



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

Tuesday, 27th May, 2025

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

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Artificial Intelligence Academy Omuo-Ekiti, Ekiti State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (SB. 763) - *First Reading*
Sen. Adaramodu, Adeyemi Raphael (*Ekiti South*).
 2. Federal Universities of Technology Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (SB. 836) - *First Reading*
Sen. Asuquo, Ekpenyong (*Cross River South*).
 3. African Descendants Citizenship Application Bill, 2025 (SB. 838) - *First Reading*
Sen. Nwoko, Ned Munir (*Delta North*).
 4. Public Interest Litigation Bill, 2025 (SB. 839) - *First Reading*
Sen. Abaribe, Enyinnaya Harcourt (*Abia South*).
 5. Nigerian Women and Youth Enterprise Equity Fund Bill, 2025 (SB. 841) - *First Reading*
Sen. Saliu, Mustapha (*Kwara Central*).
 6. Fruits (Prohibition of Chemical Ripening) Bill, 2025 (SB. 842) - *First Reading*
Sen. Ani, Anthony Okorie (*Ebonyi South*).
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act and for related matters, 2025 (SB. 144) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*)
2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Universities of Technology Act to provide for the Establishment of Federal University of Technology Offa, Kwara State, by upgrading the Federal Polytechnic Offa, Kwara State from a Diploma awarding Institution to a Degree awarding Institution and for related matters, 2025 (SB. 789) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Yisa, Ashiru Oyelola (*Kwara South*)
3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Arts, Culture, Science and Tourism, Igbaraoke-Oke Ondo State and for other related matters, 2025 (SB. 467) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Adegbonmire, Adeniyi Ayodele (*Ondo Central*).

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT

1. Report of the Committee on Police Affairs

2024 Budget of Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF)

Sen. Abdulhamid, Mallam-Madori Ahmed (*Jigawa East*)

-That the Senate do Receive and Consider the Report of the Committee on Police Affairs on the 2024 Budget of Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF).

BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

1. African Union Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons (Domestication and Enforcement) Bill, 2025 (HB. 1350) - *Concurrence*
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
2. Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 - *Concurrence*
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).
3. Federal Colleges of Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB. 1612) - *Concurrence*
Sen. Bamidele, Michael Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central-Senate Leader*).

MOTION

1. Urgent Need to cushion the Impact of the Fire Incident at Simra Multi-Purpose Market and Small Scale Rubber Recycling Industries in Dakata, Nasarawa LGA, Kano Central Senatorial District, Kano State.

Sponsor: Sen. Rufa'i, Sani Hanga (*Kano Central*)

The Senate:

Notes with deep concern over the devastating fire outbreak in Kano's Simra Multi-Purpose Market and small-scale industrial hub in Dakata, and the significant impact on businesses and livelihoods;

Informed that the fire incident occurred in the night on Saturday, March 22, 2025, which severely damaged multiple factories specializing in nylon and plastic production. The fire consumed machinery, raw materials, and finished products, with the origin of the blaze still under investigation;

Also informed that the destruction was extensive, affecting the livelihood of over 250,000 business men and women and significantly impacting numerous businesses that rely on the facilities for their daily operations. The losses include, but are not limited to, expensive industrial equipment, production machines, raw materials, and finished goods ready for delivery, all of which were destroyed in the fire, with estimated damages exceeding N100 billion;

Further informed that although the fire broke out during the night, it is fortunate that the number of casualties was relatively low; and

Worried that the impact of this disaster is devastating. Many small business owners have lost everything, facing an incredibly challenging road to recovery. The financial and emotional toll is indeed significant. Rebuilding and recovering from such a loss can be overwhelming. Support systems and resources will likely play a crucial role in helping those affected navigate this challenging time,

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. Urge the Federal Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to promptly dispatch relief materials, including building materials, to support the victims of the Simra Multi-Purpose Market and Small Scale Rubber Recycling Industries fire disaster in Dakata. This will enable them to rebuild their shops, resume operations, and alleviate their suffering and losses;

- ii. *Also urge* the Bank of Industry to provide accessible soft loans to the fire victims, enabling them to restock their shops. This support is crucial, especially for those who had taken loans to stock their shops prior to the incident;
- iii. *Further urge* the Federal Fire Service and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to conduct a thorough investigation into the cause of the fire, with the aim of enhancing fire safety protocols in similar facilities and preventing future incidents; and
- iv. *Mandate* the Committee on Environment to oversee the response efforts, ensure compliance with relevant regulations, and submit a report within a reasonable time.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Joint Committee on Army & Air Force	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025	2.00pm	Meeting Room 107 Senate New Building
2.	Joint Committee on Diaspora & Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs)	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025 (Meeting with CSOs & Dev. Partners)	3.00pm	Meeting Room 327 Senate New Building
3.	Agricultural Colleges and Institutions	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025 (Meeting with Agencies)	2.00pm	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building
4.	Marine Transport	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025 (Meeting with Agencies)	2.00pm	Meeting Room 221 Senate New Building
5.	Joint Committee on Gas, Petroleum (Upstream & Downstream)	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025	2.00pm	Meeting Room 231 Senate New Building
6.	Federal Capital Territory (FCT)	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025	3.00pm	Meeting Room 328 Senate New Building
7.	Ad-hoc Committee on Rivers Political Crisis	Tuesday, 27 th May, 2025	2:00pm	Leaders Conference Room Senate New Building
8.	Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs	Tue. 27 th – Thu. 29 th May, 2025 (Investigative Hearings)	2.00pm	Meeting Room 211 Senate New Building
9.	Public Accounts	Tue. 27 th – Thu. 29 th May, 2025 (Public Hearing)	3.00pm	Hearing Room 4 White House
10.	Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND	Wednesday, 28 th May, 2025 (Public Hearing)	2.00pm	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building
11.	Ad-hoc Committee on National Security Summit	Wednesday, 28 th May, 2025	2:00pm	Leaders Conference Room Senate New Building
12.	Diaspora & Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs)	Thursday, 29 th May, 2025	3.00pm	Meeting Room 327 Senate New Building
13.	States and Local Government Administration	Thursday, 29 th May, 2025	3.00pm	Meeting Room 107 Senate New Building
14.	Ad-hoc Committee on Ways & Means, and Anchor Borrowers Programme	Thursday, 29 th May, 2025	2.00pm	Meeting Room 324 Senate New Building
15.	Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs	Mon. 2 nd – Thu. 5 th June, 2025 (Investigative Hearings)	2.00pm	Meeting Room 211 Senate New Building