



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

Wednesday, 1st November, 2017

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

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Finance
Sen. John Enoh (*Cross River Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the reports of the Committee on Finance on:
 - a. The Companies Income Tax Act CAP C21 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 140);
 - b. The Tax Incentive Management and Transparency Bill, 2017 (SB. 331) – *To be Laid.*
2. Report of the Committee on Local and Foreign Debts
Approval of Ogun State Development Policy Operation (DPO) loan of US\$350million.
Sen. Shehu Sani (*Kaduna Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Local and Foreign Debts on the Ogun State Development Policy Operation (DPO) loan of US\$350million from the World Bank – *To be Laid.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. The Assent of the North East Development Commission Bill.

Sponsor: Sen. Goje M. Danjuma (*Gombe Central*)

Co-Sponsors:

Sen. Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan (*Yobe North*)
Sen. Binta Masi Garba (*Adamawa North*)
Sen. Ali Wakili (*Bauchi South*)
Sen. Suleiman M. Nazif (*Bauchi North*)
Sen. Bayero Usman Nafada (*Gombe North*)
Sen. Emmanuel Bwacha (*Taraba South*)
Sen. Bukar Abba Ibrahim (*Yobe East*)
Sen. Mohammed Hassan (*Yobe South*)

Sen. Baba Kaka Bashir Garbai (*Borno Central*)
Sen. Ahmadu Abubakar (*Adamawa South*)
Sen. Isah Hamma Misau (*Bauchi Central*)
Sen. Abubakar Kyari (*Borno North*)
Sen. Joshua Lidani M. (*Gombe South*)
Sen. Yusuf A. Yusuf (*Taraba Central*)
Sen. Abdul Aziz M. Nyako (*Adamawa Central*)

The Senate:

Notes that the North East Development Commission Bill was passed by the National Assembly and assented to by Mr. President C-in C on Thursday, 26th October, 2017;

Notes also that the assent to the Bill marks the establishment and take-off of the North East Development Commission to among other things:

- a. *Receive* and manage funds allocated by the Federal Government and international donor agencies for the resettlement, rehabilitation, integration and reconstruction of roads, houses and business premises of victims of insurgency as well as tackling the menace of poverty and environmental challenges of the area;
- b. *Coordinate* projects and programmes within the master plan for the rehabilitation, resettlement, reconciliation, reconstruction and sustainable development of the North-East Zone in the fields of infrastructure, human and social services, including health and nutrition, education and water supply, agriculture, wealth creation and employment opportunities, urban and rural development and poverty alleviation;
- c. *Liaise* with Federal Ministries, Departments and Agencies, states and development partners on the implementation of all measures approved in the master plan for the stabilization and development of the North-East by the Federal Government" among others;
- d. *Assess* and report on any project being funded or carried out in the North-East by any Federal Ministry, Department and Agency or company that has an agreement with the Federal Government, and ensure that funds released for such projects are properly utilized;
- e. *Liaise* with other stakeholders on the tackling of humanitarian, ecological and environmental problems and degradation that may arise from natural causes, insurgency and industrial activities in the North-East Zone. Seek humanitarian, human, material, technical and financial support from Development partners (local or international) and Non-governmental organisations with a view to developing the North-East Zone;
- f. *Co-ordinate* civil-military confidence building and stabilization measures and also activities that lie within the civil-military interface especially before, during and after military and security operations; and Act as the focal point to coordinate and harmonise all other interventions programmes and initiatives that the Federal Government is involved with in the North-East Zone.

Aware that the establishment of the Commission (NEDC) is a direct response by this administration to address the widespread devastation inflicted on the zone by the activities of the Boko-Haram Insurgents which has been around for the past 8 years;

Aware also that the Commission will provide an institutional framework that will ensure transparency, accountability and prudent management of funds that will build the confidence of Donor Agencies and Foundations towards assisting and funding projects of the Commission;

Observes that the Commission will end the huge humanitarian crisis in the Northeast that no other Committee or institution could have within the short and long term;

Convinced that as an institution backed by law, the commission would remain the biggest succour for people of the region that is adjudged to be one of the poorest regions even before the advent of the Boko-Haram crisis because their lives would be rebuilt through its activities,

According resolves to:

- i. *Commend* the President C-in-C for his assent to the North East Development Commission Bill and commitment to the plight of the North East Region;

- ii. *Commend* the Senate President and the leadership of the Senate and Distinguished Senators for their support which would see to the restoration of normal life in the Northeast;
- iii. *Urge* the Federal Government to make adequate financial provisions in the 2018 Budget for the Commission's appropriate take-off; and
- iv. *Urge* the Donor Agencies to continue to support the North East through the newly established Commission.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to establish the Nigerian Tax Academy in order to provide training, develop standard curriculum for continue education of tax administrators and collectors to facilitate effective service delivery and for other related matters, 2017 (SB. 330) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Aliyu Abdullahi (*Niger North*).
2. A Bill for an Act to amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 315) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Abdullahi Adamu (*Nasarawa West*).
3. A Bill for an Act to amend the Legal Practitioners Act CAP C11 LFN 2004 and for other connected matters, 2017 (SB. 435) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Godswill Akpabio (*Akwa-Ibom North West*).
4. A Bill for an Act to amend the National Orientation Agency Act, CAP N100 and for other connected matters, 2017 (SB. 333) - *Second Reading*
Senator Dino Melaye (*Kogi West*).
5. A Bill for an Act to establish the National Tea and Coffee Development Council and for other connected matters, 2017 (SB. 462) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Yusuf Abubakar Yusuf (*Taraba Central*).
6. A Bill for an Act to provide for Legal, fiscal and regulatory framework for sustainable energy development in Nigeria with the overall objective of providing clean, affordable, adequate and reliable energy and for other related matters, 2017 (SB. 431) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ibrahim Gobir (*Sokoto East*).
7. A Bill for an Act to amend the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Act CAP F6 LFN 2004 and for other matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 115) - *Second Reading*
Sen. David Umaru (*Niger East*).
8. A Bill for an Act to establish the National Youth Development Commission and for other matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 385) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ogba Obinna (*Ebonyi Central*).
9. A Bill for an Act to establish the Nigerian Bank of Industry charged with the responsibility of providing capital to indigenous entrepreneurs, corporate bodies and persons for medium and long term investment for industrialization and for related matters , 2017 (SB. 366) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Sam Egwu (*Ebonyi North*).
10. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Institute of Management Act No14 2003 and for other matters connected thereto, 2017 (SB. 13) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Mao Ohuabunwa (*Abia North*).
11. A Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of National Institute of Credit Administration and for other Matters Connected Therewith, 2017 (SB. 153) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ben Murray-Bruce (*Bayelsa East*).

12. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Nigerian Council for food Science and Technology and for allied matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 92) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Ajayi Boroffice (*Ondo North*).
13. A Bill for an Act to establish the Federal Polytechnic Silame, Sokoto State to provide full-time courses in technology, applied science management and other fields of studies and to make provisions for the general administration of the polytechnic and for other related matters, 2017 (SB. 406) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Aliyu Wamakko (*Sokoto North*).
14. A Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of the Federal University of Agriculture and Technology Oke-Ogun and for other related matters thereof, 2017 (Sb. 466) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Buhari Abdulfatai (*Oyo North*).
15. A Bill for an Act to establish the Federal polytechnic Kabo to provide full-time courses in technology, applied science management and other fields of studies and to make provisions for the general administration of the polytechnic and for other related matters, 2017 (SB. 407) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Jibrin Barau (*Kano North*).
16. A Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of the Foreign Service Commission charged with the responsibility of ensuring Excellence and Professionalism in conducting the Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and for connected matters, 2017 (SB. 422) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Shehu Sani (*Kaduna Central*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	INEC	Wednesday, 1 st November, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 431 Senate New Building
2.	Ad-Hoc Committee on Nigerian Immigration Service Internally Generated Revenue	Wednesday, 1 st November, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 327 Senate New Building
3.	Privatization	Wednesday, 1 st November, 2017	1.00pm	Chairman's Office 1.07 Senate New Building
4.	Ad-hoc Committee to Investigate the various Allegations Levelled against the Police, Inspector-General of Police and Police Service Commission	Wednesday, 1 st November, 2017 (Investigative Hearing)	2.30pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
5.	Ad-hoc Committee on Re-instatement of A.A. Maina	Wednesday, 1 st November, 2017	1.00pm	Chairman's Room 4.41 Senate New Building
6.	Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions	Wednesday, 1 st November, 2017	3.00pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building
7.	Ad-Hoc Committee on Alleged Mis-use, Under-Remittance and other fraudulent Activities.	Wed. 1 st – Thur. 2 nd Nov, 2017 (Public Hearing)	12.00noon	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
8.	Land Transport	Thursday, 2 nd November, 2017 (Public Hearing)	12.00noon	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building

9.	Agriculture and Rural Development	Thursday, 2 nd November, 2017	1.00pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building
10.	FCT	Thursday, 2 nd November, 2017 (Budget Deliberation)	2.00pm	Committee Room 231 Senate New Building
11.	Agriculture and Rural Development	Tuesday, 7 th November, 2017 (Public Hearing)	12.00noon	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building
12.	Ad-Hoc Committee on Alleged Mis-use, Under-Remittance and other fraudulent Activities.	Tue. 7 th - Thur. 9 th Nov, 2017 (Public Hearing)	12.00noon	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building