

# **CHAPTER 15 - BAISSA TIMBER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

A LAW TO PROVIDE FOR A CORPORATION TO MANAGE SAW MILLS AT BAISSA  
[26 January  
1978]

## **PART I—PRELIMINARY**

1.—(1) This Law may be cited as the "Baissa Timber Development Corporation" Law.

(2) This Law shall apply to the present sawmill complex located at the Baissa Forest Reserve in the Sardauna Local Government Area.

(3) In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires:-

"appointed day" means that date on which this Law shall come into operation;

"The Corporation" means the Baissa Timber Development Corporation established under section 3 of this Law;

"The Board" means the Board of Directors of the Corporation;

"The Chairman" means the Chairman appointed under subsection (1) of section 4; of this Law;

"The Commissioner" means the Commissioner responsible for Natural Resources;

"The General Manager" means the General Manager of the Baissa Timber Development Corporation;

"Financial" means the twelve months ending on the 31st day of March in any year;

"Governor" means the Governor of the State;

"Forest Reserve" means any area constituted a forest reserve under the Forestry Law;

"Government" means the Gongola State Government;

"Member" means member of the Corporation and includes the Chairman;

"The State" means the Gongola State of Nigeria;

The interpretation under section 2 of the Forestry Law shall have effect under this Law.

## **PART II—ESTABLISHMENT, CONSTITUTION AND PROCEDURE**

2. As from the appointed day there shall be established a body called the Baissa Timber Development Corporation which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and which shall have power to sue and be sued in its corporate name.

3. The Corporation shall have a Board of Directors the membership of which shall consist of a Chairman and six other members including the Chief Conservator of Forests and one representative each of the Ministries of Finance and Economic Development and Trade, Industry and Co-operatives.

4.—(1) There shall be paid out of the funds of the Corporation to each member, not being an officer in the public Service of the State, such remuneration whether by way of salary, fees or allowances as the Governor may determine.

(2) A member shall not be personally liable for any act or any default on his part so long as such act, or default is in the course of the operations of the Corporation and done in good faith.

5. The Governor may revoke the appointment of a member if he is satisfied that such a member:-  
( a ) has been absent from three consecutive meetings of the Corporation without the permission of the Commissioner in the case of any other member;