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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. National Postgraduate Medical College Act (Amendment) Bill, 2026 (HB.2820) (*Executive*) – *First Reading*.
2. National Research and Innovation Development Fund (Establishment) Bill, 2026 (HB.2821) (*Executive*) – *First Reading*.
3. Compulsory Civil Registration Bill, 2026 (SB.913) (*Senate*) – *First Reading*.
4. Nigeria Agricultural Quarantine Service (Establishment) Bill, 2026 (HB.2817) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) – *First Reading*.
5. Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2026 (HB.2818) (*Hon. James Abiodun Faleke*) – *First Reading*.

6. National Drone Industrialisation Bill, 2026 (HB.2823) (*Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu and Twelve Others*) – *First Reading*.
 7. National Deceased Organ, Tissue Donation and Transplantation Bill, 2026 (HB.2824) (*Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu and Six Others*) – *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. **Interim Report of the Special Committee:**
Hon. Ibrahim Ayokunle Isiaka:
“That the House do receive the Interim Report of the Special Committee on Restructuring of Federal Agencies and Commissions on the Review of Federal Agencies and Commissions' Mandates and Performance” (*Referred: 29/2/2024*).
2. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Hon. Laori Kwamoti:
Report On the Petition by Mr. Celestine Williams Obot (AP No. 315664):
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr. Celestine Williams Obot against the Nigeria Police Force on the non-implementation of the directive of the Police Service Commission regarding his reinstatement, rank placement, and payment of entitlements” (*Referred: 29/10/2024*).
3. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Hon. Laori Kwamoti:
Report on the Petition by Mcdoll Communications on behalf of Mr. Stephen Ilom Ebi:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mcdoll Communications on behalf of Mr. Stephen Ilom Ebi against Genesis Group Nigeria Limited in respect of an occupational injury, wrongful termination of employment and claim for compensation arising therefrom” (*Referred: 19/2/2025*).
4. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Hon. Laori Kwamoti:
Report on the Petition by Mcdoll Communications on behalf of Mr. Edwin Idowu Oluka:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mcdoll Communications on behalf of Mr. Edwin Idowu Oluka against Pillar Oil Limited over the alleged unlawful termination of employment” (*Referred: 5/3/2025*).
5. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Hon. Laori Kwamoti
Report on the Petition by Consult Limited on behalf of Mr. Chukwudi Joshua Ossai:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Consult Limited on behalf of Mr. Chukwudi Joshua Ossai against Platform Petroleum Limited over the alleged unlawful termination of employment” (*Referred: 12/3/2025*).
6. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Hon. Laori Kwamoti:
Report on the Petition by Alhaji Yakubu Mohammed:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Alhaji Yakubu Mohammed against the Federal Ministry of Works and Federal Road Safety Corps over alleged unlawful trespass” (*Referred: 5/2/2025*).

7. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Laori Kwamoti:*****Report on the Petition by Mr. Femi Louis Ogunleye:***

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr. Femi Louis Ogunleye against the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) over the alleged unlawful termination of his employment” (*Referred: 13/2/2025*).

8. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Laori Kwamoti:*****Report on the Petition by UC Oparaugo and Co. on behalf of Rev. Fr. Isaac Nginga, Mr. Ogbonna Okey, Chief Sam Okoye and others:***

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by UC Oparaugo and Co. on behalf of Rev. Fr. Isaac Nginga, Mr. Ogbonna Okey, Chief Sam Okoye and others against Madonna University over the alleged abduction and abuse of Mr. Ifeanyi Stanley Okoye and Mr. Galim Lord Aondofa” (*Referred: 29/10/2024*).

9. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Laori Kwamoti:*****Report on the Petition by the Onyeaghalanwanneya Youth Movement:***

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by the Onyeaghalanwanneya Youth Movement against the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN), Nigerian Airspace Management Agency (NAMA), Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA), and Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NIMET) over the alleged Marginalisation of the host communities of the Sam Mbakwe Cargo Airport” (*Referred: 17/10/2024*).

10. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Laori Kwamoti:*****Report on the Petition by Mr. Henry Ukaoha:***

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr. Henry Ukaoha against the Nigeria Police Force, the Inspector General of Police, the Police Service Commission, the Commissioner of Police, Rivers State Command, S.P Martha Edom, Divisional Police Officer (DPO), Rumuepirikom Divisional Headquarters, Port Harcourt and Supol Udoh over an alleged wrongful dismissal from the service” (*Referred: 28/3/2024*).

11. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Laori Kwamoti:*****Report on the Petition by Award Winning Consult Limited on behalf of Obetim–Uno Community:***

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Award Winning Consult Limited on behalf of Obetim–Uno Community against Sterling Energy Exploration and Production Company Limited (SEEPCO)” (*Referred: 16/2/2025*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Births, Deaths, Etc. (Compulsory Registration) Act, Cap. B9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Compulsory Civil Registration Act to Provide for Electronic Civil Registration System and for Related Matters (SB.913) – (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere*) – *Second Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Capital Territory Emergency Management Agency to Coordinate and Address Disaster challenges through provision of Emergency Management Services in the Federal Capital Territory and for Related Matters (HB. 2408) (*Hon. Joshua Chinedu Obika*) — *Second Reading*.

3. A Bill for an Act to Amend Federal Polytechnics Act, Cap. F17 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Establish Federal Polytechnic Wamba, Nasarawa State, for the purpose of providing qualitative education in Sciences, Arts and other Technical Knowledge and for Related Matters (HB.2801) (*Hon. Jeremiah Umaru*) – *Second Reading*.
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MOTIONS

4. **Recommittal of Federal Polytechnics Act (Amendment) Bill, 2026 Pursuant to Order One Rule 1(2) of the Standing Orders of House of Representatives:**
Hon. Bello Isah Ambarura:

The House:

Notes that Federal Polytechnics Act (Amendment) Bill, 2026, was passed on 12 March, 2026;

Also notes that certain provisions in Sections 2, 8, and 31 of the Principal Act requires further legislative scrutiny, review and amendment to ensure administrative clarity and a comprehensive legal framework;

Cognisant of the need to recommit the Federal Polytechnics Act (Amendment) Bill, 2026 to the Committee of the Whole;

Resolves to:

recommit Federal Polytechnics Act (Amendment) Bill, 2026, to the Committee of the Whole for reconsideration.

5. **Need for Federal Intervention to Address the Devastating Flood in Delta State and Other Parts of the Country:**
Hon. Francis Ejiroghene Waive:

The House:

Notes the devastating flood affecting several communities across Delta State and other parts of the country following persistent and heavy rainfall, resulting in the inundation of residential areas, public infrastructure, roads, schools, businesses and other properties and imposing severe hardship on citizens;

Aware that the flood has affected communities within Ughelli North, Ughelli South and Udu Local Government Areas of Delta State, where residents have witnessed the submergence of homes, businesses, access roads and other vital infrastructure, displacing families, destruction of property and disruption of livelihoods;

Observes that the severity of the flood was brought into sharp focus along the East-West Road at Agbarho, on the Agbarho–Ughelli axis of Ughelli North Local Government Area, where floodwaters washed away and caused the collapse of a substantial section of the major highway, and seriously disrupting vehicular movement along the strategic corridor;

Also observes that the affected East-West Road is a major transportation artery connecting Delta State with Bayelsa, Rivers, Akwa Ibom and other parts of the South-South, such that continued deterioration of the damaged section poses significant risks to motorists, commuters, commercial activities, movement of goods and the broader regional economy;

Concerned that the continued flooding of residential communities and public infrastructure exposes residents to the risk of further loss of property, displacement, disruption of education and healthcare services, road accidents, waterborne diseases and other humanitarian consequences;

Also concerned that the destruction and impairment of major roads and transportation corridors could isolate affected communities and severely disrupt the movement of agricultural produce, petroleum products, essential commodities and persons within Delta and other South-South States;

Aware that the Nigerian Meteorological Agency previously issued flood-risk advisories covering Delta State, while the National Emergency Management Agency identified Delta among States exposed to heightened flood risks and called for strengthened preparedness and coordinated emergency response;

Commends the Government of Delta State for its prompt response to the unfolding emergency, including its remedial work on the damaged section of the East-West Road by the State Governor who personally visited the area, directed for immediate intervention and called for permanent solution to the washed-out section of the highway;

Worried that despite the efforts of the Delta State Government, the magnitude of the flood and the strategic importance of the affected Federal Road infrastructure requires urgent intervention by the Federal Government to prevent further deterioration and alleviate the hardship experienced by citizens;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Works to urgently mobilise technical and financial resources to restore the damaged sections of the East-West Road in Ughelli North Local Government Area to ensure safety of lives and property;
- (ii) also urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), to immediately deploy relief materials, emergency response personnel and other necessary assistance to flood-affected communities in Ughelli North, Ughelli South and Udu Federal Constituency, Delta State;
- (iii) further urge the Ecological Funds Office to immediately implement permanent measures to resolve the erosion challenges in Agbarho, Ughelli North Local Government Area;
- (iv) commend the Government of Delta State for its prompt response in providing timely relief and remedial work on the East-West Road making the Federal Road passable at the moment;
- (v) mandate the Committees on Works, NEMA and Ecological Funds to ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

6. Need to Reduce the Cost of Credit and Improve access to Affordable Loan Facilities for Small and Medium-Scale Enterprises in Nigeria:

Hon. Bamidele Salam:

The House:

Notes that Small and Medium-Scale Enterprises (SMEs) constitute the foundation of Nigeria's productive economy, entrepreneurship ecosystem, and employment structure;

Also notes that the 2021 National Survey of Micro, Small and Medium-Scale Enterprises (MSMEs) jointly conducted by the Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN) and the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) reported that MSMEs constitute approximately 96.9% of businesses, contributes 46.32% to the GDP, accounts for 87.9% of employment, and contributes 6.21% to exports in Nigeria;

Aware that the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), under Section 16(1)(a), requires the State to harness the resources of the nation and promote national prosperity and an efficient, dynamic and self-reliant economy; while Section 17(3)(a) directs the State towards ensuring that all citizens have the opportunity of securing adequate means of livelihood and suitable employment;

Observes that the continued survival of SMEs depends substantially on access to affordable and predictable credit, particularly for working capital, acquisition of machinery, payment of wages, inventory management, and business expansion;

Worried that the prevailing cost of credit in Nigeria remains significantly burdensome for SMEs, notwithstanding the recent reduction of the Central Bank of Nigeria's Monetary Policy Rate from 26.5% to 23% in September 2026; commercial lending rates reportedly continue to range broadly between 20% and 46% per annum;

Disturbed that this contrasts sharply with several African markets, where SME lending rates are considerably lower. In the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa region (CEMAC), the average interest rate is about 10.97%, ranging from 8.31% in Cameroon to 21.51% in Gabon. In Kenya, the rate was 16.6% in 2024, while South Africa recorded 10.7% in 2025. The United States' Small Business Administration programme-backed loans generally fall within an 8–13% range;

Cognisant that the Nigerian situation therefore places domestic enterprises at a serious competitive disadvantage, hampers investment and expansion, discourages job creation, and underscores the urgent need for targeted legislative and policy measures to reduce the effective cost of SME finance, expand credit guarantees, and strengthen access to affordable, long-term lending;

Concerned that high borrowing costs, stringent collateral demands and excessive documentation have made formal loans inaccessible to most Nigerian businesses, a situation that persists despite high unemployment, especially among youths, and continued fragility in the labour market where SME survival is critical;

Also concerned that high interest rates can create a vicious cycle in which businesses increase prices to service expensive loans, lose market share because of reduced purchasing power, experience declining profitability, and become increasingly unable to meet loan obligations;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to approve a special emergency funding for the Bank of Industry and SMEDAN to facilitate provision of affordable credit facilities to SMEs at single-digit interest rates;
- (ii) also urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) in consultation with deposit money banks, development-finance institutions and SME associations, to review the monetary, prudential and risk-pricing measures affecting SME lending, with a view to establishing a transparent framework for affordable, single-digit or otherwise concessional financing for qualifying productive-sector SMEs, without compromising financial-system stability.
- (iii) further urge the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment to convene, within thirty days of the adoption of this resolution, an Emergency National Summit on Affordable SME Finance, bringing together all relevant stakeholders, to agree on time-bound measures on interest rate reduction, simplified application requirements, faster disbursement, and improved access to government-backed credits.
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Industry, Banking Regulations, Small and Medium-Scale Enterprises, Finance, and National Planning and Economic Development to ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

7. A Bill for an Act to Amend Federal Polytechnics Act, Cap. F17 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to Review the Functions of the Polytechnics and for Related Matters (HB.2114) – *Committee of the Whole: 13/10/2026.*
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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday 13 October 2026	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions <i>(Investigative Hearing)</i>	Tuesday 13 October 2026	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 427 (White House) Assembly Complex
3.	Hydrological Development	Tuesday 13 October 2026	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 028 (Conference Room) Assembly Complex