10TH SENATE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION NO. 130



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 30th April, 2024

- 1. Prayers
- 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
- 3. Oaths
- 4. Announcements (if any)
- 5. Petitions

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- 1. Nigerian Hunters and Security Service Bill, 2024 (HB. 90) *First Reading* Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
- 2. Nigerian Peace Corps (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB. 309) *First Reading* Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
- 3. Legislative Houses (Powers & Privileges) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 408) First Reading Sen. Oluwole, Fasuyi Cyril (Ekiti North).
- 4. National Talent Rehabilitation and Integration Agency (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 409) *First Reading* Sen. Nwoko, Ned Munir (*Delta North*).
- 5. Agricultural Research Council Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 410) First Reading Sen. Okechukwu, Ezea (Enugu North).
- 6. Agricultural Harvest and Processing Zone (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 411) *First Reading* Sen. Moro, Abba Patrick (*Benue South*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration and other matters connected therewith, 2024 (SB. 267) *Second Reading* Sen. Suleiman, Umar Sadiq (Kwara North).
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Revenue, Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission Act Cap R7 laws of the federation of Nigeria 2004 and enact the Revenue, Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission to grant the commission enforcement powers in the monitoring of accruals to and disbursement of revenue from the federation account and bring the Act in conformity with the provisions of the 1999 Constitution (as amended) and for other matters related therewith, 2024 (HB. 471) *Concurrence* Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).

3. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Fire Service Act, CAP. F29, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and enact the Federal Fire and Rescue Service (Establishment) Bill; and for related matters, 2024 (HB. 211) – *Concurrence* Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).

MOTION

1. Urgent Need to commence the Mambila Hydroelectric Power Project.

Sponsor: Sen. Manu, Haruna (Taraba Central)

Co-Sponsors:

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Sen. Dickson, Seriake Henry (Bayelsa West)	Sen. Isa, Shuaibu Lau (Taraba North)
Sen. Salisu, Shuaib Afolabi (Ogun Central)	Sen. Musa, Mohammed Sani (Niger East)
Sen. Kaka, Shehu Lawan (Borno Central)	Sen. Akpoti-Uduaghan, Natasha (Kogi Central)
Sen. Umeh, Victor Chukwunonyelu (Anambra Central)	Sen. Zam, Titus Tartenger (Benue North West)
Sen. Dankwambo, Ibrahim Hassan (Gombe North)	Sen. Buhari, Abdulfatai (Oyo North)
Sen. Khalid, Ibrahim Mustapha (Kaduna North)	Sen. David, S. U Jimkuta (Taraba South)
Sen. Khabeeb, Mustapha (Jigawa South West)	Sen. Abbas, Aminu Iya (Adamawa Central)
Sen. Konbowel, Benson Friday (Bayelsa Central)	Sen. Akobundu, Austin (Abia Central)

The Senate:

Notes that the Federal Government through the Federal Ministry of Power signed a contract with a consortium of Chinese contractors comprising CGGC, SHC, and CGOC in 2017 to construct a 3050 MW hydroelectric power project known as the Mambila Hydroelectric Power Project (MHEPP) in Taraba State at the sum of \$5.792bn;

Also notes that the Federal Executive Council of the Buhari administration approved the said contract with an agreed JV funding structure of 85% from the Chinese consortium (CGGC-45%, SHC-35%, and CGOC-20%) and 15% from the Federal Government of Nigeria as counterpart funding for the entire project with a 72 months' construction period and on a site area over 146sqkm in Kurmi, and Sardauna Local Government of Taraba State;

Further notes that because of the priority placed on power in the Renewed Hope Agenda of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, particularly to electricity generation for capacity expansion; the Mambila Hydroelectric Power project (MHEPP) with its capacity to generate 3050MW and reposition the Ajaokuta Steel Complex with \$1.7B makes it a priority project of national importance;

Aware that the project has great benefits for local content in the area of human capital development, including the creation of over 55,000 jobs, construction of resettlement homes for over 100,000 people, hauling and supplying of over 2.7 million tons of steel, Production and supply of over 76 million tons of quarry stone, the opportunity for Ashaka and Benue cement to produce and supply cement, and for Styer Nigeria Limited, DPAN Limited, and Innoson Vehicle Manufacturing Co. Limited to manufacture trucks and participate in over 12,000 trips of haulage and transportation logistics from Lagos and Calabar ports to the host community;

Also aware that decades of efforts towards the take-off of this national economic asset have been ongoing including that from North East governors to place the project in implementation mode; the appointment of HYPERTECH Nigeria by the Chinese consortium as the local content consultant; the creation of a presidential inter-ministerial committee comprising four relevant stakeholders (The Federal Ministry of Power, The Federal Ministry of Water Resources and Sanitation, The Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and Planning, and The Federal Ministry of Justice) in 2019 by the Buhari-led government to effectively coordinate the implementation of the project;

Further aware that a schedule of pre-commencement activities by the government on resettlement, access road, security, and airfield has been provided and 27 MDAs and over 500 companies have already been identified towards the actualization of the 15% local content counterpart funding. The project is to be carried out based on Presidential Executive Order 5 which has been issued to provide the platform for the framework of the local content especially as it relates to preference, accreditation, capacity development, and contract award;

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Worried that the volume of contradictory information about the project may hinder the actualization of the good objectives and the benefits it brings to the good people of Nigeria;

Also Worried that the agreement between a Russian firm and the Republic of Niger to construct the Kandadji hydroelectric project, located about 180 kilometers northwest of the capital Niamey along the Niger River, will reduce the volume of water supply to and hamper the capacity of Kainji dam to generate electricity for Nigeria; and

Encouraged by the proactive steps taken by His Excellency, the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu in attending and taking action at the Climate Summit in Dubai, United Arab Emirate (UAE) to improve Nigeria's electricity supply through renewable energy,

Accordingly resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Power, Water Resources and Sanitation; Local Content; Finance; and Justice to find out the status of the project and report back to the Senate within three weeks.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS					
No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue	
1.	Ad-hoc Committee on Ways & Means and Anchor Borrowers Programme	Tuesday, 30 th April, 2024	3.00pm	Meeting Room 204 Senate New Building	
2.	Labour, Employment and Productivity	Tuesday, 30 th April, 2024	2.00pm	Meeting Room 211 Senate New Building	
3.	Public Accounts	Tue. 30 th & Thu. 2 nd May, 2024 (Public Hearing)	2.00pm	Hearing Room 4 White House	
4.	Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions	Thursday, 2 nd May, 2024	2.00pm	Meeting Room 204 Senate New Building	
5.	Solid Minerals Development	Tue. 7 th - Thu. 9 th May, 2024 (Investigative Hearing)	2.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building	
6.	Health (Secondary & Tertiary) (Tue. 7 th - Thu. 9 th May, 2024 Oversight visit to South South)			
7.	Health (Secondary & Tertiary)	Tue. 16 th - Thu. 18 th May, 2024 (Oversight visit to South West)			
6.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Friday, 17th May, 2024	11.00am	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building	
6.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Thursday, 23 rd May, 2024	3.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building	