



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House of Reps Wednesday, 13th March, 2024**

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Federal Capital Territory Statutory Appropriations Bill, 2024 (HB.1267) (*Executive*) – *First Reading*.
2. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1147) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro*) – *First Reading*.
3. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1148) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro & one other*) – *First Reading*.
4. Taxes and Levies (Approved list for collection) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1149) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro & 2 others*) – *First Reading*.
5. Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1150) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro & 2 others*) – *First Reading*.

6. National Tobacco Smoking Control Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1151) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro & 2 others*) – *First Reading*.
 7. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1152) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro & 2 others*) – *First Reading*.
 8. Allocation of Revenue (Federation Account, Etc.) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024(HB.1153) (*Hon. Mansur Manu Soro & 5 others*) – *First Reading*.
 9. Federal College of Medical Laboratory Science and Technology, Eka-Midim, Akwa Ibom State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1157) (*Hon. Clement Jimbo*) – *First Reading*.
 10. Federal Colleges of Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1158) (*Hon. Anthony Adebayo Adepaju*) – *First Reading*.
 11. Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1159) (*Hon. Olusoji Abidemi Adetunji*) – *First Reading*.
 12. National Assembly Library Trust Fund Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1259) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere*) – *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION AND ADOPTION OF REPORT

Report of the Conference Committee:

Hon. Julius Ihonvbere:

“That the House do receive and adopt Report of the Conference Committee on the Retirement Age of Legislative Officers of the National Assembly and for Related Matters”

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Nigerian Maritime University, Okerenkoko and for Related Matters (SB. 75) (*Senate*) (*Leader*) – *Second Reading*.
 2. A Bill for an Act to Establish National Institute for Construction Technology and Management Itele, Ogun State and for Related Matters (HB.654) (*Hon. Joseph Folorunsho Adegbesan*) – *Second Reading*
 3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Polytechnics Act, 2019 (as amended) to Establish Federal Artificial Intelligence Institute, Aliade, Benue State for the purpose of Providing Qualitative and Structured Education in Artificial Intelligence Technology and for Related Matters (HB.377) (*Hon. Austin Asema Achado*) – *Second Reading*.
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MOTIONS

4. **Menace of Circulating Fake Consumables in Nigeria:**
Hon. Ahmed Sani Muhammad:

The House:

Notes that in the fourth quarter of 2023, Nigeria experienced a daily patronage of fake consumables such as drinks, drugs, cooking spices, beverages, and baby food which caused health issues and discouraged local manufacturers and importers of genuine products in the country;

Aware that in December 2023, the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) intercepted counterfeiters involved in the production of consumables worth about seven hundred and fifty million, Naira;

Also aware of a recent report by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) which revealed that falsified and substandard drugs kill about 500,000 persons in sub-Saharan Africa each year;

Worried about the potential health complications and economic impact of counterfeit products on Nigerians, heightened by contaminated consumables;

Informed by a global consultancy Price Waterhouse Coopers which estimated that Nigeria may lose approximately two hundred billion, Naira annually to counterfeit medicines, excluding substandard ones;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge NAFDAC and Standards organization of Nigeria (SON) and Manufacturing Drugs Factories to:
 - (a) establish more efficient channels in every state and local government to verify and monitor products before circulation.
 - (b) identify and punishing individuals involved in the distribution or production of counterfeit goods; and
 - (c) intensify efforts to identify and punish individuals involved in the distribution or production of counterfeit goods according to the law; and
 - (d) regularly engage and sensitize consumers on digital codes or icons that indicate the authenticity of their products.
- (ii) mandate the Committees on National Agency for Food and Drugs Administration and Control and Legislative Compliance to ensure implementation.

5. Collapse Revolving Funds and Indebtedness of Federal Health Institutions to the Pharmaceutical Firms in Nigeria:

Hon. Adedayo Samuel Adesola

Hon. Amos Magaji Gwamna

Hon. Regina Akume:

The House:

Notes the Report of Guardian Newspaper of 2 November, 2023 that the Drug Revolving Funds scheme, created as a result of the Essential Drug Act, was to address challenges of the perennial out of stock syndrome of drugs in public health institutions;

Also notes that the Drugs Revolving Funds scheme was initially successful, but has been mutilated by hospital management, resulting in pharmaceutical firms owing 18 billion Naira in 2021 and 30 billion Naira in 2023;

Aware of the existence of the Drugs Revolving Funds (DRF), a National Contingency Plan designed to tackles the menace of this out-of-stock syndromes in public pharmacy department and ensure that Federal Health Institutions are adequately stocked with essential drugs for medically challenged Nigerians;

Cognizant that a well-run Drugs Revolving Funds (DRF) tackles the menace of this out-of-stock syndromes in public pharmacy department, DRF scheme of the National Orthopedic Hospital, Igbobi (NOHI) which was flagship over a decade ago gave birth to a pharmacy house worth over 300 million naira in 2014 without a collapse of the DRF programme because the management of the hospital at the time gave the much-needed cooperation;

Worried that this laudable initiative has been abused over a period of time through the accumulation of unpaid supplies from pharmaceutical firm under this funding arrangement, culminating in its eventual collapse.

Concerned that the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN) has called on the past administration to probe the activities of the National Hospital, Igbobi affair in order to resuscitate the Drug Revolving scheme;

Cognizant that unless the collapse of the drug revolving fund is addressed, as a matter of urgency, further supplies of these essential drugs to Federal Health Institutions will remain a pipedream, thereby increasing pressure on the already struggling healthcare system;

Resolves to:

mandate the Committee on Health institutions to investigate the collapse of the drug revolving funds scheme, verify facts and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative actions.

6. Rehabilitation of Bad Portions of the Akunu/Ayere/Kabba Road and Rejig Security Architecture in the Area:

Hon. Ifeoluwa Ehindero:

The House:

Notes that Akunu, a border town in Ondo State, is primarily inhabited by farmers and shares borders with Kogi State;

Also notes that Akunu/Ayere/Kabba road is in severe disrepair, with potholes potential for kidnapping and criminal activities, causing frustration among motorists and users;

Concerned that between 2023 and 2024, many Nigerians have been killed by bandits on this axis;

Alarmed that on February 9, 2024, a bandit ambushed and shot an 18-seater bus from Lagos to Abuja, killing the driver, abducting all passengers, and leaving a 5-year-old girl in shock;

Aware that the Minister of Interior, Hon. Olubunmi Tunji-Ojo, as a former Hon. Member moved a motion for establishment of a police station in Akunu, Ondo State, but has not been implemented;

Disturbed that the insecurity situation in this axis has affected the socio- economic activities in the area and neighbouring towns and communities;

Resolves to:

- (i) observe a minute silence in honour of the those killed on the 9 February 2024;
- (ii) urge the Federal Ministry of Works and Federal Roads Maintenance Agency to rehabilitate the failed portions of the road;
- (iii) also urge the Inspector General of Police establish a divisional police station in the Akunnu Akoko North East/North West Federal Constituency of Ondo State;
- (iv) further urge the Service Chiefs to deploy patrol Military personnel to the Akunu/Ayere/Kabba Road; and
- (v) mandate the Committee on Works, Army and Police Affairs to ensure compliance.

7. Call to Resuscitate the Power Transmission Substation in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State:

Hon. Oboku Abonsizibe Ofor:

The House:

Notes that Chapter II of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), provided for the economic and social rights of the citizens;

Also notes that on 23 September 2023, the 132/33KV Transmission Substation serving Yenagoa, the Bayelsa State Capital and its environs was gutted by fire, throwing Yenagoa in total darkness. Subsequently, the State has been struggling to use only a feeder to supply five feeders;

Worried that the operational feeder is getting weak and, if urgent steps are not taken, the feeder will collapse;

Cognizant that the Port Harcourt Electricity Distribution Company has been carrying out remedial services to avert the collapse of the weak operational feeder;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) to swiftly intervene to prevent the complete collapse of Power Distribution and Transmission in Yenagoa; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Power to ensure Compliance.

8. **Arbitrary Increase in the Price of Cement by Manufacturers of Cement in Nigeria:**

Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi
the House:

Hon. Ademorin kuye:

Notes that the manufacturers of cement have increased the price of their products by up to 50%, leading to sharp hikes in building blocks, the cost of building, and consequently, the price of rent in the country;

Also notes that the raw materials for the manufacture of cement, which include lime, silica, alumina, iron oxide, and gypsum, are all sourced locally and not affected by exchange rate volatility;

Aware that all the factors of production and elements of the cement production flow chart are also sourced locally and have not changed significantly year-on-year;

Concerned that the manufacturers of cement are capitalizing on exchange volatility to arbitrarily increase the price of the product, whose cost of production has not changed significantly since last year.

Also concerned that the cement cabal is unconscionably inflicting hardship on Nigerians as the prices of rent and associated services have increased.

Cognizant that the increase is a direct affront and sabotage of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu's administration's effort to bring comfort to the populace and should be resolved immediately;

Resolves to:

mandate the Committees on Solid Minerals Development, Commerce, Industry and Special Duties to investigate the Arbitrary increase in the Price of Cement by Manufacturers of Cement in the country and report back within four (4) weeks within for further legislative action.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Ministerial briefing (<i>with Hon. Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment</i>)	Thursday 14 March 2024	10.00 a.m.	Chamber (House of Representatives)
2.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Wednesday 13 March 2024	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex

3.	Public Accounts	Wednesday 13 March 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 446 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	Population <i>(Investigative Hearing with National Population Commission)</i>	Wednesday 13 March 2024	2.30 p.m.	Committee Room 304 (New Building) Assembly Complex
5.	Public Assets	Wednesday 13 March 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 (New Building) Assembly Complex
6.	Navy	Wednesday 13 March 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 301 (New Building) Assembly Complex
7.	Delegated Legislation	Wednesday 13 March 2024	2.30 p.m.	Committee Room 440 (New Building) Assembly Complex
8.	Land Transport	Wednesday 13 March 2024	2.30 p.m.	Committee Room 107 (New Building) Assembly Complex

