



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 8th July, 2008

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

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. 2008 Appropriation Act (Amendment) Bill, (SB. 133) - *First Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (Senate Leader)
2. National Grazing Reserves (Establishment and Development) Bill, 2008(SB. 114) - *First Reading*
Senator Zaynab A. Kure (Niger South)
3. Institute of Treasury Management (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2008 (SB. 129) - *First Reading*
Senator Sylvester Anyanwu (Into North)

PRESENTATION OF A REPORT

1. **Report of the Committee on Niger-Delta:**
Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) Appropriation Bill, 2008 (SB, 121)
Senator James E. Manager (Delta South)
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Niger-Delta, on the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) Appropriation Bill, 2008 (SB. 121)" *(To be laid)*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Flood Disaster in Tinga-Dadinkowa in Yamaltu Deba Local Government Area, Gombe State**
Senator Idris A. Umar (Gombe Central)

The Senate,

Notes that between Sunday, 22nd and Monday, 23rd June 2008, there was a heavy rain around Dadinkowa in Yamaltu Deba LGA of Gombe State, which lasted for over 10 hours;

Observes that the rain resulted to a heavy and unprecedented flood which swept away more than 500 houses thereby rendering over 2000 people homeless with properties worth millions of Naira destroyed;

Notes further that various families have been displaced and are now temporarily residing in public buildings such as primary schools and mosques, which has in turn resulted into temporary closure of these schools;

Informed that the flood occurred when die rain uprooted some trees from the upstream and blocked the water discharge channel of the Tinga Bridge;

Notes that as a result of the blockage of the flow channel, the water over flooded the town thereby destroying houses, animals and properties;

Notes also that both Yamaltu/Deba Local Government Councils and Gombe State government have taken immediate steps in aid of the victims;

Aware of the magnitude of this disaster and the damages it has caused the Community which far exceeded the ability of both the State and the Local Governments;

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Commiserate* with the victims and Gombe State Government over the incidence;
- ii. **Urge** the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to as a matter of urgency send relief materials to the victims.

2. **Curbing the Abnormal Price of Diesel:**

Senator Kabiru I. Gaya (Kano South)

The Senate,

Notes that Diesel is one of the oils used as fuel in Nigeria;

Equally notes that this fuel is used in diversified ways (i.e.) transportation, machines for fabrication, grinding of pepper, tomatoes, melon and other food items;

Observes that Agricultural products on sale are equally transported to the market and the high rise of price in Diesel has also affected the cost of transportation, which inadvertently leads to the abnormal increase in price, not only of food stuffs but of every item in the country;

Reasons that a reduction in price of Diesel will favourably reduce the cost of food commodities etc and increase the general wellbeing of Nigerians;

Accordingly resolves to:

Urge the Petroleum Ministry to prevail on Mr. President to use every available standard to bring the price of Diesel down, so that other items that escalated through the price of Diesel can equally go down for the common man.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Investment Fund for Future Generations and Other Matters Incidental Thereto, 2008 (SB. 79) - *Second Reading*
Senator Bassey Ewa-Henshaw (Cross River South)
2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Prohibition of Gas Flaring in Nigeria (SB. 126) - *Second Reading*
Senator Osita B. Izunaso (Imo West)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 8th My, 2008	3.00 pm	Committee Room 15 Assembly Complex

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2.	Ethics, Code of Conduct and Public Petitions	Tuesday, 8th July, 2008	2. 30 pm	Committee Room 211 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
		Tuesday, 8th July, 2008	2. 00 pm	Committee Room 304 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
3.	Solid Minerals			Committee Room 13 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
		Tuesday, 8th July, 2008	1. 30 pm	Committee Room 305 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
4.	Appropriation			Committee Room 305 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
5.	Health	Tuesday, 8th July, 2008	1. 00 pm	Committee Room 305 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
6.	Foreign Affairs	Tuesday, 8 th July, 2008	1. 00pm	Committee Room 3.24 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
7.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Tuesday, 8 th July, 2008	2.00 pm	Committee Room 107 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
8.	Land Transport	Tuesday, 8th July, 2008	2. 00 pm	Committee Room 427 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
9.	Establishment and Public Service (<i>Screening</i>)	Tuesday, 8th July, 2008	2. 00 pm	Committee Room 313 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
10.	Works	Wednesday, 9 th July, 2008	2. 00 pm	Committee Room 221 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
11.	Capital Market	Wednesday, 9th July, 2008	2.00 pm	
12.	Industries	Thursday, 10th July, 2008	2.00 pm	