



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

Tuesday, 29th June, 2021

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1. **Prayers**
 2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
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BUSINESS OF THE DAY

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. **Recovery of Premises Act 1945 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 746) - First Reading**
Sen. Odey, Stephen Adi (*Cross River North*).
 2. **Federal University of Technology Akwa-Ibom (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 755) - First Reading**
Sen. Akpan, Albert Basse (*Akwa-Ibom North East*).
 3. **Federal University of Technology Jigawa (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 756) - First Reading**
Sen. Mohammed, Sabo (*Jigawa South-West*).
 4. **Mortgage Institutions and Allied Matters Act Cap M19 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 757)**
- First Reading
Sen. Amosun, Ibikunle Oyelaja (*Ogun Central*).
 5. **National Research and Innovation Council (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 758) - First Reading**
Se. Ibezim, Frank Chukwuma (*Imo North*).
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. **Report of the Joint Committee on Petroleum (Downstream); Petroleum (Upstream) and Gas Resources**
Petroleum Industry Bill, 2021 (SB. 510)
Sen. Mohammed, Sabo (*Jigawa South-West*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Joint Committee on Petroleum (Downstream); Petroleum (Upstream) and Gas on the Petroleum Industry Bill, 2021 (SB. 510) - To be Laid.
2. **Report of the Committee on Trade and Investment**
Confirmation of the Nomination of Mr. Kolawole Oladipupo Alabi for Appointment as Executive Commissioner, Federal Competition and Consumer Protection Commission
Sen. Fadahunsi, Francis Adenigba (*Osun East*)
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Trade and Investment on the confirmation of the nomination of Mr. Kolawole Oladipupo Alabi for appointment as Executive Commissioner, Federal Competition and Consumer Protection Commission.
3. **Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory (FCT)**
Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Appropriation Bill, 2021 (SB. 596)
Sen. Kyari, Abubakar Shaib (*Borno North*)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on FCT on the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Appropriation Bill, 2021 (SB. 596).

4. Report of the Committee on Health (Secondary & Tertiary)

Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 216)

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

-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Health (Secondary & Tertiary) on the Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 216).

5. Report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND

Institute of Information and Communication Technology Suleja (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 244)

Sen. Ahmad, Babba Kaita (*Katsina North*)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Institute of Information and Communication Technology Suleja (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 244).

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an act to provide for a comprehensive legal and institutional framework for the recovery and management of proceeds of crime or benefits derived from unlawful activities, harmonize and consolidate the legal provisions on the recovery of proceeds of crime and for related matters, 2021 (SB. 553) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
2. A Bill for an Act to provide for the management, administration, operation, regulation and supervision of payment, clearing and settlement systems in Nigeria and for related matters, 2021 (SB. 148) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Umar, Sadiq Suleiman (*Kwara North*).
3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Agriculture Mpu, Enugu State to make comprehensive provisions for its due management and administration and for other related matters, 2021 (SB. 690) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Ekweremadu, Ike (*Enugu West*).
4. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of a Teaching Hospital for the Federal University Gusau and of a management board for the hospital and for other related matters, 2021 (SB. 640) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Alhaji, Ya’u Sahabi (*Zamfara North*).

MOTIONS

1. Need for the Federal Government to address the astronomical rise in food prices and its adverse effect on Nigerians.

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

Co-Sponsor:

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

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

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

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

Sen. Yusuf, Abubakar Yusuf (*Taraba Central*)

The Senate:

Concerned on the astronomical rise in food prices and its adverse effect on Nigerians;

Notes that price of foodstuffs (which everyone needs) in markets across the country today is beyond the reach of the common man;

Notes also that these prices have continued to change as a result of forces of demand and supply interplay arising from insecurity, cost of transportation and low productivity level, as well as herders/farmers clashes;

Observes that a survey conducted across the country early May and at the tail end of May shows that the prices of basic foodstuffs like rice, beans, maize, corn, Irish potatoes etc have increased by 50% as seen below:

- Locally produced Rice (50kg Bag) that was sold between N14,000 to N17,000, now sells at N27,000 to N30,000;
- Foreign Rice (50kg bag) that was sold N26,000 and N30,000, now sells at N33,000 to N36,000;
- Locally produced Beans (50kg Bag) that was sold N30,000 to N39,000, now sells at N48,000 to N60,000;
- White Garri (50kg Bag) that was sold N16,000 to N21,000, now sells at N27,000 to N30,000;
- Yam tuber that was sold N400 to N700 per tuber, now is selling for N700 to N1500 per tuber;
- Nodules cartons that was sold between N1900 to N2200 now selling for N4,000 to N5000;
- A create of Egg that was sold N1100 to N1200, now sells for N1,600 to N1,800; and
- Others like a loaf of bread now sold at N650 to N700, Milk (refill) sells at N1,600 to N1,700, Sardine fish (common man's fish) now sells at N400 etc;

Concerned that despite the huge intervention of federal government in the agricultural sector, the prices of locally sourced foodstuffs have remained very high raising question whether the intervention by the Federal Government on agriculture is yielding the expected positive result or whether the intervention is either diverted or misapplied to the targeted farmers;

Further concerned that this is another farming season when our farmers are expected to start farming activities. However, due to the crisis of farmers/herders, banditry, insurgencies etc that resulted in the insecurity we have in the land, farmers can no longer go to farm for the fear of losing their lives; and

Worried that government policy on school feeding may not be attainable due to scarcity of foodstuffs as well as the general wellbeing of the low income earners in our societies making it impossible for them to afford balance diet for their wards and themselves and in turn result in a feeble society that may lead to chaos since people would have to source their daily bread by all means.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Urge Mr. President and Commander in Chief federal Republic of Nigeria to direct the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to open the Silos Reserves across the country to sell foodstuffs to the common man in the country to cushion the effect of the increase in prices;*
 - ii. *Urge all the Service Chiefs to ensure that farmers are protected to access their farmland across the country;*
 - iii. *Constitute an Ad-Hoc Committee to investigate various interventions in the Agricultural Sector with the view of ascertaining whether the targeted beneficiaries benefitted and recommend to Senate for further Legislative action;*
 - iv. *Urge the Federal Government to as a matter of urgency embark on controlled importation of foodstuffs into the country to serve as urgent intervention to avoid looming food crisis in the country in order to avoid the attendant consequences; and*
 - v. *Urge the Federal Government to consider opening the border for full commercial activities and allow Customs and Excise to collect appropriate dues so as to allow activities in the hinterland and along the borders.*
2. *Approval for the restoration of the suppressed Nsukka South State Constituency, Enugu State in compliance with the decision of the Federal High Court and Section 115 of the constitution.*

Sponsor: Sen. Utazi, Chukwuka Godfrey (Enugu North)

Notes the decision of the Federal High Court Abuja on 20th of January 2017 delivered by Hon. Justice G.O Kolawole J in the case of *Hon. Cosmos Agbo & 7 Ors v. INEC, Suit No. FHC/ABJ/CS/281/2015* which ordered the Independent National Electoral Commission to restore the suppressed Nsukka South State Constituency, Enugu State;

Further notes that sequel to the said decision of the Federal High Court and in compliance with the order of the court and the provision of Section 115 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999, as amended it has become necessary for the National Assembly to pass a concurrent resolution to give legislative approval for the restoration of the suppressed Nsukka South State Constituency, Enugu State; and

Observes that the delay in complying with the order of the Federal High Court in *Suit No. FHC/ABJ/CS/281/2015* on the restoration of Nsukka State Constituency from Nsukka East State Constituency of Benue State is a serious constitutional aberration against the spirit of Section 91 and 115 of the 1999 Nigerian constitution and has over the years unjustly denied the people of Nsukka South their due representation in the Enugu State House of Assembly.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Approve* the restoration of Nsukka South State Constituency from Nsukka East State Constituency, Enugu State as ordered by the Federal High Court in *Suit No. FHC/ABJ/CS/281/2015* and in compliance with sections 91 and 115 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, as amended;
- ii. *Approve* that the Independent National Electoral Commission complies with this resolution by ensuring that the restoration of Nsukka South State Constituency from Nsukka East State Constituency takes effect in the next State Houses of Assembly election after the current life of the Enugu State House of Assembly in compliance with Section 115 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 as amended; and
- iii. *Seek* the concurrence of the House of Representatives in line with Section 115 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 as amended.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021	1.00pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building
2.	Agriculture and Rural Development	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
3.	Aviation	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
4.	Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021	1.00pm	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
5.	Anti-Corruption and Financial Crimes	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021 (Briefing)	2.00pm	Committee Room 327 Senate New Building
6.	Tertiary Institution and TETFUND	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021 (Public Hearing)	10.00am	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building
7.	Joint Committee on Solid Minerals, Steel Development And Metallurgy	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021	11.00am	Committee Room 301 Senate New Building

8.	Federal Character and Intergovernmental Affairs	Tuesday, 29 th June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 431 Senate New Building
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9.	Public Accounts	Tue. 29 th - Thu. 1 st July, 2021 (Public Hearing)	11.00am	Hearing Room 4 White House Building
9.	Finance	Tue. 29 th - Thu. 1 st July, 2021 (Investigative Hearing)	2.00pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
10.	Legislative Compliance	Wednesday, 30 th June, 2021	1.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
11.	Sports and Youth Development	Wednesday, 30 th June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
12.	Lands, Housing & Urban Development	Wednesday, 30 th June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 327 Senate New Building
13.	Solid Minerals, Steel Development and Metallurgy	Thursday, 1 st July, 2021	1.00pm	Committee Room 438 Senate New Building
14.	Power	Thursday, 1 st July, 2021 (Interactive Session)	2.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building
15.	Education (Basic & Secondary)	Tuesday, 6 th July, 2021	1.00pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building

