, 30 September, 2020 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 247
<i>(New Building) Assembly
Complex</i> |