



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 6 May, 2025

1. The House met at 11.00 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.
2. The House sang the National Anthem and recited the National Pledge.
3. **Votes and Proceedings**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 27 March, 2025.
The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.
4. **Message from Mr President**
Mr Speaker read a message from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

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27 March, 2025

Rt. Honourable Tajudeen Abbas, GCON
*Speaker of the House of Representative,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Rt Honourable Speaker,

**2025 STATUTORY BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR
THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY (FCT)**

Pursuant to Section 299 of Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), which vests legislative powers over the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja on the National Assembly, I hereby present the 2025 FCT Budget Proposal to the House of Representatives for consideration.

The 2025 FCT Budget Proposal priorities investment in health care services, job creation, youth empowerment, social welfare services, education, infrastructure as well as increasing productivity in agriculture. Our objective is to lift as many of our citizens out of poverty as we can.

The House of Representatives is invited to note that, on the basis of revenue forecast for the FCT, a total expenditure of ₦1,783,823,708,392.00 is proposed for the year, 2025. As such, 85% of the capital expenditure is dedicated to the completion of ongoing projects, while 15% is for new capital projects, so as to sustain on-going efforts at providing basic infrastructure and social amenities in the FCT.

I hereby forward the 2025 FCT Statutory Budget Proposal and trust that it would receive the expeditious consideration and passage by the House of Representatives. Please accept, Rt Honourable Speaker, the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

Bola Ahmed Tinubu

5. Message from Other Parliament

Mr Speaker read a communication from the Lagos State House of Assembly on the re-election of the following:

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| (i) | Hon. Obasa M. A. | — | <i>Speaker</i> |
| (ii) | Hon. Meranda Mojisola Lasbat | — | <i>Deputy Speaker</i> |
| (iii) | Hon. Adewale T. A. | — | <i>Majority Leader</i> |
| (iv) | Hon. Mojeed F. A. | — | <i>Chief Whip</i> |
| (v) | Hon. Kasunmu A. A. R. | — | <i>Deputy Majority Leader</i> |
| (vi) | Hon. David S. S. | — | <i>Deputy Chief Whip</i> |

6. Welcome Address

Mr Speaker read the following address:

Honourable Colleagues,

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you all back from the Sallah and Easter recess. I trust the break afforded you the opportunity to reconnect with your families, engage with your constituents, and reflect deeply on the moral and spiritual lessons these sacred seasons inspire.

2. *I would like to highlight the enhancement of the digital infrastructure within the chamber, which will greatly facilitate legislative activities.*

3. *Honourable colleagues, our legislative engagement before the break featured many significant*

milestones. Notably, this Honourable House passed the Tax Reform Bills aimed at improving revenue generation, simplifying compliance, and encouraging investment. This achievement reflects our enduring commitment to responsible economic governance and national development.

4. We also demonstrated unwavering fidelity to the Constitution in our swift response to the political unrest in Rivers State. Following the President's transmission of a Proclamation of a State of Emergency, the House acted in accordance with Section 305 of the 1999 Constitution (as amended) to endorse the measure. Subsequently, we inaugurated a 21-member Ad-hoc Committee, led by the Leader of the House, to exercise oversight of the caretaker administration and safeguard democratic accountability in the State. That Committee has since commenced its engagement with stakeholders on the ground.

5. In the coming weeks, we shall work with the Senate to constitute a high-level Committee on Reconciliation, comprising respected national figures, to facilitate dialogue, promote peace, and support the restoration of democratic order in Rivers State and other conflict-affected regions.

6. In addition to these accomplishments, I am happy to mention a significant event during our recess: the first Speaker's New Media Exchange, a pioneering initiative by the House of Representatives. We acknowledge the changing public discourse and aim to enhance Parliament's connection with citizens, particularly engaging youth through modern platforms like digital influencers and online leaders.

7. Yesterday, I opened the first Legislative Conference on Renewable Energy in Lagos. Attended by Members of Parliament from Africa, sub-national governments, and industry experts, I emphasized Nigeria's urgent need to shift from fossil fuels to renewable energy. I also outlined key federal government efforts under President Bola Ahmed Tinubu and legislative initiatives from the 10th House to support this transition.

8. Honourable colleagues, as we engage in vital initiatives, it's important to acknowledge the challenges facing our nation. Sadly, our recess was marked by distressing events, including unjustified killings in Borno, Plateau, Benue, and Kwara States. The resurgence of terrorist attacks in the North-East, particularly a deadly bombing near Gamboru, has claimed many civilian lives. At the same time, communal clashes in Plateau State have also resulted in fatalities.

9. The House unequivocally condemns these attacks on innocent citizens. We acknowledge the need for renewed investment in security intelligence, surveillance technology, and inter-agency coordination.

10. On behalf of the House, I extend heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and urge our security agencies to not only bring the perpetrators to justice but also to redouble efforts to prevent further violence.

11. On the economic front, the International Monetary Fund concluded its 2025 Article IV consultation in Abuja. The Fund acknowledged Nigeria's progress in discontinuing Central Bank deficit financing and ending fuel subsidies, measures that reflect growing fiscal discipline. However, it also called for sustained efforts to curb inflation and bolster external reserves. As a legislative body, we shall ensure our appropriation and oversight processes reinforce these macroeconomic objectives.

12. Environmental forecasts indicate that over thirty states face severe flooding during the upcoming rainy season. In anticipation, I call on all relevant committees of the House to work with the Executive branch to review the country's emergency preparedness, propose mitigation strategies, and provide oversight over legislative frameworks on disaster risk management and climate resilience.

13. As we prepare to address these immediate environmental challenges, we must also focus on

our longer-term legislative priorities. One such priority is the ongoing work of the House Committee on the Review of the Constitution. This Committee has been diligently engaging stakeholders across the country and is expected to achieve substantial progress in the months ahead. Our goal remains clear. We aim to commence and complete the constitutional amendment process in good time, with broad consensus and outcomes that reflect the will of the Nigerian people.

14. *In addition, we must now move decisively to expedite the consideration and passage of critical bills that directly affect Nigerians' stability, prosperity, and well-being. Key among these is the much anticipated Electoral Reform Bill, which is fundamental to strengthening our democratic processes. Furthermore, we must also prioritize legislation in areas that impact the lives of all Nigerians, including unemployment, poverty alleviation, fiscal reform, healthcare, education, and security.*

15. *As we prepare to mark the second anniversary of the 10th House of Representatives, I wish to inform this House that the coming weeks will be exceptionally busy with a series of carefully curated engagements aimed at celebrating our progress, showcasing institutional reforms, and reinforcing the connection between the Legislature and the Nigerian people.*

16. *Key among these is the Public Policy Dialogue scheduled for 12 May in Abuja. In June, we shall host a Citizens' Engagement and Media Roundtable in Abuja and zonal media engagements in Kaduna and Lagos, respectively. The House Open Week, scheduled for 1st to 4th July, will provide further platforms for engagement and transparency.*

17. *In continuation of our efforts to strengthen public communication, a Live Media Chat on the activities of the House will also feature prominently during the anniversary week.*

18. *This will enable the leadership to speak directly to Nigerians about our legislative priorities, performance, and aspirations, while receiving direct feedback from the citizens we serve.*

19. *I call on all Honourable Members to participate fully in these activities. They are not merely ceremonial. They reflect our values as the People's House and offer critical platforms for evaluating our work, refining our agenda, and projecting our collective vision.*

20. *I equally urge the Committee on Legislative Agenda and the Committee on Monitoring and Evaluation of Standing and Ad-hoc Committees to closely collaborate with the Office of the Speaker to ensure smooth planning, execution, and documentation of all anniversary activities.*

21. *In conclusion, honourable colleagues, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your steadfast loyalty and support. As we prepare to mark our second anniversary, I encourage you to continue as we have begun and recommit ourselves to national service and legislative excellence.*

22. *Thank you, and may the Almighty continue to bless the Federal Republic of Nigeria.*

7. **Announcement**

(i) **Visitors in the Gallery:**

Mr Speaker announced the presence of the Staff and Students of Chrisland High School, Apo, Abuja.

(ii) **Appointment of Committee Chairmen:**

Mr Speaker announced the following Committee Chairmen:

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| (1) | Hon. Julius Pondi Gbaborjo | — | <i>Chairman, Committee on South South Development Commission.</i> |
| (2) | Hon. Irom Michael Etaba | — | <i>Chairman, Committee on Environment.</i> |

- (3) Hon. Billy Famous Osawaru — *Chairman, Committee on Public Petitions.*

(iii) Defection:

Mr Speaker read the following communications from:

- (i) Hon. Chidi Mark Obetta (*Nsukka/Igbo Eze-South Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Labour Party (LP) to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP);
- (ii) Hon. Dennis Nnamdi Agbo (*Igbo-Eze North/Udenu Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Labour Party (LP) to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP);
- (iii) Hon. Victor Nwokolo (*Ika North East/Ika South Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC);
- (iv) Hon. Julius Gbabojo Pondi (*Burutu Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC);
- (v) Hon. Thomas Ereyitomi (*Warri North/Warri South/Warri South West Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC);
- (vi) Hon. Mutu Nicholas Ebomo (*Bomadi/Patani Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC);
- (vii) Hon. Ukodhiko Ajirioghene Jonathan (*Isoko North/Isoko South Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC);
- (viii) Hon. Nnamdi Ezechi (*Ndokwa East/Ndokwa West/Ukwuani Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC).

8. Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order Eight, Rule 5)

(i) *Recent Fire Incident at the Armory at Giwa Barracks and the Escalating Attacks on Military Formations in Borno and Yobe States:*

Hon. Satomi Alhaji Ahmed (*Jere Federal Constituency*), and One other introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Recent Fire Incident at the Armory at Giwa Barracks and the Escalating Attacks on Military Formations in Borno and Yobe States:

The House:

Notes the recent fire incident at the armory of 127 battalion, Giwa Barracks and expresses deep concern about the escalating attacks on military formations in Borno and Yobe States;

Aware that Boko Haram have escalated their attacks on several military formations within the last two months;

Also aware that several soldiers and civilians were killed in the recent attacks;

Worried that the Barracks have been severally attacked by Boko Haram and the surrounding civilian settlements continue to be at risk;

Concerned that the recent surge in Boko Haram attacks on military formation iis deeply alarming, and also bravery and sacrifice of our military personnel is being tested by these relentless assaults;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Executive Arm of Government to conduct a thorough review of security measures in military installations to prevent similar incidents;
- (ii) also urge the Chief of Defence Staff to strengthen security operations in Borno and Yobe States to protect military personnel and civilians;
- (iii) further urge the Executive Arm of Government to provide support and compensation to families of soldiers affected by these incidents;
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Defence, National Security and Intelligence, Army, Air Force and Navy to investigate the cause of the fire incident and report within four (4) weeks (*Hon. Satomi Alhaji Ahmad — Jere Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted the recent fire incident at the armory of 127 battalion, Giwa Barracks and expresses deep concern about the escalating attacks on military formations in Borno and Yobe States;

Aware that Boko Haram have escalated their attacks on several military formations within the last two months;

Also aware that several soldiers and civilians were killed in the recent attacks;

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 - (iv) mandate the Committees on Defence, National Security and Intelligence, Army, Air Force and Navy to investigate the cause of the fire incident and report within four (4) weeks (**HR. 110/05/2025**).
- (ii) ***Brutal Killing of Innocent Hunters from Kano State by Members of Vigilante Group in Uromi, Esan North-East Local Government Area, Edo State:***
Hon. Aliyu Sani Madaki (*Dala Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:
- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
 - (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Brutal Killing of Innocent Hunters from Kano State by Members of Vigilante Group in Uromi, Esan North-East Local Government Area, Edo State:

The House:

Aware that section 41 (1) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) guarantees the right of every Nigerian to move freely, reside, and engage in lawful economic activities in any part of the country without fear of molestation or discrimination;

Notes with concern the tragic and brutal killings of innocent hunters from Kano State particularly from Rano/Bunkure/Kibiya Federal Constituency traveling from Rivers to Kano for the Eid celebration, as their vehicle was intercepted by vigilante group and armed youth at Uromi in Esan North-East Local Government Area;

Also notes that the 16 people killed and 2 injured, were said to be engaged in hunting activities which is recognized as traditional and cultural practices in many parts of Nigeria, usually conducted with the understanding of the host communities;

Further notes that these individuals were allegedly accused of being bandits or kidnappers, and were summarily executed in a manner that amounts to extra-judicial killings, and a gross violation of their Fundamental Rights under the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended);

Disturbed that this horrific incident, which occurred on Thursday, March 27, 2025 has generated widespread public outcry and tension between Northern and Southern communities, thereby posing a threat to national peace, unity and security:

Concerned that the apparent lack of immediate and decisive response from law enforcement agencies may embolden perpetrators of such acts and encourage further violence based on ethnic profiling;

Worried that if not urgently addressed, this incident may trigger reprisal attacks and fuel deep-seated ethnic mistrust that undermines national integration and security;

Resolves to:

- (i) observe a minute silence in honour of the innocent citizens whose lives were unjustly cut short;
- (ii) condemn in strongest terms the barbaric killings of innocent hunters from Kano State in Uromi, Edo State;
- (iii) urge the Inspector General of Police and the Director General of the Department of State Services to immediately launch a full-scale investigation into the incident, identify and apprehend the perpetrators, and ensure they are brought to justice;
- (iv) call on the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) to carry out an independent inquiry into the matter and recommend appropriate redress, including compensation for the families of the deceased;
- (v) commend the Executive Governor of Edo State for his pro-active measures including visiting the Kano State Governor to sympathize with the Government and people of Kano State which has helped in dousing tension;
- (vi) urge the Edo State Government to pay full compensation for all the lives lost;
- (vii) mandate the Committees on Police Affairs, and National Security and Intelligence to investigate the matter and report within two (2) weeks (*Hon. Aliyu Sani Madaki — Dala Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Aware that section 41 (1) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) guarantees the right of every Nigerian to move freely, reside, and engage in lawful economic activities in any part of the country without fear of molestation or discrimination;

Noted with concern the tragic and brutal killings of innocent hunters from Kano State particularly from Rano/Bunkure/Kibiya Federal Constituency traveling from Rivers to Kano for the Eid celebration, as their vehicle was intercepted by vigilante group and armed youth at Uromi in Esan North-East Local Government Area;

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- (v) commend the Executive Governor of Edo State for his pro-active measures including visiting the Kano State Governor to sympathize with the Government and people of Kano State which has helped in dousing tension;
- (vi) urge the Edo State Government to pay full compensation for all the lives lost;
- (vii) mandate the Committees on Police Affairs, and National Security and Intelligence to investigate the matter and report within two (2) weeks **(HR. 111/05/2025)**.

A minute silence was observed in honour of the deceased.

(iii) *Need to Address the Deteriorating Security Situation in Otukpo Local Government Area, Benue State:*

Hon. Blessing Onyeche Onuh (*Otukpo/Ohimini Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need to Address the Deteriorating Security Situation in Otukpo Local Government Area, Benue State:

The House:

Notes that the ancient town of Otukpo, a commercial hub in Benue South, connects the State with the eastern part of the country;

Concerned that the once peaceful town known for its hospitality has, in recent years, witnessed atrocious killings by armed herders;

Also concerned that affected communities include but are not limited to Asa 2, Akpa Otobi, Adoka, Okpomaju, and Amichi that left several persons dead, and thousands displaced who now live in Internally Displaced Persons (IDP camps);

Worried that the people of Otukpo and its environs, who are largely farmers, cannot access their farmlands, thus threatening food production and food sufficiency;

Resolves to:

- (i) observes a one-minute silence in honour of those who lost their lives in the killings;
- (ii) condemn the gruesome killings and destruction of properties in Otukpo community and ensure that the perpetrators are arrested and brought to book;
- (iii) urge the National Security Adviser and Service Chiefs to ensure maximum deployment of security personnel to the troubled areas such as Asa 2, Akpa/Otobi, Okpomaju, Adoka/Ugboju and Amichi to ensure complete restoration of peace and order;
- (iv) also urge the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Reduction and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to urgently provide relief materials to those affected by the attacks;
- (v) send a delegation to commiserate with the people of Otukpo who are still mourning the lives lost (*Hon. Blessing Onyechi Onuh — Otukpo/Ohimini Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

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- (iv) also urge the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Reduction and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to urgently provide relief materials to those affected by the attacks;
- (v) send a delegation to commiserate with the people of Otukpo who are still mourning the lives lost (**HR. 112/05/2025**).

A minute silence was observed in honour of the deceased.

Motion made and Question proposed, “That the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (4) to enable it take more than 3 matters of urgent public importance” (*Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader*).

Agreed to.

- (iv) **Need for Government to Provide Urgent Security Intervention for the People of Shanono and Bagwai Local Government Areas, Kano State:**

Hon. Yusuf Ahmad Badau (*Shanono/Bagwai Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 5 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need for Government to Provide Urgent Security Intervention for the People of Shanono and Bagwai Local Government Areas, Kano State:

The House:

Notes that on Thursday, 17 April, 2025, at about 8.00 p.m. in the evening, a gang of armed men (bandits) attacked the busy main market of Faruruwa town in Shanono Local Government Area, Kano State;

Worried that the attack led to the death of 2 people, 6 people sustained injuries and 1 person was kidnapped by the bandits;

Concerned that on Saturday, 26 April, 2025, a similar attack occurred in Shanono town, at about 2.00 a.m. but the bandits were intercepted by the people and no life was lost;

Also worried that on Friday, 2 May, 2025, at about 10.00 p.m., the same incident occurred at Fafawa Centre of Barawa and Sallimi, in the same-area but no life was lost;

Also notes that in recent times, there has been situations of unrest across the affected communities that comprise Shanono/Bagwai Federal Constituency; and without urgent intervention of Security Agencies banditry activities will increase in great measure, and many lives will be lost;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Inspector-General of Police, Chief of Defence Staff and the Heads of other Security Agencies to come up with tactical operational task force that will stop the reoccurrence of banditry activities in the areas;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Police Affairs, and Defence to investigate the reoccurrence of the incidents and report within four (4) weeks;
- (iii) also mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance (*Hon. Yusuf Ahmad Badau — Shanono/Bagwa Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that on Thursday, 17 April, 2025, at about 8.00 p.m. in the evening, a gang of armed men (bandits) attacked the busy main market of Faruruwa town in Shanono Local Government Area, Kano State;

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- (iii) also mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance (**HR. 113/05/2025**).

A minute silence was observed in honour of the deceased.

9. Presentation of Bills

The following Bills were read the First Time:

- (1) Nigerian Educational Research and Development Council Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2152).

- (2) Counterfeit and Fake Drugs and Unwholesome Processed Foods and Drinks (Miscellaneous Provision) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2153).
- (3) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2025 (transfer the item dealing with Public holidays from the Exclusive Legislative) (HB.2242).
- (4) National Bio-Technology Research Institute, Kauru, Kaduna State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2244).
- (5) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2025 (Creation of Additional Local Government Areas, Enugu State) (HB. 2217).
- (6) National Assembly Service Pension Board Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2240).
- (7) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2025 (HB.2279).
- (8) Chartered Institute of Business Psychology of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2277).
- (9) Federal University of Allied Health Sciences, Bichi, Kano State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2278).
- (10) National Metallurgical Training Institute, Apomu, Osun State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2246).
- (11) Institute of Vocational and Technical Studies, Aniocha, Delta State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2142).
- (12) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2025 (HB.2281).
- (13) Federal Universities of Technology Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2282).
- (14) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2025 (HB.2280).
- (15) Administration of Criminal Justice Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2262).
- (16) Nigerian Youths Trust Fund (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2148).
- (17) Institute of Chartered Applied Information Management Professionals of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2215).
- (18) National Groundnut Production, Processing and Research Institute, Kankia, Katsina State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2250).
- (19) Bank Employees, etc. (Declaration of Asset) Acts (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2259).
- (20) National Drug Law Enforcement Agency Acts (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2260).

10. Order of the Day

Motion made and Question proposed, “That the House do set down items 1 - 16 on the Order Paper till another legislative day, pursuant to Order Eight, Rule 6 (3)” (*Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader*).

11. Adjournment

That the House do adjourn till Wednesday, 7 May, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. (Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader).

The House adjourned accordingly at 1.16 p.m.

Tajudeen Abbas
Speaker