

**NIGERIAN INVESTMENT PROMOTION COMMISSION  
COURT CASES FOR JANUARY TO MARCH 2020**

<b>S/ N</b>	<b>Date Commenced</b>	<b>Parties</b>	<b>Cause of Action</b>	<b>Brief Fact</b>	<b>Relief Sought</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	Dec. 2019	Hon. Ali Sani vs. NIPC & 2 Ors.	Alleged refusal to donate to the Governing Council the powers delegated to the Executive Secretary by the Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment to execute and administer the Pioneer Status Incentive	1. The Plaintiff seeks that the powers to approve, decline and extend Pioneer Status Incentive (PSI) delegated by the Honourable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment to the Executive Secretary should be donated to the Governing Council.  2. The Plaintiff also seeks that the Commission should refund all its Internally Generated Revenue (IGR), appropriated for and spent and desist from further spending its IGR.	i. An Order restraining NIPC Management from further approving, issuing, cancelling and renewing the Pioneer Status Incentive (PSI) without the approval of the Governing Council;  ii. An Order cancelling all Pioneer Status Certificates issued from March 2018 to December 2019;  iii. An Order directing NIPC to henceforth remit all IGR into the Consolidated Revenue Fund (CRF);  iv. Directing NIPC to refund to the Federation Account all monies that have been appropriated and spent from the Commission's IGR from 2018-2019; and  v. An Order restraining NIPC from further approving	Ongoing at the Federal High Court Abuja
2	Mar. 2019	Auta Maisamari v. ES NIPC & 13 Ors.	Alleged breach of the Freedom of Information Act	The matter borders on request for information as regards the Foreign Allowance approved by the Governing Council for the ES of NIPC (Despite attaching same to the Processes) and the legality of GC's approval of a Foreign Leave Allowance for the ES	Refund of the Foreign Leave Allowance drawn by the ES in 2017 & 2018 and an Application for ES to step aside pending the determination of the Suit.	Ongoing at the Federal High Court Abuja
3	Mar. 2018	Pemo Farms vs. NCS, CBN, FIRS, MoF & NIPC	Alleged wrongful custody of seized goods	NCS imposed import duties on imported agricultural equipment by Pemo Farms contrary to 0% import duties by FG	Release of seized equipment by NCS and award of exemplary damages against NCS	Adjourned pending Out of Court Settlement at the Federal High Court Lagos State
4	Dec. 2015	Midwestern Oil & Gas vs. NIPC & FIRS.	Alleged abridgement of the tenure of Pioneer Status from 5 to 3 years.	The initial grant of 5 straight years pioneer status term to the companies was later abridged to 3 years	A declaratory order that the action of NIPC & FIRS is unfair.	Ongoing at the Federal High Court
5	Dec. 2012	Hassan Oguche & 2 Ors. vs. NIPC	Purported wrongful disengagement from service	A claim by 3 non-staff members (Hassan Oguche, Charles Orafu and Blessing Oholi) that they were unlawfully disengaged from the Commission.	An Order setting aside the Judgement of the Lower Court in favour of NIPC and extension of time to seek leave to appeal the Judgement.	Ongoing at the Court of Appeal