



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

Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

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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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**BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS**

1. National Commission for Peace, Reconciliation and Mediation (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 759)  
- *First Reading*  
Sen. Bamidele, Micheal Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central*).
  2. Federal Eye Centre Ochandamu, Kogi State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 760) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Isah, Jibrin (*Kogi East*).
  3. Abduction, Wrongful Restraints and Confinement Bill, 2021 (SB. 762) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Amosun, Ibikunle Oyelaja (*Ogun Central*).
  4. African Union Convention on the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Domestication & Enforcement) Bill, 2021 (SB. 763) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Ibezim, Frank Chukwuma (*Imo North*).
  5. Recovery of Public Property (Special Provisions) Act Cap R4 LFN 2004 (Repeal) Bill, 2021 (SB. 764)  
- *First Reading*  
Sen. Sani, Uba (*Kaduna Central*).
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**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS**

1. Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters  
*Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Customary Court Act 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 315)*  
Sen. Bamidele, Micheal Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central*)  
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Customary Court Act 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 315) - *To be Laid*.
2. Report of the Committee on Police Affairs  
*2021 Budget of the Nigeria Police Trust Fund*  
Sen. Jika, Dauda Halliru (*Bauchi Central*)  
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Police Affairs on the 2021 Budget of the Nigeria Police Trust Fund.

3. Report of the Committee on Appropriations  
*Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2021 (SB. 754)*  
Sen. Barau, I. Jibrin (*Kano North*)  
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Appropriations on the Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2021 (SB. 754).
4. Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters  
*Firearms Act CAP F28 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 549)*  
Sen. Bamidele, Micheal Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central*)  
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the Firearms Act CAP F28 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 549).

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#### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to amend the Nigeria Port Authority Act Cap N126 LFN 2004 to provide for the establishment Araromi Sea Front Port, Ondo State and for related matters, 2021 (SB. 684) - *Second Reading*  
Sen. Tofowomo, Nicholas Olubukola (*Ondo South*).
2. A Bill for an Act to establish the National Burns and Rehabilitation Center Ilaro, Ogun State to provide intensive treatment and the rehabilitative needs of Burns Victims and to train capable hands in the treatment of burns related injuries and for other related matters, 2021 (SB. 676) - *Second Reading*  
Sponsor: Sen. Odebiyi, Tolulope Akinremi (*Ogun West*).
3. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Nigerian Merchant Navy Coast Guard Security and Safety Corps with responsibility for the security and safety of Coast Line Waters and Nigerian Merchant Navy and other matters connected therewith, 2021 (SB. 591) - *Second Reading*  
Sponsor: Sen. Gaya, Kabiru Ibrahim (*Kano South*).
4. A Bill for an Act to amend the Industrial Training Fund Act No. 19 2011 and for other matters connected thereto, 2021 (SB. 608) - *Second Reading*  
Sen. Alkali, Saidu Ahmed (*Gombe North*).
5. A Bill for an Act to amend the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission Act CAP E1 LFN 2004 and for other matters connected thereto, 2021 (SB. 546) - *Second Reading*  
Sen. Balogun, Kola Ademola (*Oyo South*).

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#### 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. Odebiyi, Tolulope Akinremi (*Ogun West*)  
Sen. Yusuf, Abubakar Yusuf (*Taraba Central*)

Sen. Adamu, Muhammad Aliero (*Kebbi Central*)  
Sen. Akinyelure, Patrick Ayo (*Ondo 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)*

*The Senate:*

Notes the decision of the Federal High Court Abuja on 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

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#### BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

1. Raw Materials Research and Development Council Act Cap R3 LFN 2004 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 47) - Concurrence  
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
  2. Chartered Institute of Public Administration of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 329) - Concurrence  
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
  3. Nigerian Film Commission Bill, 2021 (HB. 324) - Concurrence  
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
  4. Federal College of Education (Special) Birnin-kudu (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 169) - Concurrence  
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Legislative Compliance	Wednesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
2.	Sports and Youth Development	Wednesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
3.	Lands, Housing & Urban Development	Wednesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 327 Senate New Building

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4.	Finance	Wed. 30 <sup>th</sup> & Thu. 1 <sup>st</sup> July, 2021 (Investigative Hearing)	2.00pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
6.	Power	Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July, 2021 (Interactive Session)	2.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building