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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 29 October, 2025

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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committee on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values:

Hon. Fatoba Steve Olusola:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values on a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of National Institute for Film and Media Technology Ukawu, Ebonyi State and for Related Matters (HB 1755) (*Referred:16/10/2024*).

2. Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Kwamoti Bitrius Laori:

Petition by Hon. Prof. Paul Sunday Nnamchi on behalf of Members of Gutenberg Print Professionals Association of Nigeria (GUPPAN):

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Hon. Prof. Paul Sunday Nnamchi on behalf of Members of Gutenberg Print Professionals Association of Nigeria (GUPPAN) against some Groups working against the Implementation of the Chartered Institute of Professional Printers of Nigeria Act, 2007 (CIPPON) (Referred: 3/12/20024).

3. Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Kwamoti Bitrius Laori:

Petition Against Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company on behalf of Omole Phase II Community Development Association (CDA) Lagos State:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition against Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company on behalf of Omole Phase II Community Development Association (CDA) Lagos State for Poor, Erratic and Inadequate Power Supply in Omole Phase II Estate Lagos State (Referred: 20/2/2025).

4. Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Kwamoti Bitrius Laori:

Petition by Ayia, Ayia George & Co. on Behalf of Messrs. Habinda Nigeria Limited against the Benue State Government and the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC):

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ayia, Ayia George & Co. on Behalf of Messrs Habinda Nigeria Limited against the Benue State Government and the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC) on allegation of Trespass and Land Grabbing of Plot No. BNA4911 at Km. 8 Adaka along Makurdi- Naka Road Housing (UBEC Model Smart School)" (Referred: 30/4/2024).

5. Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Kwamoti Bitrius Laori:

Petition by Ogehenero Okoro and Co. against Seplat Energy Plc:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ogehenero Okoro and Co. against Seplat Energy Plc for Gross Marginalisation and Wrongfully Naming of the Oil Wells in Boboroku Community of Delta State after Orogho Community in Edo State and Ascribing Ownership of the Land to Orogho Community" (*Referred:* 5/12/2024).

6. Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Kwamoti Bitrius Laori:

Petition by Mrs. Nwosu Cynthia Chinonyerem against the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA):

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mrs. Nwosu Cynthia Chinonyerem against the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) over her Unlawful Dismissal" (*Referred:* 5/12/2024).

ORDERS OF THE DAY BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of National Board for Arabic and Islamic Studies to have Responsibilities for the Conduct and Regulations of Examinations and its Due Administration and for Related Matters (HB. 1469) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. A 12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provision for Establishment of Federal College of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Oluponna, Osun State and for Related Matters (HB. 849) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute for Organic Agriculture and Food Safety Research Ulonna North, Isuikwuato, Abia State and for Related Matters (HB. 1380) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.

- **4.** A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. A12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provision for Establishment of National Institute of Rubber Research and Technology, Ilushin, Ogun State and for Related Matters (HB. 737) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. A12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provision for Establishment of Federal College of Agriculture, Mbatie, Buruku, Benue State and for Related Matters (HB.572) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. A12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provision for Establishment of Federal College of Food Technology, Alu, Yagba East, Kogi State and for Related Matters (HB. 1289) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 7. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Project Development Agency (PRODA) Enugu to be charged with the Board function of Generating and catalyzing Industrialization by carrying out Industrial Research from Labouratory Stage to the Pilot plant Stage and by rendering consultancy Services to Government, Industries and individuals aimed at facilitating the domestication and Industrialization of technology for Socio Economic Advancement of Nigeria and for Related Matters (SB.49) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 8. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology Act, Cap. N16, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigeria Institute of transport Technology Act to Provide for Full–Time and Part–Time Courses of Instruction and Training for the General Development of Transport and Logistics Sector of the Nigerian Economy and for Related Matters (HB. 500) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 9. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) to include Local Government Areas and Area Councils as Constituent Units of the Federation and for Related Matters (HB.2586) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen and Hon. Adewale Hameed) Second Reading.
- 10. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to provide for the Creation of Rigachikun and Rigasa Local Government Areas out of the present Igabi Local Government Area of Kaduna State and for Related Matters (HB.2304) (Hon Hussani Mohammed Jallo) Second Reading.
- 11. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Nigerian Recycling Regulatory Agency and for Related Matters (HB.2398) (Hon. Fuad kayode Laguda) Second Reading.
- **12.** A Bill for an Act to Amend the Money Laundering (Prevention and Prohibition) Act, 2022 and for Related Matters (HB. 2450) (Hon. Yusuf Adamu Gagdi) Second Reading.
- **13.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Vocational and Skill Centre, Okurike, Biase, Cross Rivers State and for Related Matters (HB.2077) *(Hon. Emil Inyang) Second Reading.*
- 14. A Bill for an Act to Establish National Ear Care Centre, Ago–Iwoye, Ogun State for the Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment of Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) Disease, Coordination of Research in Ear, Nose and Throat Challenges, Training of Specialist in Ear, Nose and Throat and Other Supporting Fields and for Related Matters (HB.814) (*Hon. Joseph Folorunsho Adegbesan*) *Second Reading*.

15. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of Federal College of Orthopedic Technology and Therapy, Rumuepirikom, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, to Provide for Courses Leading to the Award of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in Orthopedic Technology and for Related Matters (HB.2529) (Hon. Blessing Chigeru Amadi) – Second Reading.

MOTIONS

16. Need to Upgrade First Generation Universities and Investigate the Quality and Standards of TETFUND Projects Across Federal Universities in Nigeria:
Hon. Aderemi A. Oseni:

The House:

Notes that the First-Generation Federal Universities in Nigeria in the early 60s exuded glory, glamour, quality and class from inception, and were also the pride of the nation in those days;

Also notes that the standard and quality of the first-generation universities, in terms of quality of teachers, students and infrastructure attract them to foreign students and international recognitions across the world;

Worried that these first-generation universities which includes the University of Ibadan, the University of Nigeria, Nsuka, and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, amongst others, seem to have lost the glory they exuded in the 60s due to years of neglect and unintended abandonment of infrastructure and facilities in the Universities;

Also worried that these years of neglect has resulted in decay and dilapidated infrastructure of the institutions' lecture halls, hostels, auditoriums, etc. The beautiful zoos in the Universities that attracted tourists from far and near are either empty or non-existent;

Aware that the Tertiary Education Trust (TETFund) intervention projects initiated to ameliorate the infrastructure gap in the universities, have executed a number of projects in selected Universities;

Concerned that TETFund projects are of poor quality, with newly completed works deteriorating faster than projects built over 60 years ago.

Cognisant of the need for the Federal Government to refurbish the First-Generation Universities in Nigeria to return to their former the glory and investigate the quality of works executed by TETFund to justify value for monies spent on the projects;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministries of Education and Finance, the National Universities Commission, TETFund, and Development Partners to work out modalities to refurbish the First-Generation Universities to restore the glory and quality of the Universities;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on University Education and TETFund and other Services to investigate the standard, quality of completed and ongoing projects executed by TETFund in Tertiary Institutions across Nigeria to ensure value for money expended on those projects;
- (iii) also mandate the Committees on University Education and TETFund and other Services to ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

17. Need to Address the Collapse of Local Rice Farming and Rice Mill in Nigeria: Hon. Muhammed Buba Jajare:

The House:

Notes that the policies of late President Muhammed Buhari have discouraged the importation of rice and increased large-scale farming, leading to the establishment of rice mill across the country, thereby creating employment for millions of citizens as well as improving the country's Gross Domestic Product;

Worried that the 180-day import duty waiver granted by the Federal Government to import husked brown rice and other food items has severely impacted local producers, thus leading to the reduction in the demand for local rice, leaving farmers with unsold products and forcing rice mills to shut down or scale back operations;

Also worried that the unchecked smuggling of rice through porous borders has made legitimate operators uncompetitive, compromised food safety, and emboldened criminal activities;

Disturbed that frequent changes in government policies have disrupted the agricultural production value chain, making it challenging for farmers to plan for the future;

Concerned that if this is not addressed appropriately, the country may be losing billions of naira due to the closure of most of these rice mills, which will lead to many Nigerians losing their jobs;

Resolves to:

mandate the Committee on Agricultural Production and Services to investigate the Collapse of Local Rice Farming and Rice Mill in Nigeria and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

18. Restoration of Aujara State Constituency of Jigawa State House of Assembly: Hon. Saidu Yusuf Miga:

The House:

Notes that prior the creation of Jigawa State out of Kano State, Aujara State Constituency co-existed in the Second Republic with Jahun and Miga State Constituencies with Jahun State Constituency in the Second and Third Republic elections respectively;

Aware that in 2004 the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), wrote to the National Assembly to approve the restoration of the suppressed State Constituencies across the nation;

Cognizant that Section 114 (1) the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) provides for periodic review of State Constituencies, it States that "the Independent National Electoral Commission shall review the division of every State into constituencies at intervals of not less than ten years, and may alter such constituencies following the provision of this section to such extent as it may consider desirable in the light of the review";

Also cognizant that the last review of State Constituencies in Nigeria by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) in 1998, resulted in the Suppression of Aujara State Constituency;

Cognizant of the need to give adequate representation to the people of Aujara State Constituency in the Jigawa State House of Assembly;

Resolves to:

- (i) approve the restoration of the Aujara State Constituency;
- (ii) urge the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to restore Aujara State Constituency in the Jigawa State House of Assembly to comply with extant Laws and the Provisions of Sections 91 and 112 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended); and
- (iii) seek the concurrence of the Senate, in line with Section 115 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), for the restoration of the suppressed Aujara State Constituency;
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Electoral Matters and Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance and implementation.

19. Need to Provide Cassava Processing Machines and Short-Term Loans to Nigeria Cassava Farmers: Hon. Canice Moore Chukwuugozie Nwachhukwu:

The House:

Notes that Cassava production in Nigeria is developing as an organised agricultural crop with locally established processing techniques for food products and livestock feeds;

Also notes that the crop is produced in almost all the 36 States of the Federation, including the FCT. Its peels have a high level of Hydrogen Cyanide (HCN), particularly in bitter cassava varieties, which are common in Nigeria. They are used as an energy supplement in cattle, which can partly replace 30% of total Dry Matter Intake (DMI) energy concentrates, with no influence on the intake, digestibility, microbial efficiency and nitrogen retention. It is in fact an antidote to many cattle diseases;

Aware that the planting of cassava is in four planting seasons across the country's six geopolitical zones and is therefore available all year round;

Also aware that cassava processing machines and short-term loans, if provided, will make the effective and hygienic transformation of cassava into garri and fufu possible. This will give the farmers access to a better market share with good selling prices, which will ultimately increase their income while contributing their quota in feeding the nation and increase Gross Domestic Product (GDP). As being yearned for, diversification of the Nigerian economy could be achieved by using cassava as an alternative to crude oil to earn substantial amounts of foreign exchange through massive cultivation both for local consumption and export;

Observes that cassava displays an exceptional ability to adapt to climate change, with tolerance to low soil fertility and resistance. drought conditions, pests, and diseases, with the ability to store iso8!g8"99 periods underground even after they mature. Use of fertilisers is limited, and it is also sown on fallow lands;

Also observes that cassava, which is rich in starch in the form of carbohydrate, has multiple uses. It is consumed in many processed forms and also serves as livestock feed for cattle and other animals. Its tubers are made into flours, garri or fufu, which are some of our staple foods. Its other products include dry extraction of starch, glue or adhesives and modified starch for use in the pharmaceutical industry, particularly through its utilisation as starch in drug formulations. As an excipient in tablet manufacturing and a capsule filling agent, cassava starch offers valuable functionalities that enhance the efficacy, stability, and affordability of pharmaceutical products;

Disturbed that with more than 40 cassava varieties in use, 90% of producers in Nigeria are small-scale farmers with limited or no access to modern processing machines or working capital in order to be self-reliant:

Also disturbed that Nigeria, being one of the major producers of cassava in Africa, processes about 90% of the root plant into finished products and consumes it locally. Processing is mainly done at a cottage level by women using low-level technology due to an inappropriate packaging system and difficulty in acquiring appropriate technical equipment and finances;

Dismayed that the hygiene condition is very poor and these small-scale farmers are facing serious production and profit losses along the local value chain lines;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to reconstitute the defunct Presidential Committee on the Cassava Initiative Programme, known as "Composite Cassava Flour of 2002", with the aim of improving the welfare of cassava peasant farmers in the country;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security to embark on massive value chain training of peasant farmers on cassava production, processing and packaging;
- (iii) further urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to direct the Bank of Agriculture, the Bank of Industry and other relevant financial institutions to pave the way for easy access to short-term loans in favour of farmers;
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Agricultural Production and Services and Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

20. Committee on Aids, Loans and Debts Management:

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Nalaraba:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Aids, Loans and Debts Management on the Request to Implement New External Borrowing in the 2025 Appropriations Act, Refinance Maturing Eurobonds, and issue a Debut Sovereign Sukuk in the International Capital Market and approve recommendations therein" (*Laid:* 28/10/2025).

- (i) approve the Implementation of the New External Borrowing of №1,843,669,786,987.16 (equivalent of USD 1,229,113,000.00 at the Budget Exchange rate of USD1.00/N1,500) provided as New External Borrowing in the 2025 Appropriation Act, to part-finance the Budget Deficit of №9,276,348,934,935.79.
- (ii) refinance the USD1,118,352,000.00 Eurobonds (7.625% USD1.118BN NOV 2025) maturing on November 21, 2025.
- (iii) access aggregate external capital of USD2,347,465,000.00 (USD1.229BN and USD 1.118BN), through any of the following option(s) in the International Capital Market (ICM): Issuance of Eurobonds, Loan Syndications, Bridge Finance Facility from Bookrunners and Direct Borrowing from international Financial Institutions; and,
- (iv) issue a stand-alone debut Sovereign Sukuk of up to USD500M in the ICM with or without credit enhancement (Guarantee).

- 21. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Raw Materials Research and Development Council Act, No. 28, 2022 to provide for the Protection and Development of Nigeria's Local Manufacturing and Processing Industries and for Related Matters (SB.606) *Committee of the whole: 22/10/2025*.
- **22.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Medical Centres Act, 2022 and Establish Federal Medical Centre Gumel, Jigawa State and for Related Matters (HB.2406) *Committee of the whole: 22/7/2025*.
- 23. A Bill for an Act to Establish Chartered Institute of Public Health Studies and Administration charged with Responsibility of advancing the study, Training and Practice of Public Health Management and Administration in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HBs.161 and 1041) Committee of the whole: 23/10/2025.

24. Committee on Rules and Business:

Hon. Francis E. Waive

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Rules and Business on the Further Review of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives (Edition) and approve recommendations therein" (*Laid*:22/10/2025).

25. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Patrick Umoh:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act, 2022 and Establish Federal Medical Centre, Elelele Alimini, Rivers State and for Related Matters (HB. 1174) and approve recommendations therein" (Laid: 18/10/2025).

26. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Patrick Umoh:

"That the House do consider Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend Federal Medical Centres Act, 2022 to Establish Federal Medical Centre, Ukana, Akwa Ibom State and for Related Matters (HB.2082) and approve recommendations therein" (*Laid:14/10/2025*).

27. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Patrick Umoh:

"That the House do consider Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act, 2022 and establish Federal Medical Centre, Ajasse Ipo, Kwara State and for Related Matters (HB. 1506)" (*Laid:14/10/2025*).

28. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Patrick Umoh.

"That the House do consider Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Establish College of Nursing Sciences, Ikot Mboho, Akwa Ibom State to Provide for Training and Research in General Nursing, Midwifery and Other Specialties of Nursing and for Related Matters (HB. 2085) and approve recommendations therein" (*Laid:1/7/2025*).

29. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Patrick Umoh.

"That the House do consider Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Science and Health Technology, Askira—Uba, Borno State to Provide Qualitative Education in Science and Health and for Related Matters (HB.279) and approve recommendations therein" (*Laid:18*/7/2024).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday 29 October 2025	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
3.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Wednesday 29 October 2025	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
	Ad-hoc Committee on the 2024/2025 Recruitment Exercise into the National Assembly Service Commission (interactive Meeting with National Assembly Service Commission (NASC)	Wednesday 29 October 2025	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex