



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 23rd November, 2021

1. The Senate met at 10:52 a.m. The President of the Senate read prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 17th November, 2021.
Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.
3. **Announcement:**
Wedding Invitation:
The President of the Senate read a letter from Senator Kabiru I. Gaya (Kano South) as follows:



SENATOR KABIRU IBRAHIM GAYA
Kano South Senatorial District

18th November, 2021

*His Excellency,
Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan,
President of the Senate,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone, Abuja.*

My President,

INVITATION TO A WEDDING FATIHA

In the name of Allah, the most beneficent, the most merciful. In humble testimony of Allah's compassion; I wish to seek of this highly respected chamber your indulgence on behalf of my family and that of Engr. S. B Abdullahi to honour us with your esteemed presence as Guest of honour to the wedding fatiha of our children Shahida Kabiru Gaya and Dr. Mukhtar Bashir Abdullahi. The occasion is scheduled to take place Insha Allah as follows:

Date: Saturday 27th November, 2021
Time: 12:00 Noon prompt
Venue: AI- Furqan Mosque, Alu Avenue, Nasarawa G.R.A. Kano

Your Excellency the Senate President and Distinguished Senators of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, it is apt to emphasize the enormity of the appreciation of my family for your expected gracing of the occasion. Your presence sir would usher in a tremendous blessing to the wedding.

*We look forward for the profound honour to host your humble self.
Accept the assurance of my unalloyed regards.*

*God bless the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
God bless the Federal Republic of Nigeria.*

Yours Sincerely,

(Signed)

Senator Dr. (Arc.) Kabiru I. Gaya
(Kano South Senatorial District)

4. Petitions:

- (a) Rising on Order 41, Senator Patrick A. Akinyelure (Ondo Central) drew the attention of the Senate to five (5) petitions received from the Office of the President of the Senate as follows:
- (i) Musa Musibau Mohammed, against the Abuja Electricity Distribution Company Plc. (AEDC), over his alleged wrongful retirement from the Company;
 - (ii) Duroha-Igwe and Partners on behalf of Lance Corporal Salami Lateef, against the Nigerian Army, over his alleged wrongful dismissal from the Army;
 - (iii) Clayborne Trading Company Limited, against the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), over an alleged frivolous debit entries in the Company's account with Afrikbank Plc. (Now Polaris Bank Ltd.).
 - (iv) Concerned members of the Alumni Association of the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPSS), against the Governing Board of the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies, over the nomination of Prof. Ayo O. Omotayo as Director General of the Institute; and
 - (v) Joseph Nelson Nkwu, against the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), over an alleged loss of seniority in service.

He urged the Senate to look into the matters.

Petitions laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Order 41(3)] to report within four (4) weeks.

- (b) Rising on Order 41, Senator Nora L. Daduut (Plateau South) drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from T. V. Ramnab and Co. on behalf of GDS Nampon Sunday against the Nigerian Army over an alleged non payment of his entitlements. She urged the Senate to look into the matter.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Order 41(3)] to report within two (4) weeks.

5. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Order 43, Senator Anayo R. Okorochoa (Imo West) drew the attention of the Senate to the general state of insecurity in Imo State. He stated that there are wide spates of kidnappings, killings and burning of shops in the State. He recalled the recent killing of a Traditional Ruler, Policemen and innocent citizens of the State. He concluded that the people of Imo State are now living in fear which calls for serious attention by the Federal Government.

He urged the Security Agencies to intervene to guarantee safety of lives and property in the State.

6. Presentation of Bills:

- (i) Federal College of Education Keana, Nasarawa State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB.439) — *Read the First Time.*
- (ii) Federal College of Agriculture Abua/Odual, Rivers State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 503) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Federal Orthopaedic Hospital Ilesha, Osun State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 855) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iv) Federal School of Nursing and Midwifery Igbeagu, Izzi (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 856) — *Read the First Time.*
- (v) Control of Delegated Legislation (Control & Procedure) Bill, 2021 (SB. 858) — *Read the First Time.*

7. Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND:

Report on the Federal University of Education Numan (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 522):
Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Federal University of Education Numan (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (*Senator Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid and presented.

Motion Made: That the Senate do Resolve into the Committee of the Whole to Consider the Report.

Question put and agreed to.

- (SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

CONSIDERATION OF A BILL FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF EDUCATION NUMAN, ADAMAWA STATE AND FOR OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH, 2021

PART I - ESTABLISHMENT, CONSTITUTION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE
FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF EDUCATION, NUMAN ADAMAWA STATE,

Clause 1: Establishment of the Federal University of Education Numan, Adamawa State.

[1] There is hereby established the Federal University of Education Numan, Adamawa State,

[2] The University:

[a] shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal;

[b] and may sue and be sued in its corporate name.

[3] The University shall be a training institution for the development of teacher education in the country.

- [4] The University shall be supervised by the Federal Ministry of Education through the National Universities Commission [NUC] who shall be responsible for approving and regulating all academic programmes run in the University, to ensure quality compliance and provide funds for academic and research programmes, infrastructures and remunerations of employees.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 1 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) —
Agreed to.

Question that Clause 1 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 2: Objects of the University

The objects of the University shall be-

- [a] to encourage the advancement of learning and to hold out to all persons without distinction of race, creed, sex or political conviction.
- [b] to develop, and offer academic and professional programmes leading to the award of certificates, first degrees, post-graduate research, diploma and higher degrees with emphasis on planning, developmental and adaptive skills in education, technology, applied science, agriculture, commerce, arts, social science, humanities, management and allied professional disciplines.
- [c] to produce socially mature educational men and women with capabilities not to only understand educational need of Nigeria as a nation, but also to exploit existing educational infrastructure and improve on it to develop new ones.
- [d] to act as agents and catalysts for effective educational system, through post graduate training, research and innovation, for effective economic utilization and conservation of the country's human resources.
- [e] to bring quality change in education by focusing on teacher education through teaching and learning innovations.
- [f] to collaborate with other national and international institutions involved in training, research and development of education with a view to promoting governance, leadership and management skills among educational managers.
- [g] to identify educational needs of the society with a view to finding solutions to them within the context of overall national development.
- [h] to provide and promote sound basic education training as a foundation for the development of Nigeria, taking into account indigenous culture and the need to enhance national unity.
- [i] to provide higher education and foster a systematic advancement of the science and art of teacher education.
- [j] to provide for instruction in such branches of teacher education as it may deem necessary to make provision for research advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as it may determine.

- [k] to provide teachers with operational competence for teaching in pre-tertiary institutions, basic, senior secondary schools and non-formal education institutions.
- [l] to undertake any other activities that is appropriate for a university of education of the highest standard.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 2 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 2 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 3: Constitution and Principal Officers of The University

- [1] The University shall consist of-
 - [a] a Chancellor;
 - [b] a Pro-Chancellor and a Council;
 - [c] a Vice-Chancellor and a Senate;
 - [d] a body to be called Congregation;
 - [e] a body to be called Convocation;
 - [f] the campuses and colleges of the University;
 - [g] the faculties, schools, institutes and other teaching and research units of the University;
 - [h] the persons holding the offices constituted by the First Schedule to this Bill other than those mentioned in paragraphs [a] to [c] of this subclause;
 - [i] all graduates and undergraduates; and
 - [j] all other persons who are members of the University in accordance with provision made by statute in that behalf.
- [2] The First Schedule to this Bill shall have effect with respect to the principal officers of the University therein mentioned.
- [3] Provision shall be made by Statute with respect to the constitution of the following bodies, namely the Council, the Senate, Congregation and Convocation.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 3 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 3 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 4: Powers of Federal University of Education, Numan Adamawa State and its exercise.

- [1] For the carrying out of its objects as specified in section 1 of this Bill, Federal; University of Education Numan Adamawa State shall have power:

- [a] to offer courses of instruction, training and research in education and allied areas for the production of quality and skilled teachers required to teach at lower, middle and higher levels of education in Nigeria in particular and the world at large.
- [b] to establish such colleges, campuses, institutes, schools, departments and other teaching and research units within the University as may from time to time be deemed necessary or desirable subject to the approval of National Universities Commission;
- [c] to institute professorships, readerships or associate professorships, lectureships, and other posts and offices and to make appointments thereto;
- [d] to institute and award fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions, bursaries, medals, prizes and other titles, distinctions, awards and forms of assistance;
- [e] to provide for the discipline and welfare of members of the University;
- [f] to hold examinations and grant degrees, diplomas, certificates and other distinctions to persons who have pursued a course of study approved by the University and have satisfied such other requirements as the University may lay down;
- [g] to grant honorary degrees, fellowships or academic titles;
- [h] to demand and receive from any student or any other person attending the University for the purposes of instruction, such fees as the University may from time to time determine subject to the overall directives of the Minister;
- [i] subject to section 20 of this Bill, to acquire, hold, grant, charge or otherwise deal with or dispose of movable and immovable property wherever it is situate;
- [j] to accept gifts, legacies and donations, but without obligation to accept the same for a particular purpose unless it approves the terms and conditions attached thereto;
- [k] to enter into contracts, establish trusts, act as trustee, solely or jointly with any other person, and employ and act through agents;
- [l] to erect, provide, equip and maintain libraries, laboratories, workshops, lecture halls, halls of residence, refectories, sports grounds, playing fields and other buildings or things necessary, suitable or convenient for any of the objects of the University;
- [m] to hold public lectures and to undertake printing, publishing and book selling;

- [n] subject to any limitations or conditions imposed by statute, to invest any moneys appertaining to the University by way of endowment not being immediately required for current expenditure in any investments or securities or in the purchase or improvement of land, with power from time to time, to vary any such investments to deposit any moneys for the time being not invested with any bank on deposit or current account;
 - [o] to borrow, whether on interest or not and if need be upon the security of any or all of the property, movable or immovable, of the University, such moneys as the Council may from time to time in its discretion find it necessary or expedient to borrow of to guarantee any loan, advances or credit facilities;
 - [p] to make gifts for any charitable purpose;
 - [q] to do anything which it is authorized or required by this Bill or by statute to do; and
 - [r] to do all such acts or things, whether or not incidental to the foregoing powers, as may advance the objects of the University.
- [2] Subject to the provisions of this Bill and of the statutes and without prejudice to section 7[2] of this Bill, the powers conferred on the University by Subclause [1] of this section shall be exercisable on behalf of the University by the Council or by the Senate or in many other manners which may be authorized by the statute.
- [3] The power of the University to establish further campuses and colleges within the University shall be exercisable by statute and not otherwise.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 4 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 4 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 5: Functions of the Chancellor and Pro-Chancellor

- [1] The Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take precedence before all other members of the University, and when he/she is present, shall preside at all meetings of Convocation held for conferring degrees.
- [2] The Pro-Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take precedence before all other members of the University, except the Chancellor and except the Vice-Chancellor when acting as chairman of Congregation or Convocation and the Pro-Chancellor shall, when he/she is present, be the chairman at all meetings of the Council.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 5 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 5 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Further consideration of Report deferred for further Legislative action by the Committee.

Chairman to report Progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Federal University of Education Numan (Establishment) Bill, 2021 and approved as follows:

Clauses 1-5 — As Recommended

Further consideration of Report deferred for further Legislative action by the Committee.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole - Resolved in the Affirmative.

8. Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND:

Report on the Federal College of Forestry, Wawa Zange, Dukku, Gombe State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 308):

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Federal College of Forestry, Wawa Zange, Dukku, Gombe State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (Senator Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid and presented.

Motion Made: That the Senate do Resolve into the Committee of the Whole to Consider the Report.

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

CONSIDERATION OF A BILL FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FEDERAL COLLEGE OF FORESTRY WAWA ZANGE, DUKKU, GOMBE STATE, TO PROVIDE FULL-TIME COURSES IN FORESTRY, TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT TO IMPROVE GENETIC RESOURCES OF FOREST TREES AND ECO-SYSTEM FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND APPLIED SCIENCE MANAGEMENT AND OTHER FIELDS OF STUDIES AND FOR OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH, 2021.

**PART I — ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FEDERAL COLLEGE OF FORESTRY
WAWA ZANGE, DUKKU, GOMBE STATE**

Clause 1: Establishment of the Federal College of Forestry Wawa Zange, Dukku, Gombe State:

[1] There is established a body to be known as the Federal College of Forestry Wawa Zange, Dukku, Gombe State.

[a] which shall have such powers and exercise such functions as is conferred on it by this Bill.

- [b] The College shall-
 - [i] be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal; and
 - [ii] have power to acquire and dispose of interests in movable and immovable property and may sue and be sued in its corporate name.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 1 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) —
Agreed to.

Question that Clause 1 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 2: Functions of the College

- (1) The Functions of the College shall be to—
 - [a] provide full-time and part time courses in Pre N.D in Forestry Technology, Pest Management Technology, Crop Production Technology, H.N.D Forest Extension, Multicultural, Horticulture, Crop production technology, Pest management technology. Beekeeping ND in Computer Science, Forestry technology, Forest Extension and Management, Pest Management Technology Soil Conservation and Wild Life Management, Land Scaping Technology, Crop Production Technology and Statistic, Agricultural Technology and Horticultural Technology;
 - [b] provide research, services as required by Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria and forestry related organizations in the country;
 - [c] conduct courses in forestry for qualified forestry officers;
 - [d] train and provide middle level man power on how to manage environment and wood base industrial sector for the national economy;
 - [e] render technical training for other African countries, to train young men and women to establish and manage farm forest, plantations, research and multicultural design for recreation and aesthetic purposes in beautifying the natural environment and also produce opportunity for an intelligent understanding towards increasing wood production;
 - [f] perform such other functions as in the opinion of the council may serve to promote the objectives of the college;
 - [g] arrange conferences, seminars and workshops relative to the fields of forestry specified in paragraph [a] of this section;
 - [h] perform such other functions as in the opinion of the Council or Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria may serve to promote the objectives of the College;

- [i] stipulate the requisite condition for the admission of students into the College as already stipulated by other sister colleges;
 - [j] set up departments and other units of learning and research in accordance with the aims and objectives of the College as may be directed by Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria;
 - [k] create such offices and posts as may be required by its objectives and to appoint and remove persons from such offices or posts, and to prescribe the condition of service;
 - [l] provide such physical facilities as libraries, classrooms, laboratories, hostels, sport fields and other buildings or facilities as the college may require for its purposes;
 - [m] do all such other act and things whether or not incidental to the foregoing powers as may advance the objects of the College.
- [2] Without prejudice to the provisions of this Bill, the College may, by special arrangement, agree with other institution to prepare its students for the Diploma Certificates.
- [3] The College shall have power to hold land and act as trustee or managers of any property, legacy, endowment, bequest or gifts in furtherance of its works and also to enter in to contract.
- [4] Subject to the provision of this Bill, the power conferred on the College by sub-sections [2] and [3] shall be exercised on behalf of the College by the Council in any other manner which may be authorized or delegated.
- [5] In such other fields in forestry conservation relevant to the needs of the development of Nigeria in the areas of forestry and agricultural production and distribution and for research in the development and adaptation of techniques as the Council may from time to time determine.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 2 be retained (*Senate Nora L. Daduut — Plateau South*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 2 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Further consideration of Report deferred for further Legislative action by the Committee.

Chairman to report Progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Federal College of Forestry, Wawa Zange, Dukku Gombe State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 and approved as follows:

Further consideration of Report deferred for further Legislative action by the Committee.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole - *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

9. **Federal College of Agriculture, Ubiaja, Edo State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 751):**
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal College of Agriculture, Ubiaja, Edo State to provide full-time courses of Agriculture teaching, instruction and training in the sciences, social sciences, commerce, arts, applied sciences, management and humanities; and carry out research, innovation, development and adaptation of teaching techniques and for Other Related Matters, 2021 be Read the Second Time (*Senator Clifford A. Ordia — Edo Central*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

10. **Institute of Culture and Tourism Oke-Igbo, Ondo State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB.819):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

11. **Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act, 2011 (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 824):**
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act, 2011, to among other things, streamline the membership of the Governing Board as well as confer oversight responsibilities for financial reporting and corporate governance regulations in Nigeria on the council, with a view to repositioning and strengthening the statutory functions of the council in line with normative standards for operational efficiency and effectiveness, and for related matters, 2021 be Read the Second Time (*Senator Yusuf A. Yusuf — Taraba Central*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Trade and Investment to report within Four (4) weeks.

12. **Motions:**

- (a) *Need to prioritize sustainable youth-oriented, Human Capital Development for Long-Term Socio-Economic Growth:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

- (b) *The dangerous ecological situation in Agbor, Ika South Local Government Area of Delta State, Nigeria:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

13. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do adjourn till Wednesday, 24th November, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
(*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Senate adjourned accordingly at 1:00 p.m.

Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan, Ph.D, CON
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.