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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Thursday 24 March 2022

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- **1.** Federal Medical Centre, Gwarzo, Kano State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1278) (Hon. Musa Umar Garo) First Reading.
- **2.** Federal Teaching Hospital, Owerri, Imo State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1279) (*Hon. Ikenna Elezieanya*) *First Reading*.
- 3. National Institute for Agricultural Research, Emii, Imo State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1280) (Hon. Ikenna Elezieanya) First Reading

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committee on Youth Development:

Hon. Yemi Adaramodu:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Youth Development on a Bill for an Act to Establish National Youth Service Corps Trust Fund (NYSCTF) for the purpose of providing Sustainable Source of Funds for the National Youth Service Corps, Skill Acquisition, Training and Empowerment of Corps Members, Training and Retraining of the Personnel of the National Youth Service Corps, Development of Camps and NYSC formations and Facilities therein; and for Related Matters" (HB. 1795) (*Referred:* 20/1/2022).

2. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Tertiary Education Trust Fund Act, 2011 to Expressly Provide that the National Youth Service Corps shall benefit from the Fund, including Licensed Private Polytechnics as Beneficiaries of the Fund, Ensure that Disbursement from the Fund is available to Mono-Technics and other Specialized Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria and to include Federal Institutes and Colleges of Forestry as beneficiaries of the Fund; and for Related Matters (HBs. 863, 1115, 1321, 1323 and 1349) (*Referred: 16/11/2021*).

3. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Education, Tudun Wada Dankadai; and for Related Matters (HB. 1092) (*Referred:* 23/3/2021).

4. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Polytechnic, Rano, Kano State to Provide Full and Part-Time Courses of Instruction in different fields of Study; and for Related Matters (HB. 929) (*Referred*: 24/3/2021

5. Committees on Poverty Alleviation and Labour, Employment and Productivity:

Hon. Abdullahi Salame

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation on a Bill for an Act to Provide a Legal Framework for Establishment of National Social Investment Programmes for the Assistance and Empowerment of Poor and Vulnerable in Nigeria and to Establish the National Social Investment Programmes Coordinating Office within the Federal Ministry Responsible for Social Development to manage the Implementation of the Programmes and for Related Matters" (HB.1153) (*Referred: 5/5/2021*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Teaching Hospital, Makurdi, Benue State and to Provide for Composition, Administration and Functions of the Management Board; and for Related Matters (HB.1889) (*Hon. John Dyegh*) *Second Reading*.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Agriculture (Technical) Ogboinbiri, Bayelsa State to Provide Full-Time Courses, Teaching Instruction and Training in Agricultural Technology, Agriculture and to Carry out Its Due Administration and Management; and for Related Matters (HB.1731) (Hon. Preye Influence Goodluck Oseke) Second Reading.
- 3. A Bill for an Act to Provide the Legal framework for the Upgrade and Conversion of Wesley Guild Hospital, Ilesa to Federal Medical Centre, Ilesa, Osun State; and for Related Matters (HB.1683) (Hon. Ayeni Babatunde and Hon. Ajiesoro Taofeek Abimbola) Second Reading.
- **4.** A Bill for an Act to Provide the Legal Framework to Establish Federal Medical Centre, Ufuma, Anambra State; and for Related Matters (HB.1373) (*Hon.Okwudili C. Ezenwankwo*) *Second Reading*.
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Establish Environmental Research Council of Nigeria and Provide for Establishment of Research Institute by the Council; and for Related Matters (HB.1869) (Hon. Shehu Ahmed) Second Reading.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Sa'adu Zungur College of Dental Technology and Therapy, Zungur, Bauchi State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1740) (Hon. Yakubu Shehu Abdullahi) Second Reading.
- 7. A Bill for an Act to Establish Haliru Dantoro University of Fisheries and Aquaculture, New Bussa to Promote Science-Based Research in Fisheries and Aquaculture and; for Related Matters (HB. 1762) (Hon. Ja'afaru Muhammed) Second Reading.

8. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Nteje, Anambra State and; for Related Matters (HB. 1730) (*Hon. Vincent Ofumelu*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

9. Need to Establish Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) Station in Lanlate, Ibarapa East Local Government Area of Oyo State:

Hon. Oluyemi Adewale Taiwo:

The House:

Notes that the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) is one of the Agencies of the Federal Ministry of Information and Culture established to provide broadcasting services in Nigeria and beyond;

Also notes that the Nigerian Television Authority is the largest television network in Africa, and serves as the medium for African content:

Aware that the first Satellite Communication Earth Station in Africa was sited in Lanlate, which was the first link to the outside world in terms of communication:

Worried that of all the zones in Oyo State, Ibarapa is the only area without a broadcasting station of the Nigerian Television Authority;

Cognizant that establishing an NTA Station in Lanlate Ibarapa Area of Oyo State will boost the economy of the area and provide job opportunities for the unemployed youths in the area;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Information and Culture to establish a broadcasting station of the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) at Lanlate in Ibarapa Local Government Area of Oyo State;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values to ensure compliance and report back within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

10. Need to Revamp the Tourism Industry in Nigeria: Hon, Shina Peller:

The House:

Nnote that the Tourism Industry is the fastest-growing world's largest industry in the economic sector, the publication of the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC 2014) indicated that travel and tourism's total contribution to the global economy rose to 7 trillion dollars in 2013, about 9.5 percent of global GDP, it out phased the wider economy and it is also growing faster than financial, business, transport and manufacturing sectors and has contributed significantly to nearly 266 million jobs, about 8.9 percent of world employment;

Also notes that tourism was officially recognized by the government as a potential economic activity in 1976 with the establishment of the Nigeria Tourism Board (NTB) while in 1992 the Nigeria Tourism Development Cooperation was established to replace the Nigeria Tourism Board;

Aware that tourism is becoming an essential part of the country's economy, the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC) in 2014 also envisaged growth of 6 percent per annum for ten years for Nigeria's tourism industry;

Also aware that the popular time-series data from 1995 to 2013 were analyzed with an econometric view statistical package where the findings revealed a positive long-run between tourism development and economic growth, thus confirming the growth of tourism in Nigeria and in that note the study recommends adequate security, increase investment in infrastructure and tourist centers to boost tourism activities in the country;

Further aware that tourism has become one of the engines of growth for the Nigerian economy with a contribution of 3.20 percent of the National Gross Domestic Product. (GDP) and providing 2.70 percent of total employment in 2013 (WTTC 2014);

Further notes that the tourism industry's contribution to GDP according to the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC) is envisaged to rise by 1.9 percent per annum from 2014 to 2024 and therefore tourism sector in Nigeria is capable of generating employment and earning a large amount of foreign exchange that will rival the agricultural and petroleum sectors;

Disturbed that despite the huge potentials that the tourism sector has, it is constrained in terms of inadequate appropriation;

Recalls that the Ministry of Information and Culture was mandated to establish Cultural and Creative Industry Centers in the 774 Local Government Areas, but due to lack of funds, it is only building capacities of the youth and women in the communities where just fourteen (14) centers have been established, whereas Cultural Industries/Centers should be one per state as each state has its comparative advantage in terms of culture and heritage;

Worried that lack of basic infrastructure at various Tourist and Heritage sites is the major hindrance to the growth of this sector and provision of security is essential to boost both domestic and foreign tourists;

Saddened that the Ministry loses its membership of some international organizations since it cannot pay its annual dues as at when due as its funds are domiciled in the Ministry of Finance and that most of the culture and tourism sector involve a lot of Bilateral and Multilateral mutual exchanges, International and local travels and therefore the insufficient fund is constraining the activities of the Ministry in this area;

Cognizant that to strengthen and revitalize the tourism industry in Nigeria, the government in conjunction with the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in 2006 developed a National Tourism Development Master plan (NTDC, 2006);

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government and the Ministry of Information and Culture to revisit and update the National Tourism Development Master plan to meet up with the realities and challenges the tourism sector is facing today;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Government to increase the budgetary allocation of the Ministry of Information and Culture in the 2023 Budget estimate for optimal performance;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Culture and Tourism and Appropriations to ensure compliance.

11. Urgent Need to Rehabilitate Akwakuma Junction, Egbeada, Umuonyeali Timber Market Portion at Owerri/Orlu Road in Imo State: Hon. Henry Nwawuba:

The House:

Notes that the Owerri-Orlu road in Imo State is a Federal Road eligible for maintenance under the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing and more particularly Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA);

Also notes that Akwakuma Junction on the road is badly damaged and blocked without an alternative route provided for commuters;

Concerned that residents of Akwakuma town in Owerri East, Egbeada, Mtieri, Umuonyali, Ubomiri towns in Mbaitoli Local Government Area are seriously affected and threatened by the deplorable state of the road and the socio-economic activities within the surrounding locality of the road have greatly reduced due to its dilapidated state;

Disturbed by the lack of attention from the Federal Government agencies whose responsibility is to supervise and maintain the road;

Cognizant that if urgent action is not taken to rehabilitate the road, it might be destroyed with the incoming rainy season, thus making life more miserable for the people of Imo and more particularly commuters and residents of the surrounding communities;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) to commence rehabilitation of Akwakuma Junction, Egbeada, Umuonyeali Timber Market Portion at Owerri/Orlu Road in Imo State before the rains set-in to avoid further damages to the road;
- (ii) also urge the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) and the Ministry of Niger Delta Affairs to include the total reconstruction and rehabilitation of the road including the construction of adequate drainage for proper flood control in their 2023 budget estimates;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA), Niger Delta Development Commission and Niger Delta Ministry to ensure compliance.

12. Urgent Need to Address the Prolonged Construction of the Trans Saharan Natural Gas Pipeline Project: Hon. Ahmed Munir:

The House:

Notes that on 14 January 2002, the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) Limited and the Algerian National Oil and Gas Company (Sonatrach) signed a Memorandum of Understanding for a 12 Billion Dollars, 4,128 kilometers Natural Gas Pipeline Project with a projected annual capacity of 30 billion cubic meters that will extend Gas supply to Europe;

Also notes that in June 2005, Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation and Sonatrach signed a contract with Penspen Limited for a feasibility study of the project, which was completed in September 2006, and the pipeline was discovered to be technically and economically feasible and reliable which in turn led to the intergovernmental agreement on the pipeline signed by the Energy Ministers of Nigeria, Niger and Algeria on July 3, 2009, in Abuja;

Concerned that in 2013, the Federal Government approved a budget of 400 Million Dollars for commencement of the project originally scheduled to be operational by 2020 with no commensurate progress made till date;

Cognizant that a new Gas Master Plan (GMP) needs to be crafted due to the current geopolitical realities such as, the newly completed 20,000 barrel per day Zinder Refinery in the Niger Republic, the new Niger-Benin Republic Pipeline due for completion in 2023, the discovery and exploitation of hydrocarbons in commercial quantity in the Lake Chad Region of Chad Republic, the prospecting of oil and gas on the Nigerian side of Lake Chad, discovery of hydrocarbons in Bauchi, the spike in the cost of hydrocarbon, the security situation along the right of way across the Sahel, as well as the Russia-Ukraine Conflict leading to Western Nation's looking for alternative options to meet energy demands;

Also cognizant that the successful completion of this vital project will create jobs, spur economic growth, and enhance energy and regional security;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) to provide information regarding the implementation, funds utilization and status of the project;
- (ii) also urge the NNPC to review the National Gas Master Plan relating to the project to conform with the variables of today's global economy;
- (iii) mandate the Committee on Gas Resources to ensure compliance and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

13. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nursing and Midwifery Act, Cap. N143, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review the Composition of the Council, Qualification and Tenure of Office of Members of the Council, Review Penalty Provisions and the Composition of the Tribunal; and for Related Matters (HB.1813) – *Committee of the Whole:* 8/3/2022.

14. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Agriculture, Ijebu Jesa, Osun State; and for Related Matters (HB 322) and approve the recommendations there" (*Laid:1/7/2021*).

15. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services: Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Polytechnic, Tombia for the Training of Graduands in Sciences, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics; and for Related Matters (HB. 1333) and approve the recommendations there" (*Laid:* 22/2/2022).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee(s)	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday 24 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Thursday 24 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Ad-hoc Committee on the State of Refineries in the Country (Interactive Session with NNPC, Heads of Refineries and other Key Stakeholders)	Thursday 24 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 019 (New Building) Assembly Complex