



EDO STATE

**EDO STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY  
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA  
FIFTH ASSEMBLY  
FIRST SESSION  
SECOND QUARTER**

**NO. 40**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
Monday, 31st October, 2011**

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1. The House met at 12 noon. Mr. Speaker took his seat and prayers were said.
2. **Roll Call of Honourable Members:** The Roll Call of Honourable Members was taken as follows:

**PRESENT**

<b>S/NO.</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CONSTITUENCY</b>
1.	Hon. AGHEDO, Sunday	<i>Ovia South-West</i>
2.	Hon. (Barr.) ALIU, Peter	<i>Etsako East</i>
3.	Hon. (Mrs.) ATIVIE, U. Elizabeth	<i>Uhunmwode</i>
4.	Hon. EBEA, Festus	<i>Esan South-East</i>
5.	Hon. EDOROR, Victor S.	<i>Esan Central</i>
6.	Hon. EHIGHALUA, Monday E.	<i>Esan West</i>
7.	Hon. EHIGIAMUSOR, Kingsley	<i>Igueben</i>
8.	Hon. IGBE, Uyigüe	<i>Oredo West</i>
9.	Hon. ILUOBE, Patrick E.	<i>Esan North-East I</i>
10.	Hon. ISE-IDEHEN, Jude	<i>Ikpoba-Okha</i>
11.	Hon. OGIERHIAKHI, Friday	<i>Orhionmwon II</i>
12.	Hon. OGHUMA, Johnson Egwakhide	<i>Etsako Central</i>
13.	Hon. (Barr.) OHONBAMU, Paul	<i>Egor</i>
14.	Hon. OKODUWA, Emmanuel	<i>Esan North-East II</i>
15.	Hon. OLORUNTOBA, Simon Bamidele	<i>Akoko-Edo II</i>
16.	Hon. OSAYANDE, Noghayin Bright	<i>Ovia North-East II</i>
17.	Hon. OSAYIMWEN, Patrick	<i>Oredo East</i>
18.	Hon. OSAZEMWINDE, Sunday	<i>Ovia North-East I</i>

**ON OFFICIAL ASSIGNMENT**

1.	Hon. MOMOH, Abdulrazak Awu	<i>Etsako West I</i>
2.	Hon. OGEDENGBE, Foly Joseph	<i>Owan East</i>
3.	Hon. SHAIKU, Philip	<i>Etsako West II</i>

**ABSENT WITH APOLOGY**

1.	Hon. (Alhaji) ADJOTO, Kabiru	<i>Akoko-Edo 1</i>
2.	Hon. AISOWIEREN, Patrick	<i>Orhionmwon I</i>
3.	Hon. OHIO-EZOMO, Michael	<i>Owan West</i>

## **SUMMARY**

i.	Hon. Members Present	=	18
ii.	Hon. Members on Official Assignment	=	3
iii.	Hon. Members Absent With Apology	=	3
iv.	Hon. Members Absent	=	<u>Nil</u>
	<b>Total</b>	=	<b><u>24</u></b>

### **3. Approval of Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 26th October, 2011.**

Mr. Speaker announced that he had read through, and was satisfied with the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday 26th October, 2011, which was thereafter approved by unanimous consent, subject to the following amendments:

To *delete* the names “**Hon. Edoror, Victor (Esan Central)** and “**Hon. Adjoto, Kabiru**” (*Akoko-Edo I*) from “**Absent Column**” and *insert* same under “**Official Assignment**” *instead* thereof.

### **4. Petition:**

Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of a petition and directed the Clerk to give the synopsis thus: “**Short Changing of Genuine Land Owners Their Entitlements and Compensation by Pan - Ocean Oil Company In Iguomokhua Village**” dated 16th August, 2011 and signed by one Jolly Irobu and five others.

Mr. Speaker thereafter constituted an Ad-hoc Committee to investigate the petition. Members of the Committee include:

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| (i)   | <b>Hon. Johnson Oghuma</b> ( <i>Etsako Central</i> )       | - | Chairman |
| (ii)  | <b>Hon. Patrick Aisowieren</b> ( <i>Orhionmwon I</i> )     | - | Member   |
| (iii) | <b>Hon. Patrick E. Iluobe</b> ( <i>Esan North-East I</i> ) | - | Member   |

The Committee was given two weeks within which to report back to the House.

### **5. A Motion Calling on the State Government To Reactivate Communal Farms and Farm Settlement Schemes in Edo State:**

**Whereas**, in the past, Communal Farm sites were, established in all the Senatorial districts of the then Bendel State, and with the creation of Edo State, there still exists five Communal Farms located at Obayantor, Usugbenu, Anegbette, Ikiran-Ile and Sabongida Ora.

**Whereas**, Government also established Farm Settlement Schemes in the early 1960's at Sobe, Iguoriakhi and Ekpoma.

**Whereas**, these programmes have lofty and realisable goals.

**Whereas**, these agricultural programmes have been abandoned by the past Governments.

**Whereas**, among the priorities of the present State Government are;

- (i) The employment of our teeming unemployed youths
- (ii) The provision of food for all the growing population,

- (iii) The transformation of our traditional subsistence agriculture into modern economic venture and the production of cash crops for agroallied industries.

**Whereas**, the reactivation of these agricultural services, that is Communal Farms and Farm Settlement Schemes and the establishment of new ones, where necessary, could help reduce unemployment in the state and at the same time produce enough food for the citizenry and cash crops for agro-allied industries.

***Let it be resolved therefore that the State Ministry of Agriculture do:***

(i) Put in place necessary machinery for reactivation of the five existing communal farms in addition to the opening of new ones where desirable and the tree Farm Settlement Schemes.

(ii) Strengthen the Directorates of Communal Farm Project in the Ministry with a view to monitoring the communal farms.

**Hon. Michael Ohio-Ezomo** (*Owan West*).

On Order being read, consideration of the motion was deferred till next week.

**6. Consideration of the Report of the House Standing Committee on Education on a Petition titled “Unabsorbed Federal Teachers Scheme (U.B.E)” signed by Mr. Osahon L. Uhunoma and Isibor Festus and dated 15th March, 2010.**

***Motion made and Question Proposed;*** That the House do now resolve into a committee of the Whole to consider the Report.

**Hon. Aliu, Peter** (*Etsako East*)

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

***Motion made and Question Proposed;*** That the Report be taken from the Chair.

**Hon. Aliu, Peter** (*Etsako East*)

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

(In the Committee)

**Recommendation**

**Having exhaustively considered the findings, the Committee recommend that these teachers should be absorbed when the Government have the resources to accommodate them.**

***Motion made and Question Proposed;*** That the recommendation stands part of the Report.

**Hon. Uyigwe Igbe** (*Oredo West*)

Debate Arising

**Amendment Proposed;** To recast the recommendation thus: **Having exhaustively considered the findings, the Committee recommends that these teachers should be absorbed when the Government have the “resources” and “vacancies” to accommodate them..**

**Hon. Ohonbamu, Paul (Egor)**

Question put and ***Negatived***

**Amendment Proposed;** To recast the recommendation thus: **Having exhaustively considered the findings, the Committee recommends that these teachers should be absorbed when the Government have the “vacancies” to accommodate them.**

**Hon. Osayinmwun, Patrick (Oredo East)**

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

**Main Motion Made and Question Proposed;** That the Recommendation as amended stands part of the Report.

**Hon. Uyigue Igbe (Oredo West)**

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

**Motion made and Question Proposed;** That Mr. Chairman do resume as Mr. Speaker to report Progress.

**Hon. Ohonbamu, Paul (Egor)**

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

Mr. Speaker thereafter reported Progress.

**Motion made and Question Proposed;** That the Report stands as a Resolution of the House.

**Hon. Uyigue Igbe (Oredo West)**

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

Mr. Speaker thereafter directed that copies of the Resolution be sent to His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Edo State, Adams Aluyi Oshiomhole and the Commissioner, Ministry of Education for necessary action.

**7. Adjournment:**

**Motion made and Question Proposed;** That this Honourable House do now adjourn sitting till Tuesday, 1st November, 2011 at 10.00 a.m. prompt.

**Hon. Osayande, Bright (Ovia North-East II)**

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

***Sitting Accordingly Adjourned At Thirty Minutes Before One O'Clock In  
The Afternoon.***

***RT. HON. UYIGUE IGBE  
(SPEAKER)***