



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

Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2024

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

**BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS**

1. African Union Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons (Domestication & Enforcement) Bill, 2024 (HB. 1350) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
2. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (SB. 670) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Etim, Bassey Aniekan (*Akwa-Ibom Northeast*).
3. Presidential Library of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 671) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Dickson, Seriake Henry (*Bayelsa West*).
4. Central Bank of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 672) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Nwoko, Ned Munir (*Delta North*).
5. Institute of Chartered Trustees of Nigeria (ICTN) (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 673) - *First Reading*  
Sen. David, S. U Jimkuta (*Taraba South*).
6. Special Economic Zones (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (SB. 674) - *First Reading*  
Sen. Suleiman, Umar Sadiq (*Kwara North*).

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**CONSIDERATION OF BILLS**

1. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of Federal University of Science and Technology, Korokorosei, Bayelsa State for teaching, instructions and research in science and technology, for fostering technological innovations, for administration of the University, and for related matters, 2024 (SB. 483) - *Second Reading*  
Sen. Konbowel, Benson Friday (*Bayelsa Central*).
2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Raw Materials Development Council Act, 2022 to make provision for Processing and Local Production Protection and for related matters, 2024 (SB. 606) - *Second Reading*  
Sen. Nwebonyi, Onyeka Peter (*Ebonyi North*).

## PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. **Report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND**  
*Federal University of Mining and Geo – Sciences, Jos Bill, 2024 (SB. 12)*  
Sen. Mohammed, Dandutse Muntari (*Katsina South*)  
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Federal University of Mining and Geo – Sciences, Jos Bill, 2024 (SB. 12).
2. **Report of the Committee on Ethics, Code of Conduct and Public Petitions**  
*Petition from Engineer Aniekan Paddy Ukpe against the Nigerian Railway Corporation (NRC) over the Wrongful Termination of his Appointment*  
Sen. Imasuen, Neda Bernards (*Edo South*)  
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Ethics, Code of Conduct and Public Petitions in respect of a Petition from Engineer Aniekan Paddy Ukpe against the Nigerian Railway Corporation (NRC) over the wrongful termination of his appointment.
3. **Report of the Committee on Banking, Insurance & Other Financial Institutions**  
*Nigerian Insurance Industry Reform Bill, 2024 (SB. 393)*  
Sen. Abiru, Mukhail Adetokunbo (*Lagos East*)  
- That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Banking, Insurance & Other Financial Institutions on the Nigerian Insurance Industry Reform Bill, 2024 (SB. 393).

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## BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

1. **Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB. 500) - Concurrence**  
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
2. **Federal Colleges of Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB. 1371) - Concurrence**  
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
3. **Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB. 767) – First Reading**  
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
4. **Federal University of Agriculture Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB. 105) – First Reading**  
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).

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## MOTION

1. **Need for Special Intervention by the Senate to urge the Federal Ministry of Works to expedite action and complete the rehabilitation of the Umuahia-Ikot Ekpene Federal Road to relieve the suffering of Nigerian Motorists and address insecurity in the area.**

Sponsored: Sen. Akobundu, Austin (*Abia Central*).

*The Senate:*

**Notes that the Umuahia-Ikot Ekpene Road, a major link between Abia State and Akwa Ibom State through Ikwuano Local Government Area (LGA), has been in a deplorable state of disrepair for over 30 years;**

**Also notes that despite efforts by successive governments at both the federal and state levels to provide remedial interventions, the road has remained in poor condition for reasons that appear inexplicable;**

**Observes that following years of public outcry from the people of Abia and Akwa Ibom states, the Federal Government awarded the contract for the total reconstruction/rehabilitation of the road in 2018 to Messrs Hartland Nigeria Limited and Raydon & Company Nigeria Limited, valued at approximately N13 billion. Subsequently, funding for this project was transferred to the NNPC under the tax credit initiative;**

*Aware* that Messrs Hartland Nigeria Limited and Raydon & Company Nigeria Limited have since commenced work on the first phase of the project. However, the pace of work has been extremely slow. Many dilapidated sections of the road have further deteriorated due to the rainy season, rendering them impassable and creating significant hardship for motorists and traders commuting between Abia and Akwa Ibom States. Residents of Ikwuano LGA in Abia Central Senatorial District have also been left in despair.

*Also aware* that the issue of the slow pace of work on this road was raised during debates on the 2024 Appropriation Bill last year, yet no significant progress has been made;

*Conscious* of the economic consequences of the delay in completing this project on the people of Abia and Akwa Ibom States, who rely on this road daily for commuting, trade, and other activities; and

*Worried* that unless urgent measures are taken by the Federal Government to repair the failed sections of the road during this dry season, the road will be completely cut off during the next rainy season. This would exacerbate the suffering of the people and motorists who depend on this vital link between Umuahia in Abia State and Ikot Ekpene in Akwa Ibom State. It would also further hinder transporters traveling this route daily from Cross River, Akwa Ibom, Abia, Onitsha, and Lagos,

*Accordingly resolves to:*

- i. *Urge* the Federal Ministry of Works to immediately release funds for the completion of the Umuahia-Ikot Ekpene Road during the current dry season; and
- ii. *Mandate* the Committee on Works to urgently investigate and unravel the causes of delays, and determine the extent of failure and report back to the Senate within two weeks for further legislative action.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Reparations & Repatriations	Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024 (Inaugural Meeting)	2.00pm	Meeting Room 211 Senate New Building
2.	Finance	Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024 (Investigative Hearing)	2.30pm	Meeting Room 221 Senate New Building
3.	Gas	Tue. 10 <sup>th</sup> - Thu. 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024	3.00pm	Meeting Room 211 Senate New Building
4.	Ethics, Code of Conduct and Public Petition	Tue. 10 <sup>th</sup> & Thu. 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024	2.00pm	Meeting Room 120 Senate New Building
5.	Solid Minerals Development	Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024	3.00pm	Meeting Room 221 Senate New Building
6.	Southern Senators Forum	Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024	5.00pm	89, Yakubu Gowon Crescent, Asokoro
7.	Agricultural Colleges and Institutions	Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024 (Interactive Meeting)	2.00pm	Meeting Room 211 Senate New Building