

**TAXES AND LEVIES (APPROVED LIST FOR COLLECTION)  
DECREE  
NO 21 OF 1998  
LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA**

**Arrangement of Sections**

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|----|------------------------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| 1. | Responsibility for collection taxes and levies, etc. | 2. | Assessment and collection of taxes. | 3. | Offences. |
| 4. | Interpretation.                                      | 3. | Citation.                           |    |           |

*30<sup>th</sup> day of September 1998*

The Federal Military Government hereby decrees as follows:-

1. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1979, as amended, or in any other enactment or law, the Federal Government, State Government and Local Government shall be responsible for collecting the taxes and levies listed in Part I, Part II and Part III of the Schedule to this Decree, respectively.
- (2) The Minister of Finance may, on the advice of the Joint Tax Board and by Order published in the Gazette, amend the Schedule to this Decree.
1. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1979, as amended, or in any other enactment or law, no person, other than the appropriate tax authority, shall assess or collect, on behalf of the Government, any tax or levy listed in the Schedule to this Decree, and members of the Nigeria Police Force shall only be used in accordance with the provisions of the tax laws.
- (2) No person, including a tax authority, shall mount a road block in any part of the Federation for the purpose of collecting any tax or levy.
3. A person who –
  - (a) collects or levies any tax or levy; or
  - (b) mounts a road block or causes a road block to be mounted for the purpose of collecting any tax or levy, in contravention of section 2 of this Decree, is guilty of an offence and

liable on conviction to a fine of N50,000 or imprisonment for 3 years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

4. In this Decree, unless the context otherwise requires –

"Government" means the Federal, State or Local Government;

"Joint Tax Board" means the Joint Tax Board established under the provisions of Personal Income Tax Decree 1993;

"levy" includes any fee and charge,;

"tax authority" means –

- (a) the Federal Board of Inland Revenue, the State Board of Internal Revenue or the Local Government Revenue Committee; or
- (b) a Ministry, Government department or any other Government body charged with responsibility for assessing or collecting the particular tax.

5. This Decree may be cited as the Taxes and Levies (Approved List for Collection) Decree 1998.

## **Schedule**

### **Part I**

#### **Taxes to be collection by the Federal Government**

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| 1. Companies income tax.                                                                   | 2. Withholding tax on companies, residents of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja and non-resident individuals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 3. Petroleum profits tax.                                                                                                 |
| 4. Value added tax.                                                                        | 5. Education tax.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 6. Capital gains tax on residents of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, bodies corporate and non-resident individuals. |
| 7. Stamp duties on bodies corporate and residents of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja. | 8. Personal income tax in respect of – <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) members of the Armed Forces of the Federation;</li><li>(b) members of the Nigeria Police Force;</li><li>(c) residents of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja; and</li><li>(d) staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and non-resident individuals.</li></ul> |                                                                                                                           |

**Part II**  
**Taxes and Levies to be collected by the State Government**

1. Personal Income Tax in respect of –
  - (a) Pay-As-You-Earn (PAYE); and
  - (b) direct taxation (Self Assessment).
  

1. Withholding tax (individuals only).	2. Capital gains tax (individuals only).	3. Stamp duties on instruments executed by individuals.
4. Pools betting and lotteries, gaming and casino taxes.	5. Road taxes.	6. Business premises registration fee in respect of –

  - (a) urban areas as defined by each State, maximum of –
    - (i) ₦10,000 for registration, and
    - (ii) ₦5,000 per annum for renewal of registration; and
  - (b) rural areas –
    - (i) ₦2,000 for registration, and
    - (ii) ₦1,000 per annum for renewal of registration.

  

1. Development levy (individuals Only) not more than N 100 per annum on all taxable individuals.	2. Naming of street registration fees in the State Capital.	3. Right of Occupancy fees on lands owned by the State Government in urban areas of the State.
4. Market taxes and levies where State finance is involved.		

**Part III**  
**Taxes and Levies to be collected by the Local Government**

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| 1. Shops and kiosks rates.                                                                                            | 2. Tenement rates.                                                                               | 3. On and Off Liquor Licence fees.                                               |
| 4. Slaughter slab fees.                                                                                               | 5. Marriage, birth and death registration fees.                                                  | 6. Naming of street registration fee, excluding any street in the State Capital. |
| 7. Right of Occupancy fees on lands in rural areas, excluding those collectable by the Federal and State Governments. | 8. Market taxes and levies excluding any market where State finance is involved.                 | 9. Motor park levies.                                                            |
| 10. Domestic animal licence fees.                                                                                     | 11. Bicycle, truck, canoe, wheelbarrow and cart fees, other than a mechanically propelled truck. | 12. Cattle tax payable by cattle farmers only.                                   |

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| 13. Merriment and road closure levy.            | 14. Radio and television licence fees (other than radio and television transmitter). | 15. Vehicle radio licence fees (to be imposed by the Local Government of the State in which the car is registered). |
| 16. Wrong parking charges.                      | 17. Public convenience, sewage and refuse disposal fees.                             | 18. Customary burial ground permit fees.                                                                            |
| 19. Religious places establishment permit fees. | 20. Signboard and Advertisement permit fees.                                         |                                                                                                                     |

Made at Abuja this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 1998

**General Abdulsalami Alhaji Abubakar**  
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Federal Republic of Nigeria

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