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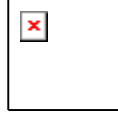
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**SCHEDULE**

**MODIFICATION OF BUH NATIVE LAW AND CUSTOM RELATING TO THE  
SELECTION OF CHU BUH, NAKERE (CHIEFDOM) ORDER, 2015**



**LAW NO. 20 OF 2015**

10<sup>th</sup> December, 2015

Date of  
Commencement.

**WHEREAS**, the Wamba Local Government Council considers it expedient for the good government and welfare of the area of its authority that a recommendation for the modification of the Native Law and Custom relating to the selection of a person to be the **Chu Buh** should be submitted for the consideration of the Governor of Nasarawa State;

**WHEREAS**, the Wamba Local Government Council has submitted for the consideration of the Governor for the modification of the Buh Native Law and Custom relating to the selection of the **Chu Buh**;

**AND WHEREAS**, I am satisfied that the recommendation for the modification is expedient and not repugnant to natural justice, equity and good conscience and that it is not incompatible either in its terms or by necessary implication with any enactment;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 4 of the Chiefs (Appointment and Deposition) Law and section 59 of the Local Government Law 2009, and all other powers enabling in that behalf, I hereby make the following order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the Wamba Local Government Council (Modification of Native Law and Custom relating to the selection of the **Chu Buh** Order 2015, and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2015. Title and Commencement.
2. The Buh Native Law and Custom set out in the schedule to this Order shall be the Native Law and Custom relating to the selection of **Chu Buh** and shall be in force in the area of authority of the Wamba Local Government Council. Application of the Native Law and Custom.

3. In this Order unless the context otherwise requires:

“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Local Government Council.

“Council of Chiefs” means the State Council of Chiefs.

“Local Government Council” means the Wamba Local Government Council.

“Governor” means the Governor of Nasarawa State.

“Presiding Officer” means the Presiding Officer appointed under paragraph 6.

“Secretary” means the Secretary appointed under Paragraph 6.

“State” means Nasarawa State.

“Tie” means where candidates with equal number of votes at a selection under paragraph 10 (3) & (4).

“Traditional Selectors” means the Traditional Selectors referred to in paragraph 2 who are charged with the responsibility of the selection of the **Chu Buh**.

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4. The **Chu Buh** shall continue to be chosen by the traditional Candidate selectors from the Male Descendants of.
- (i) Any male adult of 35 years and above
- 5(a). The Traditional Selectors shall be the persons holding the following posts, namely:
- (i) Mircho (Nakere)
  - (ii) Njubuh (Ragga)
  - (iii) Changya (Maiganga)
  - (iv) Gadri (Talpa)
  - (v) Mbga (Lago)
  - (vi) Baga (Jiga)
  - (vii) Magaji (Tofa)
  - (viii) Benga (Banga)

- (b). The traditional selectors mentioned in paragraph 5(a) of this Order shall constitute an Electoral College for the purpose of selection of the **Chu Buh**. Electoral College.
- (c). The quorum at the meeting of the Traditional Selectors to select the **Chu Buh** shall be five (5) selectors. Quorum
- 6(a). Whenever the Office of **Chu Buh** is vacant, the Chairman of the Local Government shall notify the Governor in writing of such vacancy. Vacancy of Office.
- (b). The Governor shall on receipt of the information of the Office of **Chu Buh** being vacant, appoint a Presiding Officer and a Secretary for the purpose of the selection of **Chu Buh**. Appointment of Presiding Officer.
7. The Secretary to the Local Government shall be in attendance as an Observer at the selection of the **Chu Buh**. Observer.
8. (1) The Presiding Officer shall issue nomination papers to each Traditional Selector and shall call for nomination of candidates from the adult males of the Ruling Houses specified in paragraph 4. Nomination.
- (2) Nomination of candidate shall be submitted to the Presiding Officer in writing and some assistance may be rendered in the case of illiterate Traditional Selector(s).
- (3) Where only one candidate is nominated, that candidate shall be return unopposed and declared the selected **Chu Buh** subject to the approval of the Governor after consultation with the State Council of Chiefs.
9. (1) Where a Traditional Selector is nominated and he agrees to stand for the selection, he shall lose his right to vote at the meeting, and shall forth-with vacate the Electoral College. Traditional Selector to lose right to vote.
- (2) Where a Traditional Selector loses his voting right under sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph, he shall not be replaced by another person at the meeting.
10. (1) Where more than one candidates are nominated, the Presiding Officer shall conduct the selection by secret ballot and every Traditional Selector shall have only one vote. Election by Secret ballot.

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- (2) The candidate who receives the highest number of votes shall be declared the selected subject to the approval of the Governor after due consultation with the State Council of Chiefs.
- (3) In the event of a tie or an equality of votes, a second ballot shall be taken as soon as thereafter as may be practicable in accordance with sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph for the candidates who secured the greatest equal number of votes.
- (4) If after the second ballot has been taken under sub-paragraph (3) of this paragraph, there is still a tie or equality of votes, the Presiding Officer shall forthwith decide between the candidates with the highest and equal number of votes by lot. The candidate on whom the lot falls shall be deemed to have been selected as the **Chu Buh** subject to the approval of the Governor after consultation with the State Council of Chiefs.

The Common Seal of Wamba Local Government Council is hereby affixed in the presence of:-

His Royal Highness

HON. JUSTICE MUSA LAWAL NAGOGO,  
President, Wamba Local Government Traditional Council.



HON. MUSA SHUAIBU WAYO,  
Chairman, Wamba Local Government Council.

Signified in accordance with Wamba Local Government

Traditional Council the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015

MUSA KWANZA,  
Secretary, Wamba Local Government Council.

Approved at Lafia this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015.

**UMARU TANKO AL-MAKURA**  
Executive Governor,  
Nasarawa State of Nigeria