National Institute For legislative Studies

RESEARCHERS URGED TO CONTRIBUTE TO DEVELOPMENT PERSPECTIVES AND STRATEGIES



A call for harmonious relationship to ensure a conducive work environment has been made to staff of the Research Department of the National Institute for Legislative Studies. The call, which was made by the Director General of the Institute, Dr. Ladi Hamalai, came out during an in-house meeting with staff of the Division.

The Director General charged them to stay ahead in Bills and Policy Analysis as well as contributions to the institute's journal. Part of the discussion highlighted the need to acknowledge and respect hierarchy. Dr. Hamalai emphasized the need to stay focused in pursuit of their terms of reference and expected contributions within the Institute's work plan.

While some of the staff shared their views on boosting productivity, the Director, Research and Training, Dr. Adeyemi Fajingbesi, assured that they will engage in a weekly seminar which will feature peer review so as to enrich their output and further promote quality in their work.

The Research and Training Department is one of the core Departments at the National Institute for Legislative Studies. It has the Research, Library and Training Divisions.

The Department is mandated to conduct in-depth studies on issues and topics for the legislators while playing a leading role in enabling the National Assembly keep abreast of cutting-edge developments and contributing to the shaping of development perspectives and strategies.





Friday 23rd January 2015: A communique was adopted at the end of a four-day workshop on strategic legislative programme for senior parliamentary staff drawn from various national parliaments of the ECOWAS member States. It contained the following resolutions:

- 1. Need to enhance Cooperation and Networking amongst Parliamentary Staff of National Parliaments of ECOWAS;
- 2. Need to imbibe culture of urgency especially in dealing with mandates from our Stakeholders- Legislators;
- 3. Need for Staff to improve on the tempo and quality of reports, briefs, speeches etc;
- 4. Call for Management to encourage interpersonal relations amongst Staff regardless of cadre in order to improve productivity;
- 5. Call for re-adjustments in attitudes and behaviour among all staff to encourage harmonious working relationship;
- 6. Staff need to improve on the delivery of legislative support services in order to enhance the capacity of individual Legislators and Parliamentary Staff;
- 7. Need for proper documentation and preservation of activity-reports and archives in NILS;
- 8. The Institute should continue to provide capacity development programmes for staff in order to improve their productivity and quality of work;
- 9. The Institute should develop and maintain various databases so as to improve access to information;
- 10. Adopt more innovative approach in our deliverables to Legislators and Legislative Aides; and
- 11. Encourage team spirit in the Institute's activities.

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