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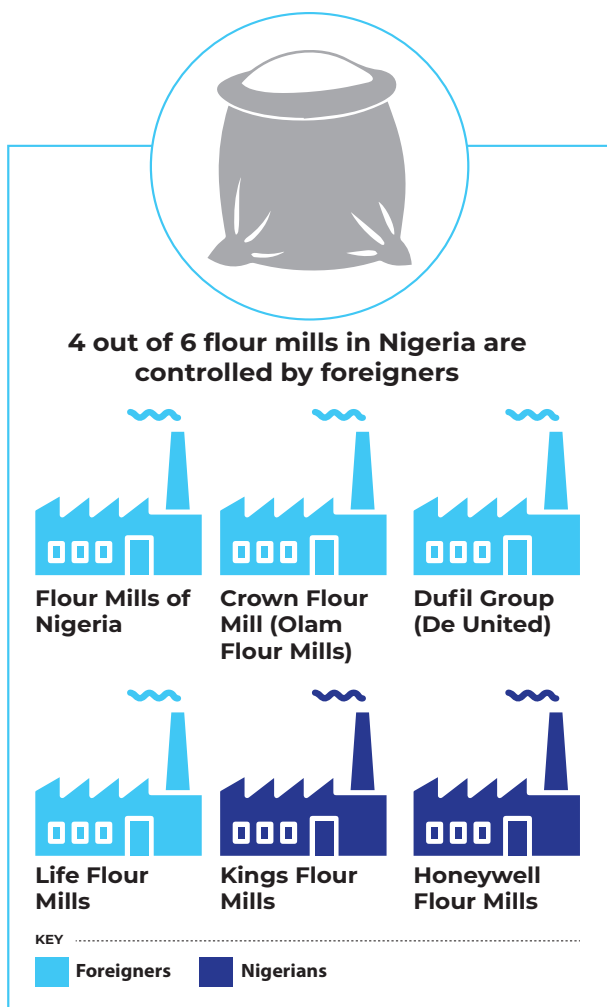
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### Why flour price hike is a problem

Bread is a staple food in many homes in Nigeria. **Both the rich and the poor consume bread**



The bread and flour industry creates jobs. **Over 1 million Nigerians are directly and indirectly employed in the sector**



Nigeria is reputed to be the 12th largest instant noodle market in the world, consuming **over 2 billion servings of noodles annually**



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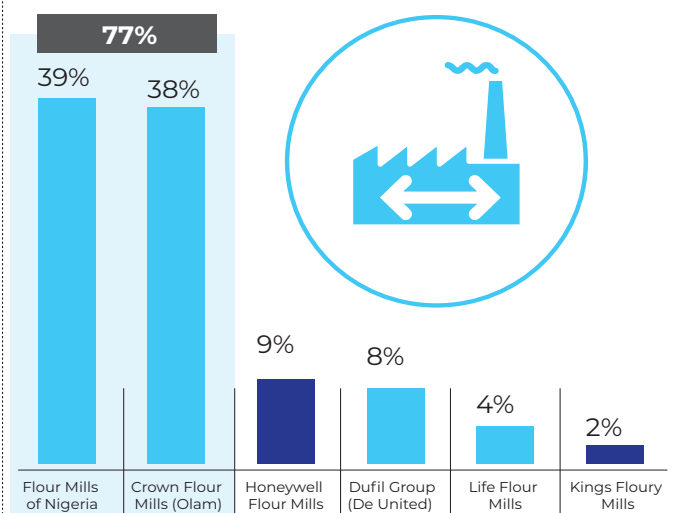
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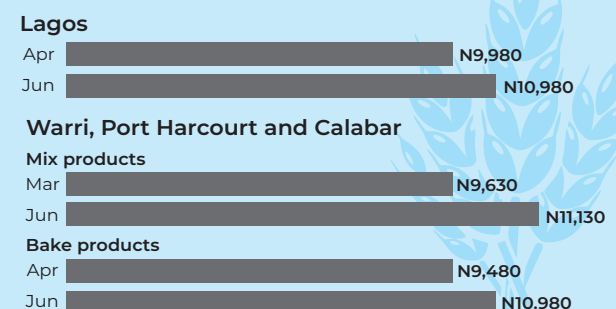
**N101.58bn worth of Durum wheat was imported** between January and March 2020



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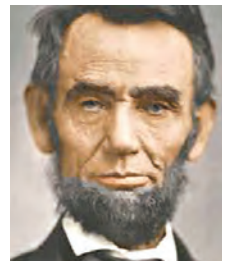
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■ Migrants have their meals onboard the Sea-Watch 4 civil sea rescue ship, that is waiting for permission to run into a port, on sea between Malta and Italy yesterday. More than 350 migrants are onboard the Sea-Watch 4, after it took more than 150 people from the German-flagged MV Louise Michel rescue vessel funded by British street artist Banksy

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# Foreigners manipulating flour market in Nigeria

By Sunday Michael Ogwu, Abdullateef Aliyu (Lagos), Misbahu Bashir (Maiduguri), Hussein Yahaya, Simon Echowofun Sunday, Victoria Onehi, Vincent A. Yusuf, & Francis Arinze Iloani (Abuja)

Flour mills controlled by foreigners in Nigeria are exploiting local farmers and bakers through the arbitrary increase of prices of the commodity, which is also affecting the purchasing power of consumers, investigation by Daily Trust revealed.

It was gathered from sources in the flour milling industry that top foreign companies in the industry are taking advantage of their financial muscle to exploit wheat farmers and suppliers.

Farmers and bakers who rely on flour and associated products for their production described the “coordinated and arbitrary increase of prices as exploitative.”

## Top millers calling the shorts

Documents seen by the *Daily Trust* showed that leading flour producing companies are controlled by foreigners even as they collectively operate like a cartel, manipulating the market forces and increasing prices at will.

There is no room for local bakers and pastry producers to have a say before the prices of flour and associated products are hiked, findings by the *Daily Trust* revealed.

These foreign companies include Flour Mills of Nigeria (FMN) led by Greek management; Crown Flour Mill (Olam Flour Mills) led by the Indians; Dufil Group (De United) also led by Indians; Life Flour Mills, which is largely foreign-owned; Kings Flour Mill, and Honeywell Flour Mill, which is controlled by Nigerian management.

## Why flour price hike is a problem

Of recent, the prices of pastries, bread, and other products being produced with flour are on the increase, with many Nigerians complaining of hike in staple food. The increase is not limited to flour for making bread as it affects all related products such as semolina, pasta, and wheat offal. For instance, our correspondent in Maiduguri reported shortage of bread in the state capital yesterday.

This happened as a result of the strike action embarked upon by the bread bakers union on Thursday. The bakers were reportedly unhappy about the uncontrolled increase in the prices of wheat flour and other ingredients used in bread baking.

A resident who pleaded for anonymity said loaves of bread are no longer available for sale.

The Manager of My Lady's Bakery, Baga Road, Matthew Clement, said the union met and asked its members to down tools on Thursday because the price of bread had “remained constant at N400” while prices of wheat flour and other ingredients continued to increase.

However, bread price has risen in Kano and Abuja, a situation the association of bakery owners

attributed to the increased price of flour and other ingredients.

*Daily Trust* reports that the increase began on Saturday and has affected bakeries in the state.

Secretary of the association in Kano, Kabiru Hassan Abdullahi, said they had no other alternative than to increase the price to reflect the market reality.

“It is true that we have increased the price and it took effect on Saturday. The truth is, we are into the business to make profit, and recently, there has been an increase of almost N4,000 in the price of a bag of flour,” Abdullahi confirmed.

Bread is a staple in many homes in Nigeria. In fact, it is easily accessible to other kinds of food. Both the rich and the poor consume bread, and it comes in various sizes, shapes, compositions, and price tags to meet the needs of different categories of consumers.

The bread and flour industry creates jobs - those directly employed by the industry, armies of bread distributors, sellers and hawkers all over the streets.

Reports showed that Nigeria is reputed to be the 12th largest instant noodle market in the world with a consumption of over 2 billion servings of noodles annually. However, this paper found that this multi-billion dollar market is controlled mostly by Indians with Indomie noodles, produced by Dufil, accounting for nearly 70 percent of the local noodles market.

The base raw material for bread flour, confectionery flour and noodle flour, semolina, and pasta production is wheat, and 99 percent of the 5.67 million metric tons valued at about \$4.48 billion is imported annually without harnessing the local capacity, findings have shown.

According to statistics from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), wheat was sixth among the top 10 products imported in the first quarter of 2020. While the local farmers said there was capacity to grow enough to supply the flour millers in Nigeria, the data showed that N101.58 billion worth of Durum wheat was imported between January and March 2020.

A document obtained from authorities in the flour milling industry showed that six-core flour millers in Nigeria have 30,032 metric tons capacity of factories in the country.

The largest of these is Flour Mills of Nigeria (FMN) as it accounts for 39 percent of the entire capacity of flour mill firms in Nigeria. It is closely followed by Crown Flour Mills (Olam) with 38 percent of the entire capacity. These two firms combined occupy 77 percent of the flour market share in Nigeria.

It was learnt that Olam acquired three flour companies to become the second biggest flour miller in Nigeria. The firms it acquired are the Crown Flour Mill (CFM) from a Lebanese family of Chief Maan Lababidi in 2010, BUA Flour Mill from industrialist, Abdussamad Isiyaka Rabi in 2015, and Dangote Flour Mills in

2019.

Honeywell Flour Mill, which is the only firm with full Nigerian management only occupies nine percent of the local flour milling capacity with a metric ton of 2,600.

Dufil Group, which is run by Indians occupies 8 percent of flour millers' capacity (but its Indomie noodle brand is about 70 percent of the noodles market). Life Flour Mill, a foreign firm occupies 4 percent while Kings Flour Mill occupies two percent.

## Different tales in other climes

While Nigeria is dominated by the foreign flour mills with attendant arbitrary hikes in the price of what they produce, the case is different in Ghana where the government regulates the terrain in order to protect the local market.

It was learnt that Olam (CFM) has a flour mill in Tema, Ghana, but the government resisted the move by the conglomerate to dominate the market.

In Nigeria, such companies have continued to increase the prices of their products even at the time of difficulties.

For instance, from the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic, CFM had between May and June 2020, increased the prices of bread flour, Semolina, pasta and allied products at different times.

They attributed the hike to the rise in foreign exchange (forex) from N360/\$1 to over N400. However, although the forex increase is less than 10 percent difference, comparative analysis of the hike in flour and pasta showed that it increased by over 19 percent especially for products from CFM. The price review schedule obtained for CFM in Lagos shows that flour product price rose from N9,980 in April to N10,980 in June 2020, representing N1,790 increase (19.5%). For CFM's product price in Warri, Port Harcourt and Calabar, the price hike was from 19.2 percent to 19.5 percent. For instance, its mix and bake products rose from N9,630 in March to N11,130 in June; and N9,480 in March to N10,980 in June, which is a 19.5% hike.

## Local industry threatened

Bakers in Nigeria have confirmed the price hike by largely foreign-dominated flour millers, saying the development was threatening the local industry.

Efforts to get the Association of Master Bakers and Caterers of Nigeria (AMBCN) to speak on the matter were not successful. However, the Premium Bakers Association of Nigeria (PBAN) confirmed that since March 2020, there had been an increase of N3,000 on a bag of flour just like other ingredients like sugar, butter and margarine.

The Public and Industrial Relations Officer of the association, Engr. Onuorah Emmanuel, told *Daily Trust* that if the bakers had been “inconsiderate” like the millers, many people would not be able to afford a loaf of bread.

“Beginning from March, they have added N3,000 to a bag of flour and sugar. Almost N6,000

has been added to the price of butter and margarine.

## Olam, FMN keep, others mum over price hike

Repeated efforts to get the reaction of the Olam Flour Mill yielded no result up till the time of filing this report.

When contacted, Olam's Vice President, Corporate & Government Relations, Ade Adefeko, promised to get back to one of our reporters on the matter but failed to do so several days after. Reminder messages sent to him via WhatsApp were also not responded to.

It was a similar situation with Crown Flour Mills Ltd. A visit to its office at Tin Can Island Port, 2nd Gate, Behind Berth 1, Apapa, to get the reaction of the company did not yield results as our reporter was prevented from gaining access into the compound on the grounds that he needed a prior appointment to do so. It was the same story at Honeywell Flour Mill Limited located at Apapa in Lagos. The security operatives demanded an appointment confirmation to see any official and that without that, there will be no official dealing with our correspondent, though they were informed that it was a media enquiry.

Equally, efforts to get a direct response on this issue from the Flour Mills Nigeria Limited (FMN) did not yield results. A visit to FMN corporate headquarters at 1 Golden Penny Place, Wharf Road, Apapa, was also unsuccessful. The security personnel said the staff members take turns to come to the office and the person who could respond to our enquiries was not on seat.

However, the Head, Corporate Communications, Samuel Ibiroma, responded to our email enquiry, directing it from the Flour Milling Association of Nigeria (FMAN). In the response from FMAN, the Executive Secretary, Alhaji Olalekan Saliu confirmed the increase in the price of flour but said that was not peculiar to flour millers.

“The volatile nature of the forex market had sadly produced a devastating impact on the manufacturing industry like several other sectors of the Nigerian economy,” he said, he said. Responding to the allegation that flour millers do not treat wheat farmers fairly, he said it was false and misleading.

“Two of the critical stakeholders at the forefront of developing the wheat value chain in Nigeria are the Flour Milling Association of Nigeria (FMAN) and the Wheat Farmers Association of Nigeria (WFAN). FMAN is the umbrella organisation for all flour milling companies in Nigeria, while

WFAN is an association which looks after the collective interests of wheat farmers across Nigeria.

“The relationship became stronger from 2016 when leaders of the two sides met at the offices of the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Abuja and engaged in a series of deliberations to work out a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) which was jointly agreed and signed on June 7, 2016.”

He said the highlights of the MoU included the firm undertaking (a guarantee) given by FMAN to off-take every grain of wheat produced by Nigerian wheat farmers as long as the grains met the specified parameters set out in the MoU.

Saliu said representatives of FMAN and WFAN met in Abuja on March 12, 2020 to review and revise the MoU, and to agree on the price for the current year.

“The revised MoU was jointly signed and dated by the leaders of FMAN and WFAN. The two parties agreed on a price of N170,000 per metric ton delivered to Kano (30% increase over last year). Due to the paucity of the last harvests (March/April 2020), prices had risen over and above the agreed price.

“Between June and July 2020, FMAN's aggregators visited prominent wheat markets, villages and towns in search of wheat to buy. They discovered that selling prices of wheat climbed up rapidly over and above the agreed N170,000 per metric ton to N180,000, then to N185,000. The aggregators continued to buy Nigerian wheat for FMAN until prices reached N200,000 per metric ton. The upward trend continued. Presently, prices are in the region of N230,000/N240,000 per metric ton,” he said.

## Commission probes hike in flour, bread price

The Federal Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (FCCPC) confirmed that it was aware of the price rage in the flour industry and that it is probing these coordinated price increases in bread and flour.

In response to *Daily Trust's* inquiry on the rising cost of flour, bread and other pastries, the Director-General/Chief Executive Officer of the FCCPC, Barrister Babatunde Irukera said the commission became aware of a proposed 60 percent increase in the price of bread by a coordinated action of the bakers association.

He revealed that the FCCPC had met with the master bakers association to emphasize how the law prohibits competitors from coordinating in setting or changing prices.

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# Northern elders reject N1bn constitution review

• Recommends referendum • Engage us through legislative channel –Senate

By Victoria Onehi, Zakariyya Adaramola, Abdullateef Salau (Abuja), Abdullateef Aliyu (Lagos) & Victor Edozie (Port Harcourt)

**T**he Northern Elders Forum (NEF) has faulted the Senate's call for memoranda on review of the 1999 Constitution, alleging that it is of no value and a predictable waste of time, resources and energy of Nigeria.

The forum's Director of Publicity and Advocacy, Dr Hakeem Baba-Ahmed, at a press conference in Abuja yesterday, asked Nigerians not to support the proposed constitution review "at this difficult time when the economy is facing unprecedented challenges."

Daily Trust reports that the National Assembly, since 2011, has been earmarking N1 billion for constitution review every four years.

Baba-Ahmed yesterday said the NEF advised the National Assembly to direct its energy and mandate towards convincing President Muhammadu Buhari to end the insurgency in the Northeast and killings in most parts of North-central and the Northwest and other parts of Nigeria.

He said the forum also advised the Senate to jettison "the wasteful idea of giving Nigerians the impression that it is involved in a serious review of our Constitution."

He said virtually every National Assembly, since 1999, had spent huge amounts of Nigerian people's money on "jamborees that give them false hope that the three arms of government respect the overwhelming desire of Nigerians for a holistic and genuine review and amendment of the 1999 Constitution."

Baba-Ahmed said nothing fundamental or of any value had come out of "these grand schemes to exploit our collective desire to address our political and economic fundamentals. This National Assembly is also following suit, and it should not be encouraged on this path".

According to him, Nigeria's future rests largely on its willingness to address major constraints to equity and justice, a functional structure, consistent good governance, security for all citizens, a credible electoral process, growing understanding between and among all groups and an economy that grows and narrows inequalities between and classes and regions.

"This cannot be achieved by a process that routinizes

• Afenifere, N/Delta leaders react



■ Northern Elders Forum's Director Publicity and Advocacy, Dr. Hakeem Baba Ahmed, during a press briefing in Abuja yesterday

wasteful expenditure around false hopes.

"The legislature and executive branches of government have large quantities of reviews, recommendations and reports from past attempts at amending the constitutions. These represent enough resources for a review if the legislature is serious about this vital national priority. Even this is not likely to produce a genuine effort to address the basic requirements of securing a stable, secure and prosperous Nigeria, because both arms of this administration are unlikely to accept to put through wide-ranging reviews of the Constitution."

Baba-Ahmed said the Northern Elders Forum reminded legislators and other leaders from the North that security of the region's communities, reduction of crushing poverty and widening distrust among communities should be their priorities.

He said the forum recommended "the alternative of leaders of thought, elders, groups and professional organizations and representatives of

government to freely discuss every element of our co-existence as a country under principles of voluntarism, genuine representation mutual respect and integrity of the process. A Nigerian Peoples' Conference on Review of the Constitution will benefit from past work in this direction in addition to contemporary challenges which the country needs to address in a context that allows free and productive engagements without pre-determined ends.

"The outcome of this Conference should be submitted to the two arms of government which should provide for a referendum in the Constitution so that Nigerians can directly decide on how they want their nation to be structured and function. The North is willing to discuss other options that will do justice to the current Constitution and the future of our great country."

He urged northern groups to be wary of being railroaded into making submissions "which the legislature will hold up as input, further justifying waste and deceit. No northern group should encourage further waste of

public funds which should be channeled into battling killers, kidnappers, poverty and poor governance. The North wants a major review of the Constitution, but it is also ready to resist attempts to create wealth for a few while it leaves parts of the country to quarrel and blame each other for the state of the nation."

He said northerners were willing to discuss current challenges of the region and the state of the country with any group, anywhere, "provided it sees evidence of sincerity and respect for each other."

**Engage us through legislative channel -- Senate replies NEF**

The Senate yesterday, in its reaction, urged the Northern Elders Forum to engage it through proper legislative channel rather than news media.

Senate spokesperson, Senator Ajibola Basiru, in a response to Daily Trust enquiry last night, said thematic areas advertised for constitutional reforms cut across some of the concerns raised by the Forum.

He, therefore, enjoined the Forum to "encapsulate" its views in a memorandum to the Constitution Review Committee.

He said: "Even though they are entitled to their views, the question to ask is; does it mean that if former legislatures cum executive (administrations) have possibly or allegedly failed in this regard, then it can never be achieved?"

"Their (Northern Elders Forum) statement even implied an agreement by them that there is need for fundamental restructuring exercise which is the purpose of the present endeavour of the 9th National Assembly.

"Their views can be encapsulated in a memorandum to the Constitution Review Committee.

"The thematic areas advertised for constitutional reforms cut across some of the concerns they raised and therefore we shall be glad to engage them through proper legislative channel rather than news media."

**Afenifere disagrees with Northern Elders Forum**

The spokesman of the Yoruba socio-cultural organization, Afenifere, Mr. Yinka Odumakin, told one of our correspondents yesterday that while Afenifere agreed with the Northern Elders' Forum that the previous constitution review exercises had amounted to wasted efforts, the country must not

stop the exercise.

He, however, said the proposed exercise must achieve a result and must be a radical departure from the previous exercises.

He said Nigeria was faced with a constitutional crisis that had stymied its growth over the years, saying the country must return to "a proper federal constitution." He said: "I don't think we should not do it as it is. There's no difference between those doing the review exercise with no result and those who want it to be held every year. Nigeria has a present constitutional disorder and crisis and we need a federal constitution.

"So, we agree with the NEF that a wasted exercise gives no prospect, but to say that we should not do anything because the right thing has not been done is not the way forward for the country.

"What we're saying is that we should go ahead with the process that would move the country forward and give us a new constitutional order. We should not just do an exercise just for the sake of spending money on the National Assembly."

Also speaking, a prominent member of Pan Niger Delta Forum, Sara Igbe, said constitution review was needed to address all problems affecting the six geo-political zones.

"The northerners are not ready for constitutional review and that is why they're avoiding any proposed move to review the constitution. The review of the constitution is not in bad faith because such review is what will address all the lingering problems that affects all geo political zone of the country. The proposed review of the constitution is not a bad idea and I don't see the reason why the Northern Elders Forum will not support it," he said.

However, a prominent Niger Delta leader, Wenenda Wali, who is the convener of a Port Harcourt-based pressure group, Rivers Unity House, said in principle, the Northern Elders Forum was correct "because our problem is not bad laws, but non-implementation of the existing laws.

"I agree with the NEF that constitutional amendment process now is more of ego tripping than anything done in the national interest. Unfortunately, we won't see the position of the NEF as in national interest because of mindset about the quarter it is coming from. Let's just test the limits of the existing laws first."



# FG announces N600bn stimulus package for farmers

By Vincent A Yusuf

**T**he Federal Government has resolved to inject over N600 billion as a stimulus response into the nation's agriculture sector.

The fund would target small scale farmers to ensure food security and sustainability.

The Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Muhammad Sabo Nanono, disclosed this at the weekend while on a tour of Dangote Fertiliser Plant and during a crucial meeting with other fertilizer companies in Lagos State, aimed at seeking their cooperation for input production, a statement from the ministry said yesterday.

Nanono said the stimulus response targeting farmers nationwide would take off with an initial 2.4 million

farmers in the first instance.

He, however, noted that to avoid the abuse of government funds and good intentions, the support would be in kind (in form of inputs) and not cash as was the practice in the past.

The minister said the closure of all international borders, necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, had made it evident that Nigeria could conveniently and sustainably feed itself.

A statement by Dangote Fertilizer Limited, quoted Nanono as affirming that the \$2 billion Dangote Fertilizer plant had been fully completed and set for commissioning in the coming months.

The minister described the company as very important to the achievement of the

Federal Government's agricultural transformation agenda intended to boost food security in the country.

Nanono said: "The capacity of Dangote Fertilizer is enough to change the way fertilizer is being used in this country. We are going to complement his efforts and support him in this regard. The challenge of the supply of fertilizer is going to be solved by the Dangote Fertilizer plant. I can now go home and sleep."

"The Federal Government wants to make sure that Nigerians have enough food to eat. We can only achieve the objective with enough fertilizer in the country. I am extremely proud of Aliko Dangote for what he is doing in this country. I think no other person has probably done half of what he is doing in the area of investment.

"If we can have just additional two of his type, this country will be completely different. I think all we have been trying to do as far as agricultural development is concerned, has been captured by the Dangote Fertilizer plant. Nigeria has a potential for agriculture. Obviously, Dangote Fertiliser is going to help the government and the farmers."

He sought the assistance of the company for the government's agricultural mechanisation scheme as well as extension services for small scale farmers.

He said the support was necessary for the success of the mechanisation scheme which, according to him, is expected to cover 632 local government areas across Nigeria.

The minister said: "There is

need for us to support small scale farmers who have been helping the government in respect to food security. Once the small-scale farmers get all the necessary support, there will be agricultural revolution in this country.

"Some of you will remember when the Federal Government initiated a policy to support local production of rice in Nigeria and discourage the importation of rice. Some vested interest kicked against it. The breakout of COVID-19 pandemic and the closure of Nigerian borders, shows that the Federal Government took the right decision regarding rice policy. Now, we are eating our own rice. The small-scale farmers have also been contributing to Nigeria's self-sufficiency in rice production in the country."

## Fani Kayode reminds us a lesson in journalism -Buhari's spokesman

By Muideen Olaniyi

The Senior Special Assistant to the President on Media and Publicity, Garba Shehu, says the recent verbal attack by a former Minister of Aviation, Femi Fani-Kayode, on Daily Trust reporter in Cross River, Eyo Charles, is a reminder of a course in journalism which points out that "there is no stupid question, only stupid answers".

Shehu, on his twitter handle @GarShehu, yesterday said: "In journalism 101, you learn that there is no stupid question, only stupid answers. A former Nigerian minister just brought home this lesson."

Last Tuesday, there was an outrage across Nigeria following a viral video, which showed Fani-Kayode threatening to deal with Charles on August 20 during a roundtable with journalists in Calabar.

Charles had asked Fani-Kayode to explain who was sponsoring his trips from one state to another "to supervise projects."

The former minister has apologized following the barrage of criticisms that trailed his outburst.



■ Governor Abdullahi Umar Ganduje of Kano State (3rd right), is being assisted by his deputy, Dr. Nasiru Yusuf Gawuna (2nd right), Emirs of Bichi, Alh Nasiru Ado, Emir of Rano, Alh Kabiru Muhammad Inuwa, Murtala Sule Garo and others, to present a N20 million cheque to the chairman of Nasarawa LGA, during the disbursement of N880m for the renovation of selected primary schools across the 44 local government areas of Kano State yesterday

## Politicians arming, deploying thugs for Edo, Ondo elections – IGP

The Inspector-General of Police, Mohammed Adamu, has ordered the Edo and Ondo States' Commissioners of Police to rejig preparations ahead of the governorship elections coming up in both states.

The Force spokesman, Frank Mba, in a statement yesterday, said the order was to accommodate and address the threats and emerging trends as contained in the Election Security Threat Assessment Reports.

Mba said the IGP gave the order after reviewing the

assessment reports submitted by the CPs from both states ahead of the elections slated for September 19 and October 10 respectively.

He said the report had revealed, amongst other indicators: arming and movement of political thugs, use of inciting statements during political campaigns, high likelihood of violence and possible cross attack by political opponents.

Mba said other revelations in the report are misinformation/disinformation aimed

at heating up the polity and deliberate efforts at delegitimizing government institutions involved in the electoral processes.

He said the I-G had warned politicians and their supporters in the two states, to conduct themselves properly, play by the rules and steer clear of tendencies capable of undermining the electoral process.

He said the Force leadership was evolving customized security architecture to protect the people and ensure hitch free elections in the two

states.

He said the police would not hesitate to bring the full weight of the law on anyone or group that would want to sabotage the security arrangement being emplaced for the elections.

Mba pledged the commitment of IG to protect the sanctity of the ballot in the elections.

He said that the police would remain neutral, apolitical and work with all stakeholders in ensuring a level playing ground for all in the elections. (NAN)

## Buhari reiterates support for primary healthcare

President Muhammadu Buhari has promised to continue strengthening the primary healthcare system and the inbuilt routine immunization strategy, using various data and technology driven tools.

Buhari, represented by the Minister of Health, Dr Osagie Ehanire, made the promise at the Africa Polio-Free certificate

celebration, on Saturday in Abuja.

"We shall deploy the valuable material and human resource for health assets that have been built up over the decades of fighting polio.

"Towards the goal of supporting the prevention of other disease patterns, strengthening our health

system, as we are currently doing with the COVID-19 pandemic response," he said.

The president said that it was a good example of what the country could achieve collectively as a people, when they work together.

"We gather to celebrate the certification of Nigeria and with us the continent of Africa,

as polio free.

"Our own certification is the result of the collective efforts of many devoted and enthusiastic individuals, organizations who believed in the vision of a polio-free Nigeria and went over and beyond the ordinary to add value to the ideal," Buhari said. (NAN)



## 2 feared killed, many injured, as Shi'ites, police clash in Kaduna

From Maryam Ahmadu-Suka, Kaduna

Two members of the Sheikh Ibrahim Zakzaky-led Islamic Movement in Nigeria (IMN), otherwise known as Shi'ites, were reported killed when they clashed with men of the Nigeria Police in Kaduna yesterday.

Our correspondent gathered that gunshots were heard around the popular Ahmadu Bello Way yesterday afternoon, apparently as police made efforts to disperse the protesting IMN members.

The IMN group of

the Shi'ites Islamic sect was out in protest to press home their demand for the release of their leader, Sheikh Ibrahim Zakzaky and his wife, Zeenat, who has been in detention since December 2015 following their bloody clash with soldiers in Zaria.

Meanwhile, Kaduna State Government had since outlawed the group and prohibited all forms of protest in the state.

However, a leader of IMN told *Daily Trust* yesterday that two of their members were killed during yesterday's clash, while several

others were injured.

"As we speak, we are working on our press release. There was a clash and two of our members were killed by police. Several other members were also injured," he said.

When contacted, Kaduna State Police Command spokesman, ASP Muhammad Jalige said he was yet to receive a signal on the incident.

According to him, "I called the DPO in charge of the area, he didn't pick; maybe he was busy containing the situation. But as soon as I get details about the incident, I will call you."

## Kano spends N3.4bn on free, compulsory education - Ganduje

From Sani Ibrahim Paki, Kano

Kano State Government has spent over N3.4 billion in implementing free and compulsory education in the state, Governor Abdullahi Umar Ganduje has said.

He stated this in Kano during the presentation of N20 million cheque to the 44 local government areas of the state on Saturday, which amounts to N880 million. He said the disbursement of the funds was to complement the rehabilitation and renovation of primary schools across the state.

Ganduje said, "Kano has earmarked more than 26% of its annual budget to education which is in line with the internationally agreed formula of UNESCO.

"We are able to raise this amount by releasing 5% of our Internally Generated Revenue (IGR), 5% of local governments' statutory funds, 2% of every contract awarded in our state alongside the contribution from Universal Basic Education



■ Governor Umar Ganduje

Commission (UBEC), and other international development partners to education."

The governor added that the state was able to record the achievement because it has the political will, strong institutions provided adequate finances and promoted community participation.

Also speaking, the executive secretary of the State Universal Basic Education Board (SUBEB), Alhaji Danlami Hayyo said the state has used the N3.4 billion to construct over 407 classrooms and renovated more than 700 dilapidated ones; constructed over 460 toilets, provided

40,000 seats, as well as constructed 200 boreholes in schools across the state.

"Before the introduction of free and compulsory education in Kano, we used to have only 1.5million children in our school, today after the implementation of the policy, there are over 3.8m children in schools," he said.

Similarly, the state commissioner for education, Sanusi Sa'id Kiru said the state has already built 3 Almajiri boarding schools in the senatorial districts and also planning to build additional 130 girl schools to complement the state's policy.

## SSANU warns FG over looming industrial action

From Jeremiah Oke, Ibadan

The Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), yesterday, warned that non-teaching staff would also proceed on strike as soon as schools are reopened if the federal government refused to address its demands.

The latest warning came against the backdrop of a renewed hope for an end to the prolonged strike by the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU).

National Vice

President of SSANU Alfred Jimoh, who stated this at a press conference held at the SSANU office, University of Ibadan, said the hope of having a peaceful post COVID-19 industrial atmosphere in universities would only be a mirage, except issues such as unpaid arrears of earned allowances, inadequacies of the Integrated Personnel Payroll Information System (IPPIS) and double deduction of pension are addressed.

The union described

as saddening that the earned allowances of non-teaching staff that arose from the 2009 FG/SSANU agreement was still largely unattended to, despite repeated industrial actions on the issue.

Pointing to various correspondences with the federal government, SSANU lamented the nonchalant attitude of the government to issues affecting non-teaching staff of Nigerian universities, while treating teaching staff as 'demi-god'.

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## Gunmen kill lawmaker in Bayelsa

From Basse Willie, Yenagoa

Gunmen suspected to be armed robbers, on Saturday night, shot and killed the Councilor representing Ward 6 in Sagbama Local Government Area of Bayelsa State, Hon. Karma Agagowei.

Hon. Agagowei was killed along Opolo axis of Yenagoa Local Government Area while returning from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) ward congress for selection of ad-hoc delegates in preparation for the senatorial by-election in Bayelsa West.

The deceased was rushed to two different hospitals in Yenagoa, but was denied treatment for lack of a police report. He died some minutes later.

Another person, who was with the deceased in a commercial tricycle at the time of the incident, was attacked with machetes by the hoodlums but fled with injuries.

When contacted, Police spokesman in Bayelsa, SP Anisim Butswat, said the matter had not been reported to the Police yet, but promised to find out and get back soon.

## Zamfara threatens death penalty on reckless driving

From Shehu Umar, Gusau

Governor Bello Mohammed Matawalle of Zamfara State has threatened to introduce death penalty on reckless driving in the state.

The governor made the assertion when he led members of his Executive Council and the Management of BUA Group on a condolence visit to the Emir of Gusau, Alhaji Ibrahim Bello, over the death of 16 persons from the emirate in an auto crash last Wednesday.

He affirmed that he would not hesitate to introduce death sentence on reckless drivers, adding that such drivers would be compelled by law to pay compensation for every lost life.

The governor expressed displeasure over the death of the victims as a result of reckless driving by a truck driver who ran into their vehicles and killed them along Gusau-Funtua road.

He announced a donation of N2 million to families of each of the deceased who had a wife and N1.5 million to families of those unmarried among them.

The governor likewise declared that he would put the next of kin of each of the victims on a monthly allowance of N50,000 each. This, he said, would continue till the end of his tenure as governor of the state.

He said his administration would introduce speed limit gauge on highways as well as weight measurement on trucks and drug tests on drivers in order to guard against rough and reckless driving which usually ends in fatalities.

Matawalle noted that the measures had become necessary so that drivers and their families would no longer think they would have it easy if they kill anyone through recklessness, adding that the lives of the citizens of the state are more valuable than any other thing.

He urged the management of BUA Company to call their drivers to order and caution them on an acceptable speed limit.

He described the accident which claimed the 16 lives as monumental, and called on the families of the deceased to consider it as an act of Allah, praying that the deceased persons' souls will be accepted in Jannatul Firdaus.

Earlier, the team leader from BUA, Engr. Aminu Suleiman, said they were in the state to condole with the government, Gusau emirate, people of the state, and the immediate families of those who were killed as a result of an accident involving the company's driver.

## Flood: Kwara residents asked to relocate

From Ismail Adebayo, Ilorin

The National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) has warned people residing in lowland areas and along river banks in Kwara State to relocate to higher grounds to escape floods in view of threats posed by rains.

Speaking during the flag-off of the distribution of humanitarian relief support to persons in about 528 households affected by rain/windstorm in four local government areas of the state, the NEMA Director-

General, Muhammed Alhaji Muhammadu, represented by the Head of NEMA, Minna Operations Office (Niger and Kwara), Mrs Wagami Lydia, also advised those in metropolitan areas to avoid indiscriminate dumping of refuse in culverts/drainage.

It would be recalled that the Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NIMET) had earlier said that 28 states in the country, including Kwara, Kogi, Nasarawa, and Benue are prone to impending flood disaster from

September 6, 2020.

The NEMA boss said people should adhere strictly to building codes in order to prevent the flood, and urged Kwara residents to ensure the use of quality building materials in erecting structures, saying "This will at least reduce re-occurrence of disasters caused by storms."

The NEMA boss admonished beneficiaries to make judicious use of the relief items which were facilitated by Senator Yahaya Oloriegbe, representing Kwara Central senatorial district.

## Rice scarcity: RIFAN to mobilise 1m rice farmers

Aliyu M. Hamagam, Birnin Kebbi

In a move to mitigate the looming danger of rice scarcity and the continued escalation in its price, the federal government has directed the Rice Farmers Association of Nigeria (RIFAN) to mobilise 1 million farmers capable of producing 5 million metric tonnes of rice in this year's dry season farming.

The National President of RIFAN, Alhaji Aminu Goronyo, who was part of Kebbi State governor's entourage for on-the-spot assessment of flood destruction on farmlands, made this known yesterday in Kebbi State.

Goronyo said the federal government support for this year's dry season farming would be coming through Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), and assured the flood victims that officials from the CBN would soon arrive in Kebbi State for assessment with a view to providing immediate intervention.

"The CBN governor had directed RIFAN to mobilise 1 million farmers that can

quickly produce five million metric tonnes during the dry farming season commencing in November 2020, for support," he said.

In his remark after visiting the sites of the flood disaster in Augie, Argungu, and Arewa local government areas, the Kebbi State governor, Abubakar Atiku Bagudu, expressed optimism that the country would surmount the problem.

He assured the

farmers that the federal government, with the help of some of its institutions, like the CBN and other organisations, would respond to the problem effectively.

"The president would soon summon a meeting of the National Food Security Council and the problem of flood disasters, among others, would be discussed," he said.

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# Ghana defends \$1m levy on Nigerian traders

● says Nigeria took steps that affected other nations

The Ghanaian Minister of Information, Kojo Nkrumah, yesterday justified the \$1m trade levy and other regulations imposed on Nigerian traders in Ghana.

Nkrumah was reacting to a statement last week by the Nigerian Minister of Information and Culture, Lai Mohammed, that 825 Nigerians were deported from Ghana in one year.

Mohammed had also said Nigeria was worried by attacks and harassment of her nationals and the progressive acts of

hostility towards the country by Ghanaian authorities.

But yesterday, Nkrumah Nkrumah accused Nigerian traders in Ghana of trade violations which, he said, included "tax evasion, immigration offences, trading in substandard products, violation of the Ghana Investment Promotion Centre law, improper registration of firms, underpayment of business operating permits, falsification of documents, among others."

On the statement by Lai Mohammed

that 825 Nigerians were deported between January 2018 and February 2019, Nkrumah said 700 Nigerians involved in fraud, prostitution, and armed robbery were deported from Ghana.

"The Federal Republic (Nigeria), on the other hand, is on record to have taken a number of steps in recent months, in pursuit of her national interests, which have gravely affected other countries in the region.

"These include the closure of Nigeria's Seme Krake border from August 2019 to date and the issuance of executive orders by Nigeria's Presidency preventing

foreigners from getting jobs which Nigerians can do, to mention a few," Nkrumah said.

He said: "The President of the Republic of Ghana, H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, who values very much his excellent relations with the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, His Excellency Muhammadu Buhari, will engage President Buhari with a view to develop immediately a framework for validating claims of ill treatment of citizens of either country, and ensure citizens enjoy the full exercise of their rights, while respecting the sovereignty and laws of both countries.



■ Postmaster-General of the Federation, Dr. Ismail Adebayo Adewusi (left) with the Bangladesh High Commissioner to Nigeria, Shameen Ahsan, display the first cover of the Commemorative Stamp in honour of the Father of Bangladesh Nation, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, in Abuja

## FG, Bangladesh launch postage stamps

By Zakariyya Adaramola

The Nigerian Postal Service and the Bangladesh High Commission have jointly issued a set of commemorative postage stamps in honour of the Bangladesh Father of nation, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

Speaking at the launch at the Bangladesh High Commission in Abuja, the Postmaster-General of the Federation, Dr Ismail Adewusi, said the commemorative stamp was a gesture of Nigeria in strengthening the already affable relationship between the two countries.

Nigeria issued its first postage stamp about 146 years ago, a concept that has continued to grow and expand to include collaboration between countries.

Meanwhile, the Corporate Affairs Commission has endorsed Nigerian Postal Service, EMS/Parcel as one of the official couriers of the commission.

The NIPOST, in a statement, said the endorsement followed the success in the interview conducted by CAC for prospective courier companies.

NIPOST stated that business transactions would commence officially on 1st September 2020.

It added that with the new development, NIPOST was officially endorsed to accept and deliver the certificates of incorporation from clients across the country.

It also said that NIPOST remains the organization with the widest reach across Nigeria for safe and efficient courier delivery.

"Following NIPOST's success in the interview conducted by CAC for prospective courier companies, we are pleased to announce the endorsement and accreditation of EMS/Parcel as one of the official couriers of the commission.

"Business transactions will commence on 1st September 2020", it said.

## Buhari, Emefiele, others for virtual CIBN banking, finance conference

President Muhammadu Buhari, among over 2,500 participants across the globe, are expected to participate in a virtual Banking and Finance Conference being organised by the Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria.

Patrick Akinwuntan, Chairman, Consultative Committee of 13th Annual Banking and Finance Conference and MD/CEO, Ecobank Nigeria, made the disclosure in a statement on Sunday in Lagos.

Akinwuntan said that the conference with the theme: "Facilitating a Sustainable Future: The Role of Banking and Finance" will hold on Sept.15 and Sept. 16.

According to him, the chief host of the conference would be Godwin Emefiele, the governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria and Mr Bayo Olujobi, CIBN President would be the host.

"In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, this year's edition of the conference will be executed using the hybrid of virtual

and physical platforms, with strict adherence to the preventive protocols against the spread of the pandemic.

"While over 2,500 participants across the globe are expected to participate virtually, there will be two physical locations for the conference," Akinwuntan stated.

He said that the Congress Hall, Transcorp Hilton Hotel, Abuja and the Ijewere Hall of the Bankers House, Victoria Island, Lagos would be locations for the conference.

According to him, the conference will feature five business and two break-out sessions.

It will provide participants a platform to connect with other professionals and industry stakeholders across the world.

The conference chairman further said that the conference would brainstorm on strategic issues that are critical to building a sound and sustainable financial ecosystem and economy. (NAN)

## CISLAC, 38 other CSOs flay suspension of Reps' activities

By Balarabe Alkassim

The Civil Society Legislative Advocacy Centre and 38 other Civil Society Organisation have faulted the National Assembly over the suspension of committee activities and other legislative activities by the House of Representatives.

The CSOs, in a jointly signed statement yesterday, said: "We dare say that even if this decision was taken with good intentions, it's ill-advised, ill-timed and unhelpful as it fuels all forms of conspiracy theories and interpretation of collusion and attempt to cover up

fraud, especially given that the National Assembly is already plagued by a lack of credibility or public trust."

Reacting, the House Leader, Alhassan Ado Doguwa, in a text message to our correspondent, explained: "As a body of principal officers, we met and resolved that largely due to the present global health crisis of COVID-19 and lack of necessary protocol arrangements in place at the National Assembly, we needed to suspend committee programmes and activities till we resume when perhaps steps might have been taken to address such challenges."



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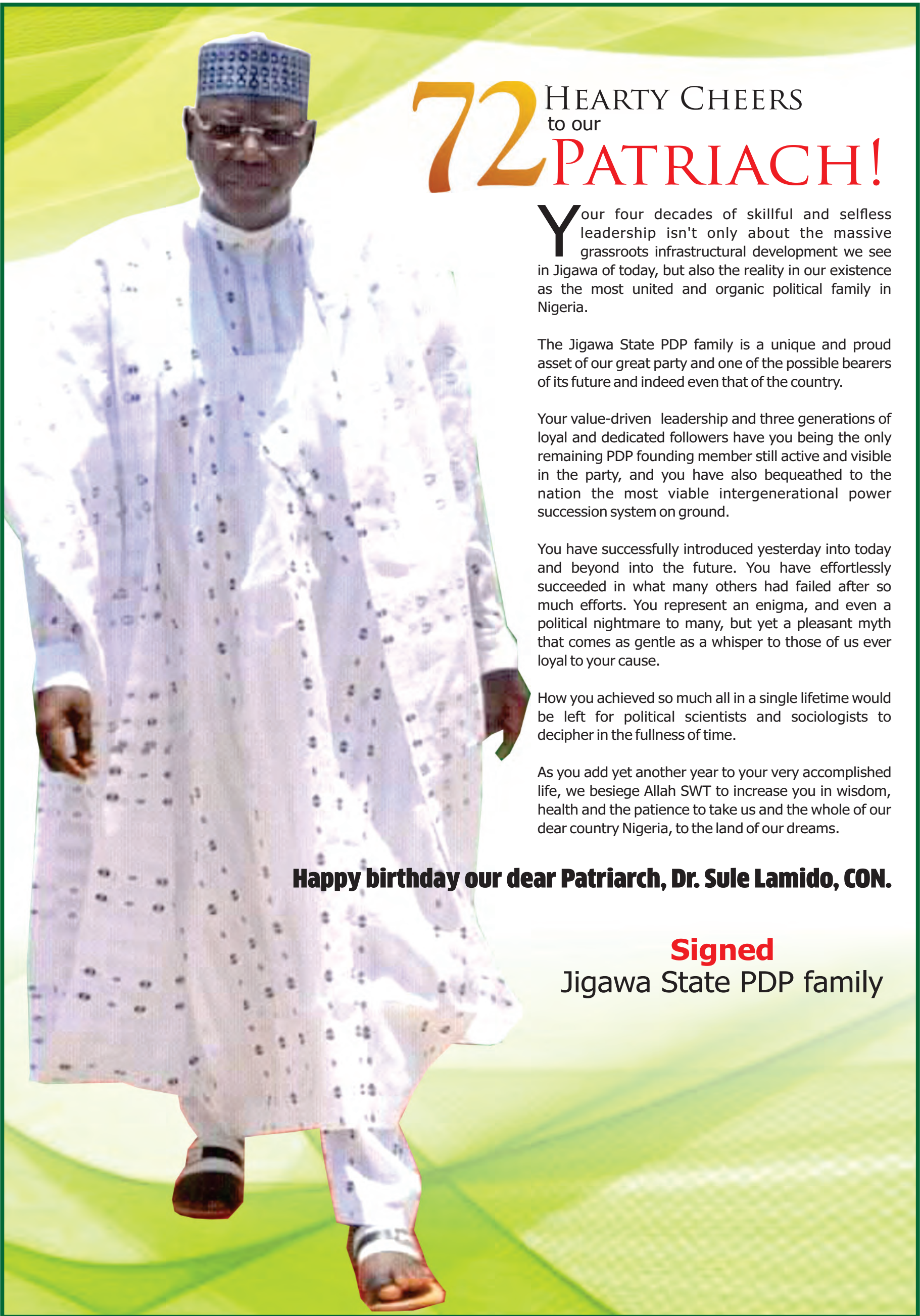
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# 371 days after shutdown, flights resume at Enugu Airport

...airport to be in second phase of concession- FG

From Abdullateef Aliyu, Lagos

**3**71 days after shutdown, the Akanu Ibiam International Airport, Enugu, was formally reopened yesterday and ready for commercial flights.

The airport was shut down on August 24, 2019, with President Muhammadu Buhari approving N10 billion special intervention funds for the rehabilitation works.

The rehabilitation work comprised the scraping and resurfacing of a bad stretch of the runway, which was dilapidated, while the runway was further extended to accommodate bigger aircraft.

The airport was also equipped with a new Category Two (CAT2) instrument landing system (ILS), airfield lighting, taxi lighting, link away, emergency operation centre (EOC), car park, perimeter fencing, perimeter road, pilot

lounge, among other facilities to aid in safe flight operations.

Also, the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN), the manager of the airport has done the requisite floor marking and other COVID-19 protocols ahead of the return of commercial flights.

Daily Trust reports that to facilitate the repair work, the state government, according to Governor Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi, demolished several structures which are causing obstructions to safe flight operations, which include five units of two storey-building, 14 units of one-storey building, a cathedral church, relocation of Enugu Broadcasting Station transmission mast, among others.

At the reopening were prominent Southeast leaders led by the Chairman of South-East Governors' Forum, Governor Dave Umahi of Enugu State; Minister of Foreign Affairs, Geoffrey

Onyeama; Minister of Labour, Dr. Chris Ngige; Chairman, Senate Committee on Aviation, Senator Smart Adeyemi (APC, Kogi West); Former Deputy Senate President, Ike Ekweremadu; Chairman, House Committee on Aviation, Hon. Nnolim Nnaji; Director-General, Voice of Nigeria, Osita Okechukwu, among others.

The minister said local and international flights would commence immediately at the airport, adding that the airport would be in the second phase of the concession programme of the federal government.

Sirika also assured that the federal government would focus on delivering the cargo terminal and the international terminal buildings under construction, saying he just approved the sum of N1 billion for the contractor to fast-track the delivery of the project.

The minister also promised to approve all international airlines that show interest in flying to the airport, which he noted has been upgraded and designed to meet the highest standard obtainable in any airport globally.

According to him, contrary to the clamour by stakeholders to restrict international flights only to Lagos and Abuja, he is ready to allow international flights to any part of the country to lessen the financial burden of businessmen and women who had to travel to Lagos and Abuja for international flights.

Chairman of the South-East Governors' Forum, Dave Umahi of Enugu State said the decision to close down the airport was a very hard decision taken by the people of the Southeast "with mixed minds."

President-General of Ohaneze Ndigbo, Chief John Nwodo said he never believed the rehabilitation of the Enugu Airport could happen "with such rapidity" that it had been delivered.

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## Seeing the 100% success rates of their predecessors in UTME and SSCE serves as additional motivation for our students

**Interview granted by Mallam Sheriff Olashinde, Director Al-Hijrah College, to the media on August 28, 2020.**

**Q: How come we don't read about any particular Al-Hijrah College student winning national and international academic competitions?**

A: Our strategy is to ensure that all our students are winners. We quite understand what it takes to identify and coach 0.1% of your students to win such competitions. We have chosen a deliberate strategy of focusing on the success of 100% of our students, both in WAEC and in UTME. We don't fault other schools for being different, we are quite happy with our students results - 100% of them.

That is why, when you review our statistics, we publish the results of all our students, unlike most schools that celebrate exceptional success cases once in a few years, we celebrate everyone of our students. Alhamdulillah, they have all been winners.

In fact, in our history, our lowest UTME score has been 192 and that was in the year 2016. We have had a total of just four UTME scores of 200 or less in all the years combined. In the last WAEC, about 75% of our students had seven or more distinctions, that included both English Language and Mathematics. Success of all our students in the UTME and SSCE are our focus, not having one student win an international competition once in every five years.

**Q: Many schools flaunt outstanding results but the prevalence of examination malpractices in our society makes it hard to believe these results. Are your results any different?**

A: Examination malpractice is a cancer destroying the very fabric of our education system specifically, and our society as a whole. It kills the best in these kids and makes them a burden on the society in the long run.

It is unIslamic to cheat in an examination. It is a matter of our faith. So, we do everything required to ensure examination malpractices can not occur in our environment.

Generally, students and their teachers resort to cheating for three reasons. Firstly, when they can't see a path to success without cheating. Secondly, when the environments where the examinations are being conducted are enabling malpractices. Finally, when there is a belief that those who cheat will suffer no negative consequences.

We address all three effectively. Because all our students know that they only have themselves to rely upon to succeed in all examinations, they put their best efforts to study appropriately, right from JSS1. Seeing the 100% success rates of their predecessors in UTME and SSCE serves as additional motivation for our students, their parents and our staff to believe in their abilities to succeed without compromise.

We pay a great deal of attention to the learning processes, not just the final results. This way, our students, their parents and staff are confident of the input and thus have no reason to resort to malpractices.

Since the year 2017, we deploy CCTV to monitor all our external examinations to ensure we can always go back and review the video, should the need arise. Our staff are not allowed in our external examination halls, from the moment the question papers are unsealed.

Finally, every one of our students, alumni and their parents can attest to the integrity of the conducts of our examinations. Our alumni are in most top universities in the country, anyone can walk to them and interview any of them.

**Q: Mathematics determines who progresses through secondary school with smile or otherwise. Your WAEC results showed a 100% pass rate; how do you achieve this?**

A: It is about creating a system that works for each and every child according to their individual level. Maths remains the only subject in which a student can score 100% everytime. We have come to recognise that every kid has the potential to excel in Maths with the possible exception of those with significant learning disabilities.

No student of the Al-Hijrah College has ever failed Maths at SSCE.

84% of our Class of 2019 had distinctions in WAEC Maths, and our average Maths score in the 2020 UTME is 80%.

And this isn't about any 'Maths brain'. The school's pass mark in its JSS1 entrance examination is 40% in Maths (Ugo C Ugo's level of difficulties). Any applicant who scores less than 40% in Maths is given special test to determine if he or she has severe learning difficulties. Once proven not to have severe learning difficulties, even those who score below 40% in Maths are admitted.

That has been the policy for the last nine years and the system has not failed a single kid to date, alhamdulillah.

**Q: So, how does Al-Hijrah College teach Maths?**

Firstly we build the confidence of each student in his or her ability to excel in Maths. Depending on the confidence levels upon admission, some get to be with us for three years before they start seeing Maths for what it is - a surmountable challenge.

Secondly, and most importantly, we monitor the progress of each student keenly to determine necessary interventions. Those challenged in Maths, we refer to them as Exceptional Students,



are tracked, and coached separately, until they overcome their challenges.

Finally, we don't joke with Maths. In fact, all our JSS1, JSS2, SSS1, and SSS2 students are currently having Maths Online Summer Holiday Extension Classes - Monday to Friday.

Summarily, our results in Maths is made possible by guidance of Allah and dedication to the subject.

**Q: Listening to you, one may conclude that everything is perfect in Al-Hijrah College. Are you perfect?**

A: Subhannallah, only Allah is perfect. We have a lot of rooms for improvement. We are quite unhappy with our performances in the Arabic Language SSCE.

In accordance with our policy, each of our students must take nine subjects in the GCE at the end of his or her SSS2 classes. The subjects must include the Islamic Studies and Arabic Language, even for those aspiring to be engineers or medical doctors. Typically, after SSS2, most students drop these two subjects after the GCE to focus on the other subjects they will be taking in their UTME and SSS3 WAEC.

In the end of SSS2 GCE, nearly all our students have credit or better in six or more subjects, including English Language, Mathematics, Islamic Studies, Economics, Physics, Chemistry, Further Mathematics, Government, and Biology. Regrettably, our students mostly score D7 or E8 in Arabic Language.

Unlike Economics, Physics, Chemistry, Further Mathematics, Government and Biology which the students had studied only for two years at the time of the GCE, our students would have been studying the Arabic Language for five years (from JSS1) if not earlier in primary schools. In fact, nearly all of our students do very well in Arabic Language in their end of JSS3 BECE.

So, we find it very frustrating that our efforts at having every student excel in the Arabic Language are not translating to success at the GCE.

**Q: What do you think is the reason why your average student, with distinctions in seven or more subjects, aren't passing the Arabic Language?**

A: We have reached out to dozens of other top schools across the country and discovered that we all share the same abysmal records in the Arabic Language at the SSCE level. We understand that the situation is so pathetic that several Arabic Language degree programmes in Nigerian universities are facing potential closure because there aren't enough applicants. You can't confidently apply to study the Arabic Language in the university without a credit pass in the subject at the SSCE level.

It seems as if, the examiners who came up with the syllabi and the marking schemes of the SSCE Arabic Language have the objective of phasing out Arabic Language from the SSCE and Nigerian universities. Else, the grading would give every student an equal chance of scoring a distinction in Economics, Physics, Chemistry, Further Mathematics, Government, Biology and Arabic Language alike, given an equal level of commitment to these subjects. The examiners have to know what they are doing when a kid can spend more time on Arabic Language than Physics, Chemistry and Further Mathematics combined; while scoring distinctions in each of these three subjects, the kid may still fail the Arabic Language. Already we struggle to convince the parents of our students to register their children for the Arabic Language. We leave these Arabic Language examiners to Allah who will judge them. Allah knows their intentions.

**Q: A good number of your students are in top Canadian, American and European Universities; how do you combine Nigerian, Canadian, American, and British Curricula?**

A: We have natural advantages over many others when it comes to the issue of preparation of our students for international university admissions for two main reasons.

Firstly, the founding fathers of Al-Hijrah College, who are our board members, have the benefit of education in Canada, UK, France, Malaysia, Ukraine, USA, South Africa, China, The Netherlands, Philippines, and Norway.

Secondly, amongst our students are nationals of USA, Canada, UK, Ireland, and France. So, we have the parents of these international students partnering with us as we prepare their kids for their university admissions.

Therefore, the key to our students success in international admissions is a strategy that builds on our founders' wealth of practical experiences and those of our international customers.

Please note the following four facts. The so called American Curriculum and Canadian Curriculum are unknown in America and in Canada respectively. These curricula are introduced in Nigeria for marketing purposes,

to give uninformed parents comfort that their children are following some alien standards. The following two comments explain this better.

"The American curriculum (although a better name would be '50 states 50 curricula').... The very name 'American Curriculum' is a misnomer. All fifty states and most major cities/school districts set their own curriculum frameworks, priorities, funding, standards, tests and scheduling." ~ www.goodschoolsguide.co.uk

"Canada does not have a national curriculum; rather, the provincial governments are responsible for establishing the curriculum for their schools, and each province has its own, ministry-established common curriculum." ~ www.ncee.org

The second fact we want you to note is that, practically, all top international universities admit foreign students who are at least 17 or 18 years old. Most students complete their SSS3 in Nigeria at age 16 or less. Rarely is a 16 years old, male or female child, matured enough for independent life, and study, half the world away.

Thirdly, nearly all these universities conclude their admission cycles by May, for students resuming in September, even for their local applicants. These universities conclude international admission decisions much earlier to give these applicants ample time to process their student visas. For instance, Canadian student visas can sometimes take five months to process.

Fourthly, an applicant needs two things to gain admission into any top university across the globe - excellent academic performances in his or her local final high school examinations (in our case WAEC), and knowledge of the requirements that must be met to submit a successful application to the specific university of interest, doing the right things at the right times.

For instance, despite thousands of kids doing Cambridge IGCSE and Cambridge A/L examinations in Nigeria, year after year, there is a total of just 11 (eleven) Nigerian undergraduate students in the Cambridge University (<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/nigeria>). That is, an average of less than four Nigerian undergraduates are admitted yearly by the university. Since Cambridge IGCSE and Cambridge A/L are not even compulsory for admission into the Cambridge University, some of these eleven Nigerians may not have taken either of these two examinations. In addition, a number of these Nigerian undergraduate students would have attended UK based high schools.

**Q: So, how do your students prepare for admission into top international universities?**

Using our knowledge of all the four facts mentioned above, we break down the process of preparing our students for international admissions into two phases, phase one being the UTME and WAEC.

Rather than attempting to overstretch our students with multiple international curricula, we focus on making sure they come out with the best results possible in their UTME and WAEC. It may interest you to learn that even for our students intending to study abroad, we insist on excellent performances in the UTME. The purpose of the UTME is for the kids to acquire the knowledge of all the topics in the UTME syllabus, as part of the kids preparation for the WAEC and subsequent international examinations. Our students complete this phase typically at age 16.

The second phase, international admission processing, starts immediately after WAEC. In a nutshell, best to submit completed applications to international universities no later than December, preceding the academic session being applied for. Accordingly, our students use the six months following the end of their WAEC to process their international applications for resumption in September of the following year.

Besides good WAEC and TOEFL results, many, not all, universities in the USA recommend applicants should take the SAT.

After acing the UTME and WAEC, to do very well in TOEFL, about a couple of weeks of specialised practice is all that is required, in our experience. Similarly, such student needs about two months of proper preparation to ace the SAT. We therefore recommend that our students take TOEFL and SAT no later than end of November preceding the academic session being applied for. That way all three results - WAEC, TOEFL and SAT would be available for them to successfully submit their applications no later than the end of December.

Accordingly, at age 17, they have a realistic chance of admission into international universities accepting applicants aged 17. Many international universities will still not admit a student under the age of 18. Regrettably, there is not much a kid intent to attend such universities can do than to wait until he or she reaches the appropriate age.

The above works perfectly well for most countries, with a few exceptions, which include the UK. Nearly all UK universities admissions are based on the A/L results. Thus a student

intending to study in the UK will have to use the WAEC results to register for an A/L programme. Cambridge IGCSE or WAEC are equally acceptable for admission into A/L programmes.

**Q: COVID-19 caused unprecedented disruption to school operations. How have you been coping?**

A: Indeed, Covid-19 caused significant disruptions to the learning process of our students. Using Online learning tools, we worked with the parents and the students to salvage what we could from the remainder of the last academic session.

According to our calendar, our SSS3 students have no break between the Second and Third Terms. Despite Covid-19 school lockdown on Saturday 21st of March, these students resumed online on the Monday 30th of March.

The Online Term commenced for the rest of our student population on 4th of May. The Term's examinations were conducted in accordance with our original Third Term calendar, and concluded on the 26th of July.

Alhamdulillah, we were able to achieve our target for the session. We covered 100% of our syllabus for every subject, and for every class.

**Q: Are you saying online classes can work as well as standard classes, with physical interaction between teachers and students?**

A: Online Classes offer tremendous opportunities to reach learners all over the globe. It is undoubtedly here to stay.

However, Online Classes are not appropriate for everyone, in every situation, especially when we are dealing with children of secondary school age. The atmosphere at home, where the kid will be studying, has to be supportive, in order for the kid to get the best results possible. Specifically, the parents must ensure the kid will not be positioned to get carried away by the internet, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok and a host of many other possible online distractions. Without the supervision of committed adults, an average kid has no ability to resist these temptations. The most important role of the adults is to ensure the kids have neither real online privacy, nor expectations of online privacy.

The last term was our first time holding a whole term online. Thus, we had significant room for improvement, many of which would be corrected today, if we are to do it over. Summarily, last term was also a learning opportunity for our teachers as well, and we took advantage of the opportunity.

One of the lessons we learnt was that we can actually have online extension classes for all our students. So, we allowed our students two weeks of Eid Break, and from Monday, August 10, we commenced our Online Extension Programme focusing on Mathematics, Arabic Language and Qur'an Memorisation. This online extension programme covers all our students except SSS3 and JSS3 that are preparing for their postponed final examinations the old fashioned way.

Another takeaway from the online term is our plan to introduce online programmes in Yoruba and Hausa Languages within 2020/2021 Academic Session. Our students and staff are Yorubas and Hausas from all over the country. Too many of the kids come to us not speaking their "native" languages. We are already experienced in handling kids who come to us not speaking the English Language.

**Q: How has Covid-19 affected the conduct of your entrance examination?**

A: Our entrance examinations have been online Computer-Based Test for five sessions. Since 2015, applicants take our entrance examinations from the comfort of their homes.

Our admission process has not change a bit. Applicants download the application form from [alhijrahcollege.com](http://alhijrahcollege.com), complete and submit the form electronically. Thereafter, our customer service representative would contact the parents to agree the dates and times convenient for the candidates to take the entrance examinations from the comfort of their homes while we monitor the examination process through online video in real time. The results of the examinations are released, and offer of admission made to successful applicants on the same day of examinations.

Accordingly, Covid-19 has had no impact whatsoever, on the conduct of our entrance examinations.

**Q: How does your location, along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, affect your school operations?**

A: We are 100% boarding. So our location is perfectly suited for the nature of our operations. We presently have a good number of our students from the FCT, all South Western States, and several other states, including Kaduna, Kano, Rivers, Edo, Kwara and Jigawa States. We also have students from Europe, America and Middle East, most of whom are coming into Nigeria for the first time.

We value the diversity of our student body which gives them an opportunity to learn about other people, countries, and cultures in a respectable manner.

So we go to great lengths to coordinate transport arrangements with parents to ease the movements of our students from any part of the world. We have a Liaison Office on the CMD Road, Magodo, Lagos where we pick up and drop most Lagos residents. We also pick and drop students at the airports, and bus terminals in Lagos and Ibadan. For instance, when the government announced school closure in March due to the COVID-19, we were able to conveniently get all our students to their respective homes before the commencement of the lockdown.





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## Wanted: Partnership for economic recovery

**I**t's an open knowledge that the coronavirus pandemic has led to the deepest global economic crisis since World War II. As many as the world's 3.3 billion workers are threatened as orders dropped dramatically and supply chains broke down.

At the height of the lockdown, millions are left without any income. For 2020, there is a global consensus that a deep recession is in all continents from Asia to Europe, and from Africa to the Americas. And the recession won't go away in a few months until a vaccine becomes available. Even then the recession can only ease up, after many years.

The devastation of COVID-19 is better appreciated looking at the labour market figures in Nigeria, especially the unemployment figure. According to the National Bureau of Statistics, Nigeria's unemployment rate which was 23.1% in Q3 2018 is 27.1% as at the second quarter of 2020 indicating that about 21,764,614 (21.7 million) Nigerians remain unemployed. This confirms that unemployment increased by 4% points between then and the second quarter of 2020! Nigeria's unemployment and underemployment rate (28.6%) is 55.7% with all the negative impact on already negative productivity and worsening poverty!

The most affected are the people in the so-called informal sector, who already had to live from hand to mouth. Despite the curfews and lockdowns imposed in many countries around the world, they are unable to maintain social distance because of their living conditions. Hunger has increased worldwide as a result of the pandemic. Millions of day labourers fight for bare survival.

Many sectors were adversely impacted. For instance it is on record that half of the more than four million textile and garment workers in Bangladesh are on furlough or were dismissed. With gradual easing of lock downs, it can be said there has been a remarkable global partnership to save lives under the pandemic. Even in countries where some governments promoted false conspiracy theories about the virus, citizens rose in defense of basic rights to life and adequate medical care. It's time for similar solidarity and partnership for a possible post-pandemic recovery.

Nigeria needs harmonised monetary and fiscal measures to stimulate the economy and direct support or palliatives for the vulnerable. Happily there are significant stimulus measures led by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) with complementary measures by the fiscal authorities notably Ministry of Finance. The bank sets out a number of measures to tackle the impact of the coronavirus. They include establishing a fund to support the country's economy (of N50 billion), targeted at households and micro and small enterprises.

Specifically On 16 March, the apex bank announced a year extension of a moratorium on principal repayments for its intervention facilities in sectors like rice and cotton cultivation. There is also a reduction of the interest rate on intervention loans from 9 percent to 5 percent. Then some N50 billion target credit facility for households, small and medium enterprises. There is an additional N100 billion intervention fund in healthcare loans to pharmaceutical

companies and healthcare practitioners intending to expand/build capacity. N1 trillion in loans is also set aside to boost local manufacturing and production across critical sectors. There is also a provision of credit assistance for the health industry to meet the potential increase in demand for health services and products "by facilitating borrowing conditions for pharmaceutical companies, hospitals and practitioners".

Other fiscal measures include suspension of new electricity tariffs by the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) due to poor electricity supply, wide metering gap and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The National Assembly recently commendably postponed the effective date of the new tariff to the first quarter of 2021. CBN has also restructured the loans of most states to provide support to help them settle their overdue salary and pension obligations to workers.

The drop-in commodity prices and resulting effects on government revenue led to a severe drop in the earnings of most states in the country. With all these measures, it is clear that Nigeria is not short of recovery measures. There is urgent need for a robust partnership between the government, organised private sector and organised labour to make sure the stimulus measures are delivered as promised; production is revived, the unemployed are engaged and those at work currently don't lose their jobs. Further are the interventions in the health sector yielding the desired results of equipped public hospitals. CBN's credit support facility for the health sector will definitely help pharmaceutical companies and healthcare to expand and build capacity for all times and for all diseases not just COVID-19.

But citizens must monitor the impact of the interventions and ensure they succeed. Why the massive retrenchment in aviation sector despite the promised support for the sector? As I have argued before, for those who care, the 11th CBN governor, Mr Godwin Emefiele, had long seen tomorrow, well before COVID-19. In promoting import substitution through development financing, CBN rightly removed some 43 imported goods from the list of items valid for Forex Exchange in the Nigerian Foreign Exchange Market. According to the circular, "importers who import these goods can no longer buy foreign currencies from the official windows (CBN, commercial banks) to pay their suppliers abroad. Rather, they will have to look for forex (dollars, pounds etc.) from the parallel market or Bureau De change to pay for their imported goods."

We must ensure that there will not be a return to business as usual with wholesale importation of what we can and must produce locally. More than ever before we should renew commitment to sustainable industrial policies, and the re-industrialisation. Happily, industrialisation is one of the remaining 9 point agenda of President Buhari in the next three years. CBN envisions through monetary policy and targeted development financing creating 10 million jobs in five years. Let other agencies such as NNPC, Nigeria Ports Authority make same commitments and soonest Nigeria can move from unemployment, underemployment to full employment.

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## Nigeria Amalgamation Document 1914

**T**here is a posting with the above title that has surreptitiously been making the rounds in the social media. The posting alludes that some leaders of ethnic nationalities led by emirs and chiefs signed the document for the amalgamation of the northern and southern parts of the country in 1914. The posting starts with a seemingly innocuous question: 'Many Nigerians have asked if there were parties from the southern and northern protectorates that partook in the declaration of Nigeria, or did the British on their own sign the document in the absence of the people involved?' Then the document goes on to say that "these were the Nigerians present at the amalgamation: HRH Maiturare Sarkin Musulumi and Sultan of Sokoto, Usuman Dan Maje who later became Emir of Kano, Sir Kitoyi Ajasa a lawyer, HRH Oladugbolu Alaafin of Oyo, HRH R. Henshaw (Obong of Calabar), Abubakar Shehu of Borno".

Ever since the posting emerged, questions were asked if the document is authentic. I found it difficult to be categorical either way because the posting is not supported with an attachment of the authentic document. And in all my association with Nigerian history both as a subject of study in the classroom and of passionate pursuit, I have never come across this painted scenario. I reason that may be it is those vociferous advocates of restructuring on the basis of ethnic nationalities that are out to score a point in the quest to advance their narrative. No. They would need to do more than posting this unverifiable document. This is because from all available sources, Fredrick Lugard, then colonial Governor-General of Nigeria was always named as the sole architect of the amalgamation of northern and southern parts of the country to form a unified entity. The British as the colonial power didn't need the agreement of any ethnic group to make an administrative arrangement that they felt was convenient for them.

Most of the colonial administrators both at the centre and the regions left behind a memoir or a biography. Lugard left tons of documents. His wife Flora Shaw, reputed to have coined the name Nigeria, was an accomplished writer even before she married him in 1902. She had been the colonial editor of the *Times* and had a number of novels to her credit. The book she wrote on their stay in Nigeria, 'The Tropical Dependency', is one of the definite books on the early years of Lugard in Nigeria as High Commissioner of Northern Nigeria. He himself wrote the 'Dual Mandate' (1922). His biographer Margery Perham left us with two volumes of Lugard's biography 1956 and 1960, plus four volumes

of his edited diaries published between 1959 and 1963. In all these and many other books by many writers, there had been no allusion to a meeting of emirs and chiefs to sign any purported document to amalgamate the northern and southern protectorates.

It is necessary to clear this issue now and declare that purported document going around as fake before some misguided compatriots start using it as a reference for calling a conference of ethnic nationalities to define our existence. We have seen how fake narratives get woven into truthful accounts and end up befuddling and contaminating worthwhile debates. What actually happened in that period, beginning from 1900, can be gleaned from plenty of sources. After the British have consolidated their grip they administered the territory from two ends: Lagos, capital of the Southern Protectorate and Zungeru, headquarters of the Northern Protectorate.

However, at a stage towards the end of 1911, for their own administrative convenience the British colonialists saw the need to administer the two territories as one and Lugard who had served as High Commissioner of the Northern Protectorate from 1900 to 1906 and was then stationed in the colony of Hong Kong as governor was tipped as the man for the job. He was returned as Governor of both the Southern and Northern Nigerian Protectorates in 1912 and was given the task to merge the entities into one. On arrival in Lagos he went to work at once preparing all the legal documents and in March 1913 returned to London to make his presentation to Whitehall. His proposals were accepted in September and he returned to Nigeria.

In January 1914 the new Government of Nigeria was so proclaimed alongside fitting ceremonies held simultaneously in Lagos and Zungeru, then the capital of Northern Region. The ceremonies in Lagos and Zungeru were to swear in the Governor, Fredrick Lugard and his lieutenants, Charles Lindsey for the north and Alexander Boyle for the south. The Lieutenant-Governors were to hold sway in the regional capitals. To commemorate the event a grand durbar was later in the year held in Kano where for the first time northern emirs and chiefs were brought together accompanied by a rich display of over 30,000 richly embroidered horses. Lugard later prepared a detailed report titled 'Amalgamation of Northern and Southern Nigeria and Administration 1912-1919' which he submitted to the British Parliament.

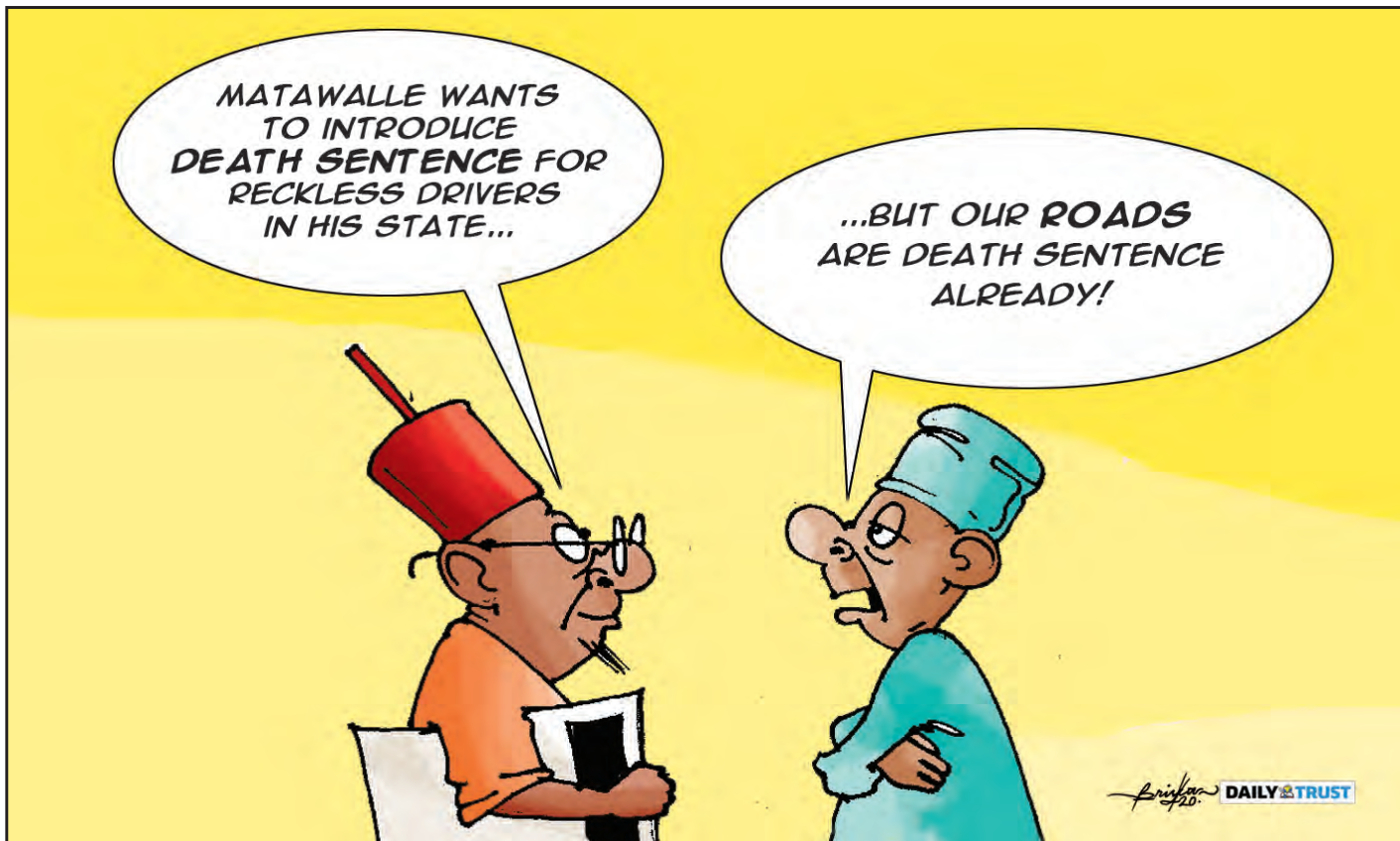
The story of leaders of ethnic nationalities signing amalgamation document in 1914 is a hoax. It is now what is referred to as fake news.



## Letter to the Editor

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## Answer the simple question Fani Kayode

Section 39(1) grants every Nigerian the freedom of expression, including to hold opinions and receive and impart ideas and information without interference. Equally, section 22 bequeaths the media with the constitutional right, AT ALL TIMES, to hold government and every individual accountable to its responsibility to the people.

As a Nigerian citizen and journalist, the Daily Trust reporter has both individual and institutional constitutional rights and duty to hold persons of public interest accountable. Fani-Kayode is no longer a public office holder, but he is going round states to inspect projects to hold state governments accountable.

This is a matter of public interest. So, why denigrate a journalist and stop him from doing his job, instead of answering the simple question?

After two decades of democratic experiment, Nigerians have come to realise that a lot of our politicians are self-centred and never do anything in the

public interest, except there is a benefit for them somehow. So, the journalist only wanted the public to know who is footing the bills of Fani-Kayode's project inspection round the states. If he is the one, he should state so. We need to know.

The reporter has done nothing wrong and Daily Trust should be proud of its reporter for asking such an important question, out of the many who attended that press briefing.

Fani-Kayode's outburst simply points to the fact that he is hiding something and Nigerians deserve to know the truth on why he is going on the inspection trips and where the funds are coming from, and why now? Fani-Kayode never engaged in such private inspections of public projects in his time in government, when he had all the public resources at his disposal? So, that is a question that he should answer.

In the public interest, a journalist can ask every and all question, and uncover whatever someone is seeking to hide, so long as it is in public interest. So, no, Fani

Kayode, there are no "stupid questions" in journalism. So, what the Daily Trust reporter did is in order. Not even the president is exempted from public scrutiny by the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, except immunity from legal proceedings. So, if the number one citizen is not exempted from being held accountable, no one can be exempted.

Anyone who watched the two minutes plus footage of the scene knows that Fani-Kayode is hiding something; and he does not want anyone to know who is sponsoring his trips. Why? That is another question he would have to answer.

And it is an insult for Fani-Kayode to think that all journalists at the press conference were there for pittance "brown envelopes". That was why he accused the Daily Trust reporter of being paid to ask the question. Well, the Daily Trust journalist has shown that not all journalists who attend press conferences are there for brown envelopes and that some are actually there to do their jobs. And I know many who do

not, and will never accept gratifications, before or after doing their jobs.

Shamefully, some of the journalists at the press conference could be heard apologising to Fani-Kayode. For what, except for Fani-Kayode's insinuations to the "brown envelope" and it appears that they were afraid that his anger will cause them to lose whatever pittance there is to get from the trip. I know many people will be disappointed at that aspect, especially journalists with an altruistic passion for the job, and those who hold journalism in high esteem, and as a public trust.

All said and done, it is Fani-Kayode who should apologise. He should answer the simple question and tell Nigerians where the funds are coming from and why he is going round states inspecting public projects at this time. The NUJ must take strong measures to avert such attacks on press freedom and to the Nigerian journalists.

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## Buhari govt must leave agric revolution propaganda

The Media Advocacy West Africa Foundation (MAWA-Foundation) calls on president Muhammadu Buhari's government to leave its agricultural revolution propaganda and confronts the reality of food scarcity and high cost of food in the country and address them as they are leading to a near acute hunger in the country.

MAWA Foundation frowns at the Buhari government's attitude of pushing the campaign of food sufficiency and agric revolution when in reality there is a huge shortage of food high cost in the market across the nation.

Buhari government has over the last five years claimed to have achieved agricultural revolution and food sufficiency; this is not true as the reality in Nigeria at the moment shows that never in the history of our country did the citizens experience this kind of high cost of food and food scarcity.

We wish to remind the Buhari government that a bag of rice now sells for N30k across the Nigerian states while in some states it is higher.

Garri that is always regarded as food for the poor is no longer affordable with All Farmers Association of Nigeria (AFAN), warning that there will be a scarcity of commodity because cassava farmers have since abandoned their farms.

Should the Buhari government does not know, many farmers in Nigeria, particularly in the northern part of the country have since abandoned their farms as a result of insecurity because they being killed in their farms either by bandits or herdsmen.

We call on the Buhari government to immediately forget about the energy it puts in pushing the propaganda about agric revolution as his core achievement and begin to address food scarcity and the high cost of food, which has become a major dent to his administration.

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## Re: Kano Unity Forum petitions President Buhari:

Upon all the ongoing projects the Kano State Government is executing everywhere you cannot give your support and appreciate, you're planning a useless petition against the government of the day because of your selfish interest. Wow! unto those enemies of progress and unpatriotic organisation.

*Bello G. Brigade, 080516386\*\**

## Niger needs FG's help

The state of road infrastructural decay in Niger State has reached an alarming stage. These FG roads include (1) Suleja--Minna, (2) Lambata-Lapai-Bida. (3) Minna-Tegina-Mariga-Kontagopra. (4) Minna-Kataregi-Bida. (5) Bida-Zungeru (6) Kontagora-Bokani-Mokwa. The only fairly good roads leading in and out of the state are Suleja-

Sabon Wuse-Kaduna, Bida-Mokwa-Jebba, which are also facing serious threats now as a result of heavy-duty vehicles plying them 24 hours daily. Niger state and its people, therefore need urgent FG intervention to rehabilitate all or some of the listed roads.

*Babajiya Alhaji. 070355998\*\**

## Attn: Sen. Kabir Abdullahi Barkiya &amp; Rep. Armayau A/Kadir Dutsin-ma

Are you people in touch with your constituents? Recent rainstorm houses destruction in Birchi Community deserve your urgent attention. I beg if you can't help the victims in your individual capacity you are in positions to channels their complains to relevant authorities such as SEMA and NEMA for further necessary assessment and action to ease the plight of the victims.

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## EDITORIAL

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## That intemperate gaffe by Fani-Kayode

**A** strong lesson in maintaining decorum in encounters with the public, especially the media, was delivered last week in Calabar, Cross River State, to the iconoclastic politician Femi Fani-Kayode.

In a development which has gone viral, he had invited the press to promote public projects executed by some governors in the course of a good governance tour. Typical of a dutiful reporter, Eyo Charles, representing *Daily Trust*, had asked Fani-Kayode who was bankrolling the project inspection enterprise. From then on, the parley took a dramatic turn with Fani-Kayode losing his temper and raining expletives as well as threats on the reporter.

While the specific contents of the vitriolic-laced hate speech which Fani-Kayode launched at the reporter are trending in the media, he has since expressed remorse and apologized, as well as recanted his hate-laced expletives, apparently in submission to the massive wave of condemnation and recrimination which his conduct at the fora had attracted.

Among the trending concerns of public interest in the saga are at least four.

Firstly, is the propriety of the question – whose ostensible aim was to clarify the source of funds for the project inspection exercise, as it had been running largely unknown to the general public. Given his present status as a private citizen who is bereft of any known, relevant official designation, or even endowment that qualifies him to inspect public projects and pontificate on their integrity, his compatibility for the task remained questionable in the public eye.

Specifically, it is in the public interest to clarify whether taxpayers' funds were involved. And it is in this context that the modalities pertaining to his involvement in the exercise remain a matter of significant public interest. The question is also without prejudice to his profile in the public space as a vociferous iconoclast, as well as current travails, courtesy of his ongoing prosecution by the EFCC for corruption in office, while serving as minister of Aviation.

The question of who was bankrolling him was, therefore, most expedient as it was intended, in one vein to open to the public insights into the financial aspect of the largely nebulous project inspection exercise, while also offering him the opportunity to endear himself as a public-spirited Nigerian, whether sponsored or otherwise.

That he failed to answer the question remains a negative for him as it deepened the mystery surrounding the financial aspect of the project monitoring exercise.

The second aspect of public interest was the commendable courage and comportment with which the reporter asked the question and remained calm as well as composed all through the excoriation by Fani-Kayode. His disposition in the face of the attack on his person provides an eloquent testimonial to the reportorial culture by the *Daily Trust* stable which upholds the imperative of its operatives deploying wit, courage and discretion, creative approaches to isolate facts from fiction, in their reportage.

So also was the response of the *Daily Trust* management which aligned with the ethos of credible and responsible journalism to commend and defend the reporter. The gesture of the management of the newspaper towards the reporter qualifies to serve as a beacon of encouragement to media practitioners who may find themselves confronted with a similar situation where misplaced impunity tends to vitiate the course of public interest.

Thirdly is that his temperamental outburst at the press conference venue and latter show of remorse, including his admission of discretion-deficit as well as self-excoriation, point to a syndrome more insidious than is casually considered in many opinion circles across the country.

Viewed against a fall back to several instances in the past where the said Fani-Kayode was involved in speech and or conduct that was unbecoming of a prominent political figure, provides a disturbing situation that questions his discretion in evaluating public sensitivity to his persona and actions.

Fourthly, was the show of solidarity with the *Daily Trust* stable by the country's media establishment and a wide cross-section of public opinion circles. This support points to the huge potential for change in the country's political fortunes when and if the media takes its proper place as an agenda-setting facility to move Nigeria to the next level.

## Yobe @ 29: Thoughts on our democratic journey

By Abdullahi Bego

**L**et me commend the civil society here in Yobe State for its hard work and dedication to the ideals of a better, more peaceful society. In ways large and small, the civil society is helping to make our democracy stronger and more diverse.

It is argued that democracy is the best system of government ever invented by man. As a government of, for, and by the people, democracy offers a chance for us all to freely elect our leaders, to demand that those leaders do right by our votes, to hold our leaders to account and to make our voices heard.

This is the point to which I want to turn my attention – how democracy has worked for us here in Yobe since the state was created 29 years ago, and how we might work, as citizens, to make our democracy work even better, and make it more enduring, more resilient, and more reflective of our collective aspirations as a people.

As you know, here in Yobe State, as in other parts of the country, we practice representative, as opposed to participatory, democracy. Each time we reach for the ballot and elect a local government chairman, say, or a member of the state assembly, or a governor, conferring on them the mandate to make decisions on our behalf according to the constitution as we regularly do every four years since 1999, then it is representative democracy in action.

But don't get me wrong: Representative and participatory democracy are not mutually exclusive. Insofar as it refers to the participation of people in the political, democratic process and in civic engagement, participatory democracy can exist side by side with representative democracy. Through public hearings as occasionally called for by the legislature, and through rallies, and protests, and through the media, for example, citizens always have the opportunity to crowdsource their opinions for elected officials and contribute directly to the decisions that affect their lives. That is participatory democracy!

Looking back, it is now 21 years since the return of democratic rule in the country – 21 years of continuous opportunity to regularly renew our trust in our leaders. There is no question: Democracy has worked for us fairly well here in Yobe State over these two decades.

The institutions of our democracy – the legislature, the judiciary, media, law enforcement, civil society; all these are fully deployed in the service of the people. On its part, the executive branch of the government continues to work even harder to provide basic social services that the people need and that make the society grow stronger, including clean water, affordable healthcare, education, support for agriculture and food production, and security. This is true across all civilian administrations in the state.

Governor Mai Mala Buni has now taken this to a whole new level. The governor is not only making our democratic institutions grow stronger; he is not only opening new frontiers in social service delivery; he is, significantly, opening up the democratic space to more young people than ever before, youths that were largely disaffiliated from a chance to discover and deploy their fullest potentials in the service of society.

Today, thanks to Governor Buni's effort, the Yobe State government is buzzing and humming with a young and active middle management team, which is doing the state proud with its energy, its enthusiasm, its talent, and its drive for excellence. From the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) to

the State Scholarships Board, to the SPHCMB, to a slew of other new agencies, such as the focal office for the NEDC created to more positively impact the lives of the people, these young, active individuals are helping to write a new chapter in the annals of Yobe's public service.

These are significant markers of progress. These are significant milestones for how our democracy has fared over the recent period. Subject to data and statistics, I dare say that the Buni administration has opened up the political space to more young people than any other state administration in the current dispensation in this part of the country.

But there is still more work to be done, as the room for improvement is the biggest space in the world. More work to do for the schoolgirl in Dokshi and the schoolboy in Dapchi who dream to become a doctor or a nurse practitioner, a teacher, or an engineer and is so blissfully excited about what life has to offer. More to do for the young electronics vendor at the Bayan Tasha market or the local GSM market and hundreds more like him who have the energy and the drive and the will to make a difference in their own lives but needed just a little push to turn their dreams into reality.

Our governments here in Yobe State have always strived to provide this opportunity. Governor Mai Mala Buni is currently striving hard to do more and to expand opportunities. Each moment in our history has its twists and turns. But for over 21 years now, our long democratic journey, in my opinion, has been a story of steady upward movement.

As citizens, we all have obligations to make this journey a little livelier, a little more spirited.

As civil society, your first obligation is to continue to work to ensure that we have a well-informed electorate because a well-informed electorate speaks to the capacity of people to exercise their franchise more beneficially. Walter Cronkite, a celebrated former journalist, once said that "our democracy cannot function without a reasonably well-informed electorate".

The media has a special obligation in this respect. It is to report the news fairly and accurately, to not be involved in sensationalism, and to avoid racing to get the story first in favour of getting it right.

This last point, the one about getting the story right, is particularly important. In the age of social media when most people get their news online from the comfort of their phones, we have to especially work to avoid trumpeting stories that are unverified or that are outrightly false. Fake news fuels conflicts. We must continue to contribute to peace-building by striving to avoid it.

Second, remember that famous line from John F. Kennedy, "Don't ask what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country"? Yes, I know many of you do. That's a call to action, a call to citizenship. For if we want our democracy to work as well as it should, each of us must dig in and roll up our sleeves. We must participate in the political process and live up to our civic responsibilities. As someone noted, "Democracy is not (always) about what can be done for us, it is about what can be done by us together through the hard and frustrating but ultimately necessary work of self-government".

Third – and lastly – let each of us be guided by those universal values that we all cherish – the values of honesty, and industry, and tolerance. Throughout history, every society that has prospered or that declined did so partly on the basis of whether these values were upheld and respected or whether they were disregarded and kicked down the road.

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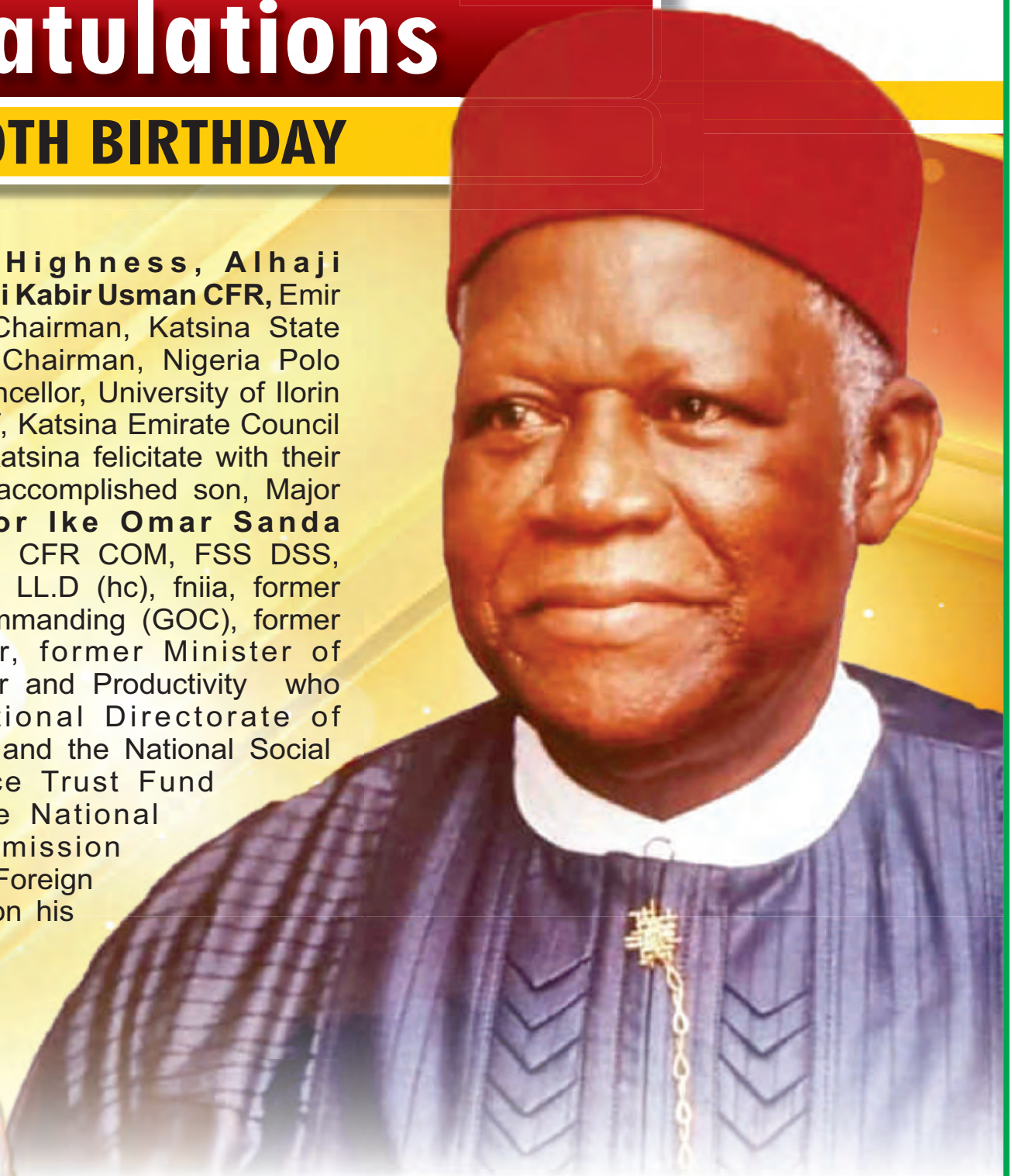


## Katsina Emirate Council

# Congratulations

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**H**is Royal Highness, Alhaji Abdulmumini Kabir Usman CFR, Emir of Katsina, Chairman, Katsina State Council of Chiefs, Chairman, Nigeria Polo Federation and Chancellor, University of Ilorin wish to on his behalf, Katsina Emirate Council and the people of Katsina felicitate with their illustrious and well accomplished son, Major General, **Senator Ike Omar Sanda Nwachuku**, GCMG, CFR COM, FSS DSS, MSS, Psc (+), mni, LL.D (hc), fniia, former General Officer Commanding (GOC), former Military Governor, former Minister of Employment, Labour and Productivity who founded the National Directorate of Employment (NDE) and the National Social Security Insurance Trust Fund (NSSITF) and the National Productivity Commission (NPC); and, former Foreign Minister of Nigeria on his 80th Birthday



## Major General, Senator Ike Omar Sanda Nwachuku



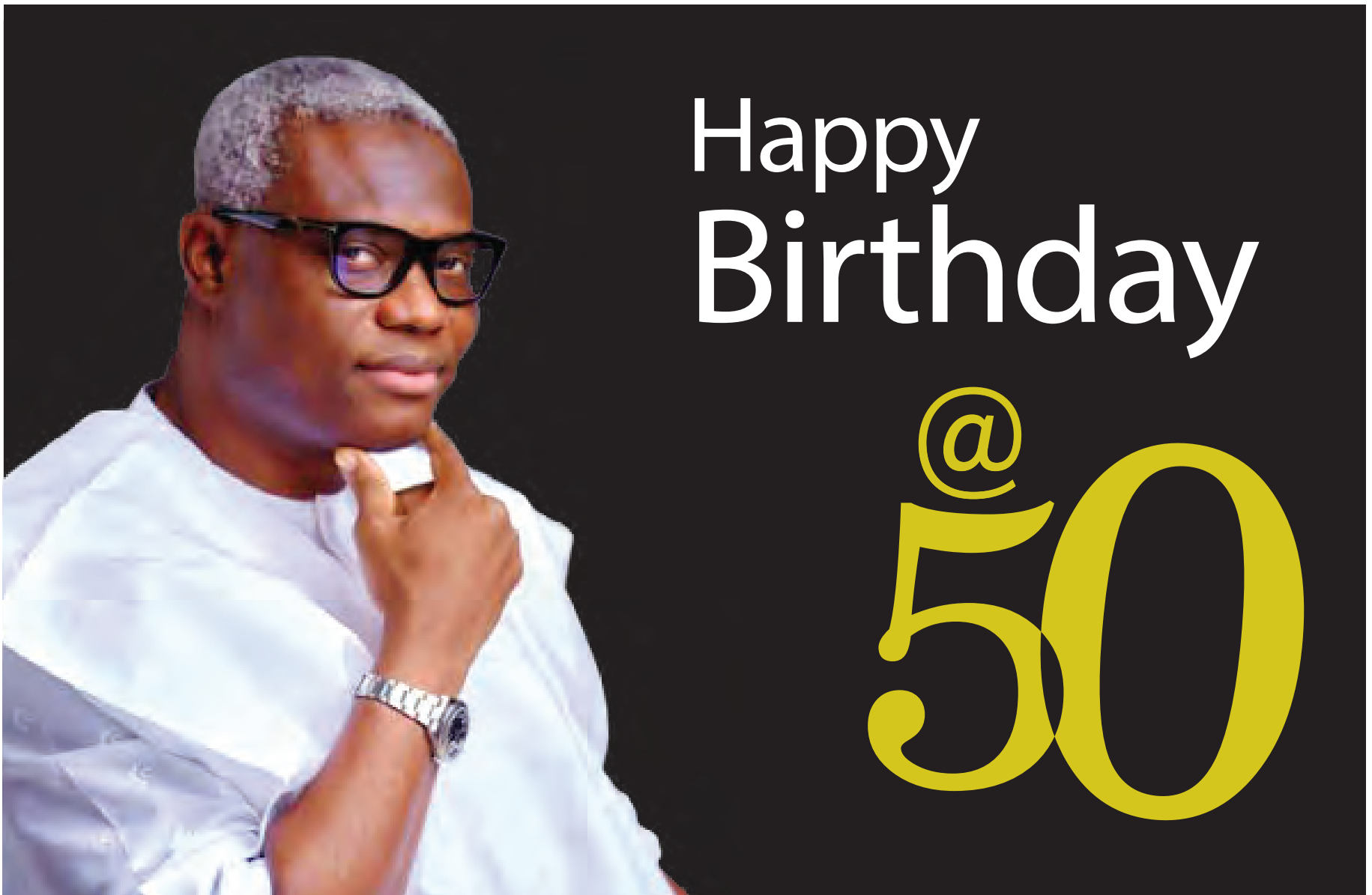
Signed:

His Royal Highness,

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# MONDAY BUSINESS

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	US DOLLAR	Pound STERLING	EURO	YUAN/ RENMINBI	RIVAL	CFA
Buying	379	504.75	451.65	55.222	101.056	0.663
Central NGN	379.5	505.41	452.25	55.296	101.189	0.673
Selling NGN	380	506.08	452.84	55.369	101.323	0.683

August 30, 2020

## COMMODITIES PRICE

CRUDE OIL BRENT	\$45.08
GOLD	\$1,964.95
SILVER	\$27.50
NATURAL GAS	\$2.65

## BUREAU DE CHANGE RATES

BUYING	Dollar	Euro	Pound S.
	N472	N541	N600
SELLING	Dollar	Euro	Pound S.
	N478	N544	N619

By Simon Echefun Sunday

## NDE takes 100% control of 774,000 jobs - DG

● 40,000 pilot scheme in 8 states successful

The Director General of the National Directorate of Employment (NDE), Dr. Nasiru Ladan Mohammed Argungu, said the agency has taken over the full control of the Special Public Works (SPW) programme meant to engage 774,000 young people across 774 local government areas.

In an interview on Sunday, Dr. Argungu said, "The fact is that now the execution of this project is 100 percent in the hands of NDE, and we have set the machinery in motion.

"An agreement was reached and I want you to put it on record. The agreement was reached by the DG of NDE, the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Labour and Employment, the Minister of State, Festus Keyamo and the Minister, Chris Ngige. The decision was taken by four of us that NDE as the implementing agency should go ahead to implement and execute this programme," Argungu said.

He revealed that within the week, the NDE team from the head office, with the team from the minister's office will be touring some states "to ensure that all arrangements are in order so that we can meet the October 1, 2020 deadline as the take-off date for this programme."

The NDE boss said the agency has enough human capacity and facilities to handle the programme. "Before this 774 project, we had 691 desk officers out of the 774 local government areas but as I speak, we have desk officers in all the 774 LGAs. Our staff strength is almost 3,000, enough to cater to a lot of activities."

The NDE head noted that while the SPW programme is ready to take off on October 1, 2020, a pilot study was conducted across eight states by engaging 40,000 people was successful.

"Of course, from the breakdown I gave you, it is something we can handle 100 percent. We have done pilot studies in eight states – Ebonyi, Edo, Kwara, Ekiti, Borno, Katsina, Adamawa and Jigawa. We have not done in Adamawa and Jigawa because of the COVID-19 issue, but all arrangements are in place. For the six states, we have done it successfully."

Dr. Argungu also said the programme has six key objectives. "It is far beyond that. As far as NDE is concerned, the government is trying to use one stone to kill six birds.

"The first point is that you are much aware that even in developing nations, their economy is driven by micro economy. Think about N52 billion going into the grass roots at LGA, ward level and unit level. Micro economically, what it will do to our economy is that it will have a direct impact on our macro economy."

Secondly, he said it is creating jobs at the grass root, minimising rural to urban migration. Thirdly, President Muhaammadu Buhari has directed that wherever there is gathering of over 100 youths, NDE should engage a local preacher to emphasise to the youths in their local language about the importance of living in peace and harmony with self-reliance.

Fourthly, NDE's department of Small Scale Enterprises has Basic Business Training (BBT) unit that will sensitise participants about investing part of their N60,000 stipends to improve their businesses or farm



■ From right: Director General of the National Directorate of Employment (NDE), Dr. Nasiru Ladan-Argungu, and Gombe State Governor, Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya, when the governor paid a visit to NDE headquarters in Abuja recently, on partnership for job creation in the state.

activities.

There is also the fifth aspect of community supervision where NDE officials will be enlightening the beneficiaries about guiding the critical governments' infrastructures in their localities.

The sixth point is to engage the beneficiaries after the three months as Agricultural Extension Workers (AEW). "We have a programme in NDE under the Rural Employment Promotion (REP) department called Sustainable Agricultural Development Training Scheme (SADTS) where young people are trained on modern agricultural skills. So we are going to train most of them in this area as

agricultural extension workers."

He said NDE studies show that there are vast fertile lands across states where farm practices can be enhanced. Dr Argungu also noted that in states like Osun, Oyo, Ogun and the rest, with N100,000, one could hire one hectare of land for maize farming with a profit margin of N125,000.

"The Gombe State governor, Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya, visited NDE recently because he has the idea of engaging 10,000 young people across the 11 LGAs in Gombe State."

On the implementation, he said, NDE was deploying three staff in each LGA to add to three LGA monitoring committees

and the three-member state implementation committee to ensure everything is in order. He said forms with security features have been printed and given to banks for applicants to collect without any cost.

Screened applicants will get their accounts linked to the Special Public Works (SPW) account. "If they don't have, we will make arrangements with banks with wide reach because nobody would need to leave his locality."

Allaying fears of sabotage, he said all interests have been carried along as 400 of the slots will take care of that per LGA. "The remaining 600 spaces are open to all Nigerians. Once you are 18 years and above and unemployed, you are qualified to join this programme. Some degree of disability can be allowed to be engaged in this programme.

"One other clarification is that, neither the leadership of the Senate nor the House of Representatives, not to talk of any lawmaker, has ever spoken to me about slots on this project. So the issue of the National Assembly members trying to hijack this programme, honestly, it is not true," he clarified.

Speaking of the reforms at NDE, Dr. Argungu said he streamlined 81 trade trainings to 15. "Between 2014 and early 2017, which is about three and half years, only 14,082 people were trained by NDE. I assumed office on April 18, 2017, and from that time till date, and with the adjustment we made, we have already trained 1.6 million people. In this year, we are laying more emphasis on resettling more trainees."

## Reps to summon foreign shippers over 400% hike in container surcharge

By Chris Agabi

The House of Representatives is making a move to summon the European Community Ship Owners Association on a recent hike in Peak Period Surcharge (PSS) on containers billed for Nigeria, the House Committee Chairman on Ports and Harbour, Hon Datti Garba

Mohammed, has said.

The PSS was \$200 but jerked to between \$1,000 and \$1,500 per container, a situation that has drawn outrage from importers.

Speaking exclusively to our correspondent in Abuja, Hon. Mohammed said the 400 percent PSS hike by the foreign shippers on goods headed to

Nigeria was illegal and against the agreement earlier entered into with the Union of African Shippers Council.

"We are in the midst of COVID-19 which has impacted the economy of the whole world. Suddenly, the European Community Ship Owners Association just imposed a unilateral increase in surcharges

which they called peak season surcharge.

"This surcharge is about 400 percent increment. This is aside from other charges that exist. This was done unilaterally, without consulting their host, the Nigerian Shippers Council and other authorities that have to do with that."

He said the economy will be

deeply affected due to loss of revenue and inflation from the high cost of the imported goods.

"So as a parliament, we feel the peak season surcharge is illegal. We have written to all the shipping companies operating in Nigeria. We are inviting them to come and explain the rationale for the unilateral increment."



## CEO INTERVIEW

# Why credit bureau penetration still at 14% - Dr Popoola

From Risikat Ramoni, Lagos

**W**hat is your assessment of loan performance in recent months?

The last few months since March have witnessed significant disruptions. COVID-19 which erupted late 2019 in China became a pandemic and Nigeria was not exempted. At the moment, most businesses operate in a skeletal form.

On the CRC database, we have over 36 million credit files and a significant number of consumers and businesses are still honouring their obligations. However, some financial institutions have gone ahead to extend loan repayment schedules and advances to assist borrowers keep up with their repayments and this has greatly helped the consumers maintain their favourable credit scores.

Recently, the Central Bank of Nigeria released a report to the effect that about 32,000 facilities from 17 commercial banks have been reported to have been restructured on the request of the borrowers.

Essentially, loan performance is going to be adversely affected but it is too early to predict the magnitude. What is apparent is that some sectors are more affected than others, so, loans to operators in the most hit sectors would be highly affected.

**What is the importance of credit information report to loan assessment process?**

The credit information or credit report is one of the important factors that lenders look at before approving any loan application for an individual or business. The credit information report essentially contains a borrower's credit history and other relevant information that enable scientific evaluation of the creditworthiness of a borrower. It will show if you have been paying back those loans, defaulting, or have defaulted in the past. This information is used to determine how risky it is for a lender to extend a loan to an individual or business entity.

**What is the current rate of subscription to the credit bureau?**

The current rate of subscription to credit bureau has improved but is still below the expected when compared with other credit-based societies. The data base of CRC Credit Bureau has over 36 million records from over 1,500 subscribing institutions made up of all commercial banks, specialised development banks, microfinance banks, mortgage banks, finance houses and other financial institutions licensed and supervised by the CBN.

However, there are other data furnishers such as the telecommunication companies, electricity distribution companies,

Dr. Ahmed Tunde Popoola is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of CRC Credit Bureau in Lagos. In this interview, he gives reasons why firm credit penetration has not gone beyond 14% and how this can be pushed up.



■ MD/CEO, CRC Credit Bureau, Dr. Ahmed Tunde Popoola

pharmaceutical companies, cooperative societies, real estate firms, etc. But credit bureau penetration is still incredibly low in Nigeria at about 14 per cent because there is a very low level of credit penetration.

Despite the seemingly current heavy lending by financial institutions to individuals and businesses, the level of credit penetration in the country is still below 30% which is below the African average of 57%.

**How has the credit bureau assisted lenders and borrowers?**

For lenders, the credit bureaus provide the information that helps them make informed lending decisions. Lenders can pre-qualify borrowers and reduce their risks. We assist lenders in the entire value chain of lending by providing information that enables them to scrutinize the marketplace for good potential borrowers; profile loan applicants to determine their credit worthiness, monitor loans after they have been granted, help in mitigating defaults and delinquencies and manage bad loans for recoveries.

We assist lenders to lend based on facts and to price based on risks inherent in a borrower. In addition, credit bureau services assist lenders to avoid haphazard selection.

For borrowers, credit bureau services make it easy for credible borrowers to have access to credit at competitive interest rates and with considerable reduction in the

demand for collateral for borrowers with good credit history and good credit scores.

**What sectors should rely on the credit bureau services?**

According to the Credit Reporting Act of 2017, Section 7, a credit information user may only seek information from a credit bureau for certain permissible purposes which include, considering an application for credit, carrying out employment checks, among others.

What this law highlights is that, various businesses in different sectors of the economy can use information in the credit bureaus and if you run a business that offers credit or post-paid options to your customers, then you need the credit bureau. Virtually all sectors where loans are granted, or services are rendered through post-paid arrangements or products delivered on credit need credit bureaus.

**What should people know about credit risk management?**

It is important that individuals and organisations appreciate the financial intermediation role of financial institutions. While banks want to lend, they want to do so safely and minimise losses. Invariably, they will always put a robust credit risk management process in place to ensure that only credible individuals and organisations that have the capacity and the willingness to repay loans have access to loans.

There would always be consequences in the form of penalties for defaults, translating to higher charges or inability to access credit in the future.

As an individual, you should understand the credit risk process, so you can better manage your financial status and know what will happen when you apply for a loan and the steps you need to take, to get your loans approved.

**Is there a law compelling subscription to credit bureaus?**

The National Credit Reporting Act 2017 makes it compulsory for lenders generally to subscribe to the services of credit bureaus. The CBN also mandates all lending institutions under their licensing and regulatory regimes to furnish data and access credit bureau for lending and know your customer (KYC) purposes.

However, the value that credit bureaus deliver to the economy is compelling enough for any organisation to utilise its services.

## AMCON assets now N136.73bn - Kuru

By Victoria Onehi

The Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of Asset Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON), Mr Ahmed Lawan Kuru, has said AMCON's assets under management is now N136.73 billion.

Kuru said this when he led the management of AMCON to appear before a technical session of the Senate Committee on Banking Insurance and other Financial Institutions in Abuja at the weekend.

"In spite of all the challenges and frustrations, which have been heightened by the ravaging pandemic, the corporation is not deterred because as at August 2020, AMCON's assets under management (AUM) amounted to about N136.73 billion, while the agency has about N112.03bn worth of proprietary assets," Kuru said.

In a statement, AMCON said the committee met to review the impact of COVID-19 on its policies and process with the view to reposition it for optimal performance amidst the pandemic.

Kuru the Senate needs to do more to support AMCON recovery as some of the top obligors of AMCON still hide under legal technicalities to tie down AMCON in courts.

Chairman of the committee, Senator Uba Sani, assured that the committee and AMCON have identified the strategies being employed by debtors to stall the repayment of loans, including dragging court cases for many years.

"The Assets Management Corporation of Nigeria has remained at the receiving end of these well-laid and orchestrated acts of economic sabotage," he said.

## What we must do to overcome economic decline - Don

From Clement A. Oloyede, Kano

A professor of economics at the Bayero University, Kano, Garba Ibrahim Sheka, has advised the government to abandon fire-brigade approaches if it is sincere about diversifying the economy and getting Nigeria out of its worst economic decline in 10 years.

In an interview with Daily Trust, Professor Sheka,

said Nigeria cannot restrict the blame of the present situation to the COVID-19 pandemic because "there was also negligence on the part of our leaders to put the economy into a sound base."

"Even without COVID-19, we were in trouble. Unemployment was so serious and the major approaches to address it were not adequate.

"Rather than give one

million people temporary jobs that will last one year or some months, it is better that you give 300,000 people permanent jobs because the temporary jobs can end up causing problems," he said.

While emphasizing the need for permanent solutions, Prof. Sheka suggested "sincere diversification of the economy", which he said would involve "spending huge amounts of money

which the government is claiming not to have.

"If you want to diversify through agriculture, you need to come up with infrastructure that will support irrigation. If you want to diversify through the industrial sector, you have to provide power, roads and railway networks."

He also suggested a downward review of the rate of interest to encourage

investors.

"The Central Bank of Nigeria has been trying but they have to do more. The rate of interest, their Monetary Policy Rate must be reduced this time around. The cost of capital is so high and if we are sincere with our diversification, we have to encourage investment and to do this; you have to do something about the interest rate," he said.



## ECONOMIC INSIGHT

Ogun grants 50% discount on land use charge

From Peter Moses, Abeokuta

The Ogun State Government has granted investors a 50 percent discount on all year 2020 land use and amenities charge paid by September 30, 2020.

The State Commissioner for Industry, Trade and Investment, Mrs. Kikelomo Longe, stated this during the 15th Quarterly Stakeholders Engagement meeting between the state government and members of MAN, Ogun State branch, held virtually.

Mrs. Longe said, the state inaugurated the Ogun State Business Environment Council, to "focus on sustainable reforms to address constraints impeding the ease of doing business in the state and limiting effective private sector participation."

The Chief Economic Adviser and State Commissioner for Finance, Dapo Okubadejo, said, "Taxpayers, who pay their land use and amenities charge between October 1 and 31, 2020 would enjoy 25 per cent discount, while payment made between November 1 and 30, 2020 would attract 10 per cent discount."

Chairman of the Association, Mr. Seleem Adegunwa, lauded the ministry for providing support for manufacturers in the state, as well as acting promptly towards addressing their concerns.

## Data protection industry created 2,700 jobs, worth N2.5bn - NITDA

By Zakariyya Adaramola

Over 2700 jobs have been created in the new data protection industry worth N2.5 billion in one year, the National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA), said.

The Director-General of NITDA, Kashifu Abdullahi, at

the weekend, said the agency had issued supplementary regulation in line with the National Digital Economy Policy to strengthen the Nigeria Data Protection Regulation (NDPR).

"Our innovative way of implementing the data protection regulation has, in turn, resulted in the creation of more than 2700 jobs and

industry worth more than N2.5bn within a year", Abdullahi disclosed.

He said NITDA had also inaugurated the Data Breach Investigation Team in collaboration with the office of the Inspector General of Police (IGP) to track and report data infraction cases to police.

"So far this year, we have

resolved over 790 data regulation issues", he said.

He also disclosed that NITDA had set up three IT hubs, four innovation and incubation parks, six IT community centres and three IT capacity-building centres in higher institutions as well as in unserved and underserved communities across the country.

## SMEs urged on planning to survive COVID-19

From Sunday Michael Ogwu, Lagos

The Vice President, Business Development (West), Sigma Pensions, Mrs. Mabel George has urged Small and Medium Scale Businesses (SMEs) to leverage technology as well as imbibe good financial planning to survive the economic downturns of

COVID-19 pandemic.

George said this over the weekend at the ConnectNigeria Virtual business fair where thousands of SMEs converged to learn, connect and showcase their business.

She also urged businesses present to re-evaluate their business propositions to adapt to the changing

business environment and practices in order to survive the pandemic and its aftermath.

She said: "You need to rethink the way you do business, you need to take a back seat to review the economy and sectors and see how you can add a positive stint to what is going on in the economy."

"Most importantly

financial planning is the key tool every business owner, young professional or any individual at all must imbibe. Put your finances together," she said.

George further advocated the need to adapt to technology and leverage on to move forward.

She also on SMEs to learn how to gather and use data as well as a diligent

financial planning

"Data is king, with the right data we are able to predict, make simulations and are able to plan how we are going to work and how we are going to function during and post the pandemic. Data gathering puts you in a better standing compared to people who do not work with data."

## FG wants ITF skills programmes harmonised

From Dickson S. Adama, Jos

The federal government has directed the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) to harmonise all skills development initiatives by Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) across the country as enshrined in the ITF Act.

The directive, which was via a virtual meeting of critical stakeholders and partners in skills acquisition was chaired by the Vice President, Professor Yemi Osinbajo.

Osinbajo said the harmonisation will help to achieve greater success in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET).

Speaking after the meeting, the Director-General of the ITE, Joseph Ari, promised to swing into action at once in order to implement the directive of the vice president to harmonise technical and vocational skills training in the Nigerian economy as enshrined in the ITF Act.

The DG stressed that with greater support from government, the current challenges of limited funds, high costs of TVET training and

wrong perception of TVET education could be surmounted.

The ITF-NECA TSDP is a skills acquisition programme that started

with just six trade areas at its inception but now boasts of over 40 trade areas with over 8,000 youths trained annually for the industries.

## SON certifies LPG plants in Kano

From Richard P. Ngbokai, Kano

The Kano state office of Standards Organisation of Nigerian (SON) has commenced testing and certification of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) plants across the state with a view to ensuring that standards are maintained in the business for public

good and safety.

This follows the acquisition of a mobile pressure machine by the organisation in its bid to ensure that safety of the public is not compromise in setting up the gas plants.

Speaking to reporters while flagging off the exercise on the newly installed AMMASCO gas plant in Kano,

the state coordinator of SON, Malam Yunusa Mohammed, underscored the need for all gas plants in the state to be duly certified.

He said preparations have been concluded to embark on mass monitoring and testing of the plants across the state in order to ensure compliance to safety standards.

## 'We raised DStv, GOtv rates after market review'

By Simon Echewofun Sunday

MultiChoice has said its price adjustments on some DStv and GOtv packages from September 1, 2020, was done after careful consideration of the market and a review of its business operations.

In a statement, the firm said: "We have

reviewed the prices of some of our bouquets so that we can continue to survive as a business and bring quality entertainment to our customers." It said it considered inflation rate at 12.82%, the highest in 27 months; content costs and efficiencies within the company. "Please, be assured

that we have worked hard to keep this year's tariffs manageable," said John Ugbe, CEO of MultiChoice.

It said the packages will continue to be available at varying pricing points to allow subscribers flexibility in price and choice without compromising quality or variety.

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## NPHCDA's Last Game Strategies that Kicked Polio out of Nigeria

By Hussein Mohammad

The slogan, 'Kick Polio out of Africa' was borne in 1996 when polio cases in Africa hit an all-time high, paralyzing over 75,000 children yearly and the late South African President, Nelson Mandela, responded by launching a massive campaign against the disease. Launched in collaboration with Rotary International and other partners, the crusade marked the beginning of a cross-continental movement against polio and the slogan soon assumed a popular catchphrase internationally.

Nigeria, which at the time had a large share of cases of the disease, was not left out; it also quickly keyed into the renewed global push by rephrasing the slogan to 'Kick Polio out of Nigeria' and redoubling its efforts in line with the soccer mantra. The National Primary Health Care Development Agency, NPHCDA, which is saddled with the responsibility of providing technical support to states, local government areas and other stakeholders in the functioning, planning, implementation, supervision and monitoring of PHC services, strategized accordingly.

Factors militating against the polio fight were so numerous and herculean that despite the efforts, the country seemed to stagnate and soon gained the ignoble distinction of being the only one in a continent of 54 countries and one of the only three countries (alongside Afghanistan and Pakistan) in the world, yet to be certified polio-free. The main challenges included cultural and religious sentiments. Some religious and traditional leaders openly opposed the immunisation campaigns on the ground that it was a western ploy to make people infertile. This misconceived sentiment, which was more pronounced in the northern part of the country, became a source of serious concern, thereby deepening the challenge in reaching millions of children for vaccination. The Boko Haram insurgency in the North and the consequent insecurity equally constituted a clog in the activities of the vaccinators who moved from house to house, to vaccinate.

Daunting as these problems were, however, NPHCDA clung to its guns, determined to actualize the slogan, 'Kick Polio out of Nigeria'. Consequently, the last four years witnessed renewed efforts, reinvented strategies and winning innovations. First and foremost, plans were drawn up to improve the quality and better coverage of immunization activities.

In the special case of insecurity, the Agency adopted special approaches, one of which was the engagement of the Military and Civilian Joint Task Force, CJTF, to provide access information and security escorts for vaccination teams in security-compromised areas. In this regard, the Agency developed and implemented Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for systematic engagement of the Military and CJTF. The CJTF members, who are usually based in the communities and are familiar with the local terrain and security situation, help especially in escorting vaccinators to the remote areas. Another strategy, Reaching Every Settlement, RES, was initiated and implemented in inaccessible settlements, especially in Borno State. The initiative, generously supported by partners, involved detailed consultative planning with stakeholders at local government area level and rapid vaccination visits, depending on the security situation on ground.

To address the political, religious and cultural sentiments against immunization activities, targeted communication strategies were employed to overcome the barriers. There was consistent re-orientation of health workers, adhoc personnel and policy makers towards the need for community involvement. Effective advocacy to politicians and community leaders, as well as massive



■ ED/CEO, NPHCDA, Dr. Faisal Shuaib vaccinating a baby at a PHC Centre in Calabar during a meeting of Executive Secretaries of State Primary Health Care Boards held in Calabar, Cross Rivers, recently.



■ A government official administering polio vaccine on a child during another exercise

social and community mobilization were deployed at national, state, local government down to grassroots levels. Hence, community participation was so improved that gaining the confidence of caregivers became a matter of course. Local government chairmen and community leaders were so carried along that they participated in Evening Review Meetings, where issues relating to non-compliance were discussed and subsequently resolved.

International border activities were another challenge. It is interesting to note that Nigeria has as many as 16 states, 60 LGAs and 201 wards along the international border. The situation contributed greatly to the persistence of the Wild Polio Virus in the country, as the virus kept circulating across the borders. For instance, the confirmation of polio outbreak in August 2016 revealed that the virus had long been circulating between Borno State and Chad Republic.

With such glaring evidence of the effects of a porous border, the Agency decided to intensify cross-border collaboration to increase population immunity in communities along the nation's borders. To achieve this, all major crossing points along the international borders were mapped with geo-coordinates obtained and permanent border transit points, vaccination teams stationed at strategic crossing points to immunize children entering and departing the country. To evaluate the effectiveness of the strategy and develop further tactics that might be necessary, the data generated were reviewed weekly at the National Emergency Operations Centre, NEOC. Also, during Supplementary Immunization Activities, SIAs, inter-border synchronization meetings were held and attended by officials from neighbouring countries, with the discussions at meetings culminating into joint plans and synchronization of vaccination sessions by teams from both countries.

Other frontline strategies employed to tackle the disease were enhancing the quality of Supplemental Immunization Activities (SIAs), strengthening Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) surveillance and stepping up routine immunization. To improve the quality of SIAs, house-based micro-planning were developed to find missed children and settlements, while nomads were included in vaccination teams for easy outreach to nomadic populations. Furthermore, focused and effective mop-up activities were regularly carried out in special areas. While improved SIAs ensured full coverage, strengthening of AFP surveillance ensured timely detection and response to polio cases, whereas routine immunization exercise ensured continuous attention to vaccination at Primary Health Care facilities.

In addition to strengthening the existing operational structures, NPHCDA under the leadership of the Executive Director/CEO, Dr. Faisal Shuaib, also embarked on initiating

organizational frameworks to complement the structures, for better results.

The supportive innovations are quite numerous. The major ones include the National Emergency Routine Immunization Coordination Centre (NERICC). The innovation was an offshoot of the Agency's official declaration on 17th June 2017 of a state of public health concerns on the alarming number of unimmunized children. The declaration was aimed at re-launching, rebranding and rapidly revamping the Routine Immunization performance in the country, with NERICC as a major vehicle through which quick results could be achieved.

The emergency centre, established with a direct reporting line to the office of the ED/CEO, was saddled with the specific tasks of planning, coordinating and ensuring the country's national target of 85% coverage for routine immunization was achieved and unvaccinated kids were reached through innovative strategies within the shortest possible time. Functioning as the governing arm for routine immunization programmes and projects within the country, the Centre provided a national and sub-national coordination mechanism to manage the full implementation of the routine immunization programmes, strategies and other recommendations of various expert committees towards achieving the targeted routine immunization coverage for all antigens at national, states and LGAs levels.

For effective operation, the centre is structured on three tiers; at the national, state and local government levels. Hence, we have the National Emergency Routine Immunisation Coordination Centre (NERICC), the State Emergency Routine Immunisation Coordination Centre (SERICC), and the Local Government Area Emergency Routine Immunisation Coordination Centre (LERICC).

Another major supportive operational structure innovated under the leadership of Dr. Shuaib, is the National Emergency Maternal and Child Health Intervention Centre (NEMCHIC). It is a national coordination centre that provides oversight on reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health and nutrition activities at Primary Health Care and community levels.

The Center was similarly established on 8th April 2019 following a declaration of state of public health concern on maternal and child health in Nigeria by the Agency. Just like NERICC, NEMCHIC operates across the recognized administrative levels in Nigeria – national, state and local government area levels. At the state level, it is called State Emergency Maternal and Child Health Intervention Centre (SEMCHIC), while at the local government level, it is called Local Government Emergency Maternal and Child Health Intervention Centre (LEMCHIC). As obtains in the case of NERICC, the three tiers work in collaboration to achieve

the set objectives.

The Community Health Influencers, Promoters and Services (CHIPS), is another important programme that has contributed to the success of the fight against polio in Nigeria. Officially flagged off by His Excellency, President Muhammadu Buhari on February 6th, 2018, the programme is aimed at tackling the country's poor maternal, newborn and child health indices by developing strategies to improve the situation and speed up progress towards Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

In specific terms, the programme is designed to improve on the village health worker concept established by the NPHCDA and endorsed by the federal government. It is structured to motivate and support households in communities to seek and obtain primary health care services through interventions at the community-level. In short, it is aimed at reducing barriers to access by taking services closer, particularly to pregnant women, women of childbearing age, newborn and children under-5 years old.

Through the aforementioned strategies and innovations, and the others, NPHCDA under the leadership of Dr. Faisal Shuaib, was able to not only stop the Wild Polio Virus in its tracks but kick it out of Nigeria. With no case detected in three years, the country was eventually removed from the list of polio-endemic countries by the independent Africa Regional Certification Commission for Polio Eradication (ARCC) and subsequently declared polio-free.

As implied by the Executive Director on several occasions, though the tasks of achieving the feat appeared concentrated around the NPHCDA, the fact is that many legs were actually involved in kicking polio out of Nigeria. According to him, the huge financial commitment by the federal government and partners were largely responsible for the accomplishment. In his words, "One of the most crucial elements of the polio eradication strategies in Nigeria is the political commitment at the highest level; from the President of the Federation to State Governors and Traditional and Religious Leaders... The significant contributions of WHO, development partners, and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI), a public-private partnership leading the effort to eradicate polio, has helped greatly in achieving this glory."

As Nigerians celebrate this rare feat of kicking the dreaded disease out of Nigeria, it should be noted that many unsung heroes were involved in the fight. Above all, Dr. Faisal Shuaib's sense of leadership and creative innovations must equally be recognised as the hot key that generated the actions culminating to this moment of glory.

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EASY CROSSWORD >>



ACROSS

- 1. Beverage
- 6. Upon
- 11. Creepy
- 12. Fine or decorative clothing
- 15. Personal security
- 16. Brightest
- 17. Citrus drink
- 18. A British title of respect
- 20. Slime
- 21. Roman emperor
- 23. Previously owned
- 24. Panderer
- 25. One who colors cloth
- 26. Obtains
- 27. Small, medium or large
- 28. Sow
- 29. An Old Testament king
- 30. More pleasant
- 31. One who indulges in eroticism
- 34. Not domesticated
- 36. Henpeck
- 37. Hawaiian strings
- 41. Helper
- 42. Cumberbund
- 43. Deliver a tirade
- 44. Beseech
- 45. Liability
- 46. Therefore

DOWN

- 7. Whiskers
- 8. Monster
- 9. Big wine holder
- 10. Compose an elegy
- 13. Chemical cousin
- 14. At the peak of
- 15. Smooths
- 16. Capable of being continued
- 19. Mission
- 22. Hospital attendant
- 24. Painting
- 26. Jail (British)
- 27. Female sibling
- 30. Near
- 32. Beam
- 33. Hindu social division
- 34. Fine wheat meal
- 35. Pertaining to cobra-like snakes
- 38. Modern sing-along
- 39. Engage
- 40. Brown ermine
- 42. 7 member group
- 44. Dainty
- 45. Trades
- 48. Type of cereal grass
- 49. Territory
- 50. Type of sword
- 53. Children's game
- 55. Record (abbrev.)

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD (83)



SUDOKU >>

How to play: The number 1 through 9 will appear once only in each row, column, and 3 x 3 zone. There are 9 such zones in each sudoku grid. There is only one correct Solution to each sudoku.

Good luck!

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Solution to Sudoku 83

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1	7	8	3	2	9	5	6	4
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SNAPSHOT >>

This Is Sheer Stupidity! Dad dangles son over edge of a cliff to 'get a perfect snap'



Terrifying footage shows the moment a reckless dad dangled his young son over the edge of a mountain road as family members stop to take pictures. The disturbing clip was captured by bewildered tourists visiting the steep winding mountain path of Hongjing Road in Beijing, China on Monday. The father is captured holding his helpless young son by both arms as the boy dangled over the steep edge of the road. The child places both feet on the vertical concrete wall and looks towards the sheer drop beneath him (photo right). Other tourists, including adults and children from the same family, watch but do not intervene in the potentially fatal photo stunt. The dangerous stunt has since been viewed more than 13 million times since it was shared weekend. It is unclear whether local authorities will issue a fine to the father. Photo: Weibo

SIGN LANGUAGE >>



Very ingenious! Ronnie, go and settle your bill!

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**INVITATION TO TENDER/EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)**

**1. INTRODUCTION**  
The Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority (NEPZA) in compliance with its statutory functions is desirous of executing its FY2020 capital projects. In compliance with the requirements of the Public Procurement Act (PPA), 2007 and extant Regulations of Federal Government on procurement of Goods, Works and Services, NEPZA wishes to invite experienced and competent Contractors/Suppliers/Service Providers to submit bids for the under listed 2020 Capital Projects:

**2. SCOPE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES**

LOT NO.	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
<b>CATEGORY A</b>		
1	Provision of Learning Materials including Science Equipment and Text Books to Various Schools in Cross River North	CROSS RIVER
2	Provision of Complete Computer Set with Printers and Backups in Various Schools and Purchase of Laptops and Training of Youth on Repairs in Cross River North	CROSS RIVER
3	Supply of Empowerment Materials for Youth and Women in Zamfara West Senatorial District	ZAMFARA
<b>CATEGORY B</b>		
4	Empowerment of Girls and Women on Entrepreneurship and Skills in Ogoja, Yala, Bekwara, Obudu and Obanliku in Cross River North	CROSS RIVER
5	Entrepreneurship Training and Grand Provision for Women in Osun East Senatorial District	OSUN
6	Training on Construction/Rehabilitation of Roads using Local Sourced Materials in Anambra North Senatorial District	ANAMBRA
7	Environmental Audit for Kano Free Trade Zone	KANO
8	Environmental Audit for Calabar Free Trade Zone	CROSS RIVER

**3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**  
Interested Firms are required to submit Two (2) bound documents duly signed, paginated, separated by dividers and arranged in the order outlined hereunder:

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Form CAC 1.1 or CAC2 and CAC7;
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020 with a minimum average turnover of **N100 million for Category A**.
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of Current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP;
- Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, Shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars;
- Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years (2017,2018,2019);
- Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable commercial bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide facilities for the execution of the project when needed;
- Company's profile with the Curriculum Vitae of key staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic/Professional qualifications;
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letters of Awards, Valuation Certificates, Job Completion Certificates and Photographs of the projects;
- For Training/Empowerment programs: Evidence of Registration with Centre for Management Development;
- Lot 2: Evidence of current registration/accreditation with Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria and National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA);
- For Joint Venture/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided (CAC, Tax Clearance Certificate, Pension Compliance Certificate, ITF Compliance Certificate, NSITF Compliance Certificate, IRR & Sworn Affidavit are compulsory for each JV partner);
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/ forwarding letter under the Company's/Firm's Letter Head paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as

issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No) and e-mail address. The letterhead paper must bear the names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the firm.

**4. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS (CATEGORY A)**  
Interested companies are to collect Tender documents from the Procurement Unit, Room 3 on payment of a non-refundable tender fee of **N10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Naira Only) per Lot**. Payment should be made through Remita platform accessible at <http://www.remita.net>. Click on pay a Federal Government Agency, type Export on the name of MDA and select NEPZA, select type of service and click on Tender Fees. Come along with evidence of payment. A copy of the payment receipt must be attached to each financial tender document.

**5. SUBMISSION OF BIDS (CATEGORY A)**  
Prospective bidders are to submit bid for each of the Lot desired, a hard copy each of the Technical and Financial bids packaged separately in sealed envelopes and clearly marked as "Technical Bid" or "Financial bid". Thereafter, put the two sealed envelopes together in a bigger sealed envelope and addressed to:  
**'The Managing Director, Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority, No. 2 Zambezi Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Way, Cadastral Zone A6, Behind Merit House, Maitama, Abuja'**  
clearly marked with the name of the project and the Lot number. Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear the name and address of the bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**. Every bidder should ensure a tender submission form receipt is filled accordingly.


**6. SUBMISSION OF EOI DOCUMENTS (CATEGORY B)**  
Interested firms are to submit Two (2) bound copies of Expression of Interest (EOI) documents separated by dividers and arranged as indicated above. The documents are to be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with the title of the project and addressed to:  
**'The Managing Director, Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority, No. 2 Zambezi Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Way, Cadastral Zone A6, Behind Merit House, Maitama, Abuja'**  
Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear the name and address of the bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**. Every bidder should ensure an EOI submission form receipt is filled accordingly.

**7. OPENING OF EOI AND TECHNICAL BIDS**  
The EOI will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020** in the meeting hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, NEPZA Building, Maitama, Abuja, while the Technical bids will also be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**. Please ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register in the office, as the Authority will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted Bids.

**8. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder
- Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened
- Bidders should not bid for more than two (2) Lots
- All costs will be borne by the bidders.
- Presence of bidders/representatives and members of the public shall not be required during the bid opening ceremony in compliance with COVID-19 Guidelines. The Bids Opening will be covered by video recording with the presence of two (2) representatives of private sector professional bodies and Civil Society Organisation in the areas of Anti-Corruption/Transparency;
- Bid documents can also be collected in soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services);
- For Category A: Only the pre-qualified bidders will be contacted at a later date for financial bid opening, while financial bids of un-successful bidders will be returned un-opened
- For Category B: Only shortlisted firms will be invited at a later date for collection of Request for Proposals;
- NEPZA is not bound to pre-qualify/shortlist any bidder and reserves the right to annul the Procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR SUPPLY OF LEARNING KITS FOR BASIC EDUCATION**

Tender Notice Number PIN/CO/20/013

**SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS**

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No 49, Anthony Enahoro Street, Utako District,  
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Tel: +234 9-2921781

Bids can also be submitted in soft copies to [Nigeria.procurement@plan-international.org](mailto:Nigeria.procurement@plan-international.org) with this reference in subject, " **PIN/CO/20/013**" Learning Kits for Basic Education and APL"

All Bids must be received by Friday **14<sup>th</sup> September 2020** at 4:00pm. Bids submitted after the deadline will **NOT** be accepted.

Questions must be sent by email to [Nigeria.procurement@plan-international.org](mailto:Nigeria.procurement@plan-international.org) with the bid reference in the subject: **PIN/CO/20/013**" Learning Kits for Basic Education and APL"

Detailed description of the Request for Proposal can be accessed via this link: <https://tinyurl.com/y68raklk>

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT**

**PUBLIC DISPLAY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) OF THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY ACCESS ROAD AND CAR PARKS FOR ABUJA LIGHT RAIL STATIONS IN THE FCC-BASAN JIWA (LOT 4), FCC-WUPA AND IDU (LOT 3), FCC - RING ROAD II (LOT 2) AND ARTERIAL ROAD N5 FROM LIFE CAMP JUNCTION TO RING ROAD 3 (RR III) IN ABUJA MUNICIPAL AREA COUNCIL (AMAC), FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY, ABUJA**

In accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Act CAP E12 LFN 2004, which makes it mandatory for proponents of all new major development activities to carry out Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of their proposed projects, the Federal Ministry of Environment hereby announces twenty-one (21) working days Public Display for the draft Environmental Management Plan (EMP) submitted by Federal Capital Development Authority. This display is to enable the public make input that shall facilitate informed decision taking by the Ministry on the project EIA.

**BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**  
The proposed project shall involve marking and pegging, clearing, equipment mobilization, earthworks, excavation, construction, earth filling and road surfacing for the proposed temporary access road and car parks for Abuja Light Rail Stations in the FCC – Basan Jiwa (LOT 4), FCC – Wupa and Idu (Lot 3), FCC – Ring road II (Lot 2) and Arterial road N5 from Life Camp Junction to Ring road 3 (RR III) within Abuja Municipal Area Council, Abuja F.C.T.

**THE DISPLAY CENTERS ARE:**

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- Abuja Environmental Protection Board (AEPB), Central Business District (CBD), Abuja, FCT;
- Federal Ministry of Environment, Environment House (Brown Building), Independence Way, CBD, Abuja-F.C.T.
- [www.ead.gov.ng](http://www.ead.gov.ng)

**DURATION OF DISPLAY:**  
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# PROPERTY

## Kaduna to provide cheap housing through partnership

From Faruk Shuaibu, Kaduna

The Kaduna State government has reiterated its commitment to providing cheap and affordable housing through Public Private Partnership (PPP) initiatives.

Executive Secretary of Kaduna State Mortgage and Foreclosure Authority Yahaya Aliyu Lere stated that the government has initiated policies that allowed the less privileged to own houses in the state.

The secretary, who made the remark during a courtesy visit by members of the Nigerian Institute of Estate Surveyors and Valuers (NIESV), Kaduna branch, said with the PPP, the government has provided hectares of land to private developers who have assured on affordable housing for residents.

He added that aside

### Firm launches real estate marketplace game in Nigeria

By Terkula Igidi

Reality Games, a London-based gaming company, has launched one of its games in Nigeria, attracting over one million players in less than a week.

According to John Woznowski, the CEO of Reality Games, the augmented reality game called Landlord GO, has become a top app in Nigeria with more than one million players.

"Right now in Lagos, there are 13,588 players making deals for virtual ownership of the 534,765 real properties. Landlord GO is a geo-location reality game that lets players buy and sell real-world properties," he said in an email sent to Daily Trust.

Additional information on the website of the company indicated that the game helps players explore a worldwide property market with the aid of GPS where real-life maps (Foursquare, Google and NASA data) appear showing properties in different locations in the world.

The game also has an agent feature which allows a player to hire an agent who will scout for properties worldwide and provide the best deals.

from land, it would provide infrastructure like roads, electricity and drainage, stressing that the agency was established to finance obstacles that property developers might face.

"We are not into financing development of properties but to finance

obstacles of housing even if it is a single unit; so long as the necessary requirement can be met.

"Also, there is an ongoing mortgage scheme that allows civil servants or those in the formal and informal sectors to own their houses and over 200

people have applied," he said.

He further stated that through the federal government's economic sustainability plan in constructing over 300,000 houses across the country with Kaduna getting 10,000 housing units,

a sub-committee has been formed for early preparation and seamless implementation of the project.

ESV. Olunmi Ogundiya, the Kaduna Branch Chairman of NIESV, praised the state governor for being the first state to

establish a Mortgage and Foreclosure Agency in the country.

He stressed the need to integrate local professional estate surveyors from the onset of planning and design of houses as they know the demography of the state.

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I, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje OFR, the Executive Governor of Kano State, on behalf of the government and good people of the state, felicitate with Dr. Akinwumi Adesina on his re-election as the President of African Development Bank for a second term.

We are indeed proud of you as you are reelected into this prestigious position, which is a clear testimony of your proven hard work, dedication and commitment to the development of not only the AfDB but Africa as continent and humanity in general.

As a former minister of Agriculture and former Vice President of the Policy and Partnership for the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), we are confident and optimistic that you will use your vast experience and knowledge to transform the lives of Africans through AfD's programmes and policies during your tenure.

As I congratulate you once again on this monumental feat, I wish you God's guidance in the discharge of this important responsibility and other endeavours.



**Dr. Akinwumi Adesina**  
President, African Development Bank



**Signed:**  
Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje OFR  
Executive Governor  
Kano State









# El-Rufai commends Agwatyap's peace initiative in Zangon Kataf

Governor Nasir El-Rufai has commended His Highness, the Agwatyap, Chief Dominic Gambo Yahaya, for bringing together the diverse communities in his chiefdom to begin the rebuilding of trust and restoring peace.

The governor gave the commendation when a delegation of Atyap Chiefdom visited him at Sir Kashim Ibrahim House, to formally update him on the peace summit which was held penultimate Saturday, where Atyap, Hausa and Fulani communities resolved to live in peace.

Governor El-Rufai also called on "every person of goodwill to support the Atyap Chiefdom's strong efforts to bring its communities together and stop the bloodshed and destruction of property.

"Everyone should reject the temptation to take laws into their hands and instead submit all grievances to the lawful authorities," he further advised.

According to him, government "commends the resolve by the communities to respect the right of any citizen to live in peace within the Atyap Chiefdom and applauds the resolution to settle disputes through lawful processes and institutions."

El-Rufai noted that what the communities and leadership of Atyap Chiefdom have started is the type of grassroots ownership of the responsibility for peace and harmony that the government has advocated.

According to Governor El-Rufai, this kind of initiative is more beyond the deployment of police and military forces.

The governor appealed to all the communities to abide by the resolutions of the summit with vigilance and commitment, and work towards making it a sustainable accord.

"The work of peace is often hard, but it is an obligation to work always for preserving human life, liberty and livelihoods," El-Rufai explained.

The governor reiterated that "this strong community rapprochement will help to complement security efforts to restore law and order and advance towards sustainable peace."

El-Rufai said that his administration "has been clear and insistent since 2015



■ (Fourth from left) Governor Nasir El-Rufai receiving a copy of the Peace Agreement from His Highness, Agwatyap Dominic Gambo Yahaya, where Atyap, Hausa and Fulani communities in Zangon Kataf local government, resolved to live together in peace.

that the ultimate guarantee of peace is the willingness of communities to live in peace and harmony, and their resolve to settle all differences by strictly lawful means."

He said government welcomes "the unequivocal repudiation of the violence and killings that have occurred in the Atyap Chiefdom, and the call on all residents of the area to report to the security agencies, the criminals that have perpetrated the lawless acts in the area."

El-Rufai promised that all those "who seek to replace violent strife with harmony can be assured of the unstinting support of the state government for the peace and concord in all our communities."

The governor commended "the involvement of youths from the various communities in the peace summit and their agreement not to mount roadblocks

anywhere in the chiefdom."

According to him, government will maintain the enhanced security deployments in the area as this peace process advances, adding that "Kaduna State Peace Commission will also strongly support this effort at building peace at the grassroots."

The governor promised to accede to the Agwatyap's demand to construct the road linking Ungwan Wakili to Kwaku and Gora, as well as build the road linking Zango, Tangje and Ungwan Jaba, including Zango Urban roads. He also promised to construct a bridge linking Gidan Zaki and Manyi Aghui.

He argued that although the projects fall within the purview of Zangon Kataf local government, the state government will nonetheless execute them, owing to

the Agwatyap's leadership role in initiating peace in his chiefdom.

Speaking earlier, the Agwatyap thanked Governor El-Rufai for giving support for the successful hosting of the summit.

His Highness revealed that the idea of the summit was mooted a long time ago, adding that he approached the governor about the proposal four weeks ago for consultation.

According to the Royal Father, the governor not only welcomed the idea but suggested some names of stakeholders that the Agwatyap should involve in the summit. Chief Yahaya said that he met with the people who also bought the idea of the summit.

He said that the resolutions of the summit has been captured in a 14-point agreement, which the representatives of the Atyap, Hausa and Fulani communities signed.

## Emulate Agwatyap, Deputy Gov advises monarchs



■ Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Dr Hadiza Balarabe with the Agwatyap, His Highness Dominic Yahaya Gambo at his palace at Zangon Kataf

By Peter Ibrahim

The Deputy Governor of Kaduna state, Dr Hadiza Balarabe has called on traditional rulers to learn from the initiative of the Agwatyap, His Highness Dominic Gambo Yahaya, for holding a peace summit in his chiefdom.

Dr Balarabe who gave this advice when she visited the traditional ruler in his palace at Zangon Kataf, also praised the peace summit, where the Atyap, Hausa and Fulani communities committed to living peacefully.

The Deputy Governor advised that "traditional rulers at every level should learn from what has happened here, to initiate this kind of process because we need to come together and break down those walls, so that we can talk to ourselves, so that we can understand that our diversity should be the source of our strength."

"For me this is just the beginning and

I am sure that all other traditional leaders everywhere are already thinking of how to do this. This peace initiative which has been started, needs to be sustained so that we will consolidate and make progress," she said.

Dr Balarabe who was accompanied by senior government officials, also condoled the traditional ruler and his people over what she described as needless killings and destruction of properties, which have hampered development and progress.

Responding, the Chairman of Atyap Traditional Council, His Highness Yahaya, noted that the agreement is just the first step, as all parties need to work harder to actualize peace.

The Agwatyap also advised the state government to support the traditional institutions in southern Kaduna to mobilise and start holding this kind of dialogue and efforts towards peace building.



# Electronic voting: Our success story in Kaduna State – SIECOM Chair

The Chair of Kaduna State Independent Electoral Commission (SIECOM), Dr SARATU BINTA DIKKO AUDU is first amongst equals, having successfully held the only technology-driven election in Nigeria. In the interview below, she spoke about how she conducted the first electronic voting in the country.

By Kamaldeen Aliagan

**K**aduna State pioneered electronic voting in Nigeria two years ago. In retrospect, what motivated the State Independent Electoral Commission (SIECOM) to chart that course?

When we came on board as a commission, Governor Nasir Ahmad El-Rufai told us that he wanted electronic voting to be used, he wanted technology to be introduced to the voting process and elections. At that time, we thought that all he meant was for us to use the Smart Card Reader that had been used for national elections. So, we thought that he wanted us to use it at the local government level. But he said no, he wanted to go all the way. He wanted people to vote electronically, and technology should be deployed in the election. We took up the challenge and began to look at what kind of machine do we develop that will serve us during the local government election. We did a little research, looked at what was happening around the world, what other countries were doing, especially those that have gone electronic. We developed our own model of what we wanted to use and that was how we came about the Electronic Voting Machines that we used in the 2018 election.

**Which specific country did you use as a model, in your effort to reinvent the wheel, by starting electronic voting system in Nigeria?**

We didn't choose any particular country, we looked at the deployment of technology in voting in various countries, we looked at the United States and we looked at Brazil; Brazil being a third world country like us. We know that other countries also use electronic voting. In Africa, Mozambique was the first country to deploy technology to that level in their election. So, we looked at what Brazil has done, which was at that time on the same economic scale as Nigeria. Of course, the United States is way ahead of us. So, we looked at what will work for us. It's a very simple machine.

**We gave a lot of time for sensitization. We did sensitisation at the state, local government and ward levels without the Electronic Voting Machine. We did another sensitization at state, local government and ward levels with the EVM. We allowed people access to the EVM for three days in every ward, for them to try it out, play around with it and see how it works**

**Some lawyers said that you broke the law by using electronic voting to conduct the election. According to them, neither the 1999 constitution nor the Electoral Act permits the use of electronic voting. Did your action have any legal backing?**

We didn't break the law, we worked perfectly within the law. The constitution allows states to determine the method of election at the local government level and I believe those lawyers know the constitution very well. On the basis of that, we went to the state House of Assembly to seek for a law to be formulated to enable us use technology and the electronic voting machine in our election. So, we didn't break any law; we were perfectly within the law. I'm sure our governor will not allow us to break any law.

**Considering the fact that the Electronic Voting Machine (EVM) is a new technology, coupled with the low literacy rate in our society, was enough time provided to demonstrate how the Electronic Voting Machine works?**

We gave a lot of time for sensitization. We did sensitisation at the state, local government and ward levels without the Electronic Voting Machine. We did another sensitization at state, local government and ward levels with the EVM. We allowed people access to the EVM for three days in every ward, for them to try it out, play around with it and see how it works. Like I said, it is a very simple machine; voters were very excited about the EVM. We under rate Nigerians but Nigerians are very intelligent people. Nigerians are so intelligent that even a grandmother in the village operates a smart phone and that is as simple as the machine is. All you need to do is press buttons.

After the elections, we conducted a survey of people throughout the state, to get their reactions on the EVM and elections in general and the results were positive. We are in the process of publishing the result from that survey. Majority of the people said that the use of the machine made the election much easier and credible



■ Dr Saratu Binta Dikko Audu

than the use of ballot papers. Towards the next elections, we are going to take the machine out so that voters can refresh their memories on how the machine works and how it is operated. We will give them another chance to play around with it and a chance to play around with the new things we added to the machine.

**Before coming to the new features that have been introduced, what is the step-by-step process that a voter will follow in order to cast his or her vote?**

The first thing you do when you go to the polling unit where you are registered, is to bring out your Permanent Voter's Card. The electoral officers will cross check your name with the voters list pasted on the wall, to confirm that you actually own that card and you are actually registered at that polling unit. If you go to the wrong polling unit, you will be directed to where your polling unit is. After you have been cleared, you will proceed to the voting machine. The presiding officer will activate the machine which will open to a page, where we have all the political parties that are registered to participate in the election displayed. The first page is for the chairmanship election.

So, you will just touch the screen where you see the logo of the political party of your candidate. Once you touch the screen, the machine will then enlarge the logo, so that you can see clearly to confirm that it is the party logo of your candidate. There are two little buttons on the machine, a red and a green one. The green button is the "okay" button; you press it if it is the party you want to vote for. But if, for some reasons, you press the wrong party, then you cancel by pressing the red button and it takes you back to the home page. If the voter completes the process successfully, the machine generates a receipt on the left hand side of the machine. So, you can see if the receipt that carries the logo of the party that you actually chose. If it is not the same logo, you can then raise an alarm. This is actually to confirm to you that the logo or party that you selected is what the machine printed.

That receipt drops into the ballot box underneath the machine. That is the receipt that can be used as a

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tally later, if there is any contention. If that happens, you can open the box and count all the receipts. For every vote, a receipt is generated, so we can use it to check. And once you finish voting for the chairmanship, a new page opens for the councillorship election. You follow the same process. Afterwards, the machine closes and you can't vote again until the presiding officer activates it for the next voter. So, that is as simple as it is.

**What new features do you plan to introduce on the machine for subsequent elections? For example, will it include accreditation of voters electronically?**

That will be the ideal situation, that is what we will like to do. But to be able to do that, the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) that owns the voters register, has to allow us access to the data on an electronic format. We are currently working on that process with INEC at the moment. However, there are security issues connected to that because the PVC has sensitive details of individuals on it. And we don't want to end up in court (laughter).

**What will you say are the gains of the Electronic Voting Machine over the manual ballot box method, apart from ease of use and being fool proof?**

In a democratic government, people need to believe in their election managers that their votes will actually count. The electronic voting machine gives them that proof. They see what they have selected. At the end of the election, when you close for the day, the machine will generate a receipt, giving a summary of the activity on that machine. That summary will show you the number of votes that every party got. That summary is printed and in the last election, ten copies of that summary were printed and shared to all the security agents and party agents. If you say that you don't believe in the summary of votes, we will open the machine, sort out the receipts manually and count. We did that several times with stakeholders. So electronic voting gives people the confidence that their votes will actually count.

Apart from that, we have a server that captures the votes real-time and that server will confirm the numbers that you get from the field. But I don't think that there is anything that beats the fact that



■ Dr Saratu Binta Dikko Audu

there, where the election was held, you take back a receipt showing the number of people that voted for you. And if there is any contention, you can bring out that receipt and confirm. So what else do people want? Secondly, it is much faster; the whole process, from checking your name on the displayed voters list to actual voting, took less than three minutes for each person in the last election. So people

are much more comfortable with that.

**In terms of cost, is it cheaper to procure these machines or to produce ballot papers and vote manually?**

I have not done the ballot paper elections before; I have only done the electronic. Initially, electronic voting is more expensive because of the hardware but the machine can take you through three elections. The amount of money

we spent last time, will reduce the next time we hold elections. So, in the long run, it is cheaper. The fact that elections are supposed to reflect the desire of the people, when you can accomplish that, then you have got your money's worth. That is why the electronic voting is better than manual voting.

There is also the quantity of things that you are moving around. For each polling unit, you have one machine, whereas if it is manual voting, you will be carrying boxes of ballot papers along with you, and some may fly away somewhere (laughter).

**Has any state approached you to learn from the Kaduna state experience, being the first to use the Electronic Voting Machine?**

All State Independent Electoral Commission in the country belong to a forum. We took the machine to that forum and it was well received. A number of states have approached us. But you know, that kind of bold decision is beyond the chairmen of electoral bodies, it belongs to the governors. It takes a proactive governor and a governor with guts like Malam Nasir Ahmad El-Rufai to be able to do that; to say let the people choose who they want. So, it depends on the governor.

We have met with INEC officials over electronic voting and they have seen our machines. We are talking with governors at the forum level. But like I said, it takes a bold governor to be able to do that. We must commend our governor because he is someone that wants things to be done the right way, through electronic voting. Whoever wins, takes the prize.

**Have you gotten accolades, commendations or awards for pioneering this novel idea, whether nationally or internationally?**

During our last election where the EVM was deployed, we had international observers. Yes, we got reports from them that commended what we have done and a number of them promised to reach out to us before the next elections commence. Our effort has been highly commended by international organizations. You know, Nigeria is the first country in West Africa to deploy electronic voting and there are some reports that said that that at the local government level, this is the first time it is being done worldwide. People have tried it at state level but at the local government level, this is the first time that it is being deployed.

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KADUNA FACTS

- Kaduna state is the first sub-national to conduct electronic voting in Nigeria, when it held local government election on May 12, 2018;
- The State Independent Electoral Commission (SIECOM) procured 6,000 Electronic Voting Machine (EVM), even though they were 5,739 voting units in the state;
- The state assembly passed the Kaduna State Independent Electoral Commission Bill number 10 of 2012 into law, allowing the use of EVM, on February 6, 2018;

- Prior to the election, EVMs were taken to the 255 wards in the state, for a three-day sensitisation campaign.
- Electoral officers and ad hoc staff were also trained on the use of the machine;
- On election day, voters were accredited manually with their Permanent Voters Cards (PVCs);
- Afterwards, they voted the political parties of their preferred candidates, by pressing the appropriate icon on the EVM screen;

- A receipt or slip is generated after each voting process is completed, showing the choice of the voter;
- Simultaneously, the EVM transmits results to a monitoring room at the commission's ICT centre. The results are saved on a server;
- At the end of the exercise, the slips or receipts are counted before party agents, security agents and electoral officials, at the polling unit;
- The printed slips or receipts should tally with what is recorded on the server to make the results valid.



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## NATIONAL CENTRE FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT (ENERGY COMMISSION OF NIGERIA)

UNIVERSITY OF BENIN, BENIN CITY, NIGERIA

### INVITATION FOR TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL TENDER FOR 2020 CAPITAL PROJECTS

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The National Centre for Energy and Environment (NCEE) charged with the responsibility of organizing and conducting Research and Development Programmes in Bio-energy and Environment invites qualified, interested and credible Contractors, Consultants, Suppliers and Vendors to tender for Goods, Works and Services appropriated in 2020 Fiscal Year.

#### 2. SCOPE OF SUPPLIES/WORKS

LOT	DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS
	<b>CATEGORY A: GOODS</b>
Lot 1	Supply of Camping Gas to Rural Women for Clean Environment.
	<b>CATEGORY B: WORKS</b>
Lot 2	Erosion and Flood Control Works at Ikb Igboanugo Avenue, Ejighinandu Village, Awka-Etiti Idemili South LGA.
Lot 3	Urban Renewal Programme in Igbotako, Okitipupa, Ondo State.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements for qualification must be submitted:

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission including Form CAC 1.1 or CAC2 & CAC7;
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP.
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs in the last five (5) years including Letter of Awards, Valuation Certificates and Job Completion Certificates;
- Evidence of Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the National Centre for Energy and Environment or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars;
- Company's Profile with Curriculum Vitae of Key Staff and copies of their Academic/Professional qualifications (COREN, QSRBN, ARCON, CORBON etc.) for Works.
- List of Plants/Equipment with proof of Ownership/Lease (where applicable);
- Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years - 2016, 2017, 2018
- Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable commercial bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed;
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No.), and e-mail address. The Letterhead Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the firm.

#### 4. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS (CATEGORY A & B)

Qualified, interested and credible Companies are to collect tender documents (for Works, Goods) from the Centre upon the presentation of a non-refundable fee of N10,000.00 per Lot, paid into National Centre for Energy and Environment TSA a/c through remita in any reputable commercial bank in Nigeria.

#### 5. SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS:

**For Works & Goods:** The completed Technical and Financial tender documents must be submitted in three (3) copies each, including one (1) original and two (2) copies in separate sealed envelopes clearly marked "Technical Bid" and "Financial Bid" and both sealed in a third envelope marked with the **Appropriation Project Title, the Lot Number and Company Name** clearly printed at the top left corner of the envelope and be submitted not later than **12:00 noon on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.**

The Conference Room,  
National Centre for Energy and Environment (NCEE)  
Administrative Block Complex, University of Benin  
P.M.B. 1154, Benin City, Nigeria.

#### 6. OPENING OF TECHNICAL BIDS:

Only the technical bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2020** at the National Centre for Energy and Environment (NCEE) Administrative Block Complex, University of Benin P.M.B. 1154, Benin City's conference room, while the Financial bids will be kept un-opened.

#### 7. PLEASE NOTE:

- Submission of bids is not a guarantee for the award of contract.
- Bidders must seal Technical and Financial Bids in separate envelopes.
- Late submission will be returned un-opened;
- Bidders are excused from the bid opening, which will be attended by officials of private sector professional organisation and CSOs in the areas of anti-corruption/transparency. The event will be fully captured on video and can be provided to bidders on request;
- Standard Bidding Documents can also be collected in Soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services)
- Only pre-qualified bidders at technical evaluation will be invited at a later date for financial bids opening, while the financial bids of un-successful bidders will be returned un-opened;
- The National Centre for Energy & Environment is not bound to pre-qualify any bidder and reserves the right to annul the Procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.

Signed:  
The Director,  
National Centre for Energy and Environment  
(Energy Commission of Nigeria)  
Administrative Block Complex  
University of Benin, Benin City  
Edo State, Nigeria.



## DENTAL TECHNOLOGISTS REGISTRATION BOARD OF NIGERIA

(Established by Decree 43 of 1987, Now Cap Act D6, LFN 2004)

### INVITATION FOR TENDER FOR 2020 CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Dental Technologists Registration Board of Nigeria wishes to invite, for pre-qualification, the services and expertise of reputable companies/firms for the execution of her 2020 capital projects:

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- Renovation of Office Building
- Continuous Professional Development (CPD)
- Training, Research and Development

#### REQUIREMENTS

Full Company profile with details of Management Officials.  
Evidence of registration with the Corporate Affairs Commission  
Evidence of VAT registration  
Evidence of Tax registration (TIN) with FIRS  
3 Years Tax Clearance (TCC, 2018, 2019 and 2020)  
PENCOM Compliance Certificate  
Evidence of registration with Bureau of Public Procurements (BPP)  
Evidence of Similar Contract(s) with Completion Certificates  
Evidence of Financial Capacity to Execute the Contract(s)

Interested companies/firms should forward their tenders to the Board's Headquarters address to:

The Registrar,  
Dental Technologists Registration Board of Nigeria  
9th Floor, Tower B, Federal Secretariat,  
Shehu Shagari Way, Central Business District,  
Abuja, FCT.

The completed tender documents should be submitted not later than two (2) weeks from the date of the publication of this advertisement.

Please note: only shortlisted companies/firms will be contacted. New companies/firms are invited to register while existing companies/firms are requested to renew their contract registration.

All further enquiries should be directed to the Head of Administration, Dental Technologists Registration Board of Nigeria, 9th Floor, Tower B, Federal Secretariat, Shehu Shagari Way, Central Business District, Abuja, FCT.

SIGNED  
THE REGISTRAR



## FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GIRLS' COLLEGE, BAJOGA, GOMBE STATE

### INVITATION TO TENDER FOR 2020 CAPITAL PROJECTS

#### 1. INTRODUCTION:

The Federal Government of Nigeria has allocated Funds to the Federal Government Girls' College, Bajoga, Gombe State in the 2020 appropriation for the execution of policies, programmes and projects toward achieving the mandate of the College. Accordingly, the College wishes to invite reputable Companies with relevant proven competence and experiences to submit tenders for the execution of the following projects:

#### 2. SCOPE OF WORKS

L/N	PROJECT TITLE	LOCATION
LOT W1	RENOVATION OF LABORATORIES	FGGC BAJOGA
LOT W2	CONSTRUCTION OF SPORTS PAVILION	FGGC BAJOGA

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including form CAC2 and CAC7 (or CAC 1.1 as applicable);
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 & 2019) valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020; with minimum average turnover of N20 million;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) compliance certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP;
- Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Federal Government Girls' College, Bajoga or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in the bid are true and correct in all particulars;
- Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years - (2017, 2018, 2019);
- Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable commercial bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed;
- Company's Profile with the Curriculum vitae of Key Staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic/Professional qualifications such as COREN, QSRBN, ARCON, CORBON etc.;
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letters of Awards, Valuation Certificates, Job Completion Certificates and photographs of the projects;
- List of Equipment with proof of Ownership/Lease;
- For Joint Venture/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided (CAC, Tax Clearance Certificate, Pension Compliance Certificate, ITF Compliance Certificate, NSITF Compliance Certificate, IRR & Sworn Affidavit are compulsory for each JV partner); and
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a covering/forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No.), and e-mail address. The Letterhead Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the firm.

#### 4. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

The tender documents are to be collected from the Office of the Vice Principal Special Duties between the working hours of 08:00am and

04:00pm daily upon the payment of non-refundable tender fee of N10,000.00 per Lot to Federal Government Girls' College, Bajoga, Gombe State through REMITA platform in any reputable Commercial Bank in Nigeria, and present the teller to the College for Receipt.

#### 5. SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

Prospective bidders are to submit bid for each of the lot desired, two Hard copies (Marked Original & Copy) each for both Technical & Financial Bids with soft copy of Financial bid only in MS excel format, packaged in two separated wax sealed envelopes clearly marked at the top right corner of each envelope stating the title of the project i.e. "TECHNICAL BIDS FOR Project Title and LOT No." & "FINANCIAL BIDS FOR Project Title and LOT No." and at the reverse side the name of the company should be boldly written. Both envelopes shall then be put in a larger envelope clearly marked at the top right corner stating the title of the project and be left in the appropriate Tender Box at the Vice Principal Special Duties office to be addressed to:

The Principal,  
Federal Government Girls' College,  
Bajoga,  
Gombe State.

The submission should be made not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020.** Please make sure you signed Bid Submission Register at Vice Principal Special Duties office as Federal Government Girls' College will not be held responsible for misplaced or wrongly submitted Bids.

#### 6. OPENING OF TECHNICAL BIDS

Only the technical bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2020** in the College's Conference Hall. For further enquiries, please contact the Principal on email: fggcbajoga@gmail.com

#### 7. PLEASE NOTE THAT

- Bid must be in English language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder.
- Certificates may be referred to the respective issuing authorities for verification and authentication.
- Technical and Financial Bids enclosed in one and same single envelope that will expose the Technical and Financial Bids at the same time of opening shall be disqualified.
- Bids opening shall be in line with Covid19 Guidelines.
- Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened;
- Bidders should not bid for more than one (1) Lot;
- All costs will be borne by the bidders;
- Bidders are excused from the bid opening, which will be attended by officials of private sector professional organisation and CSOs in the areas of anti-corruption/transparency. The event will be fully captured on video and can be provided to bidders on request;
- Standard Bidding Documents can also be collected in Soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services)
- Only the pre-qualified bidders will be contacted at a later date for financial bids opening, while financial bids of unsuccessful bidders will be returned un-opened;
- The evaluation shall be strictly based on the requirements specified above.
- This advertisement is published for information purpose only, and should not be construed as a commitment or obligation on the part of FGGC Bajoga, to award these contracts.
- The Federal Government Girls' College, Bajoga is not bound to pre-qualify any bidder and reserves the right to annul the procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.

Signed  
The Principal  
Federal Government Girls' College, Bajoga, Gombe State





## WEST AFRICAN POSTGRADUATE COLLEGE OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE ECOLE OUEST-AFRICAINE DE SPECIALISATION EN BIOLOGIE MEDICALE COLÉGIO AFRICANO OCIDENTAL DA CIÊNCIA MÉDICA DO LABORATÓRIO

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### THE FIRST SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS OF THE WEST AFRICAN POSTGRADUATE COLLEGE OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE AND INVESTITURE OF FELLOWS

#### Keynote Address by the Director-General of WAHO, Prof Stanley Okolo FRCOG, PhD 22 February 2020 | Sheraton Hotels, Lagos, Nigeria

- Honourable Minister for Health, Federal Republic of Nigeria;
- Members of the Diplomatic Corps;
- Excellences here present;
- President of the West African Postgraduate College of Medical Laboratory Science;
- Officers and Members of Council of the College;
- Other Postgraduate Colleges present;
- Distinguished invitees;
- Members of the media;
- Ladies and Gentlemen;
- All protocols observed;

I bring you Greetings from the President of the ECOWAS Commission, His Excellency Jean-Claude Kassi Brou, and from the West African Health Organization (WAHO) and we are happy and truly honoured to be associated with the 1st Scientific Conference of the West African Postgraduate College of Medical Laboratory Science holding here in Lagos.

I wish to take this opportunity to sincerely thank His Excellency Muhammadu Buhari, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria for authorizing the organization of this important conference in Nigeria.

#### **Honourable Minister; Your Excellencies; Ladies and gentlemen;**

Forty years ago, 134 countries pledged to assure "Health for All" by the year 2000. They failed to deliver on that pledge. Today, at least 400 million people have no access to basic medical care, and 40% of the world's population lacks social security protection.

Health is a human right. Humanity's failure to provide Universal Health Coverage (UHC) is a violation of this right and must be addressed as a top priority. This can only happen when the ability to detect illnesses and outbreaks is made an integral part of it. Medical laboratory science provides clues that are key in the diagnosis and treatment of disease or injury, and laboratory professionals are one of the major detectives of the healthcare world.

Medical laboratory professionals perform complex tests on patient samples using sophisticated equipment like microscopes. They perform chemical, haematological, immunologic, histopathological, cytopathological, microscopic, and bacteriological diagnostic analyses on body fluids such as blood, urine, sputum, stool, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), peritoneal fluid, pericardial fluid, and synovial fluid, as well as other specimens. Medical Laboratory Professionals work in clinical laboratories at hospitals, reference labs, biotechnology labs and non-clinical industrial labs.

The data they find plays an important role in identifying and treating cancer, heart disease, diabetes, and other medical conditions. It is estimated 60 to 70 percent of all decisions regarding a patient's diagnosis, treatment, hospital admission, and discharge are based on the results of the tests Medical Laboratory Professionals perform.

They provide clues that are key in the diagnosis and treatment of disease or injury and assist in the maintenance of healthy lifestyles. Clues to solving the mysteries of diseases are found in our own bodies. Laboratory tests monitor the composition of our blood, urine, and other body fluids and tissues for early warning signs of disease. Laboratory professionals perform tests that are crucial to our health and well-being. Although they spend less time with patients than physicians and nurses, laboratory scientists are just as dedicated to patients' health. As vital members of the healthcare team, they play a critical role in collecting the information needed to give the best care to an ill or injured patient. They find great satisfaction in their work, knowing that they are helping others and are saving lives.

It is the medical laboratory professional, who measures blood cholesterol and blood sugar, tests for anaemia, checks the urine for protein, identifies strep throat bacteria, prepares blood for transfusion, and even determines if a hit and run driver was under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Medical lab professionals work in hospitals, clinics, forensic or public health laboratories, as well as pharmaceutical industries, biotechnology companies, veterinary clinics, or research institutions. Depending on the setting, their work hours may vary; but typically laboratories are run 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Medical laboratory professionals spend the majority of their time on their feet, analysing test results in the lab.

Medical laboratory professionals work in many settings: hospitals, clinics, research facilities, public health centres, the Armed Forces, veterinary offices, colleges, business, and industry. Academic achievements and technical ability set the level for responsibility one reaches in medical laboratory science.

These laboratory professionals are responsible for performing routine as well as highly specialized tests to diagnose and/or aid in the treatment of disease, troubleshooting (preventing and solving problems with results, specimens, or instruments), and communicating test results to the pathologist and the physician.

They also play the main role in procuring vaccines and cures for lifethreatening epidemics by working with organizations such as the Centres for Disease Controls, referential research centres and the World Health Organization. The work done by a clinical laboratory scientist is so important and essential to the world of medical science.

Laboratory information enables physicians, pathologists and other healthcare professionals to make appropriate evidence-based diagnostic or therapeutic decisions for their patients. Clinical laboratory services are the most cost-effective, least invasive source of the objective information used in clinical decision-making. Laboratory tests are often part of a routine check-up to look for changes in your health. They also support medical doctors to arrive at accurate decisions in diagnosis of illness and medical conditions, evaluate treatments, and monitor the spread or progression of infection.

#### **Honourable Minister; Your Excellencies; Ladies and gentlemen;**

The theme of this congress "*The Role of Medical Laboratory Professionals in the Successful Implementation of Universal Health Coverage in the ECOWAS Region*" is very apt.

The role of Medical Laboratory Professional in Universal health coverage (UHC) has been at the forefront of the global health agenda for several years, with renewed enthusiasm following the issuance of the Sustainable Development Goals in 2015. Universal Health Coverage has been defined by the World Health Organization (WHO) in 2010, as "ensuring that all people have access to needed health services (including prevention, promotion, treatment, and rehabilitation) of sufficient

quality to be effective, while also ensuring that the use of these services does not expose the user or the patient to financial hardship".

Since one of the goals of Universal Health Coverage is to reduce the financial hardship associated with healthcare, it is expected that, regardless of the quality of services in a system, high costs of care are being reduced. A key indicator to consider is the incidence of catastrophic spending. Yet, even in the face of the global momentum and political commitments to UHC, the incidence of catastrophic Out-of-pocket payments spending globally has actually increased since 2000 at all household expenditure thresholds.

Out-of-pocket payments are defined as direct payments made by individuals to healthcare providers at the time of service use. They primarily serve to sustain the provision of health services, creating perverse financial incentives.

A 2009 Rockefeller Foundation report indicated that this type of spending is "the most inequitable and inefficient form of financing for healthcare, leaving patients" without access and further impoverished. Moreover, relying on high out-of-pocket payments, regardless of income level, violates the spirit of UHC by driving people into poverty and can make the achievement of effective UHC impossible.

For most people without access to such insurance schemes, high out-of-pocket expenses mean that families must provide a large sum of money (relative to their incomes), using multiple avenues, before accessing care. In some parts of the world, requirements for out-of-pocket payment deviate so completely from any type of functioning financial system that they lead to detention in the hospital of patients unable to pay, with an appallingly negative impact on the quality of care received. For example, it has been reported in 2017 that in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), approximately 54 percent of mothers at one healthcare facility were detained after failing to pay medical fees for giving birth. Although they may receive care, these patients are detained for weeks or even months afterward, without continued care, food, or even a bed. The factors contributing to the practice are multifaceted, complex, and not easily resolved without dedicated resources and political leadership.

A cornerstone of UHC should be to end patient detention, but doing so is not a simple task. There is the need for a strong political commitment into the national health accounts system and also strong mechanisms should be put in place for a working health insurance schemes in our region.

#### **Honourable Minister; Your Excellencies; Ladies and gentlemen;**

As countries make progress toward universal health coverage and design and deliver their essential health benefits packages, diagnostics must be included as a key component of such packages. This is because most diseases or conditions cannot be correctly managed without a clear diagnosis. High-quality health care begins with seeking care, followed by a diagnosis that leads to appropriate therapy.

Individual disease and outbreaks cannot be stopped or restricted if the cause is not identified early.

When diagnostics are not acknowledged as an essential component of the healthcare system, they get little attention, budget, and support for implementation. If tests are not explicitly listed in national health plans or benefits packages, there is no mechanism for procurement, supply, and reimbursement. The consequences of underinvestment in diagnostics and laboratories are clear. The laboratory infrastructure in most low and middle-income countries is very weak. Even basic tests are missing in many health facilities. In a study of 10 countries in sub-Saharan African in 2017, only 2% of healthcare facilities had the ability to perform eight basic tests — for blood glucose, haemoglobin, malaria, urine dipstick for protein and sugar, HIV, syphilis, and pregnancy. In the absence of laboratory support, healthcare providers have no choice but to resort to empirical and syndromic treatment.

Similar cascade-of-care analyses for HIV, hepatitis C, hypertension, and prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission have each shown big gaps at the diagnosis stage. The consistency of diagnosis as a key gap across disease areas and settings is quite remarkable and underscores the chronic neglect of diagnostics and laboratories in most low- and middle-income countries.

To address this massive gap, countries need to invest in a sustainable, connected, integrated laboratory networks, procure quality diagnostics, and train laboratory professionals to assess results. We must reject the mind-set that simple, rapid tests and syndromic treatments are "enough for poor countries." All patients, rich or poor, deserve to know their diagnosis.

At this juncture, as we commend the giant stride in the inauguration of this college today, I want to charge every medical laboratory professional serving in one capacity or another to rise up and meet up the requirements and expectations of the college. They must come up with pragmatic research findings that would proffer some solutions to the incidence of emerging and re-emerging diseases in the ECOWAS region, they should collaborate and work together with other health professionals to provide a total one health to the ECOWAS population, noting fully that "the health of man is the health of all". They should not see the establishment of the college as a jamboree or an avenue for confrontation and unfounded acrimony with other members of the health team. To whom much is given, they say, much is also expected.

#### **Honourable Minister; Your Excellencies; Ladies and gentlemen;**

Nigeria and other African countries should intensify efforts to make medical laboratory services accessible through public-funded health insurance schemes, as the countries move towards universal coverage of health services. With a strong political will, the combination of diagnostic capacity, access to essential healthcare services will become available in low and middle-income countries like ours.

I want to use this forum to appeal to development partners to collaborate with government of Member States and especially the West African Postgraduate College of Medical Laboratory Science and other similar postgraduate and research institutions to carry out further specific researches on arresting the progressing cases of emerging and re-emerging diseases like Coronavirus, cancer and neglected tropical diseases in order to reduce the case fatality rate of this disease conditions.

The West African Health Organization at our own level will continue to be proactive and working with different organizations and partners to implement the decisions of the ECOWAS Heads of State and Government on all health matters in the region including training, capacity development and research on providing access to treatment of all emerging and re-emerging diseases and health conditions.

In conclusion, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the Honourable Minister of Health for his support to WAHO, and to all those who have contributed, directly and indirectly to the organization of this important Congress.

**Thank you! Merci! Obrigado!**

**Signed  
Management**





## CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION

(Established under the Companies and Allied Matters Act 1990)  
PLOT 420 TIGRIS CRESCENT, MAITAMA DISTRICT  
P.M.B 198 GARKI, ABUJA-NIGERIA

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ENTERPRISE REGISTRY SOFTWARE AND PROVISION OF MANAGED DEDICATED INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE HOSTING OF THE COMMISSION ONLINE SERVICES

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Corporate Affairs Commission was established by the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) of 1990 to regulate and supervise the formation, incorporation, registration, management and winding of companies in Nigeria.

In compliance with the provisions of the Public Procurement Act 2007, the Commission hereby invites competent companies to submit Expression of Interest for the following projects:

LOT No.	PROJECT TITLE
Lot 1	Design, development and implementation of Enterprise Registry Software
Lot 2	Managed Dedicated Infrastructure for the Hosting of the Commission Online Services

#### 2.0 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Prospective bidders should submit the under-listed requirements to be eligible to participate in this procurement:-

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation issued by Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Memorandum & Articles of Association, Forms CAC 7 & CAC 2 or Form CAC 1.1 (Certify True Copy)
- Evidence of payment of up to date Annual Returns to Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC);
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 & 2019) expiring on 31st December, 2020, with minimum average annual turnover of N500 Million.
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate expiring on 31st December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate expiring on 31st December, 2020.
- Evidence of current National Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate expiring on 31st December, 2020.
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by inclusion of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31st December, 2020 or valid Certificate issued by the Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP);
- Original copy of Sworn affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Corporate Affairs Commission or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars;
- Company's Audited Accounts for the last (3) years - 2017, 2018, 2019, whose turnovers must correspond with those in Tax Clearance Certificate;
- Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable commercial bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed;
- Company's Profile with the Curriculum Vitae of key Staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic/ Professional qualifications.
- Evidence of Firm's registration/accreditation with Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria and National

- Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA);
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) relevant jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letters of Awards and Job Completion Certificates;
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No.) and e-mail address. The Letterhead Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the firm.

#### 3.0 SUBMISSION OF EOI DOCUMENT

Interested companies are to submit two (2) bound Expression of Interest (EOI) documents separated by dividers and arranged as indicated above. The documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed to **The Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420 Tigris Crescent, Maitama, Abuja**, and clearly marked with the project title. Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear name and address of the bidder and deposited in the designated Tender Box located at **6th Floor, Registrar-General's Office, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420 Tigris Crescent, Maitama, Abuja** not later than **2:00pm (Nigerian Time) on Tuesday, 15th September, 2020**.

#### 4.0 OPENING OF EOI DOCUMENTS

The EOI documents will be opened immediately after deadline for submission at **2:00pm (Nigerian Time) on Tuesday, 15th September, 2020** at the Commission's Multi-Purpose Hall, 2nd Floor, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama Abuja. Please ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register in the office of **The Registrar-General, 6th Floor Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420 Tigris Crescent, Maitama, Abuja**, as the Corporate Affairs Commission will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquires, please contact the Head (Procurement) on e-mail: [procurement@cac.gov.ng](mailto:procurement@cac.gov.ng)

#### 5.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

- Eoi must be in English Language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder;
- Eoi submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened;
- All costs will be borne by the bidders;
- Presence of bidders/representatives and members of the public shall not be required during the bid opening ceremony in compliance with COVID-19 Guidelines. The Bids Opening will be covered by video recording with the presence of two (2) representatives of private sector professional bodies and Civil Society Organisation in the areas of Anti-Corruption/ Transparency;
- Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services).
- Only shortlisted companies will be invited at a later date for collection of Request for Proposals (RfPs);
- The Corporate Affairs Commission is not bound to shortlist any bidder and reserves the right to annul the Procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.

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CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION





**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA  
NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION**

No.1, Masaka Close, Off Olusegun Obasanjo Way, Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja, FCT.

**INVITATION TO TENDER FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND EXPRESSION  
OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES**

**A. INTRODUCTION**

The National Population Commission is charged with the responsibility of conducting the National Population and Housing Census, Surveys, Civic Registration system and provision of Geo-data base information in Nigeria, as well as other Population related matters.

The Commission in keeping with its mandate and in compliance with the Public Procurement Act, 2007, intends to implement some projects in line with the 2020 financial year. The Commission hereby invite Interested, Competent, Reputable Contractors and Consultants with relevant experience and good track record for the procurement of the under listed:

**B. GOODS**

LOT NOS	ITEMS DESCRIPTION
LOT G01	SUPPLY OF COMPUTERS
LOT G02	PRINTING OF PHOTOCOPYING MACHINES, PRINTERS AND TONERS
LOT G03	SUPPLY OF PDAS
LOT G04	SUPPLY OF GENERATOR
LOT G05	SUPPLY OF COMPUTER ACCESSORIES
LOT G06	SUPPLY OF OFFICE FURNITURE
LOT G07	PRINTING OF TRAINING MANUAL
LOT G08	SUPPLY OF SATELLITE IMAGERY
LOT G09	SUPPLY OF PLOTTERS AND PLOTTER INKS
LOT G10	SUPPLY OF STATIONERIES
LOT G11	SUPPLY OF PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM, PROJECTORS, SCANNERS AND CAMERA
LOT G12	SUPPLY OF E-CERTIFICATE EQUIPMENT
LOT G13	SUPPLY OF NETWORKING
LOT G14	SUPPLY OF CARTO CONSUMABLES
LOT G15	PROVISION OF INSURANCE COVER

**C. CONSULTANCY SERVICE**

LOTS	DESCRIPTION
C01	DESIGNING AND DEPLOYMENT OF CUSTOMISED SOFTWARE FOR ENUMERATION AREA DEMARCATION DATA ACQUISITION, PROCESSING AND DISPLAYING

**D. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

For purposes of evaluation, interested Contractors/Consultants should supply the under listed information including but not limited to the following:

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation issued by Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Form CAC1.1 or Forms CAC2 & CAC7;
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 and 2019) valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP;
- Sworn Affidavit:
  - certifying that the company is not in receivership, insolvency or bankruptcy.
  - disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of National Population Commission or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars.
  - that none of the Directors of the Company has been convicted for criminal offence in relation to fraud or financial impropriety in any court in Nigeria or elsewhere.
- Company's Audited Account for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 and 2019).
- Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable commercial bank in Nigeria indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed;
- Company's profile with the Curriculum Vitae of the Key Staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic/Professional qualifications;
- Verifiable document evidence of at least three (3) years similar jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letter of Award, Valuation Certificates, Job Completion Certificate and Photographs of the Projects.
- For supply of Computers & IT job: Evidence of registration/accreditation by the Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria and Nation Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA).
- For Supply of Equipment: Letter of Authorization as representatives of the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs);
- Lot G15: Evidence of Firm's accreditation by National Insurance Commission (NAICOM);
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No.), and e-mail address.

The Letter Head Paper must bear Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the firm.

**E. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS (GOODS)**

Interested companies are to collect the Standard Bidding Document (SBD) from the office of the Director Procurement, Room 333, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, National Population Commission, No.1 Masaka Close, Off Olusegun Obasanjo Way, Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja, on evidence of payment of a non-refundable tender fee of N10,000.00 per Lot, paid into the National Population Commission's Remita account in any reputable Commercial Bank in Nigeria.

Please go to any Commercial Bank and ask for their Real -Time Deposit Unit (REMITA) and pay the tender fee in favour of National Population Commission. Bring the print out together with copies of the bank teller to the Central Pay Office (CPO) of the Commission to collect receipt which will be used to obtain bid documents at **Procurement Department, Room 333, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**. Bidders for Consultancy Service are not required to pay for Expression of Interest (EOI) at this stage.

**F. SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS (GOODS)**

Prospective bidders for "Goods" are to submit bid for each of the Lot desired, two (2) hard copies each of the technical and financial bids with softcopy of financial bid only in MS Excel format, packaged separately in sealed envelopes and clearly marked as "Technical Bid or Financial Bid". Thereafter, put the two sealed envelopes together in a bigger sealed envelope addressed to the Director-General, National Population Commission, No 1 Masaka Close, Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja and clearly marked with (the Name of the Project and the Lot Number). Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear the Name and Address of the Bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, National Population Commission, No1 Masaka Close, Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja not later than **12:00noon of Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**.

For Consultancy Service, interested firms are to submit two (2) bound of Expression of Interest (EOI) documents separated by dividers and arranged as indicated above. The documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Director-General, National Population Commission, No 1 Masaka Close, Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja and clearly marked with (the name of the project and the Lot number). Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should have the name and address of the bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box drop in the designated Tender Box on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, National Population Commission, No1 Masaka Close, Zone 7 Wuse, Abuja not later than later than **12:00Noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**.

**G. OPENING OF BID**

The Technical bids for Goods will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**, in the Conference Hall of National Population Commission, Ground Floor, while the Financial Bids would be kept un-opened. Please, ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register in the office of the Procurement Director, Room 333, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor National Population Commission Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja, as the National Population Commission will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquiries, please contact the "Director Procurement on email: jonbeloved@gmail.com.

Expression of Interest (EOI) will be opened immediately following the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020** in the Conference Hall of National Population Commission, Ground Floor. Please, ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register in the office of the Procurement Director, Room 333, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor National Population Commission Zone 7, Wuse, Abuja, as the National Population Commission will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquiries, please contact the "Director Procurement on email: jondbeloved@gmail.com.

**H. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder;
- Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened;
- Bidders should not bid for more than One (1) Lot.
- All cost will be borne by the bidders;
- Arrangement of technical documents in hard copies should follow the order in the list above and appropriately paged. The technical document should have a table of content indicating the pages which these items are to be found.
- Bidders are excused from the bid opening, which will be attended by officials of private sector professional organisation and CSOs in the areas of anti-corruption/transparency. The event will be fully captured on video and can be provided to bidders on request;
- Standard Bidding Documents can also be collected in Soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services);
- Only pre-qualified bidders at technical evaluation will be invited at a later date for financial bids opening, while the financial bids of un-successful bidders will be returned un-opened.
- The National Population Commission is not bound to pre-qualify/shortlist any bidder and reserves the right to annul the Procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act, 2007.

**SIGNED  
DIRECTOR GENERAL  
NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION**





# NIGERIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

Corporate Headquarters: Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Domestic Wing Abuja.  
Lagos Office: AVIATION HOUSE: Murtala Mohammed International Airport, Domestic Wing, Ikeja  
P.M.B. 21029, 21038, Ikeja, Lagos

## INVITATION TO TENDER/EXPRESSION OF INTEREST UNDER NCAA 2020 IGR BUDGET REF No.: NCAA/DG/PROC/010/020

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA), a Parastatal under the Federal Ministry of Aviation (FMA), in pursuance of its statutory oversight functions and in compliance with Public Procurement Act, 2007, intends to carry out the Procurement of Goods, Works and Services under its 2020 Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) budget.

1.2 The Authority therefore invites all experienced and competent Contractors, Suppliers and Consultants/Service providers with relevant experience for consideration for the execution of the following projects:

#### SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of Works/Supply/Services for the 2020 fiscal year are categorized as follows:

#### GOODS:

Lot NCAA/G1/CCA/20  
Procurement of Desktop Computers/Laptops and Computer Accessories for NCAA Corporate Headquarters at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA) Abuja  
Lot NCAA/G2/CCA/20  
Procurement of Desktop Computers/Laptops and Computer Accessories for NCAA Regional offices to be supplied at Kaduna Regional Office Central Store.  
Lot NCAA/G3/ICT/20  
Procurement of ICT Maintenance, Networking and Communication Consumables for Lagos and Portharcourt Regional Offices to be supplied at Lagos Regional Office Central Store  
Lot NCAA/G4/ICT/20  
Procurement of ICT Maintenance, Networking and Communication Consumables for NCAA Corporate Headquarters at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA) Abuja, as well as Kano and Kaduna Region Offices to be supplied at Kaduna Regional Office Central Store  
Lot NCAA/G5/ICT/20  
Procurement of Access Control System Hardware/Software Component for NCAA Corporate Headquarters at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA) Abuja  
Lot NCAA/G6/ICT/20  
Procurement of Customized Biometric Staff ID Cards, Consumables and Other Systems  
Lot NCAA/G7/P&M/20:  
Supply and Installation of 150KVA Generator at NCAA Lagos Regional Office  
Lot NCAA/G8/OF&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Furniture and Equipment for NCAA Abuja Regional Office  
Lot NCAA/G9/OF&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Furniture and Equipment for NCAA Lagos Regional Office  
Lot NCAA/G10/OF&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Furniture and Equipment for NCAA Kaduna Regional Office  
Lot NCAA/G11/OF&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Furniture and Equipment for NCAA Kano Regional Office  
Lot NCAA/G12/F&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Furniture and Equipment for NCAA Portharcourt Regional Office  
Lot NCAA/G13/O&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Furniture for NCAA Corporate Headquarters at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA) Abuja  
Lot NCAA/G14/O&E/20:  
Procurement of Office Equipment for NCAA Corporate Headquarters at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA) Abuja  
Lot NCAA/G15/SP/20:  
Procurement of Office Stationery and Printing of NCAA Official Documents for NCAA Corporate Headquarters at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA) Abuja as well as Kaduna and Kano Regional Offices to be supplied at NCAA Kaduna Central Stores

#### WORKS:

Lot NCAA/ W1/CB/20:  
Construction of 2-Bedroom (Semi-Detached) Bungalow at Kano  
Lot NCAA/ W2/CB/20:  
Re-Construction of 2-Bedroom (Semi-Detached) Bungalow at Kano  
Lot NCAA/W3/RIQ/20:  
Renovation of NCAA Inspectors Quarters, Abuja  
Lot NCAA/W4/RIQ/20:  
Renovation of NCAA Inspectors Quarters, Kano  
Lot NCAA/W5/RFSA/20:  
Re-Construction of Fence Wall at NCAA Inspectors Quarters, Abuja  
Lot NCAA/W6/IKGHB/20:  
Inclusion of Six (6 Nos) Kitchen in NCAA Inspectors-On-Duty Flats, Abuja.

### CONSULTANCY:

Competent, experienced and reputable consultants are required to express interest in:  
Lot NCAA/C1/PS/20:  
Engagement of Consultants for Actuarial Services.

### 2.0 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation issued by Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Forms CAC 1.1 or CAC2 and Form CAC7;
- Evidence of current Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP.
- Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars.
- Company's Audited Accounts for the last three years (2017, 2018, 2019);
- Submission of Reference letter from any reputable commercial bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed;
- Company's profile, which should include names, qualifications and experience of key personnel with copies of Academic/Professional qualifications (in case of works: COREN, QSRBN, ARCON, CORBON, etc. must be attached).
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar contracts of not less than Thirty Million Naira (N30,000,000.00) successfully completed/on-going within the last five (5) years including copies of Letters of Award, Certificates of Completion and (in case of works: Photographs).
- For Consultancy Services: Evidence of Firm's Practice License and Key staff professional certificates issued by relevant professional body(ies);
- For ICT jobs: Evidence of registration/accreditation with Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria and National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA);
- For Supply of Equipment: Letter of Authorization as representatives of the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs); All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No.), and e-mail address. The Letterhead Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorised officer of the firm.

### 3.0 COLLECTION OF BIDS (GOODS & WORKS)

Interested bidders are to sign and collect bidding documents from the office of;  
**Deputy General Manager (Procurement),  
Procurement Department,  
NCAA, Aviation House,  
Domestic Airport, Ikeja, Lagos.**  
between 11:00am and 4:00pm Monday to Friday upon payment through NCAA Remita account No. 0020531761015/ NUBAN No. 3000054795 and presentation of NCAA official payment receipt of non-refundable tender fees of N10,000.00 per Lot, obtained from the cash office located at the ground floor of NCAA Operational Headquarters Aviation House, Ikeja, Lagos.

### 4.0 SUBMISSION OF BID DOCUMENTS (GOODS & WORKS)

- Technical and Financial Bids are to be submitted in two (2) hard copies A4 paper size and neatly bound. Technical bids shall be arranged in the order listed under eligibility requirements and clearly separated by dividers.
- Soft copies of the financial bids should also be submitted in a flash drive in MS Excel.
- Bid documents must be sealed in two distinct envelopes with inscription of the project name and Lot No. The bidder's company name must be clearly written at the top left corner of the envelopes separating technical from financial bids.
- All bidding documents must be clearly addressed to :

**The Secretary Tenders Board,  
Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority,  
Corporate Headquarters,  
Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport,  
FCT, Abuja.**

and submitted/deposited in the tender boxes provided at  
**Procurement Department,  
Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority,  
Lagos Regional Office (Aviation House),  
Domestic Airport, Ikeja, Lagos.**  
between 10am - 4pm daily, not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.**

### 5.0 SUBMISSION OF EOI DOCUMENTS (CONSULTANCY SERVICES)

Interested firms are to submit two (2) bound of Expression of Interest (EOI) documents separated by dividers and arranged as indicated above. The documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed as indicated under eligibility requirements and clearly marked with (the name of the project and the Lot number). Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear the name and address of the bidder and dropped in the designated Tender Box provided at the Corporate Headquarters, Abuja not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.**

### 6.0 OPENING OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND TECHNICAL BIDS

The **EOI** will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.** The technical bids for Goods and Works will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020** in the **Training Hall, Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority, Lagos Regional Office (Aviation House), Domestic Airport, Ikeja, Lagos.** For further enquiries, please contact the DGM (Procurement) on the following telephone number 08057299660 or AGM (Procurement) on the following telephone number 080365614093.

### 7.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

- NCAA reserves the right to verify the authenticity of any claims made on the documents submitted by bidders.
- Bidders are required to scan their bids and sign bids return register located at the security duty post before submission. Failure to comply with this security arrangement may disqualify bidder(s).
- Please note that NCAA will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids.
- Failure to submit any or all eligibility requirement(s) documents may automatically result in disqualification.
- NCAA reserves the right to reject any or all documents submitted by the bidders.
- Originals of all the documents submitted must be produced for sighting at any time requested.
- Late submission of tender documents shall be returned unopened.
- All submissions must be in English Language and should be very clear on the areas of specification and lot of interest.
- The award of contract for any lot is subject to availability of funds. The Authority reserves the right to prioritize the implementation of its projects.
- Bidders are **NOT** allowed to bid for more than one (1) lot.
- In all correspondences, please quote the reference number shown above.
- Bidders are excused from the bid opening, which will be attended by officials of private sector professional organisation and CSOs in the areas of anti-corruption/transparency. The event will be fully captured on video and can be provided to bidders on request;**
- Standard Bidding Documents can also be collected in Soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services);
- Please note that only pre-qualified bidders (Goods & Works) will be invited for financial bid opening, while the financial bids of unsuccessful bidders will be returned unopened.
- Only shortlisted firms for consultancy services will be invited at a later date for collection of Request for Proposals.
- The list of the successful and unsuccessful bidders shall be pasted on the notice board at NCAA Corporate and Operational Headquarters in Abuja and Lagos respectively.
- NCAA is not bound to pre-qualify/shortlist any bidder and reserves the right to annul the procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.
- This advertisement shall not be construed as a commitment on the part of Federal Ministry of Aviation, NCAA or its staff nor shall it entitle a bidder to make any claim whatsoever and or seek any indemnity from NCAA by virtue of such bidder having responded to the advert.

**DIRECTORGENERAL/CEO  
NIGERIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY**





# CITY NEWS

## Driver, assistants rescued as truck crashes into building

By Adam Umar

**A** driver and his two assistants whose truck crashed into a three-storey building at the weekend, have been rescued alive in Madalla town of Niger State.

It was gathered that the truckers were coming from Kaduna and heading to Zuba, when the driver tried to dodge a vehicle at the scene of a similar truck crash last Thursday that

was yet to be evacuated, but lost control. They crashed into the building which was only some metres away from Zuma Rock, on the Abuja/Kaduna highway.

A witness, Abel Ebere, who lives in the building told City News that he was woken up by the noise of the crash, which occurred around 6am on Saturday.

He said he rushed from the first floor, where he stayed, to the scene where he saw the

crashed truck and bags of sachet water scattered on the ground.

"I later learnt that the water sachets were from a pickup van which the truck driver had tried to avoid," he said.

The Head of Search and Rescue Operation, of the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), Abuja, Labaran Ahman, said on arriving at the scene, they found that the truck driver had been rescued by by-standers and the

agency conveyed him to Abuja University Teaching hospital in Gwagwalada.

He said the two assistants were rescued around 10:45 am and 11:47am respectively, from the rubble and also taken to hospital.

Ahman gave the names of the driver and assistants as Sulaiman Ohonsi, Musa Umar and Ibrahim Nuhu.

It was further learnt that a towing vehicle deployed by

the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) to pull out the truck was unable to do that, as rubble from the affected building kept dropping on the trapped victims.

The truck was eventually cleared off the road and the affected lane reopened to motorists in an operation that involved the security and rescue personal services, comprising NEMA, FEMA, FCT Fire Service, FRSC, NSCDC, and NPE.



■ Victims trapped under the rubbles of a building after a truck crashed into the place at Madalla in Niger State on Saturday. Both victims were later rescued Photo: Adam Umar

## Ona of Abaji hosts Kano Emir Ado Bayero

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

The Ona of Abaji and chairman of the FCT Council of Chiefs, His Royal Majesty (HRM), Alhaji Adamu Baba Yunusa, has hosted the Emir of Kano, Dr. Aminu Ado Bayero, in his palace on Saturday.

Dr. Bayero, who arrived at the Ona's palace with his entourage at about 7pm, was ushered into the inner chamber of the palace where he met traditional rulers.

The Ona of Abaji, Alhaji Adamu Baba Yunusa, expressed joy over the visit of the Emir of Kano to his chieftdom.

He said the visit was indeed a historical and memorable one, adding that such a visit was a clear sign of the recognition the emir has for the chieftdom.

He said Abaji chieftdom and Kano emirate share affinity, adding that the current Governor of Kano, Dr Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, was once a sole administrator of the council.

The monarch, therefore, appealed to the emir for support for the completion of Abaji central mosque, which he said has remained uncompleted for over 20 years.

Responding, the Emir of Kano appreciated the Ona of Abaji and members of his traditional council as well as stakeholders of the area for the honour and recognition accorded to him.

He said Abaji chieftdom has always been his home, while assuring him that he would try his best to give support to some of the challenges facing the chieftdom including the completion of the central mosque in the area.

## NESREA investigates water pollution scare in Abuja community

By Chidimma C. Okeke

The National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency (NESREA) has launched an investigation into the operations of a Chinese firm, Hongao Mining Company, over alleged pollution of the source of water in Kutasa community of Karshi District of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT).

The Director General of NESREA, Prof. Aliyu Jauro, who led an investigation team on an unscheduled inspection of the gold mining site of the company, recently, said the visit followed complaints by the residents alleging that the activities of the company compromised the quality of their main source of water.

Prof. Jauro and his team were received by the Site Manager, Mr Michael Moses,

a translator, Mr. Stanley Ezeilo and three of the Chinese staff who were said to be on site but declined to interact with the NESREA D-G and his team.

"There are allegations of water pollution. We came here to carry out an investigation and ensure that they comply with the requisite provisions. We have a regulation, the National Environmental (Mining and Processing of Coal Ore and other Industrial Minerals) Regulation. What is required of all these mining companies is stipulated there," Prof. Jauro said.

He said there is need for them to have carried out an Environmental Impact Assessment, adding that his team would inspect the company's Environmental Statement, CAC documents and mining lease.

However, Mr. Michael said he had

no idea of the availability of such documents and that the company had halted operations following the issues they were having with the community.

The NESREA boss, however, said the agency had taken water and soil samples for laboratory analysis. He said he would not hesitate to mete out prescribed penalties if the company is found to have flouted the law.

A resident of the community, Mr Chapi Godwin, said the company discharged waste water directly into their main source of water, a stream, which ran across the facility thereby making their water unfit for domestic use.

He said the company began operations in November 2019 and not long after, the Kutasa community began to experience outbreak of rashes on the skin of their children.

## Minimum wage: FCT labour leaders to meet minister Tuesday

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

Leaders of the Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC), Nigeria Union Teachers and Nigeria Union of Local Government Employees (NULGE) will tomorrow meet with the Minister of State for FCT, Hajiya Ramatu Tijjani Aliyu, to deliberate on the delay

in payment of the new minimum wage to primary school teachers by the six area councils.

City News had reported that the executives of NUT had, last Tuesday, met with the six area council chairmen in Abuja, but that the meeting, presided over by the Area Councils Services

Commission (ACSC) board chairman, Alhaji Isah Ramat, ended in a deadlock.

The chairman of FCT wing of NUT, Comrade Stephen Knabayi, who disclosed this to our reporter in a telephone interview, yesterday, said the meeting was at the instance of the minister and it would deliberate on the teachers'

new minimum wage.

He added that the meeting would also have the six area council chairmen and some stakeholders in attendance.

He said the non-payment of the new minimum wage to primary school teachers by the council chairmen despite the union exhausting all avenues for negotiations was

disappointing.

"Actually, we are mobilising all the labour leaders and executives to be part of the meeting with the Minister of State, Hajiya Ramatu Tijjani Aliyu, and the area council chairmen will also be in attendance to discuss further on the new minimum wage," he said.





# NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF EMPLOYMENT

Plot 1529, No. 1, Nouakchott Street, Wuse District, Zone 1, Abuja.

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) AND INVITATION TO TENDER FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 2020 CAPITAL PROJECTS AND ZONAL INTERVENTION PROJECTS (ZIP)

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The National Directorate of Employment (NDE) in accordance with Public Procurement Act, 2007, invites competent and reputable Contractors/Suppliers/Consultants to submit bids for the procurement of following Goods, Works and Services under the 2020 Capital Projects and Zonal Intervention Projects (ZIP):

### 2. SCOPE OF GOODS, WORKS & SERVICES

#### LOT A: PROCUREMENT OF GOODS

LOT A	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
A1	PROCUREMENT OF STARTER PACKS/EQUIPMENT FOR GRADUATES OF VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING SCHEMES TO NORTH CENTRAL GEO POLITICAL ZONE	NC
A2	PROCUREMENT OF STARTER PACKS/EQUIPMENT FOR GRADUATES OF VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING SCHEMES TO NORTH EAST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	NE
A3	PROCUREMENT OF STARTER PACKS/EQUIPMENT FOR GRADUATES OF VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING SCHEMES TO SOUTH WEST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	SW
A4	PROCUREMENT OF STARTER PACKS/EQUIPMENT FOR GRADUATES OF VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING SCHEMES TO SOUTH EAST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	SE
A5	PROCUREMENT OF STARTER PACKS/EQUIPMENT FOR GRADUATES OF VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING SCHEMES TO SOUTH-SOUTH GEO POLITICAL ZONE	SS
A6	RETOOLING OF NDE SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES IN NORTH WEST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	NW
A7	RETOOLING OF NDE SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES IN NORTH CENTRAL GEO POLITICAL ZONE	NC
A8	RETOOLING OF NDE SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES IN NORTH EAST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	NE
A9	RETOOLING OF NDE SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES IN SOUTH WEST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	SW
A10	RETOOLING OF NDE SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES IN SOUTH EAST GEO POLITICAL ZONE	SE
A11	RETOOLING OF NDE SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES IN SOUTH SOUTH GEO POLITICAL ZONE	SS
A12	PRINTING AND SUPPLY OF 2019 NDE ANNUAL REPORT	NDE HQ
A13	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTH OF IMO EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT	IMO
A14	SUPPLY OF BAGS OF FERTILIZER TO FARMERS IN BOSSO/PAIKO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, NIGER STATE	NIGER
A15	PROVISION OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS/EQUIPMENTS AND SEED CAPITAL FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS OF ADAMAWA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	ADAMAWA
A16	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS (GRINDING MACHINES) FOR YOUTH OF TOTO LGA, NASARAWA STATE	NASARAWA
A17	SUPPLY OF MOTOR CYCLES FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT IN GOMBE CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT	GOMBE
A18	SUPPLY OF TRICYCLES FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT IN KADUNA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT	KADUNA
A19	PROVISION OF START-UP KIT (HP LAPTOP 250 IN ANAMBRA EAST AND ANAMBRA WEST LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
A20	PROVISION OF VEHICLES FOR EMPOWERMENT etc FOR THE ZURU AREA AND THE OTHER LGAs WITHIN THE SAME SENATORIAL ZONE	KEBBI
A21	PURCHASE OF KEKE NAPEP (TRICYCLES) FOR EMPOWERMENT OF INDIGENT YOUTHS IN BIASE, ODUKANI, BAKASSI AND AKAMPKA LGAs OF CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A22	PURCHASE OF KEKE NAPEP (TRICYCLES) FOR EMPOWERMENT OF INDIGENT YOUTHS IN CALABAR MUNICIPAL, AKPABUYO AND CALABAR SOUTH LGAs OF CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A23	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES IN KATSINA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, KATSINA STATE.	KATSINA
A24	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR FISHERMEN IN IKOT ABASI/MKPAT ENIN/EASTERN OBOLO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, AKWA IBOM STATE	AKWA IBOM
A25	SUPPLY OF USED SIENNA VEHICLES FOR COMMERCIAL EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS IN AWKA NORTH AND AWKA SOUTH LGAs OF ANAMBRA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
A26	SUPPLY OF USED SIENNA VEHICLES FOR COMMERCIAL EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS IN NJIKOKA, ANAOCHA, AND DUNUKOFIA LGAs OF ANAMBRA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
A27	SUPPLY OF USED SIENNA VEHICLES FOR COMMERCIAL EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS IN IDEMILI NORTH AND IDEMILI SOUTH LGAs OF ANAMBRA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
A28	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS (SEWING MACHINES AND WELDING MACHINES) FOR YOUTH BENEFICIARIES OF SKILL TRAINING IN ABA NORTH /SOUTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA

A29	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS (TOYOTA COROLLA LE 2003 MODEL) FOR YOUTH BENEFICIARIES OF SKILL TRAINING IN UKWA LGA, ABIA STATE	ABIA
A30	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS (MOTORCYCLE & TRICYCLE) FOR YOUTH BENEFICIARIES OF SKILL TRAINING IN BENDE LGA, ABIA STATE	ABIA
A31	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR YOUTH BENEFICIARIES OF SKILL TRAINING IN ISUIKWUATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA
A32	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR YOUTH BENEFICIARIES OF SKILL TRAINING IN IHIE TOWN OF ABIA STATE	ABIA
A33	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS BORNO STATE OF NORTH EAST	BORNO
A34	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS YOBE STATE OF NORTH EAST	YOBE
A35	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS ADAMAWA STATE OF NORTH EAST	ADAMAWA
A36	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS TARABA STATE OF NORTH EAST	TARABA
A37	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS GOMBE STATE OF NORTH EAST	GOMBE
A38	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS BAUCHI STATE OF NORTH EAST	BAUCHI
A39	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS ON COSMETIC PRODUCTION FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	ANAMBRA
A40	SUPPLY OF HAGBITO TILLERS (HNT 1000C) TO FARMERS OF UGAGA COMMUNITY IN OGOJA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A41	SUPPLY OF HAGBITO TILLERS (HNT 1000C) TO FARMERS OF EKAJUK COMMUNITY IN OGOJA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A42	SUPPLY OF HAGBITO TILLERS (HNT 1000C) TO FARMERS OF WANOKOM COMMUNITY IN OGOJA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A43	SUPPLY OF HAGBITO TILLERS (HNT 1000C) TO FARMERS OF IBIL COMMUNITY IN OGOJA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A44	SUPPLY OF HAGBITO TILLERS (HNT 1000C) TO FARMERS OF IGODOR COMMUNITY IN OGOJA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A45	SUPPLY OF HAGBITO TILLERS (HNT 1000C) TO FARMERS OF OJIRIM COMMUNITY IN OGOJA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
A46	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH IN KATSINA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	KATSINA
A47	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTHS IN AKOKO-EDO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	EDO
A48	SUPPLY OF TRICYCLES TO ACHARA, ABIA STATE	ABIA
A49	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLE TO ACHARA, ABIA STATE	ABIA
A50	SUPPLY OF GRINDING MACHINES TO ACHARA, ABIA STATE	ABIA
A51	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS ON CASSAVA PEELER UNDER MECHANIZED FARMING FOR YOUTHS IN IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO
A52	SUPPLY OF STARTER KITS ON MODERN BUILDING TECHNIQUES FOR YOUTH IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO
A53	SUPPLY OF COSMETOLOGY MATERIALS FOR TRAINED WOMEN IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO
A54	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES AND WELDING MACHINES FOR YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM IN SABON GARI LGA, KADUNA STATE	KADUNA
A55	SUPPLY OF SEWING MACHINE AND IRRIGATION PUMPS FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM IN SABON GARI LGA, KADUNA STATE	KADUNA
A56	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES IN ADE-ODU OGUN STATE	OGUN
A57	SUPPLY OF LADIES MOTORCYCLES IN OTTA OGUN STATE	OGUN
A58	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS OF UMU NSUGBE, UMU ABATA AND UMU ORULA IN ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
A59	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO UMU NSUGBE AND UMU ORULA IN ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
A60	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO UMU ABATA IN ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
A61	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO MARARABAR KANKARA TOWNS IN MALUMFASHI LGA OF MALUMFASHI/KAFUR FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
A62	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO SABUWAR KASA TOWNS IN KAFUR LGA OF MALUMFASHI/KAFUR FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
A63	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO MAHUTA TOWNS IN KAFUR LGA OF MALUMFASHI/KAFUR FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA





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A64	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO MALUMFASHI TOWNS IN MALUMFASHI LGA OF MALUMFASHI/KAFUR FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
A65	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO DAYI TOWNS IN MALUMFASHI LGA OF MALUMFASHI/KAFUR FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
A66	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT EQUIPMENT OF EPE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS
A67	SUPPLY OF STARTER PACKS FOR YOUTHS OF EPE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS
A68	PROCUREMENT OF TRACTORS FOR IBI LGA, TARABA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, TARABA STATE	TARABA
A69	PROCUREMENT OF TRACTORS FOR WUKARI LGA, TARABA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, TARABA STATE	TARABA
A70	PROCUREMENT OF TRACTORS FOR TAKUM LGA, TARABA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, TARABA STATE	TARABA
A71	PROCUREMENT OF TRACTORS FOR DONGA LGA, TARABA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, TARABA STATE	TARABA
A72	PROCUREMENT OF TRACTORS FOR USSA LGA, TARABA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, TARABA STATE	TARABA
<b>LOT AZ</b>		
AZ1	SUPPLY OF FARMING TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR FARMERS IN IFO/EWEKORO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, OGUN STATE	OGUN
AZ2	SUPPLY OF SELECTED CUSTOMISED TEXTBOOKS TO SCHOOLS IN BORGU, AGWARA AND MAGAMA LGAs OF NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER
AZ3	SUPPLY OF SELECTED CUSTOMISED TEXTBOOKS TO SCHOOLS IN MASHEGU AND WUSHISHI LGAs OF NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER
AZ4	SUPPLY OF SELECTED CUSTOMISED TEXTBOOKS TO SCHOOLS IN RIJAU, KONTAGORA AND MARIGA LGAs OF NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER
AZ5	PROCUREMENT OF DOUBLE CAB PICKUPS VANS FOR SECURITY PATROL IN WUKARI AND IBI LGAs OF SOUTHERN TARABA	TARABA
AZ6	PROCUREMENT OF SINGLE CAB PICKUPS VANS FOR SECURITY PATROL IN DONGA AND TAKUM LGAs OF SOUTHERN TARABA	TARABA
AZ7	SUPPLY OF RICE PROCESSING EQUIPMENT AND EMPOWERMENT TO ZAMFARA WEST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ZAMFARA STATE	ZAMFARA
AZ8	SUPPLY OF TRICYCLES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN NIGER EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER
AZ9	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES TO NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE.	NIGER
AZ10	SUPPLY OF TAILORING MACHINES TO NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE.	NIGER
AZ11	SUPPLY OF TRICYCLES FOR RIVERS SOUTH EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, RIVERS STATE	RIVERS
AZ12	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES FOR RIVERS SOUTH EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, RIVERS STATE	RIVERS
AZ13	SUPPLY OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS FOR YOUTHS IN EDUCATIONAL TRAINING AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENTS IN RIVERS SOUTH EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, RIVERS STATE	RIVERS
AZ14	SUPPLY OF SCHOOL DESKS TO SCHOOLS IN CALABAR MUNICIPALITY/AKPABUYO LGA, CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ15	PURCHASE OF 30-SEATER HIACE BUS IN BIASE LGA OF CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ16	PURCHASE OF 30-SEATER HIACE BUS IN BAKASSI AND AKAMKPA LGA OF CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ17	SUPPLY OF TRICYCLES FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT IN AKAMKPA LGA, CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ18	SUPPLY OF PICK UP VAN FOR CONSTITUENCY OUTREACH IN AKPABUYO LGA, CROSS RIVER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ19	PROVISION OF TRICYCLES AND MOTORCYCLES FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS IN CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ20	PROVISION OF TOOLS AND FERTILIZERS FOR EMPOWERMENT OF FARMERS IN CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ21	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF COMPLETE SET OF COMPUTERS TO SCHOOLS IN BEKWARA, OBANLIKU AND OBUDU LGAs OF CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ22	PROVISION AND INSTALLATION OF COMPLETE SET OF COMPUTERS TO SCHOOLS IN OGOJA AND YALA LGAs OF CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ23	PROVISION OF SCHOOL DESKS TO SCHOOLS IN CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ24	SUPPLY OF MAIZE TRESHER MACHINE ON MECHANIZED FARMING IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE.	OYO
AZ25	SUPPLY OF GRINDING MACHINES AND SEWING MACHINES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE.	OYO
AZ26	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE.	OYO
AZ27	SUPPLY OF DEEP FREEZERS AND GENERATORS FOR EMPOWERMENT IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE.	OYO
AZ28	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN THE AREAS OF AGRICULTURAL TRADES, SUCH AS AQUACULTURE, SNAIL FARMING AND BEE KEEPING IN EBONYI SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
AZ29	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES, SEWING MACHINES, GRINDING MACHINES AND RICE IN WUDIL/GARKO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KANO STATE	KANO
AZ30	SUPPLY OF SEWING MACHINGS TO WOMEN IN DUKKU/NAFADA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY GOMBE STATE	GOMBE
AZ31	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS TO OTURKPO/ OHIMNI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY BENUE STATE	BENUE
AZ32	SUPPLY OF TRACTOR, AGRICULTURAL SPRAYING CAN, HAND TILLERS IN IFELODUN/OFFA/OYUN FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY OF KWARA STATE.	KWARA

AZ33	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS OF YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN SHIRA/GIADE FED. CONST. BAUCHI STATE	BAUCHI
AZ34	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYLES TO GAMAWA FED.CONST. BAUCHI STATE	BAUCHI
AZ35	SUPPLY OF SEWING MACHINES IN GAMAWA BAUCHI STATE	BAUCHI
AZ36	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR WOMEN & YOUTH IN CHIBOK DAM/ GWOZA CONSTITUENCY, BORNO STATE	BORNO
AZ37	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH IN AGRO-ALLIED BUSINESS IN YAURI/NGASKI/SHANGA FED. CONSTITUENCY, KEBBI STATE	KEBBI
AZ38	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR YOUTH AND WOMEN IN GWALE FED CONSTITUENCY, KANO STATE	KANO
AZ39	SUPPLY OF BRANDED EXERCISE BOOKS, BICYCLES, TEXTBOOKS AND MATHEMATICAL SETS FOR STUDENTS IN DALA FED CONSTITUENCY, KANO STATE	KANO
AZ40	SUPPLY OF SCHOOL CHAIRS/DESKS IN BINDAWA/MANI FED. CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
AZ41	SUPPLY OF GRINDING MACHINES IN MASHI/DUTSI FED CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
AZ42	SUPPLY OF SEWING MACHINES IN MASHI/DUTSI FED CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
AZ43	SUPPLY OF BAJAJ MOTORCYLES IN MASHI/DUTSI FED CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
AZ44	WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME, SUPPLY OF GRIDNING MACHINES IN KANKIA/KUSADA/INGAWA FED CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
AZ45	YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME, SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES AND TRICYCLES IN KANKIA/KUSADA/INGAWA FED CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA
AZ46	SUPPLY OF VEHICLES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN ABIA STATE.	ABIA
AZ47	SUPPLY OF SEWING MACHINES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN ABIA STATE.	ABIA
AZ48	SUPPLY OF GRINDING MACHINES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN ABIA STATE.	ABIA
AZ49	SUPPLY OF COSMETICS AND HAIR DRESSING MACHINES FOR EMPOWERMENT IN ABIA STATE.	ABIA
AZ50	SUPPLY OF SEWING MACHINES AND MOTORCYCLES FOR YOUTHS IN ISIALANGWA NORTH/SOUTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE.	ABIA
AZ51	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES FOR EZZA NORTH AND ISHIELU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA, EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
AZ52	SUPPLY OF RESETTLEMENT ITEMS FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS/WOMEN ON SKILL DELIVERY IN ABAKALI/IZZI LGA, EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
AZ53	EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS IN NKWERRE/ISU/NWANGELE/NJABA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, IMO STATE.	IMO
AZ54	EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN IN NKWERRE/ISU/NWANGELE/NJABA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, IMO STATE.	IMO
AZ55	SUPPLY OF ITEMS FOR FISHERY PRODUCTION EMPOWERMENT IN ABAK / ETIM EKPO / IKA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, AKWA IBOM STATE.	AKWA IBOM
AZ56	SUPPLY OF CAPACITY BUILDING EQUIPMENT FOR WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN YENAGOA /KOLUKUMA-OPOKUMA, BAYELSA STATE	BAYESLA
AZ57	SUPPLY OF CAPACITY BUILDING EQUIPMENT FOR YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT IN YENAGOA /KOLUKUMA-OPOKUMA, BAYELSA STATE	BAYESLA
AZ58	SUPPLY OF RESETTLEMENT ITEMS FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS IN CALABAR SOUTH/ AKPABUYO/ BAKASSI, CROSS RIVER STATE.	CROSS RIVER
AZ59	PROVISION OF TRICYCLES FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS OF CALABAR SOUTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ60	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR WOMEN IN VARIOUS TRADE IN CALABAR SOUTH, AKPABUYO & BAKASSI, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
AZ61	SUPPLY OF START-UP PACKS TO CONSTITUENTS IN AKOKO EDO FED. CONST. EDO STATE.	EDO
AZ62	SUPPLY OF CUSTOMIZED NOTEBOOKS TO AKINYELE / LAGELU FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, OYO STATE.	OYO
AZ63	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR YOUTH ON SMALL SCALE FARMING IN IREPO/ORELOPE/OLORUNSOGO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY OF OYO STATE	OYO
AZ64	SUUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR WOMEN ON COSMETOLOGY IREPO/OREPO/OLORUNSOGO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY OF OYO STATE	OYO
AZ65	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR YOUTH/WOMEN IN IBEJU LEKKI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS
AZ66	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT ITEMS FOR YOUTH AND WOMEN IN ADO/IREPODUN-IFELODUN FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY EKITI STATE	EKITI
AZ67	SUPPLY OF ITEMS FOR STRATEGIC EMPOWERMENT IN ADO/IREPODUN IFELODUN FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY EKITI STATE	EKITI
AZ68	SUPPLY OF ITEMS FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL EMPOWERMENT FOR WOMEN IN EKITI SOUTH WEST/IKERE/ISE-ORUN, EKITI STATE	EKITI
AZ69	SUPPLY OF ITEMS FOR STRATEGIC EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH IN EKITI NORTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY 11, EKITI STATE	EKITI
AZ70	SUPPLY OF GRINDING MACHINES AND MOTOR MECHANIC TOOLS IN EKITI NORTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY 11, EKITI STATE	EKITI
AZ71	SUPPLY OF MOTORCYCLES FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH IN EKITI NORTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY 11, EKITI STATE	EKITI
AZ72	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR WOMEN/YOUTHS IN ONDO WEST, ONDO STATE	ONDO
AZ73	SUPPLY OF EMPOWERMENT MATERIALS FOR WOMEN/YOUTHS IN ONDO EAST, ONDO STATE	ONDO
AZ74	SUPPLY OF BAJAJ MOTORCYCLES FOR YOUTHS IN AYEDIRE/IWO/OLAOLUWA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, OSUN STATE.	OSUN
<b>LOT B: WORKS</b>		
LOT B	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
B1	UGBO EROSION CONTROL, ENUGU	ENUGU
B2	UPGRADING OF NDE MODEL SKILLS CENTRE IN KATSINA STATE	KATSINA,
B3	UPGRADING OF NDE MODEL SKILLS CENTRE IN SOKOTO STATE	SOKOTO
B4	UPGRADING OF NDE MODEL SKILLS CENTRE IN DELTA STATE	DELTA
B5	REHABILITATION OF 3 SKILLS CENTRES, ADAMAWA, GOMBE & NASARAWA STATES	ADAMAWA, GOMBE & NASARAWA



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B6	REHABILITATION OF 3 SKILLS CENTRES, KWARA, JIGAWA & SOKOTO STATES	KWARA, JIGAWA & SOKOTO	BZ10	CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL GATE IN MODEL SECONDARY SCHOOL, OKPOMA CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
B7	REHABILITATION OF 3 SKILLS CENTRES, ONDO, OYO & ENUGU	ONDO, OYO & ENUGU	BZ11	CONSTRUCTION OF MODERN MARKET (WITH ABATTOIR) AT AFOR OBAZU IN MBAITOLI L.G.A OF IMO EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT	IMO
B8	REHABILITATION OF 3 SKILLS CENTRES, EBONYI, AKWA-IBOM & CROSS RIVER STATES	EBONYI, AKWA-IBOM & CROSS RIVER	BZ12	CONSTRUCTION OF A MODERN MARKET (WITH ABATTOIR) FOR AHIAZU L.G.A. OF IMO EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT	IMO
B9	PROVISION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRAINING FACILITIES IN AGRIC CENTRES IN OKUNU IN ONDO, EBONYI & OYO STATES	EBONYI, OYO & ONDO	BZ13	RENOVATION OF 4 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRES IN AKOKO-EDO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, EDO STATE	EDO
B10	COMPLETION OF RENOVATION WORKS AT SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES, BAUCHI STATE	BAUCHI	BZ14	PROVISION OF SOLAR STREET LIGHTS IN ONITSHA NORTH	ANAMBRA
B11	COMPLETION OF RENOVATION WORKS AT SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES, OSUN STATE	OSUN	BZ15	SOLAR POWERED STREET LIGHTS IN ABEOKUTA NORTH, OBAFEMI-OWODE AND ODEDA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	OGUN
B12	COMPLETION OF RENOVATION WORKS AT SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA	BZ16	CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL PERIMETER FENCING AT DOMA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL, DOMA LGA, NASARAWA STATE	NASARAWA
B13	COMPLETION OF RENOVATION WORKS AT SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES, EBONYI STATE	EBONYI	BZ17	CONSTRUCTION OF AKO COMMUNITY HALL, AKO-MATOOLE, AGO-IWOYE, IJEBU-NORTH LGA, OGUN STATE	OGUN
B14	COMPLETION OF RENOVATION WORKS AT SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRES EKITI STATE	EKITI	BZ18	CONSTRUCTION OF OLOPOMERIN STREET, AGO-IWOYE, IJEBU NORTH LGA, OGUN STATE	OGUN
B15	COMPLETION OF FENCE, CONSTRUCTION OF MAKE-SHIFT STAND, AND LEVELLING OF THE PREMISES OF NDE HQ LAND IN GUDU ABUJA.	FCT	BZ19	CONSTRUCTION OF FEEDER ROAD FROM KILA -RAHAMA-GARWA-KAFIN DOKI IN GWARAM FED CONSTITUENCY, JIGAWA STATE	JIGAWA
B16	CONSTRUCTION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE AND PUMPING MACHINE FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AT AJIDOGORI-KALGI, YOBE STATE	YOBE	BZ20	RENOVATION OF PAEDIATRICS, MALE WARD AND THEATRE AT GENERAL HOSPITAL YAURI IN YAURI/NGASKI/SHANGA FED. CONSTITUENCY, KEBBI STATE	KEBBI
B17	RENOVATION AND PROVISION OF BASIC HEALTH EQUIPMENT TO SOME SELECTED PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES IN SELECTED LGAs IN KWARA NORTH	KWARA	BZ21	COMPLETION AND FURNISHING OF SCHOOL HALL NNEAMAKA COMMUNITY SECONDARY SCHOOL IFITEDUNU, DUNUKOFIA LGA, ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
B18	PROVISION OF HAND PUMP BOREHOLES TO ALL THE FIVE LGAs IN KWARA NORTH	KWARA	BZ22	LANDSCAPING AND FURNISHING OF ENUAGU VILLAGE HALL, ENUGWU-UKWU, NJIKOKA LGA, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
B19	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF 500KVA AND 300KVA TRANSFORMERS TO SOME SELECTED COMMUNITIES IN KWARA NORTH.	KWARA	BZ23	RENOVATION OF 3 CLASSROOM BLOCK AT OBIACHI PRIMARY SCHOOL UMUNNACHI, DUNUKOFIA LGA, ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
B20	CONSTRUCTION OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT CENTRE IN A SELECTED LGA IN YOBE STATE THE NORTH-EAST GEOPOLITICAL ZONE	YOBE	BZ24	RENOVATION OF CLASSROOM BLOCK AT COMMUNITY SECONDARY (NIMO GIRLS) SCHOOL, NIMO, NJIKOKA LGA, ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA
B21	CONSTRUCTION OF STUDENTS HOSTEL FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP CENTRE AT POPO, KWARA STATE	KWARA	BZ25	CONSTRUCTION OF AGU-UDO POLICE STATION IN NANKA, ORUMBA NORTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	ANAMBRA
B22	PROVISION OF SOLAR LIGHT TO SELECTED COMMUNITIES IN NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER	BZ26	CONSTRUCTION OF 2 SIDE DRAINAGES AT OKWUDILIEZENWANKWO ROAD IN NANKA, ORUMBA NORTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY.	ANAMBRA
B23	EROSION CONTROL AND PROVISION OF DRAINAGES AND EVACUATION OF REFUSE AT GUNGU - NEW BUSSA	NIGER	BZ27	RENOVATION OF 6 CLASSROOM BLOCK AT ZOUKUMOR PRIMARY SCHOOL, OJOBO IN BURUTU FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, DELTA STATE.	DELTA
B24	CONSTRUCTION OF GENERAL-PURPOSE ASSEMBLY SHADE AT MODEL SCHOOL, IBRAHIM TAIWO ROAD- BUSSA	NIGER	BZ28	RECONSTRUCTION OF EKOSODIN SECONDARY SCHOOL, EKOSODIN, OVIA NORTH EAST, OVIA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, EDO STATE	EDO
B25	REHABILITATION, SURFACE DRESSING AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGES OF RURAL ROADS IN UHUJOLUGHO - NGODO ROAD OF ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA	BZ29	CONSTRUCTION OF PRIMARY SCHOOL OF SIX CLASSROOMS, HEADMASTER'S OFFICE AND TOILETS IN SULE CAMP, OVIA NORTH EAST, OVIA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, EDO STATE	EDO
B26	REHABILITATION, SURFACE DRESSING AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGES OF RURAL ROADS IN SELECTED LOCATIONS IN UMUNNEOCHI LGA OF ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA	BZ30	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF 500KVA TRANSFORMER IN IKPOBA OKHA LGA	EDO
B27	CONSTRUCTION OF MULTIPURPOSE CIVIC CENTRE IN ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA	BZ31	REHABILITATION OF 2 PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOCKS IN ISUIKWATO LGA ABIA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT. ABIA STATE	ABIA
B28	CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION OF TWO BLOCKS OF THREE CLASSROOM ACROSS ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA	BZ32	REHABILITATION OF 3 PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOCKS IN BENDE LGA, ABIA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ABIA STATE.	ABIA
B29	PROVISION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLES IN ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA	BZ33	REHABILITATION OF 2 PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOCKS IN OHAFIA LGA. ABIA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ABIA STATE	ABIA
B30	CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM ISUOCHI TO UGWUEME BOUNDARY, ABIA STATE	ABIA	BZ34	REHABILITATION OF THREE (3) PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOCKS IN NDI AGWU ABAM, OZU -ABAM, AND ARO-TOWN, AROCHUKWU LGA ABIA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT ABIA STATE.	ABIA
B31	REHABILITATION OF ALHAMIS - BULUM - BULUM - ATAMALA ROAD IN NASSARAWA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	NASSARAWA	BZ35	REHABILITATION OF TWO (2) PRIMARY SCHOOL BLOCKS IN NNE ATO AND ISUOCHI UMUNNEOCHI LGA ABIA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT ABIA STATE.	ABIA
B32	REHABILITATION OF MADA STATION - TUDUN MARAFA ROAD IN NASSARAWA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	NASSARAWA	<b>LOT C: SERVICES</b>		
B33	ELECTRIFICATION OF UMME - BAKYANO - ARAGUDU IN NASSARAWA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	NASSARAWA	LOT C	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
B34	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF ALL-IN-ONE SOLAR STREET LIGHTS ACROSS ONITSHA SOUTH, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA	C1	WEBSITE ADMINISTRATION, DATA BASE AND DEVELOPMENT, COMPUTER REPAIRS TRAINING	NDE HQ
B35	CONSTRUCTION OF FEMALE STUDENTS HOSTEL AT AME SCHOOL, ABIA STATE	ABIA	C2	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR YOUTH OF IMO EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT	IMO
<b>LOT BZ</b>			C3	TRAINING AND GRANT TO WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN BOSSO/ PAIKO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, NIGER STATE	NIGER
BZ1	CONSTRUCTION OF BLOCKS OF CLASSROOMS IN GDSS KUTUKOKI, KWESATI USSA LGA, SOUTHERN	TARABA	C4	SKILLS ACQUISITION FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS OF ADAMAWA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	ADAMAWA
BZ2	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF SOLAR STREET LIGHTS IN ZURMI TOWN, ZURMI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND KUNGURKI TOWN OF KAURA NAMODA LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ZAMFARA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER	C5	CAPACITY BUILDING AND WEALTH CREATION IN THE AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN IN ONDO NORTH	ONDO
BZ3	CONSTRUCTION OF ASSEMBLY SHADE/HALL IN MODEL SCHOOL, IBRAHIM TAIWO ROAD NEW BUSSA AND CLASSROOM FOR MODEL SCHOOL KONTAGORA IN NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE.	NIGER	C6	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR YOUTH OF TOTO LGA, NASARAWA STATE	NASARAWA
BZ4	CONSTRUCTION OF 1 BLOCK OF 3 CLASSROOMS EACH AT LGEA PRIMARY SCHOOL, ABAH-MBAHAV, NKST PRIMARY SCHOOL ANTYO-MBAJOR, V/IKYA LGA AND LGA PRIMARY SCHOOL HEGHA-MBAGWAZA, USHONGO IN BENUE NORTH EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, BENUE STATE.	BENUE	C7	VOCATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT ACROSS NIGER SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	NIGER
BZ5	REHABILITATION OF SOME PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRES AND SUPPLY OF ESSENTIAL MEDICAL FACILITIES IN LOGO, KONSHISHA, TONGOV, K/ALA AND KWANDE LGA IN BENUE NORTH EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, BENUE STATE.	BENUE	C8	GRANTS TO INDIGENT STUDENTS OF HIGHER INSTITUTIONS IN NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER
BZ6	CONSTRUCTION OF MOTORISED BOREHOLES WITH 20,000 LITRES OVERHEAD WATER TANK AT ABEDA, TSAR-MBADUKU, JOOTER, KOTI-SHANGEV YA, AKUNDU-IWAREV, KONSHISHA AND KASAR TOWNS IN BENUE NORTH EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, BENUE STATE.	BENUE	C9	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED GRADUATES ON THE USE OF E-COMMERCE FOR BUSINESS GROWTH IN ANAMBRA EAST AND ANAMBRA WEST LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
BZ7	COMPLETION OF SCHOOL HALL IN MOUNT CAMEL GIRLS' SECONDARY SCHOOL, OGOJA, CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER	C10	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED GRADUATES ON THE USE OF E-COMMERCE FOR BUSINESS GROWTH IN OGBARU, ONITSHA NORTH AND ONITSHA SOUTH LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
BZ8	CONSTRUCTION OF 3NOS. CLASSROOM BLOCKS IN ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, IJEGU YALA, CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER	C11	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED GRADUATES ON THE USE OF E-COMMERCE FOR BUSINESS GROWTH IN AYAMELUM AND OYI LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA
BZ9	CONSTRUCTION OF 3NOS. CLASSROOM BLOCKS IN ST. JOSEPH PRIMARY SCHOOL, OKUKU, YALA, CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER	C12	HUMAN CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT TRAINING FOR FISHERMEN IN IKOT ABASI/MKPAT ENIN/EASTERN OBOLO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, AKWA IBOM STATE	AKWA IBOM
			C13	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN ON FOOD PROCESSING, PACKAGING AND STORAGE AT ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA
			C14	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS ON RICE FARMING IN ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA
			C15	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN ON RICE PROCESSING AND PACKAGING AT ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA





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C16	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR YOUTHS ON BARBING AT ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA	C25	MEDICAL OUTREACH PROGRAMME IN CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
C17	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS ON COSMETHOLOGY AT ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA	C26	PROVISION OF GRANTS TO ENTREPRENEURS (WIDOWS) IN CROSS RIVER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
C18	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR YOUTHS ON SHOE MAKING AT ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA	C27	TECHNICAL ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND AGRO-BUSINESS FOR BIRNIN-GWARI LGA IN KADUNA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, KADUNA STATE.	KADUNA
C19	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS ON POULTRY FARMING AT ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA	C28	TECHNICAL ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND AGRO-BUSINESS FOR GIWA LGA IN KADUNA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, KADUNA STATE.	KADUNA
C20	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING ON CASSAVA VALUE CHAIN IMPROVEMENT AT UMUNNEOCHI IN ISUIKWATO/UMUNNEOCHI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY IN ABIA STATE	ABIA	C29	TRAINING OF WOMEN AND YOUTHS ON SOAP MAKING, CANDLE MAKING COCONUT OIL ETC IN OSUN EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OSUN STATE.	OSUN
C21	TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN IN AKUKUTORA/ASARI TORU RIVERS STATE	RIVERS	CZ10	TRAINING AND EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTHS IN OSUN EAST LGA, OSUN EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OSUN STATE	OSUN
C22	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS BORNO STATE OF NORTH EAST	BORNO	CZ11	SKILLS ACQUISITION ON MECHANIZED FARMING IN OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE.	OYO
C23	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS YOBE STATE OF NORTH EAST	YOBE	CZ12	TRAINING OF THE YOUTHS IN IWAJOWA, ISEYIN, KAJOLA, AND ITSIWAJU LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT ON ICT, IN OYO STATE.	OYO
C24	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS ADAMAWA STATE OF NORTH EAST	ADAMAWA	CZ13	TRAINING OF THE YOUTHS IN IREPO, OLORUNSOGO, AND ORELOPE LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT ON ICT, IN OYO STATE.	OYO
C25	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS TARABA STATE OF NORTH EAST	TARABA	CZ14	TRAINING OF THE YOUTHS IN SAKI WEST, SAKI EAST, AND ATIGBO LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT ON ICT, IN OYO STATE.	OYO
C26	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS GOMBE STATE OF NORTH EAST	GOMBE	CZ15	TRAINING OF THE YOUTHS IN INOGBOMOSHO NORTH, OGBOMOSHO SOUTH, AND ORIRE LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT ON ICT, IN OYO STATE.	OYO
C27	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN PROGRAMS IN SOME LGAs ACROSS BAUCHI STATE OF NORTH EAST	BAUCHI	CZ16	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN THE AREAS OF AGRICULTURAL TRADES, SUCH AS AQUACULTURE, SNAIL FARMING AND BEE KEEPING IN EBONYI SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
C28	CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING ON COSMETICS PRODUCTION FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN ANAMBRA EAST AND ANAMBRA WEST LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	ANAMBRA	CZ17	TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING IN BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS OF YOUTHS IN IKWERE LGA	RIVERS
C29	CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING ON COSMETICS PRODUCTION FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN OGBARU, ONITSHA NORTH AND ONITSHA SOUTH LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	ANAMBRA	CZ18	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS OF NDI IBAGWAKA ENUGU STATE	ENUGU
C30	CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING ON COSMETICS PRODUCTION FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN AYAMELUM AND OYI LGAs OF ANAMBRA NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	ANAMBRA	CZ19	UKANAFUN & ORUK ANAM LGAs YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SUSTAINABLE SKILLS TRAINING, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, SENSITIZATION AND EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME	AKWA IBOM
C31	SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH IN KATSINA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	KATSINA	CZ20	TRAINING OF YOUTH/WOMEN IN AWE/DOMA/KEANA OF FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, NASARAWA STATE.	NASARAWA
C32	TRAINING AND EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS OF BOLORUNDURO/LAJE COMMUNITIES IN ONDO EAST/WEST FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ONDO STATE	ONDO	CZ21	ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTH AND WOMEN IN FUFURE AND SONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS	ADAMAWA
C33	TRAINING OF YOUTHS IN AKOKO-EDO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	EDO	CZ22	BASIC BUSINESS TRAINING FOR BENEFICIARIES OF (SEWING MACHINES) IN MUBI NORTH, MUBI SOUTH AND MAIHA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS, ADAMAWA	ADAMAWA
C34	SKILL ACQUISITION AND EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS AND WOMEN OF SURULERE 2 FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS	CZ23	TRAINING OF YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN SHIRA/GIADE FED. CONST. BAUCHI STATE	BAUCHI
C35	MEDICAL OUTREACH AND FREE EYE TREATMENT TO INDIGENT CITIZENS OF NIGER NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, NIGER STATE	NIGER	CZ24	TRAINING OF WOMEN & YOUTH IN CHIBOK DAM/ GWOZA CONSTITUENCY, BORNO STATE	BORNO
C36	TRAINING OF YOUTHS ON MECHANIZED FARMING FOR YOUTHS IN OGBOMOSHO NORTH, OGBOMOSHO SOUTH, ORIRE OLORUNSOGBO, IREPO, SAKI WEST AND OORELOPE LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO	CZ25	TRAINING ON EFFECTIVE APPLICATION OF FERTILIZER NANGERE /POTISKUM FEDERAL CONST. YOBE STATE.	YOBE
C37	TRAINING OF YOUTHS ON MECHANIZED FARMING FOR YOUTHS IN ISEYIN, KAJOLA, IWAJOWA, SAKI EAST AND ATIGBO AND ITSIWAJU LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO	CZ26	TRAINING OF WOMEN AND YOUTH IN AGRO-ALLIED BUSINESS IN YAURI/NGASKI/SHANGA FED. CONSTITUENCY, KEBBI STATE	KEBBI
C38	TRAINING ON MODERN BUILDING TECHNIQUES FOR YOUTH IN OGBOMOSO NORTH, IREPO, ISEYIN, ORIRE, OGBOMOSO SOUTH, SAKI WEST AND KAJOLA LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO	CZ27	TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN IN GWALE FED CONSTITUENCY, KANO STATE	KANO
C39	TRAINING ON MODERN BUILDING TECHNIQUES FOR YOUTH IN OORELOPE, SAKI EAST, ATIGBO, IWAJOWA, OLORUNSOGBO AND ITSIWAJU LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO	CZ28	BASIC BUSINESS TRAINING FOR BENEFICIARIES OF MOTORCYCLES IN ZANGO KATAF/JABA FED CONSTITUENCY, KADUNA STATE	KADUNA
C40	TRAINING ON COSMETOLOGY FOR WOMEN OORELOPE, ATIGBO ISEYIN, OLORUNSOGBO, AND SAKI WEST LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE	OYO	CZ29	ADVOCACY SENSITIZATION AND REHABILITATION OF DRUG DEPENDENT PERSONS IN ABA NORTH/SOUTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, ABIA STATE	ABIA
C41	TRAINING ON COSMETOLOGY FOR WOMEN IN ITSIWAJU, ORIRE AND OGBOMOSO NORTH LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, OYO STATE.	OYO	CZ30	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR SELECTED WOMEN AND YOUTH IN ANAMBRA	ANAMBRA
C42	TRAINING ON COSMETOLOGY FOR WOMEN IN IWAJOWA IREPO, SAKI EAST, OGBOMOSO SOUTH AND KAJOLA LGAs OF OYO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT	OYO	CZ31	PROVISION OF SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO OVERSEA STUDENTS TO STUDY IN ABROAD (6 STUDENTS IN THE CONSTITUENCY) AND 130 STUDENTS IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITY IN EZZA SOUTH LGA OF EZZA SOUTH/IKWO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY OF EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
C43	TRAINING AND START-UP CAPITAL FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS OF UMU NSUGBE, UMU ABATA AND UMU ORULA IN ANAMBRA STATE.	ANAMBRA	CZ32	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED TOUTHS ON SKILL DELIVERY IN ABAKALI/IZZI LGA, EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
C44	TRAINING AND GRANT TO UMU NSUGBE AND UMU ORULA IN ANAMBRA STATE IN ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA	CZ33	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED WOMEN ON SKILL DELIVERY IN ABAKALI/IZZI LGA, EBONYI STATE.	EBONYI
C45	TRAINING AND GRANT TO UMU ABATA IN ANAMBRA STATE	ANAMBRA	CZ34	TRAINING IN SECURITY AWARENESS, STRESS MANAGEMENT AND SUICIDE PREVENTION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN IDEATO NORTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, IMO STATE.	IMO
C46	TRAINING OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN MALUMFASHI/KAFUR FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, KATSINA STATE	KATSINA	CZ35	TRAINING OF YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN NKWERRE/ISU/NWANGELE/NJABA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, IMO STATE.	IMO
C47	TRAINING OF YOUTHS ON TRACTOR USAGE, ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND HADLING IN TARABA SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, TARABA STATE	TARABA	CZ36	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING ON FISHERY PRODUCTION IN ABAK / ETIM EKPO / IKA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, AKWA IBOM STATE.	AKWA IBOM
<b>LOT CZ</b>			CZ37	TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING EQUIPMENT FOR WOMEN AND YOUTHS EMPOWERMENT IN YENAGOA /KOLUKUMA-OPOKUMA, BAYELSA STATE	BAYELSA
CZ1	TRAINING ON COSMETOLOGY & BEAUTY PRODUCTS FOR YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN IJEBU NORTH/IJEBU EAST/OGUN WATERSIDE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, OGUN STATE	OGUN	CZ38	SKILL ACQUISITION TRAINING FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS IN CALABAR SOUTH/ AKPABUYO/ BAKASSI, CROSS RIVER STATE.	CROSS RIVER
CZ2	TRAINING ON TIE & DYE; AND ADIRE PRODUCTION FOR YOUTHS IN IJEBU NORTH/IJEBU EAST/OGUN WATERSIDE FEDERALCONSTITUENCY, OGUN STATE.	OGUN	CZ39	BASIC BUSINESS TRAINING FOR BENEFICIARIES OF MOTORCYCLES TO YOUTH IN OGOJA/YALA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, CROSS RIVER STATE	CROSS RIVER
CZ3	SKILL ACQUISITION/EMPOWERMENT FOR RURAL WOMEN IN KOGI CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, KOGI STATE.	KOGI	CZ40	TRAINING OF WOMEN AND YOUTHS IN ETHIOPE EAST/ETHIOPE WEST FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, DELTA STATE	DELTA
CZ4	TRAINING OF WOMEN ON STANDARDIZED VALUE ADDITION AND PROCESSING METHODS OF ROOTS AND TUBER CROPS IN EDO NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, EDO STATE	EDO	CZ41	TRAINING OF WOMEN AND YOUTH ON SKILL ACQUISITION IN EGOR/IKPOBA-OKHA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	EDO
			CZ42	TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMENT ON COSMETOLOGY FOR UHUNMWODE LGA OF ORHIONMWON/UHUNMWODE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, EDO STATE.	EDO
			CZ43	TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMENT ON COSMETOLOGY FOR ORHIONMWON LGA OF 'ORHIONMWON/UHUNMWODE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, EDO STATE.	EDO
			CZ44	ENTREPRENEUR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT TO CONSTITUENTS IN AKOKO EDO FED. CONST. EDO STATE.	EDO
			CZ45	TRAINING OF YOUTH ON SKILLS ACQUISITIONS AKINYELE / LAGELU FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, OYO STATE.	OYO





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CZ46	TRAINING OF YOUTH ON SMALL SCALE FARMING IN IREPO/ORELOPE/OLORUNSOGO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY OF OYO STATE	OYO
CZ47	TRAINING OF WOMEN ON COSMETOLOGY IREPO/OREPO/OLORUNSOGO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY OF OYO STATE	OYO
CZ48	TRAINING ON SOAP MAKING FOR YOUTH IN OJO FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS
CZ49	VOCATIONAL TRAINING OF YOUTH/WOMEN IN IBEJU LEKKI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS
CZ50	TRAINING OF THE UNEMPLOYED IN ABEOKUTA SOUTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY, OGUN STATE.	OGUN
CZ51	VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR WIDOWS IN HAIRDRESSING, BEADS & EVENT MANAGEMENT FOR SELECTED PEOPLE FROM ABIA CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT, ABIA STATE	ABIA

### CATEGORY D: SERVICES (CONSULTANCY) EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANTS

LOT D	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
D1	CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS WITH VAST KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE TO TAKE ON RELATED SERVICES IN PROJECT EXECUTION	SOME STATES OF THE FEDERATION

### 3. ELIGIBILITY/ REQUIREMENT

All Bidders must present the following:

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Form CAC1.1 or CAC2 and CAC7. Business Name is acceptable for Consultancy Services;
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate (or Personal Income Tax Clearance Certificate of all the Partners in case of Business Name) for the last three (3) years valid till 31st December 2020;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance valid till 31st December 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2020
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2020;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP;
- Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any Officer of the relevant Committees of the National Directorate of Employment or Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, Stakeholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars;
- Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years -2017, 2018 and 2019;
- Evidence of Financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable Commercial Bank indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed;
- Company Profile with the Curriculum Vitae of Key Staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic/ Professional qualifications, e.g. COREN, QSRBN, ARCON, CORBON, etc;
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letters of Awards, Valuation Certificates, Job Completion Certificates and Photographs of the projects;
- List of Plants /Equipment with proof of Ownership/Lease (where applicable);
- For Supply of Equipment: Letter of Authorisation from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs);
- Training: Evidence of Firm's accreditation by Centre for Management Development (CMD);
- Consultancy Services: Evidence of Firm's registration with relevant professional body(ies);
- ICT jobs: Evidence of current registration/accreditation with Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria and National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA)
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (preferably GSM No.), and e-mail address. The Letter Head Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorised Officer of the Firms.

### 4. SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR LOTS C, CZ & D

Interested Consultant shall submit one original and one photocopy of

their expression in a sealed envelope clearly stating the name of the project and the Lot Number, Addressed to:

The Director-General,  
National Directorate of Employment,  
Plot 1529, No 1, Nouakchott Street, Wuse, Zone 1,  
Abuja

Name of the Company should be written on the reverse side of the Envelope.

### 5. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS (GOODS & WORKS)

Tender documents are obtainable from the office of the Director Procurement, National Directorate of Employment, Plot 1529, No 1, Nouakchott Street, Wuse, Zone 1, Abuja on the 3rd floor room 324 upon presentation of non-refundable tender fee of Ten Thousand Naira (N10,000.00) payable in any Bank via Remita per LOT only to National Directorate of Employment. Please NOTE that no Contractor/Company shall bid for more than Two (2) Lots. Name of the Company should be written on the reverse side of the Envelope.

### 6. SUBMISSION OF BID DOCUMENT (GOODS & WORKS)

Technical and Financial Bids shall be submitted in TWO separate sealed envelopes enclosed in one big sealed envelope clearly stating the names and LOT number at the top right corner of the envelope and addressed as follows:

**The Director-General,  
National Directorate of Employment,  
Plot 1529, No 1, Nouakchott Street, Wuse, Zone 1,  
Abuja.**

### 7. SUBMISSION DEADLINE AND OPENING OF BIDS/EOI

Submission deadlines are as follows:

LOT No	DEADLINE	TECHNICAL BIDS/ EOI OPENING	VENUE
C, CZ & D	10.00am on 14 <sup>th</sup> Sep., 2020	10.00am on 14 <sup>th</sup> Sep., 2020	TREASURE SUITES, Opposite Federal Ministry of Justice, Maitama, Abuja
A1 – A72	12 noon on 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2020	12 noon on 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2020	TREASURE SUITES, Opposite Federal Ministry of Justice, Maitama, Abuja
AZ1 – AZ74	12 noon on 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2020	12 noon on 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2020	TREASURE SUITES, Opposite Federal Ministry of Justice, Maitama, Abuja
B1 – B35 & BZ1 – BZ35	12 noon on 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2020	12 noon on 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2020	TREASURE SUITES, Opposite Federal Ministry of Justice, Maitama, Abuja

All Bids shall be opened immediately after the deadline for submission as indicated above. All contractors, service providers and/ or their representatives, relevant professional bodies and NGOs are invited to witness the opening exercise through virtual. Late submission shall be returned un-opened.

### 8. NOTE

- All submitted documents may be referred to relevant agencies for verification.
- The NDE reserves the right to reject any or all the submissions that do not meet up with all the requirements as specified.
- This advertisement shall not be construed as a commitment on the part of the Directorate nor shall it entitle a bidder to make any claims and/ or seek any indemnity from NDE by virtue of such bidder having responded to the advertisement.
- Presence of bidders/representatives and members of the public shall not be required during the bid opening ceremony in compliance with COVID-19 Guidelines. The Bids Opening will be covered by video recording with the presence of two (2) representatives of private sector professional bodies and Civil Society Organisation in the areas of Anti-Corruption/Transparency;
- Bid documents can also be collected in soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services);
- Goods & Works: Only pre-qualified bidders at technical evaluation will be invited at a later date for financial bids opening, while the financial bids of un-successful bidders will be returned un-opened
- Services: Only shortlisted firms will be invited at a later date for collection of Request for Proposals;
- NDE is not bound to pre-qualify/shortlist any bidder and reserves the right to annul the Procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.

.....  
*Signed:*  
**Management**





The Federal Government of Nigeria  
**THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND  
SPORTS DEVELOPMENT**



In line with the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission (Est.) Act, 2005 and the National Policy on Public Private Partnerships (N4P)

### **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ): CONCESSION OF THE ATHLETES' HOSTEL ABUJA**

#### **1. Project Brief**

The Federal Government of Nigeria ("FGN"), through the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development is desirous of transforming the Athletes' Hostel, Abuja located in Abuja Stadium (Package B) Complex into a world-class facility to accommodate athletes and provide ancillary commercial activities during local and international competitions, using Public-Private Partnership (PPP) procurement methodology.

The Athletes' Hostel, Abuja is a multi-purpose hostel in Abuja, Nigeria, which comprises a global standard hostel building and ancillary support facilities.

#### **2. PPP Procurement Process (Request for Qualification (RFQ) and Request for Proposal (RFP))**

The PPP procurement will be a two stage RFQ and RFP process. In line with the Presidential approval obtained in 2014, the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development invite reputable private developer consortia with the requisite technical and financial capabilities, as well as operations and management expertise to respond to the Request for Qualification (RFQ) to undertake the redevelopment and management of the Athletes' Hostel, Abuja in PP partnership with the sponsor. The redevelopment will stimulate economic growth and at the same time provide employment opportunities for our teeming youths. This RFQ is the qualification stage of the PPP procurement process for the Project, and interested firms/consortia are required to meet the qualification requirements specified in the RFQ package. Only qualified parties shall be invited to the Request for Proposal (RFP) stage. Qualified parties shall execute a Non-disclosure Agreement prior to being issued the RFP bidding documents.

#### **3. Eligibility Criteria**

Prequalification of interested parties shall be based on the eligibility criteria stated in the RFQ package, which shall be available for download from the websites of the Ministry ([www.youthandsport.gov.ng](http://www.youthandsport.gov.ng)) OR ICRC ([www.icrc.gov.ng](http://www.icrc.gov.ng))

#### **4. Method of Submission**

Completed RFQs must be submitted in Six (6) copies in a sealed envelope clearly marked "REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION AS THE CONCESSIONAIRE TO REDEVELOP AND MANAGE THE ATHLETES' HOSTEL, ABUJA" along with a soft copy version (in USB drive). The RFQs should be addressed to:

**The Honourable Minister**

**Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development**

**New Federal Secretariat Complex, Phase II, Block D (2nd Floor)**

**Shehu Shagari Way, P.M.B 279, Garki-Abuja** and delivered not later than 12:00 noon on Monday, the 12th of October, 2020 at the address below:

**The Director of Procurement office**

**Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development**

**ROOM E521, 5th Floor, Block E**

**New Federal Secretariat Complex, Phase II, (BULLET BUILDING)**

**Shehu Shagari Way.**

The submitted Expression of Interest will be opened immediately after closing of submission at 12:00 noon on Monday, the 12th of October, 2020 at the same venue.

Interested applicants may obtain further information at the address above from 8.00am – 4.00pm, Monday through Friday (except Public Holidays) from: The Director, Procurement. Phone no: +234 7011048866; E-mail: [jooke72@yahoo.com](mailto:jooke72@yahoo.com).

Signed  
Management



The Federal Government of Nigeria  
**THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND  
SPORTS DEVELOPMENT**



In line with the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission (Est.) Act, 2005 and the National Policy on Public Private Partnerships (N4P)

### **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ): CONCESSION OF THE NATIONAL STADIUM COMPLEX & ATHLETES' HOSTEL SURULERE, LAGOS STATE**

#### **1. Project Brief**

The Federal Government of Nigeria ("FGN"), through the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development is desirous of transforming the National Stadium Complex & Athletes' Hostel both located in Surulere, Lagos state into a world class sporting arena and entertainment centre like the Singapore Sports Hub and similar facilities across the world that provide lots of excitement to all and sundry, using Public-Private Partnership (PPP) procurement methodology.

The National Stadium Complex Lagos is a multi-purpose stadium complex in Surulere, Lagos State, Nigeria, which comprises the Athletes' Hostel, an Olympic-size swimming arena and a multipurpose arena used for basketball, volleyball, table tennis, wrestling and boxing matches. It was used mostly for football matches until 2001. It hosted several international competitions including the 1980 African Cup of Nations final, the 2000 African Cup of Nations final, and FIFA World Cup qualifying matches. In 2009, the defunct National Sports Commission had begun a concerted effort to bring the facility back to world class status.

#### **2. PPP Procurement Process (Request for Qualification (RFQ) and Request for Proposal (RFP))**

The PPP procurement will be a two stage RFQ and RFP process. In line with the Presidential approval obtained in 2014, the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development invites reputable private developers/consortia with the requisite technical and financial capabilities, as well as operations and management expertise to respond to the Request for Qualification (RFQ) to undertake the redevelopment and management of the National Stadium Complex & Athletes' Hostel in PP partnership with the sponsor. The redevelopment will stimulate economic growth and at the same time provide employment opportunities for our teeming youths. This RFQ is the qualification stage of the procurement process for the Project, and interested firms/consortia are required to meet the qualification requirements specified in the RFQ package. Only qualified parties shall be invited to the Request for Proposal (RFP) stage. Qualified parties shall execute a Non-disclosure Agreement prior to being issued the RFP bidding documents.

#### **3. Eligibility Criteria**

Prequalification of interested parties shall be based on the eligibility criteria stated in the RFQ package, which shall be available for download from the websites of the Ministry ([www.youthandsport.gov.ng](http://www.youthandsport.gov.ng)) OR ICRC ([www.icrc.gov.ng](http://www.icrc.gov.ng))

#### **4. Method of Submission**

Completed RFQs must be submitted in Six (6) copies in a sealed envelope clearly marked "REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION AS THE CONCESSIONAIRE TO REDEVELOP AND MANAGE THE NATIONAL STADIUM & ATHLETES' HOSTEL, SURULERE, LAGOS STATE" along with a soft copy version (in USB drive). The RFQs should be addressed to:

**The Honourable Minister**

**Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development**

**New Federal Secretariat Complex, Phase II, Block D (2nd Floor)**

**Shehu Shagari Way, P.M.B 279, Garki-Abuja** and delivered not later than 12:00 noon on Monday the 12th of October, 2020 at the address below:

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Signed  
Management





# YOBE STATE GOVERNMENT MINISTRY OF LANDS AND SOLID MINERALS DEVELOPMENT

## INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

**Y**obe State Government, through the office of the Hon. Commissioner, Ministry of Lands and Solid Minerals Development hereby call for a complete proposals for the development and the implementation of GIS/LIS project in delivering effective Land administration in the State.

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS;

Interested applicants should submit their (EOI) documents along with the followings:-

- i) Certificate of incorporation with CAC
- ii) Tax Clearance
- iii) Evidence of VAT remittances
- iv) A sworn affidavit that the company is not bankrupt
- v) Evidence of financial capability
- vi) Evidence of similar job executed (certificate of job completion)

### SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS :

All submissions should be made in sealed envelope clearly addressed to the office of the Hon. Commissioner, Ministry of Lands and Solid Minerals Development Headquarters, Damaturu, Yobe State, not later than three weeks from this publication.

**Signed**

**Alh. Tonga Betara Bularafa.**  
Permanent Secretary  
For: Hon commissioner





# THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

## FEDERAL MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION

### INVITATION FOR TENDERS AND EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) TENDER PACKAGE NO. - FMOT/PROC/2020/001

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Federal Government of Nigeria has provided funds in the 2020 Appropriation Act to the Federal Ministry of Transportation for the execution of policies, programmes and projects aimed at achieving its mandate.

To this end, experienced and reputable Suppliers, Contractors and Consultant/Service Providers are hereby invited to tender for the under-listed Goods; Works; and Services:

#### 2. SCOPE OF SUPPLIES/WORKS/SERVICES

**2.1 CATEGORY A: GOODS (INVITATION TO TENDER)** - Interested Suppliers and Contractors are invited to submit Technical and Financial bids for the following projects:

LOT NO	PROJECT TITLE
G1	Procurement of Air Conditioners for Administrative Building At Seme-Krake Joint Border Post

**2.2 CATEGORY B: WORKS** – Interested Contractors bidding for this Category must have a Minimum Average Turnover stated against each Lot

LOT NO	PROJECT TITLE	MINIMUM AVERAGE ANNUAL TURNOVER (₦)
W1A-G	Clearing of Floating debris, Water Hyacinths, Waste Etc at Oworoshoki Waters, Ijgun Water Fronts, Port Novo Creek, Oyingbo to Agbara Waters, Ebutte Ipukodo Creek, Ikorodu and Epe Waters	60 million
W2	Construction of Toilets Facilities at Seme -Krake Joint Border Post from Nigeria to Benin at Site A and B	50 million

**2.3 CATEGORY C: CONSULTANCY SERVICES (EXPRESSION OF INTEREST)** – Interested Consultants are invited to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) for the following projects:

LOT NO	PROJECT TITLE
C1	Consultancy Services for the Supervision of Abuja – Itakpe; and Aladja – Warri (Town and Port) Railway and Warri New Sea Port Project.
C2	Consultancy Services for the Supervision of Port Harcourt – Maiduguri Railway with Branch lines to Bonny Deep Sea Port and Port Harcourt Industrial Park
C3	Consultancy Services for the Supervision of Kano – Katsina- Jibiya – Maradi (Niger Republic) and Kano-Dutse branch line.
C4	Bathymetric Assessment of Dredged Navigational Channels
C5	Cadastral Surveys for Deed Preparation

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Interested and competent Contractors, Suppliers and Consultants/Service Providers wishing to carry out any of the projects listed under the above three (3) Categories are required to submit the following documents. Failure to fulfil any of the under-listed requirements will render a bid, disqualified:

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation issued by Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Forms CAC2 and CAC7 or C1.1;
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP;
- Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Federal Ministry of Transportation or the Bureau of Public Procurement is a former or present Director, Shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and does not have any Director who has been convicted in any Country for criminal offences relating to fraud or financial impropriety or criminal misrepresentation or falsification of facts relating to any matter and confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars;
- Company's Audited Account for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018, 2019);
- Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of Reference Letter from a reputable Commercial Bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project where needed;
- Company's Profile with Curriculum Vitae of relevant Key Staff to be deployed for the works/services, including copies of their Academic/Professional Qualifications (e.g. COREN, ARCON, CORBON, SURCON, QSRBN etc.);
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letters of Award, Valuation/Job Completion Certificates and Photographs of the projects/supply/services;
- List of Plants/Equipment with Proof of Ownership/Lease Agreement for Works;
- For Consultancy Services: Evidence of Firm's registration with relevant professional body(ies);
- For Supply of Equipment: Evidence of Authorisation as Representative/Dealers of the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs);
- For Joint Venture/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided (CAC, Tax Clearance, Pension Compliance Certificate, ITF Compliance Certificate, NSITF, IRR and Sworn Affidavit are compulsory for each Joint Venture partner);
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding Letter under the Company's/Firm's Letter Headed Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number

(preferably GSM Number), and E-mail Address. The Letter Headed Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the Company; and **\*Note that documents/information must be arranged and submitted in the sequence/order as listed above\***

#### 4. COLLECTION OF BIDS DOCUMENTS

##### Categories A & B (Goods and Works):

Interested Companies are to collect the Standard Bidding Document (SBD) from the **Office of the Director of Procurement, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Federal Ministry of Transportation, Bukar Dipcharima Building, Central Business District, Abuja**, on evidence of payment of a non-refundable Tender fee of **N10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Naira)** only, per Lot, paid into the **Remita E-Collection Account/TSA of the Federal Ministry of Transport-Hqtrs-022900100100** in any reputable Commercial Bank in Nigeria.

#### 5. SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

##### 5.1 Categories A & B – Goods and Works:

Prospective Bidders are to submit bid for each of the Lots desired in two (2) hard copies of the **Technical Bid** and two (2) hard copies of **Financial Bid** (including soft copy of Financial Bid in MS Excel format), packaged separately in sealed envelopes and clearly marked "**Technical Bid**" or "**Financial Bid**". Thereafter, put the two sealed envelopes together in a bigger envelope addressed to the **Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Transportation, Bukar Dipcharima Building, Central Business District, Abuja**, and clearly marked with the **Name of the Project and Lot Number**. Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear the name and address of the Bidder and should be **deposited in the Tender Box at the address at paragraph 4 above**, not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020. Late bids shall be returned un-opened.**

##### 5.2 Category C – Expression of Interest:

Interested Firms are to submit two (2) bound copies of Expression of Interest (EOI) documents, separated by dividers. The documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed to the **Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Transportation, Bukar Dipcharima Building, Central Business District, Abuja**, and clearly marked with the **Name of the Project and Lot Number**. Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should have the name and address of the Bidder and should be **deposited in the Tender Box at the address at paragraph 4 above**, not later than **12:00noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.**

#### 6. OPENING OF BIDS/EOI DOCUMENTS

##### 6.1 Categories A & B – Goods and Works:

Only the Technical Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12.00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**, at the **Ground Floor, Training Hall, Federal Ministry of Transportation, Bukar Dipcharima Building, Central Business District, Abuja**, while the Financial Bids will be kept unopened. Please, ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register at the address stated in **4.0 above**, as the Ministry will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids.

##### 6.2 Category C – Expression of Interest (EOI):

Expression of Interest (EOI) documents will be opened immediately after the deadline for the submission at **12.00noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**, at the **Ground Floor, Training Hall, Federal Ministry of Transportation, Bukar Dipcharima Building, Central Business District, Abuja**. Please, ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register at the address stated at paragraph **4 above**, as the Ministry will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids.

#### 7. GENERAL INFORMATION

- Bids and Expressions of Interest must be in English Language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder;
- Bidders are to note that Turnover for each separate project is specified in the relevant bid document;
- Bids and Expressions of Interest submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned unopened;
- Bidders should not bid for more than two (2) lots for each categories;
- Presence of bidders/representatives and members of the public shall not be required during the bid opening ceremony in compliance with COVID-19 Guidelines. The Bids Opening will be covered by video recording with the presence of two (2) representatives of private sector professional bodies and Civil Society Organisation in the areas of Anti-Corruption/Transparency;
- Bid documents can also be collected in soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services)
- Only Pre-qualified bidders for Categories A & B will be contacted at a later date for Financial Bid Opening while Financial Bids of unsuccessful bidders will be returned unopened;
- Only shortlisted firms for Categories **C**, will be contacted at a later date for collection of Request for Proposal (RFP);
- All costs will be borne by the bidders as the Ministry will not be held responsible for any cost or expenses incurred by any interested party(ies) in connection with any response to this invitation;
- Non-compliance with the Conditions stated therein will lead to automatic disqualification of the bidder from the bidding process;
- The Ministry is not bound to pre-qualify any bidder and reserves the right to annul the procurement process at any time without incurring any liabilities in accordance with Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007;
- Further enquiries, please contact Procurement Department between 9.00 am to 3.30 pm (Mondays - Fridays) at the address:

**Federal Ministry of Transportation,  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bukar, Dipcharima Building,  
Central Business District Abuja,**

**Signed  
Permanent Secretary  
Federal Ministry of Transportation**





**THE GOVERNMENT OF KADUNA STATE**  
**KADUNA STATE UNIVERSAL BASIC EDUCATION BOARD**  
**79A TAFAWA BALEWA WAY, KADUNA**

**INVITATION TO TENDER FOR 2017, 2018 & 2019 UBEC/SUBEB INTERVENTION PROJECTS**

**A. INTRODUCTION**

- i. The Kaduna State Government, through the Kaduna State Universal Basic Education Board (KADSUBEB) is desirous of implementing its Year 2017, 2018 & 2019 Intervention Projects which are fully funded and cash-backed jointly by UBEC and the Kaduna State Government.
- ii. Further to this, and in compliance with the Public Procurement Act 2007 and the Kaduna State Public Procurement Law 2016, KADSUBEB wishes to invite interested registered, competent, and reputable contractors to prequalify and tender for the following Project Packages and Lots: -

Package	Category	Description	No. of Lots
Package A	Works	Low-Rise Multi-Story New Construction	41No.
Package B	Works	Single-Story New Construction	75No.
Package C	Works	Building Rehabilitation/Renovation	91No.
Package D	Goods	Supply of School Furniture	18No.
Package E	Goods	Supply of ECCDE Materials	3No.
Package F	Works	ECCDE Games Village Construction	3No.

The detailed breakdown of the Packages/Lots can be viewed on the Kaduna State Government's website – [www.kdsq.gov.ng](http://www.kdsq.gov.ng)

**B. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- i. Interested companies are hereby invited to tender for the above-listed Project Packages.
- ii. Tenders must be accompanied with the following eligibility and qualification information/documentation to demonstrate possession of the human, technical and financial capacity required to carry out the Project Package tendered for: -
  - a. Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Form CAC2 and Form CAC7.
  - b. Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years valid till 31st December 2020, with minimum average annual turnover as follows: -
    - Package A – N70 million
    - Packages B & C – N25 million
    - Package D – N50 million
    - Packages E & F – N10 million
  - c. Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2020.
  - d. Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2020.
  - e. Evidence of current Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2020.
  - f. Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 1st January 2021 or valid certificate issued by BPP.
  - g. Evidence of registration with Kaduna State Public Procurement Authority valid till 31st December 2020.
  - h. Evidence of registration with Kaduna State Ministry of Business Innovation & Technology valid till 31st December 2020.
  - i. Company's audited accounts for the last three years (2017, 2018 & 2019).
  - j. Verifiable evidence of having executed at least three (3) projects of a nature and complexity similar to the proposed work in the last five (5) years, including award letters, completion certificates and/or photographs of the project, accompanied by full client contact information and authorization for SUBEB to seek references.
  - k. Evidence of financial capability to execute the project including reference letter from a licensed reputable commercial bank indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed.
  - l. List of plant/equipment available for deployment on the project with evidence of ownership/lease (MOU or receipt or invoice of purchase).
  - m. Company profile with complete curriculum vitae of key staff to be deployed on the project, detailing their experience and expertise relevant to the assignment, current contact information (telephone nos., email address), and copies of academic qualifications, professional registration certificates and current practice licenses.
  - n. High court affidavit deposed as below described and properly addressed to Kaduna SUBEB (any Affidavit that predates this advert or addressed to other organizations will be rejected):
    - disclosing whether or not any officer of Kaduna State Basic Education Board, Kaduna State Public Procurement Agency or the project consultants is a former or present Director, Shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the Tenderer and attesting that all information presented in its bids are true and correct in all particulars
    - affirming that none of the directors of the firm has been convicted of any criminal offence relating to fraud, financial impropriety, falsification or acts similar in nature and to state that all documents used for this bidding are genuine;
    - affirming that the Tenderer is not subject to any claims, arbitration or other litigation cases OR all claims, arbitration or other litigation cases have been satisfactorily resolved, and if not, they shall have no serious negative impact on the financial capacity of the Tenderer; and
    - affirming that the Tenderer has not been declared ineligible for public financed contracts by the Federal Government of Nigeria or the Kaduna State Government.

**C. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS**

- i. Interested companies may collect Tender Documents from the **Project Monitoring Department, Kaduna State Universal Basic Education Board, 79A Tafawa Balewa Way, Kaduna**, between the hours of 09:00am - 5:00pm during weekdays (Monday – Friday) upon payment of non-refundable tender fee as indicated per lot into Kaduna State Government **Polaris Bank, Account No: 1790220190**.
- ii. Tenderers are permitted to submit tenders for **TWO (2) LOTS** only.

- D. PREPARATION & SUBMISSION OF TENDERS:** details for the preparation of the tenders and their submission by Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2020 are available on [www.kdsq.gov.ng](http://www.kdsq.gov.ng)

**Signed:**  
**Executive Chairman**  
Kaduna State Universal Basic Education Board





# AROUND THE WORLD

## BELARUS

### Crowd Minsk as Belarus leader gets birthday call from Putin

Belarusians chanting "Happy Birthday, you rat" and flying red-and-white opposition flags gathered near President Alexander Lukashenko's residence yesterday as protesters kept up pressure on the veteran leader to resign, before dispersing peacefully.

The president, in office for 26 years, has shown no inclination to step down. For the second weekend in a row he appeared in a black cap and carrying an automatic rifle while walking around his residence, according to a photo published by Russia's RIA news agency. Lukashenko, who

turned 66 on Sunday, is struggling to contain weeks of protests and strikes since winning an Aug. 9 election his opponents say was rigged. He denies electoral fraud and has said the protesters, whom he previously called "rats", are backed from abroad.

## SOUTH AFRICAN

### Nathaniel Julius: S/Africa police arrested for killing teen

Two South African police officers have been arrested over the deadly shooting of a 16-year-old boy, which had sparked violent street protests.

The family of Nathaniel Julius, who had Down's syndrome, said he had gone out to buy biscuits when he was shot dead in

Johannesburg's Eldorado Park suburb. The officers will be charged with murder and "possibly defeating the ends of justice", said the police watchdog. The family said Julius was shot after not answering officers' questions. However, they added, this was because

of his disability. The police initially said Julius had been caught up in a shootout between officers and local gangsters.

The Independent Police Investigative Directorate (Ipid) said it had decided to arrest the officers after "careful consideration of the evidence at hand".

## MAURITIUS

### Mauritius oil spill: Thousands march in Port Louis

Thousands of people have marched through the Mauritian capital, Port Louis, in protest at the authorities' handling of a massive oil spill, and the discovery of 39 dead dolphins.

Many wore black and

waved the national flag, while honking horns and drumming.

Many called for the government to resign and had T-shirts with the inscription: "I love my country. I'm ashamed of my government."

It is the biggest protest the country has seen in recent years.

About 1,000 tonnes of oil spilled into a sanctuary for rare wildlife after the Japanese ship MV Wakashio struck a coral reef on 25 July.

## INDIA

### Woman arrested for naked video on India's bridge

A French woman has been arrested in India for making a video of herself naked on a sacred bridge in the northern city of Rishikesh. The video, shot on the Lakshman Jhula bridge, was posted on social media.

The woman faces charges under India's internet law, and could be

sentenced to up to three years in prison if found guilty, AFP news agency reports. The suspension bridge over the Ganges river and is a holy site and popular spot for tourists.

The woman, who has since been released on bail, told police the video was made to promote her jewellery business.

"Maybe in France these things are not considered objectionable. But Rishikesh is a holy place and the Lakshman Jhula is the place where [Hindu gods] Ram, his brother Lakshman and wife Sita crossed the Ganges," RK Saklani, head of the police station where the woman was taken, told AFP.

## LEBANON

### Lebanese ambassador Adib poised to be designated PM

Lebanon's ambassador to Germany Mustapha Adib is poised to be designated prime minister on Monday after winning the support of major parties to form a new government facing a crippling financial crisis and the aftermath of the Beirut port explosion.

The nomination followed contacts by French President Emmanuel Macron over the last 48 hours to press Lebanese leaders to agree on a candidate, two senior Lebanese officials said, just ahead of a visit by the French leader to Lebanon this

week.

Macron has taken centre stage in international efforts to get Lebanon's fractious leaders to start addressing a financial crisis that had devastated the economy even before the Aug. 4 port blast that killed some 190 people.

## CANADA

### Statue of first PM toppled by protesters demanding police defunding

A statue of Canada's first Prime Minister Sir John Macdonald was toppled in downtown Montreal by protesters marching in support of defunding police, government officials said.

The incident occurred at the end of a peaceful march on Saturday

when a group of people climbed the monument and pulled down the statue, causing the head to fly off, according to video posted on social media.

Calls to defund the police have been growing across the United States and Canada, after a

spate of violent incidents involving police. The death of George Floyd, a Black man, while in the custody of Minneapolis police in May sparked global protests about racial inequality and police brutality, and renewed pledges from some to fight racism.



## MICHAEL OKPARA UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE, UMUDIKE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

### INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF PRE-QUALIFICATION AND TENDER DOCUMENTS/EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR YEAR 2017, 2018 AND 2019 (MERGED) TETFUND NORMAL INTERVENTION PROJECTS AND 2017, 2018 AND 2019 (MERGED) TETFUND MAINTAINANCE INTERVENTION PROJECTS

Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike (MOUUAU) wishes to execute projects under the Year 2017, 2018 and 2019 (Merged) TETFund Normal Intervention Projects and 2017, 2018 and 2019 TETFund (Merged) Maintenance Intervention Projects.

Consequently, and in accordance with the Bureau of Public Procurement Act Stipulations, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike (MOUUAU) invites reputable Contractors to tender for the implementation of the under-listed Year 2017, 2018 and 2019 (Merged) TETFund Merged Normal Intervention Projects and 2017, 2018 and 2019 (Merged) TETFund Maintenance Intervention Projects:

S/N	Description of Project
<b>A</b>	<b>YEAR 2017, 2018 AND 2019 (MERGED) TETFUND NORMAL INTERVENTION PROJECTS</b>
Lot 1	Proposed Construction of Offices, Classrooms and Laboratory Building for the College of Natural Resources and Environmental Management (CNREM).
Lot 2	Proposed Landscaping works for College of Natural Resources and Environmental Management (CNREM).
Lot 3	Proposed Procurement of Furniture for the College of Natural Resources and Environmental Management (CNREM).
Lot 4	Proposed Construction of Offices and Classrooms for College of Agricultural Economics, Rural Sociology and Extension (CAERSE).
Lot 5	Proposed Construction of Auditorium for College of Agricultural Economics, Rural Sociology and Extension (CAERSE).
Lot 6	Proposed Landscaping works for College of Agricultural Economics, Rural Sociology and Extension (CAERSE).
Lot 7	Proposed Procurement of Furniture for College of Agricultural Economics, Rural Sociology and Extension (CAERSE).
Lot 8	Proposed Construction of Classrooms and Laboratory for the College of Physical and Applied Sciences (COLPAS Phase II)
Lot 9	Proposed Landscaping Works, Borehole and Overhead Tank for the New Building for College of Physical and Applied Sciences (COLPAS Phase II)
Lot 10	Proposed Procurement of Furniture for College of Physical and Applied Sciences (COLPAS Phase II)
<b>B</b>	<b>YEAR 2017, 2018 AND 2019 (MERGED) TETFUND MAINTAINANCE INTERVENTION PROJECTS</b>
Lot 11	Proposed Rehabilitation of College of Animal Science and Animal Production Building (CASAP) - Phase 1 & 2
Lot 12	Insurance Support for Critical TETFund Assets

#### 2.0 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Evidence of Registration with Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including form CAC2 and CAC7.
- Evidence of Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three years valid till December 2020 with minimum average annual turnover of N5 million;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate (2020).
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate (2020).
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Valid till December 2020.
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or Valid Certificate issued by BPP.
- Evidence of Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant Committees of Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike or the Bureau of Public Procurement is former or present Director, shareholder or has any pecuniary interest in the bidder and to confirm that all information presented in its bid are true and correct in all particulars.
- Company Audited Account for the last three (3) years 2017 - 2019
- Evidence of Financial capability to execute the project by submission of reference letter from a reputable commercial bank indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the project when needed.
- Company's Profile with Curriculum Vitae of key staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their professional qualifications.
- Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs executed in the last five (5) years including Letters of Award, Valuation Certificates, Job Completion Certificates and photographs of the project.
- The list of Plants/Equipment with Proof of Ownership/Lease (where applicable).
- Lot 12: Evidence of current registration with National Insurance Commission (NAICOM);
- For Joint Venture/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided (CAC, Tax Clearance Certificate, Pension Compliance Certificate, ITF Compliance Certificate, NSITF Compliance Certificate, IRR & Sworn Affidavit are compulsory for each JV partner).
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a covering/forwarding letter under the company/firms letter head bearing amongst others,

the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Contact Address, Telephone Number (Preferable GSM No.) and e-mail address. The letter headed paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the company at the bottom of the page, duly signed by the authorized officer of the firm.

#### 3.0 COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

Financial Bid Documents can be collected at the office of the Director Physical Planning, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike during working days (10am - 3pm) on presentation of evidence of payment of non-refundable tender fee of N10,000:00 paid into MOUUAU's Remita account in any reputable commercial bank in Nigeria.

#### 4.0 SUBMISSION OF TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL BIDS (Lots 1-11)

Interested Contractors are required to prepare and submit their Technical and Financial Bids in sealed separate envelopes. To be clearly written at the top right hand corner of each envelope are: the Project Title, Lot Number, Contractor's Name and "Technical Bid" or Financial Bid" as the case may be. Both envelopes shall be enclosed in a bigger envelope with the inscriptions at the top right hand corner of the envelope Year 2017, 2018 and 2019 TETFund Merged Normal Intervention Projects or Year 2017, 2018 and 2019 TETFund Maintenance Intervention Projects, Project Title/Lot Number/Contractor's name and the envelope addressed to the Vice-Chancellor, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike, Room 214, Alex Ekwueme Building, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike. The Technical and Financial bid documents shall be dropped in a marked box at the Office of the Registrar not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.**

#### 5.0 OPENING OF TECHNICAL BIDS (Lots 1-11)

The technical bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2020** in Pius Anyim Auditorium, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike.

#### 6.0 SUBMISSION OF EOI DOCUMENTS (Lot 12)

Interested firms are to submit two (2) bound copies of Expression of Interest (EOI) documents separated by dividers and arranged as indicated above. The documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Vice-Chancellor, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike and clearly marked with (the name of the project and Lot number)

Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should bear the name and address of the bidder and dropped in a designated box at the office of the Registrar Room 214, Alex Ekwueme Building, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.**

#### 7.0. OPENING OF EOI DOCUMENTS (Lot 12)

The EOI Document will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020** in Pius Anyim Auditorium, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike. Please ensure to sign the EOI Submission Register as the University will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. Interested bidders may obtain further information from the Procurement Unit MOUUAU.

#### Note please

Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Procedure as specified in the Procurement act, 2007.

- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the Procurement Unit of MOUUAU, and/or Director Physical Planning.
- Failure to satisfactorily fulfill these conditions as requested above shall result to invalidation of such bid.
- MOUUAU shall reserve the rights to verify the authenticity of claims made by the bidder and reject any submission based on unverifiable information.
- No bidder should tender for more than two (2) lots. Any such entry stands disqualified;
- Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened.
- This advertisement is published for information purpose only and shall not be considered as a commitment or obligation on the part of the University to award contract.
- MOUUAU will not be responsible for any cost incurred by any interested party in connection with any response to an inquiry nor shall it entitle any party submitting documents to claim any indemnity from the University;
- Bidders are excused from the bid opening, which will be attended by officials of private sector professional organisation and CSOs in the areas of anti-corruption/transparency. The event will be fully captured on video and can be provided to bidders on request;
- Standard Bidding Documents can also be collected in Soft copies and Bidders can submit through Post (Courier Services)
- Lot 1-11: Only pre-qualified bidders at technical evaluation will be invited at a later date for financial bids opening, while the financial bids of un-successful bidders will be returned un-opened
- Lot 12: Only shortlisted firm will be invited at a later date for collection of Request for Proposal;
- The University is not bound to pre-qualified/shortlist any bidder and reserves the right to annul the bidding process without incurring any liability and/or assign any reason thereof.

SIGNED  
Jacinta N. Ogwo-Agu (Mrs.)  
Registrar



**FEDERAL UNIVERSITY WUKARI**

200 Katsina-Ala road, P.M.B. 1020, Wukari Taraba State, Nigeria

*(Office of the Registrar)***VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE POSITION OF VICE-CHANCELLOR**

The Federal University Wukari is one of the new Universities established by the Federal Government of Nigeria as part of its commitment to expanding access to quality higher education, skills development and generation of new knowledge. The University is currently noted for its commitment to transforming into a world-class institution through the development of first rate infrastructure, human resources, quality teaching, learning, research and community service. Technology is at the centre of its plans.

Applications are invited from suitable qualified candidates for the post of Vice-Chancellor of Federal University Wukari, Taraba State, which will be vacant in February, 2021. Pursuant to the provisions of the Universities (Miscellaneous Provision) Act No. 11 of 1993 as amended by the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Act 2003, the Governing Council of the University wishes to start the process of filling the vacancy and interested candidates are to note the following information for guidance.

**THE POSITION**

- The Vice-Chancellor is the Chief Executive Officer and the academic head of the University.
- S/he is the ex-officio member of the Governing Council, Chairman of Senate and Congregation.
- S/he is expected to promote a very high standard of academic excellence in research and innovation, quality teaching and learning, regulation of students' admission processes, overseeing the welfare and discipline of staff and students.
- S/he is responsible to council for the day-to-day management of the human, financial and material resources of Federal University Wukari.

**QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

The candidate for the position of Vice-Chancellor must possess a good University education and is expected to be a very distinguished scholar with outstanding academic and administrative records. The person must be a proven manager of human and material resources.

Specifically, the candidates should

- (i) Be a highly distinguished academic with a Ph.D and who is well rooted in the finest academic tradition.
- (ii) Be on the rank of Professor for at least 10 years and must have spent a minimum of 20 years of unbroken service in a Public University (preferably a Federal University).
- (iii) Demonstrate continuous scholarship after promotion to the rank of Professor in terms of continuous research and publication in highly reputable World class journals.
- (iv) Have a wide academic and administrative experience in a reputable public university, and be capable of giving dynamic academic and administrative leadership
- (v) Be able to attract research grants and funding from local and international donors for the development and re-positioning the University on the global landscape.
- (vi) Must possess personal integrity in the management of funds and must be able to deploy financial resources for actualizing the master plan, academic brief and strategic growth of the University.
- (vii) Must have team building skills and ability to build bridges between the management and staff, students and other critical stakeholders in a University system.
- (viii) Must be capable of motivating staff and students, attracting very high quality staff and retaining them in Federal University Wukari
- (ix) Must have proven ability in establishing and maintaining partnerships with relevant local, National and International Agencies.
- (x) Must be an individual who, judging from tract records is likely to command the respect as well as loyalty of staff, students and the University community.
- (xi) Must demonstrate entrepreneurial drive and ability of being creative and innovative in the development of the University
- (xii) Be able to engender both national and international respect, particularly in the academic world
- (xiii) Possess the ability to create the much needed harmony between staff and students on the one hand and between members of the University Community and the wider community on the other.

- (xiv) Be a person with a clear vision and capacity to pursue the continuous development of the University even under resource constraints.
- (xv) Be someone who appreciate and act of merit and who will resist undue pressure.
- (xvi) Be of sound mental and physical health.
- (xvii) Have sound and unassailable integrity.
- (xviii) Be prepared to demonstrate commitment to the University's vision, mission and core values as well as the pursuit of its strategic objectives.
- (xix) Should not be above 65 years of age on assumption of duty as Vice-Chancellor
- (xx) Possess appreciable computing skills as well as the ability to embrace information and communications technology
- (xxi) Candidates must possess NYSC discharge certificate, exemption certificate or certificate of exclusion where applicable;
- (xxii) Candidates must attach evidence of possession of national identification number (in line with the requirements of the National Identification Number Regulations, 2017);
- (xxiii) Candidates should attach a statement of vision and hope for the University of not more than a page to their applications.
- (xxiv) Be of excellent physical and mental health
- (xxv) Must not be more than 65yrs of age at the time of assumption of duty.

**TENURE AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE**

The prospective Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a single, non-renewable term of five (5) years. The remuneration and conditions of service for the post shall be as applicable in Federal Universities in Nigeria and as may be determined from time to time by the Federal Government and the Governing Council.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION**

Interested and qualified candidates should submit twenty-five (25) sets of typed Applications, Photocopies of their Credentials & all relevant documents, and Curriculum Vitae (CV). The CV must contain the following information:

- Full Name (in capital letters)
- Post applied for
- Date of birth
- Place of Birth
- State of origin
- L.G.A. of origin
- Nationality (for non-Nigerian)
- Permanent home address
- Current postal address
- Functional email address
- GSM number
- Marital status
- Names and number of children with their dates of birth
- Institutions attended with dates
- Qualifications obtained with dates
- Professional qualification obtained with dates
- General and specific working experience, giving duration, post held and salary
- Details of research work and publications (attached)
- Details of administrative experience and community services with details of status and dates
- Present employment, rank, grade level and step, salary structure and name and address of the employer.
- Extra-curricular activities
- Any other relevant information
- Names and addresses of three referees (one of them Must be his/her former/ serving Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Dean/Head of Department) to individually send, under strict confidential cover referee reports to the Registrar.
- The sealed envelope(s) containing the application, CV and Referee Reports should be marked "VICE-CHANCELLOR" at the top left hand corner which MUST reach the Registrar not later than six weeks from the date of this advertisement.

All applications must be addressed and sent to:  
The Registrar & Secretary to Council  
Federal University Wukari  
200 Katsina-Ala road,  
PMB 1020  
Wukari – Taraba State

Signed  
**Dr. S.A. Bambar**  
REGISTRAR AND SECRETARY TO COUNCIL

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**INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT  
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The Governing Council of the University is inviting applications from suitably qualified candidates to apply to fill the vacant position of the University Librarian.

**THE POSITION**

The University Librarian is responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for the day – day administration of the University Library. He is responsible for the coordination of the Library and Information Services in the University, its, Colleges, Faculties, Schools, Departments, Institutes and other teaching or research units.

The University Librarian is expected to demonstrate awareness of the central nature of Library & Information Services in the teaching, learning and research process and have the ability to instil in members of the University community, the principles of Information and Digital Literacy and commitment to life-long learning.

The candidate must therefore be in position to provide leadership in the application of Information and Communications Technology in the delivery of quality higher education, research and community service.

The candidate must also be able to improve on current developments in the University through national and international linkages. The candidate must be in good health and not older than sixty years of age on assumption of duty

**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

Candidates for the position of the University Librarian must possess a good Honours Degree with a minimum of Second Class lower as well as Masters and Doctorate Degrees in Library or Information Science from a recognized University.

The candidate must be a Principal Librarian with at least ten (10) years' working experience in a Federal University Library. The candidate must possess experience of automation of Library Services. In addition to the academic and professional qualifications, the candidate must possess evidence of membership and registration with the Librarian Registration Council of Nigeria (LRCN).

A strong proof of continuing research with appreciable evidence of scholarly publications both in quality and quantum in reputable international and national journals is required. The candidate must possess good managerial skills and competencies including a clear understanding of the nature and dynamics of the intricacies in deploying information technologies as tools for the management of information collections in line with global best practices in contemporary University Libraries.

Candidate is expected to exhibit strong team leadership and mentorship skills and able to inspire and motivate colleagues to support the vision for the development of the University Library.

The candidate must be focussed, innovative, commendable in both character and quality of service. The candidate must also exhibit a considerable degree of competence, responsiveness, demonstrable integrity and transparency on matters of financial resource management with an outstanding experience at management level.

**Vision Statement**

Candidates should provide a succinct vision statement of not more than 500 words relating to the University in the next five years with particular reference to the management of Library & Information Services.

**TENURE**

The successful for the position of University Librarian shall hold office for a single term of five (5) years from the effective date of appointment.

**SALARY AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE**

The remuneration and other conditions of service are as applicable to the post of a University Librarian of Federal Universities in Nigeria and as may be determined from time to time by the Federal Government of Nigeria and the University's Governing Council as appropriate.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION**

Candidate should forward their application with thirty (30) copies of their detailed Curriculum Vitae (should highlight the following in the order indicated below) along with the vision statement for the position.

- i. Full Name (surname first in capital letters and underlined)
- ii. Place and Date of Birth
- iii. Age
- iv. Nationality
- v. Gender
- vi. Marital Status
- vii. Number and Ages of Children
- viii. Postal address
- ix. Permanent Home Address
- x. Nationality
- xi. State of origin and LGA
- xii. E-mail and contact Telephone Number(s)
- xiii. Schools attended with dates
- xiv. Qualifications obtained with dates ie Degree (s) (Including Dates/Class and Institutions) and/or any other qualifications and distinctions (Photocopies of certificates to be attached)
- xv. Previous Employments (s) Position (s) Date (s)
- xvi. Membership of Professional bodies
- xvii. Statement of general and specific working experience with dates
- xviii. Present employment, status, salary (Detail with work schedule)
- xix. Conferences attended with dates
- xx. Workshops attended with dates
- xxi. Courses/Leadership trainings attended with dates
- xxii. List of publications if any.
- xxiii. Other activities outside current employment
- xxiv. Extra-Curricular Activities
- xxv. Countries visited
- xxvi. Proposed date of availability for duties, if appointed.
- xxvii. Names and addresses of three referees

**a) References**

Each candidate should include the names and addresses of three referees. Applicants should request each of the referees to forward directly, to the Registrar & Secretary to Governing Council, a confidential report written on a letter-headed paper on the applicant's character, academic and managerial abilities in a properly sealed envelope and marked, "Post of University Librarian: Referee's report, with the name of the candidate at the top left hand corner of the envelop.

Applications are to be submitted under confidential cover with the envelope marked "POST OF UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN", not later than six (6) weeks from the date of the advert and addressed to:-

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# INSIDE POLITICS

## PoliQuote

"We are not supporting any political party or candidate and we are not against any political party or candidates either. Our concern is the integrity and transparency of the process. The choice of who becomes the governor of Edo state is entirely in the hands of Edo people and we are going to protect the process" - **INEC chairman, Prof. Mahmood Yakubu**

## APC stalwarts scheme for national chairmanship, other posts

By Saawua Terzungwe

**S**ome stalwarts of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) have started scheming for the office of the party's national chairman and other top positions ahead of the party's national convention.

Our correspondent gathered from sources at the party's National Secretariat Abuja that a date for the convention is yet to be fixed.

One of the aspirants confirmed to Daily Trust yesterday that he would contest the chairmanship, but sought not to be mentioned

saying, "I will make my ambition public soon."

Daily Trust also confirmed that former governors of Gombe and Cross River states as well as a former commissioner in Rivers State were consulting various stakeholders for the chairmanship contest.

Two top politicians from Bauchi and Kaduna states were also said to be scheming for the National Working Committee (NWC) top job.

The APC National Working Committee (NWC) was dissolved in June this year, by the National Executive Committee (NEC) which is

the second-highest decision-making organ of the party.

Sequel to that, a 13-member National Caretaker/Extra-Ordinary National Convention Planning Committee led by Governor Mai Mala Buni of Yobe State was constituted for the day-to-day running of the party's affairs.

The interim panel was also mandated to, within six months, organise a national convention where a new crop of NWC officials would emerge.

■ Governor Mai Mala Buni



## 'Why bad governance persists in Nigeria'

From Peter Moses, Abeokuta

Savannah Centre for Diplomacy, Democracy and Development (SCDDD) has blamed corruption, lack of transparency and poor oversight function on the part of the legislature for the persistence of bad governance in Nigeria.

The centre also said lack of good governance and effective leadership have hampered the country's progressive growth thereby leaving it to lag behind its peers.

The Executive Director of SCDDD, Ambassador Sani Bala, stated this in Abeokuta, Ogun State, during the Leadership Effectiveness and Accountability Dialogue (LEAD) organised by the organisation in collaboration with the MacArthur Foundation.

Bala said while there was lack of transparency on budgetary allocation and implementation on the part of the executive, the legislature both at the state and federal levels had failed to effectively scrutinise the projects in order to hold the executive accountable.

He said governments, its agencies and the citizens must continuously work in partnership for the promotion of transparent and accountable governance.

According to him, the LEAD project was part of the SCDDD's contributions to the nation's efforts towards establishing the culture of peaceful, transparent, accountable and open governance in Nigeria.

Through the two-year project, Bala said the centre had held interactive sessions with critical stakeholders across Kaduna, Kano, Imo, Rivers and Ogun States on how to promote peaceful and non-violent elections and beyond.

In his address, the SCDDD Board Chairman, Malam Abidu Yazid, explained that the centre was poised to continually call the attention of the political leaders to critical issues in Nigeria as well as finding solutions.

Yazid challenged the leaders at all levels to perform their tasks effectively in order to entrench the culture of good governance and effective leadership in Nigeria.

## Kogi gov'ship: Supreme Court decides Gov Bello's fate today

By John Chuks Azu

The Supreme Court will today (Monday) deliver judgment in the appeal by the PDP candidate, Musa Wada, challenging the election of Governor Yahaya

Bello of the APC over alleged irregularities.

The apex court will also deliver judgment in the appeal by the Social Democratic Party (SDP) candidate, Natasha Akpoti, challenging the outcome of the November

16, 2019 election.

A seven-member panel of justices presided by Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Justice Tanko Muhammad, had on August 25 fixed the date for the judgements.

The apex court dismissed

the appeal brought by candidate of the Democratic Peoples Party (DPP) in the state governorship election, Usman Imam Mohamed, whom it found to be underage, and awarded N400,000 cost against him.

## Intrigue over APC candidate for Lagos East by-election

From Abdulateef Aliyu, Lagos

There is intrigue over who becomes the candidate of the APC for the October 31 by-election for Lagos East senatorial district, Daily Trust reports.

An uneasy calm has pervaded the ruling party over the purported adoption of Mr Tokunbo Abiru as a consensus candidate.

An assistant spokesman of the APC, Abiodun Salami, had granted an interview to the effect that the party had adopted Abiru, who resigned last week as the managing director of Polaris Bank, as the consensus candidate of the party.

Prior to his resignation, there were widespread reports about his adoption by

...as PDP screens 4 aspirants

the Governors' Advisory Council (GAC), the highest decision making organ in Lagos APC.

But on Saturday, the spokesman of the party, Hon. Seye Oladejo issued a statement insisting the party was yet to produce a candidate for the by-election including that of Kosofe 2 constituency which had been fixed for October 31.

Several candidates had been tipped to replace the late Senator Bayo Osinowo who died on June 15.

Among them are former Lagos Governor Akinwunmi Ambode, Senator Gbenga Ashafa who vacated the seat in 2019 after serving for eight years, among other party chieftains in Lagos East.

But Daily Trust

reports that as of the time of filing this report, only Abiru had purchased the N7 million forms for expression of interest and nomination.

This has further given credence to the reported adoption of Abiru as the party's candidate.

A party leader in Lagos East, who is also a member of the GAC, confirmed to Daily Trust yesterday that Abiru had been adopted as the consensus candidate which the constitution of the party allowed.

Elsewhere, in the opposition PDP, four candidates scaled through at the screening committee ahead of the conduct of the primary which has been fixed tentatively for September 5.

## APC'll win Plateau South senatorial by-election - Lalong

From Dickson S. Adama & Ado Abubakar Musa, Jos

Governor Simon Lalong of Plateau State has expressed confidence that the All Progressives Congress (APC) will emerge victorious in the forthcoming Senate by-election for Plateau South.

He said this while addressing leaders of the party at an extraordinary zonal meeting held on Saturday in his Shendam Local Government Area of the state.

According to him, the party has continued to remain intact in the state and the leadership steadily delivering on its campaign promises and rescuing various sectors of the economy which, he said, all of which would give his party the needed advantage in the election.

The governor, therefore, urged party

members to remain united and work together for a successful primary that would produce the party's candidate and eventually ensure victory at the main election.

Chairman of APC in the state Chief Letep Dabang, while speaking at the occasion, said five aspirants have indicated interest to participate in the primary election to produce the party's candidate for the senatorial by-election.

He commended the members for their exemplary conduct, promising that the party would be fair to all.

Dabang said the contestants under the APC seeking to fill the vacuum at the red chamber were Prof. Nora Dadu'ut, Prof. Emmanuel Garba, Prof. Doknaan Sheni, Hon. Nanven Nimfel and Bar. Demian Shekarau.



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**NIGERIA STOCK EXCHANGE** MARKET CAP. **▶ N13.200TR (-0.10%)** ↓ ALL SHARE INDEX **▶ 25.304POINTS (-0.10%)** ↓ MARKET TURNOVER **▶ 251.295M SHARES**

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COMPANY NAME	MARKET(NM)	PRICE	CHANGE	TRADES	VOLUME
<b>BANKING</b>					
ACCESS BANK PLC	222,157.66	6.25	-2.34	218	13,932,139
UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC	218,876.30	6.40	-0.78	175	24,966,407
ZENITH BANK PLC	529,030.92	16.85	-0.59	219	7,443,969
<b>OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS</b>					
FBN HOLDINGS PLC	181,271.23	5.05	-0.99	197	20,897,440
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES</b>					
SEPLAT PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY PLC	2,397,761.64	117.80	-	82	409,358
<b>BUILDING MATERIALS</b>					
DANGOTE CEMENT PLC	2,286,836.09	134.20	-0.59	44	570,451
LAFARGE AFRICA PLC	186,045.04	11.55	-1.28	101	2,329,091
BERGER PAINTS PLC	1,753.43	6.05	-	2	1,521
BUA CEMENT PLC	1,354,574.16	40.00	-	12	22,056
CAP PLC	11,305.00	16.15	-	22	213,925
MEYER PLC	265.62	0.50	-	0	0
PORTLAND PAINTS & PRODUCTS NIGERIA PLC	1,769.32	2.23	-	0	0
PREMIER PAINTS PLC	1,156.20	9.40	-	0	0
<b>EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION</b>					
SEPLAT PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY PLC	226,551.16	385.00	-	9	113,577
<b>REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS (REITS)</b>					
SFS REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST	1,386.00	69.30	-	1	1,500
UNION HOMES REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (REIT)	10,163.30	40.65	-	0	0
UPDC REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST	10,139.42	3.80	-	0	0
<b>OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS</b>					
NIGERIA ENERGY SECTOR FUND	411.91	552.20	-	0	0
VALUEALLIANCE VALUE FUND	3,692.74	115.05	-	0	0
<b>AGRICULTURE</b>					
FTN COCOA PROCESSORS PLC	484.00	0.22	-	10	175,581
OKOMU OIL PALM PLC	75,358.89	79.00	-	10	1,467
PRESCO PLC	49,000.00	49.00	-	6	20,911
ELLAH LAKES PLC	8,500.00	4.25	-	0	0
LIVESTOCK FEEDS PLC	1,800.00	0.60	-4.76	7	130,997
<b>DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES</b>					
JOHN HOLT PLC	214.03	0.55	-	8	48,372
S C O A NIG. PLC	1,903.99	2.93	-	0	0
TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATION OF NIGERIA PLC	23,575.83	0.58	-1.72	55	7,909,028
U & C W. PLC	16,567.46	5.75	-	58	111,871,739
<b>BUILDING CONSTRUCTION</b>					
ABBICO PLC	169.29	1.14	-	0	0
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE/HEAVY CONSTRUCTION</b>					
JULIUS BERGER NIG. PLC	26,928.00	17.00	-	29	110,295
ROADS NIG PLC	165.00	6.60	-	0	0
<b>REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT</b>					
UACN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY PLC	17,075.17	0.92	-	4	172,820
<b>AUTOMOBILES/AUTO PARTS</b>					
DN TYRE & RUBBER PLC	954.53	0.20	-	0	0
<b>BEVERAGES--BREWERS/DISTILLERS</b>					
CHAMPION BREW. PLC	7,281.43	0.93	2.20	14	364,899
GOLDEN GUINEA BREW. PLC	829.98	0.81	-	0	0
GUINNESS NIG PLC	34,169.97	15.60	0.65	65	1,301,975
INTERNATIONAL BREWERIES PLC	99,389.65	3.70	-	31	203,039
NIGERIAN BREW. PLC	295,885.38	37.00	2.78	37	370,862
DANGOTE SUGAR REFINERY PLC	150,000.00	12.50	-	70	320,730
FLOUR MILLS NIG. PLC	77,087.14	18.80	-	32	62,784
HONEYWELL FLOUR MILL PLC	7,375.08	0.93	-	11	167,806
MULTI-TREX INTEGRATED FOODS PLC	1,340.10	0.36	-	0	0
N NIG. FLOUR MILLS PLC	801.90	4.50	-	12	93,392
NASCORN ALLIED INDUSTRIES PLC	26,626.86	10.05	-	14	89,555
UNION DICOM SALT PLC	2,993.06	10.95	-	0	0
<b>FOOD PRODUCTS--DIVERSIFIED</b>					
CADBURY NIGERIA PLC	14,556.07	7.75	-	25	118,427
NESTLE NIGERIA PLC	931,371.10	1,175.00	-	27	4,101
<b>HOUSEHOLD DURABLES</b>					
NIGERIAN ENAMELWARE PLC	1,680.31	22.10	-	0	0
VITAFODAM NIG PLC	6,879.64	5.50	1.10	68	2,263,037
<b>PERSONAL/HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS</b>					
P Z CUSSONS NIGERIA PLC	16,676.00	4.20	-	12	85,850
UNILEVER NIGERIA PLC	86,175.08	15.00	-	25	122,919
<b>FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>					
ECOBANK TRANSNATIONAL INCORPORATED	72,480.73	3.95	-1.25	67	2,420,038
FIDELITY BANK PLC	51,575.14	1.78	-0.56	55	1,870,951
GUARANTY TRUST BANK PLC	741,665.72	25.20	0.60	195	3,866,889
JAIZ BANK PLC	18,562.48	0.63	5.00	23	891,872
STERLING BANK PLC	33,398.89	1.16	-0.85	160	3,506,192
UNION BANK NIG. PLC	157,252.07	5.40	-	22	76,480
UNITY BANK PLC	6,546.03	0.56	-	6	13,500
WEMA BANK PLC	19,672.98	0.51	-1.92	21	5,246,597
<b>INSURANCE CARRIERS, BROKERS AND SERVICES</b>					
AFRICAN ALLIANCE INSURANCE PLC	4,117.00	0.20	-	2	20,140
AICO INSURANCE PLC	10,197.18	0.90	-1.11	22	1,122,420
AXAMANSARD INSURANCE PLC	19,320.00	1.84	6.36	16	323,019
CONSOLIDATED HALLMARK INSURANCE PLC	3,639.53	0.34	-8.11	3	161,600
CORNERSTONE INSURANCE PLC	10,173.18	0.56	-	13	873,546
GOLDLINK INSURANCE PLC	909.99	0.20	-	0	0
GUINEA INSURANCE PLC	1,228.00	0.20	-	2	5,000
INTERNATIONAL ENERGY INSURANCE PLC	487.95	0.38	-	0	0
LASACO ASSURANCE PLC	2,270.26	0.31	-6.06	22	2,472,425
LAW UNION AND ROCK INS. PLC	4,425.22	1.03	-	0	0
LINKAGE ASSURANCE PLC	3,900.00	0.39	-	2	70,124
MUTUAL BENEFITS ASSURANCE PLC	2,346.27	0.21	-	11	5,903,884
NEM INSURANCE PLC	11,353.08	2.15	-	11	287,780
NIGER INSURANCE PLC	1,547.90	0.20	-	0	0
PRESTIGE ASSURANCE PLC	3,244.21	0.51	-1.92	5	194,309
REGENCY ASSURANCE PLC	1,533.81	0.23	-4.17	2	520,000
SOVEREIGN TRUST INSURANCE PLC	2,272.89	0.20	-	0	0
STACO INSURANCE PLC	4,483.72	0.48	-	0	0
STANDARD ALLIANCE INSURANCE PLC	2,582.21	0.20	-	0	0
SUNU ASSURANCES NIGERIA PLC	2,800.00	0.20	-	0	0
UNIC DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS PLC	516.46	0.20	-	0	0
UNIVERSAL INSURANCE PLC	3,200.00	0.20	-	0	0
VERITAS CAPITAL ASSURANCE PLC	2,773.33	0.20	-	0	0
WAPIC INSURANCE PLC	7,917.25	0.33	-	10	103,805
<b>MICRO-FINANCE BANKS</b>					
NPF MICROFINANCE BANK PLC	2,789.70	1.22	1.67	5	220,897
ABBKEY MORTGAGE BANK PLC	6,784.62	1.05	-	0	0
ASO SAVINGS AND LOANS PLC	7,370.87	0.50	-	0	0
INFINITY TRUST MORTGAGE BANK PLC	5,671.82	1.36	-	1	750
RESORT SAVINGS & LOANS PLC	2,265.95	0.20	-	0	0
UNION HOMES SAVINGS AND LOANS PLC	2,949.22	3.02	-	0	0
AFRICA PRUDENTIAL PLC	8,400.00	4.20	-	44	1,119,571
CUSTODIAN INVESTMENT PLC	28,232.95	4.80	-	46	2,832,281
DEAP CAPITAL MANAGEMENT & TRUST PLC	450.00	0.30	-	0	0
FCMB GROUP PLC	41,585.69	2.10	1.45	50	6,718,096
ROYAL EXCHANGE PLC	1,234.89	0.24	-4.00	11	469,343
STANBIC IBTC HOLDINGS PLC	378,704.07	36.05	-	25	89,706
UNITED CAPITAL PLC	18,900.00	3.05	1.64	58	3,633,911
<b>HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS</b>					
EKOCORP PLC	2,991.61	6.00	-	0	0
UNION DIAGNOSTIC & CLINICAL SERVICES PLC	852.75	0.24	-	2	50,000
<b>MEDICAL SUPPLIES</b>					
MORISON INDUSTRIES PLC	593.50	0.60	-	0	0
<b>PHARMACEUTICALS</b>					
EVANS MEDICAL PLC	366.17	0.50	-	0	0
FIDSON HEALTHCARE PLC	7,740.40	3.71	-7.25	11	231,857
GLAXO SMITHKLINE CONSUMER NIG. PLC	6,098.97	5.10	-	35	352,741
MAY & BAKER NIGERIA PLC	5,175.70	3.00	9.89	29	1,468,788
NEMETH INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICALS PLC	3,513.44	1.85	-	13	117,460
NIGERIA-GERMAN CHEMICALS PLC	556.71	3.62	-	0	0
PHARMA-DEKO PLC	325.23	1.50	-	0	0

COMMODITIES PRICE	PRICE	CHANGE	TRADES	VOLUME
<b>CRUDE OIL (BRENT)</b>				
CRUDE OIL (BRENT)	\$44.94	-	-	-
<b>NATURAL GAS</b>				
NATURAL GAS	\$2.18	-	-	-
<b>COPPER</b>				
COPPER	\$6.379	-	-	-
<b>GOLD</b>				
GOLD	\$1,944.98	-	-	-
<b>SILVER</b>				
SILVER	\$27.00	-	-	-
<b>SUGAR</b>				
SUGAR	\$0.13	-	-	-
<b>COCOA</b>				
COCOA	\$1,686	-	-	-
<b>LIVE CATTLE</b>				
LIVE CATTLE	\$1.07	-	-	-
<b>COTTON</b>				
COTTON	\$0.63	-	-	-
<b>COMPUTER BASED SYSTEMS</b>				
COURTVILLE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS PLC	710.40	0.20	-	0
<b>COMPUTERS AND PERIPHERALS</b>				
OMATEX VENTURES PLC	764.87	0.26	-	0
CWG PLC	6,413.06	2.54	-	9,976
NCR (NIGERIA) PLC	216.00	2.00	-	0
TRIPPLE GEE AND COMPANY PLC	247.48	0.50	-	0
<b>IT SERVICES</b>				
CHAMS PLC	986.17	0.21	-4.55	10
E-TRANZACT INTERNATIONAL PLC	10,962.00	2.61	-	0
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES</b>				
AIRTEL AFRICA PLC	1,428,097.57	380.00	-	3
<b>ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS</b>				
AUSTIN LAZ & COMPANY PLC	2,192.12	2.03	-	500
CUTIX PLC	3,082.31	1.75	-	4
<b>PACKAGING/CONTAINERS</b>				
BETA GLASS PLC	27,698.45	55.40	-	6
GREIF NIGERIA PLC	388.02	9.10	-	0
<b>AGRO-ALLIED &amp; CHEMICALS</b>				
NOTORE CHEMICAL IND PLC	100,754.14	62.50	-	0
<b>CHEMICALS</b>				
B.O.C. GASES PLC	1,814.83	4.36	-	1
<b>PAPER/FOREST PRODUCTS</b>				
THOMAS WYATT NIG. PLC	77.00	0.35	-	0
<b>PETROLEUM AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTORS</b>				
11 PLC	63,104.17	175.00	-	18
ARDOVA PLC	16,411.26	12.60	-	8
CONDIL PLC	10,582.77	15.25	-	6
ETERNA PLC	2,477.87	1.50	-	6
MRS OIL NIGERIA PLC	3,794.59	12.45	-	1
TOTAL NIGERIA PLC	27,161.75	80.00	-	11
ANINDO INTERNATIONAL PLC	6.05	0.25	-	0
CAPITAL OIL PLC	1,171.51	0.20	-	0
RAK UNITY PET. COMP. PLC	16.99	0.30	-	0
<b>ADVERTISING</b>				
AFROMEDIA PLC	887.81	0.20	-	0
<b>AIRLINES</b>				
MEDVIEW AIRLINE PLC	15,796.05	1.62	-	0
<b>AUTOMOBILE/AUTO PART RETAILERS</b>				
R T BRISCOE PLC	235.27	0.20	-	0
<b>COURIER/FREIGHT/DELIVERY</b>				
RED STAR EXPRESS PLC	3,612.77	3.90	10.00	49
TRANS-NATIONWIDE EXPRESS PLC	361.01	0.77	-	0
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>				
TANTALIZERS PLC	642.33	0.20	-	0
<b>HOTELS/LODGING</b>				
CAPITAL HOTEL PLC	3,763.54	2.43	-	1
KEJA HOTEL PLC	1,746.19	0.84	-	2
TOURIST COMPANY OF NIGERIA PLC	7,076.28	3.15	-	0
TRANSCORP HOTELS PLC	30,401.62	4.00	-	0
<b>MEDIA/ENTERTAINMENT</b>				
DAAR COMMUNICATIONS PLC	3,960.00	0.33	-	2
<b>PRINTING/PUBLISHING</b>				
ACADEMY PRESS PLC	181.44	0.30	-	2
LEARN AFRICA PLC	825.45	1.07	-	5
STUDIO PRESS (NIG) PLC	1,064.85	1.79	-	0
UNIVERSITY PRESS PLC	703.20	1.63	9.40	6
<b>ROAD TRANSPORTATION</b>				
ASSOCIATED BUS COMPANY PLC	646.50	0.39	-2.50	4
<b>SPECIALTY</b>				
INTERLINK TECHNOLOGIES PLC	688.80	2.91	-	1
SECURE ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY PLC	1,126.31	0.20	-	0
<b>TRANSPORT-RELATED SERVICES</b>				
GLOBAL SPECTRUM ENERGY SERVICES PLC	3,720.00	4.65	-	0
NIGERIAN AVIATION HANDLING COMPANY PLC	3,378.38	2.08	-0.95	26



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I, formerly known as **HALADU MADUGU** Now wish to be known and addressed as **HALADU MOHAMMED MADUGU** and my DOB is **2/10/1976** All my documents remain Valid. Authority concerned and general public take note.

**AMADU,** I formerly known and addressed as **YAU ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **AMADU RABIU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**SAMMANI,** I formerly known and addressed as **SAMMANI IBRAHIM MUHAMMAD DATE 16/09/1988** now wish to be called and addressed as **SAMMANI IBRAHIM MOHD DATE 16/09/1998**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**ABDULLAHI:** I, formerly known as **ABDULLAHI TASIU**, now wish to be known and called **ABDULLAHI TASIU HUSSAINI**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

I, **IBRAHIM MODU**, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the names **IBRAHIM ALHAJI MODU** and **IBRAHIM MODU** are all referred to me and that I now wish to be known and addressed as **IBRAHIM MODU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public to take note.

I, formally known as **Ahmadu Abubakar** now wish to be known and addressed as **Ahmad Ahmad Abubakar Aliyu**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general Public to take note.

**IBRAHIM:** I formerly known **IBRAHIM HARUNA ALKALI**, now wish to be known and addressed as **IBRAHIM HARUNA**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities Concerned and the general public should please take note.

**AISHA,** I formerly known and addressed as **AISHA SHUAIBU DAYYABU** now wish to be called and addressed as **AISHA MAGAJI**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**AWAISU,** I formerly known and addressed as **SANI MUHAMMAD** and addressed as **AWAISU ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**IDRIS:** I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED MAHADI**, now wish to be known and called **IDRIS MOHAMMED MAHADI OLD D.O.B 28/08/1976 NEW D.O.B 26/08/1976**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

**IDRIS,** I formerly known as **IDRIS ADAMU ABUBAKAR** now wish to be known and called as **IDRIS ADAMU**. All former document remains valid. General public should take note.

**DIVINE:** I formerly known and addressed as **NDUBUISI DIVINE OBIAGELI** now wish to be known and addressed as **EJIOFOR NDUBUISI DIVINE OBIAGELI (MRS)**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public take note.

I formerly known as **HASSAN HARUNA**, now wish to be known and call as **HASSAN HARUNA MUHAMMAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public to note.

**ABDULQUDUS,** I formerly known and addressed as **BAMIDELE ABDULQUDUS** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULQUDUS HAMZA**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**YAHAYA,** I formerly known and addressed as **YAHAYA HARUNA UMAR DOB=5/4/1982** now wish to be called and addressed as **YAHAYA HARUNA DOB=1/1/1986**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**JOSEPH:** I, formerly known and addressed as **ALIRU OMOTAYO AWAYEWASERERE**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **JOSEPH OMOTAYO AWAYEWASERERE**. All former documents remain valid, General public please take note.

**ALI,** I formerly known as **YUSUF SALE**, now wish to be known and called as **ALI MUAZU NUHU**. All former document remains valid. **UBA BANK PLC** General public should take note.

**UGWU:** I, FORMERLY KNOWN AND CALLED **SAMUEL EJIOFOR MARTINE** NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN, CALLED AND ADDRESSED AS **UGWU MARTINS EJIOFOR**. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC, FIRST BANK OF NIGERIA AND OTHER AUTHORITIES CONCERNED SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

I was formally called **BUBA USMAN**. I now wish to be known and call **BUBA USMAN MANU**. All former documents remain valid. General public to note.

I formerly known as **IBRAHIM AMADU** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADAMU SALIHU IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid authority concern and general public to note.

**JIBRIN,** I formerly known and addressed as **JIBRIN UBALÉ** now wish to be called and addressed as **JIBRIN UBA**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**JOSHUA:** I, formerly known and addressed as **SOLOMON ABOSEDE ABIODUN**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **JOSHUA ABOSEDE ABIODUN**. All former documents remain valid, General public please take note.

**LAWAN:** I formerly known as **MOHA'D MOHAMMED MOH'D**, now wish to be known and called as **MOHAMMED MOHAMMED LAWAN**. All former document remains valid. **UBA BANK PLC** General public should take note.

**SAFIYA:** I, formerly known and addressed as **MOHAMMED SAFIYA SANI**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SANI SAFIYA**. My corrected date of birth is **04/01/1962**. All documents remain valid. Authority concerned and the general public to take note.

**HABIBA:** I, formerly known as **HABIBA MALAM DAUDA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **HABIBA DAUDA AKUYAM**. All former documents bearing my former name remain valid. Federal College of Education (FCE), Zaria, Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria and general public should please take note.

**HAFSAT,** I formerly known and addressed as **HAFSAT MUHAMMAD** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAFSAT MUHAMMAD AHMAD**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

Eunice: I, formerly known as **Eunice Aghogho ILEBRA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **Eunice Aghogho OGHENEGUEKE**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

**OLADAPO:** I, formerly known and addressed as **IDOWU TEJUMOLUWA GLORY**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **OLADAPO TEJUMOLUWA GLORY**. All former documents remain valid, General public please take note.

**BINYAMINU:** I formerly known as **ADAMU USMAN** now wish to be known and addressed as **BINYAMINU USMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General Public Should take note.

**MARK:** I formerly known and addressed as **COKER ADEDAMOLA OLUMIDE**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **MARK ADEDAMOLA COKER**. All former documents remain valid any authority concerned and general public take note.

**ISAH:** I, formerly known as **ISAH RABIU**, now wish to be known and addressed as **ISAH RABIU AKUYAM**. All former documents bearing my former name remain valid. Federal College of Education (FCE), Zaria and general public should please take note.

**RABI,** I formerly known and addressed as **HAJ RABI ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAJIYA RABI ADAMU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**ADAM:** I, formerly known as **ADAMU ZAHRADEEN**, now wish to be known and called **ADAM ZAHARADDIN MUKTAR**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

**RABIU:** I, formerly known and addressed as **AKINDOYENI IBKUNOLUWA ELIZABETH**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **RABIU IBKUNOLUWA ELIZABETH**. Due to change in marital status. All former documents remain valid. General public to please take note.

**DINI.** I formerly known as **ZAHARADEEN MUHAMMED**, now wish to be known and addressed as **DINI SAFIYANU**. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note.

**ONYEOGHANI:** I am known and addressed as **UCHE EMMMA ONYEOGHANI**, which is my correct name. But was wrongly written as **UCHE OMYEOGHANI**. All former documents remain valid any authority concerned and general public take note.

**ALEXANDER:** I, formerly known and addressed as **ONYECHE INALEGWU EMMANUEL** now wish to be known and addressed as **ALEXANDER EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.

**RABIU,** I formerly known and addressed as **ABUBAKAR ADAMU** now wish to be called and addressed as **RABIU HASSAN** and my date of birth is **01/01/1997**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**ABDULLAHI:** I, formerly known as **DALHATU KANI MUHAMMED**, now wish to be known and called **ABDULLAHI MUHAMMED D.O.B: 05/05/1999**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

**SANMISAYO:** I, formerly known and addressed as **Miss SANMISAYO DORCAS ODEBAMIKE**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **Mrs SANMISAYO DORCAS OLOYEDE**. All former documents remain valid, General public please take note.

**UMAR.** I formerly known as **UMAR SA'IDU MANSER**, now wish to be known and addressed as **UMAR SA'IDU**. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note.

**MUSTAPHA:** I, formerly known as **Lasi Shukurah Olufunmilola**, now wish to be known and addressed as **Mustapha shukurat funmilola**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

**HASSAN:** I formerly known as **HASSAN MUSA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **HASSAN MUSA ABDULLAHI**. All former documents remain valid, General public should please take note.

**MUSTAPHA,** I formerly known and addressed as **ALMUSTAPHA BISHIR BALA, MUSTAPHA BISHIR BALA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUSTAPHA BISHIR**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**EBERECHUKWU:** I, formerly known as **MR. ENEJE RICHARD CHIMEZIE** Of Aku, Igbo-Etiti Local Government Area of Enugu State. Now wish to be known and address as: **MR. EBERECHUKWU RICHARD CHIMEZIE** Of Umuaghohe Autonomous Community, Islekenesi, Ideato-South Local Government Area of IMO State. The general public please take note.

**CORRECTION OF NAMES** and **DATE OF BIRTH** My name was wrongly written as **Mudashiru Nimotalahi Omosalewa**. Instead of **Mudashir Nimotalahi Omosalewa**. My correct date of birth is **1/6/1981** not **1/6/1982**. All former documents remain valid, General public kindly take note.

**HAMSATU:** I formerly known as **HAMSATU JIDA** now wish to be known as **HAMSATU JIDDA YAKUBU**. All former document remain valid. General public should take note.

**AGBO:** I, formerly known as **AGBO QUEEN VICTORIA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **AGBO VICTORIA ENE**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

**SANI:** I formerly known as **SANI ISA USMAN**, now wish to be known as **SANI ISHAK USMAN**. All former documents remain valid, general public take note.

**ABDULKADIR,** I formerly known and addressed as **ABDULKARIM UMAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULKADIR UMAR**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**RASHIDA:** I, formerly known as **RASHIDA BELLO**, now wish to be known and addressed as **RASHIDA AHMAD**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

**OKE:** I, formerly known and addressed as **OKE OLAJUMOKE OMOLARA**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **OKE OLAJUMOKE SUSAN**. All former documents remain valid, General public please take note.

**SALEH** I formerly known as **UMAR IBRAHIM** now wish to be known and addressed as **UMAR SALEH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

**MUSA:** I formally known and address as **MUSA ISHAKA** now wish to be call and address as **MUSA ABDULLAHI** all former documents remain valid authority concern and general public should take note.

**MUSTAPHA:** I formerly known and address as **HAJJA BUKAR MUSATAPHA** now wish to be known and address as **FATI BUKAR MUSTAPHA** All former documents remained valid. General public should take note please.

**SHUAIBU,** I formerly known and addressed as **SHUAIBU IDRIS** now wish to be called and addressed as **SHUAIBU IDRIS GEZAWA**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**TIJJANI:** I formerly known as **TIJJANI MAGAJI BALA** now wish to be called and addressed as **TIJJANI MAGAJI** all former documents remain valid. Any authority concern and general public should please take note.

**CORRECTION OF NAME SADU:** I, formerly known and addressed as **SADU YINUSA FUNSHO RAMAN TAYE**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **SADU YINUSA FUNSO**. All former documents remain valid, General public please take note.

**HABU** I formerly known as **HABU MUSA** now wish to be known and addressed as **HABU MUHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

**AMADU:** I, formerly known as **ADAMU HASSAN**, now wish to be known and addressed as **AMADU HASSAN**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

**KATUMBA:** I formerly known as **TATU BAKO** now wish to be known and addressed as **RAMATU KATUMBA**. All former documents remain valid, General public should please take note.

**MUSA,** I formerly known and addressed as **MUSA IDRIS MUHAMMAD** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUSA MUHAMMAD IDRIS**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and members of the general public should please take note.

**AUWAL:** I, formerly known as **SANI MOHAMMED ALIYU**, now wish to be known and called **AUWAL IBRAHIM**, old date of birth: **11/06/1999**, new date of birth: **13 December 1998**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.

I formerly known as **UMAR MAIDUNIYA USMAN** now wish to be known as **UMAR USMAN** and date of birthday from **20 November 1982** to **5 MAY 1982**. All former document remain valid, public to take note.

**UMAR** I formerly known as **UMAR ALHASSAN** now wish to be known and addressed as **UMAR ALHASSAN ABDULLAHI**. All former documents remain valid. DOB **05/05/1995** to **01/01/1999** General public should please take note.

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**Sort Code: 011084060**

**Bank: UBA Plc**  
**Account No: 1007117397**  
**Sort Code: 033080013**

**Bank: GTBank Plc**  
**Account No: 0024570856**  
**Sort Code: 058083231**

**Requirement for Change of Name**  
**Women: Marriage Certificate or Court Affidavit; Men: Court Affidavit**



**IBRAHIM: I**, formerly known as **BABANGIDA MUHAMMAD** now wish to be known and addressed as **IBRAHIM ABUBAKAR LAWANTI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note.

**MANSUR I** formally known as **MANSUR UMAR FANA** now wish to be known and addressed as **UMAR ABDULSALAM** all former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

**EMEKA: I** formally known as **OKEKE EMEKA CLETUS**, now wish to be known and addressed as **OKEKE EMEKA**, All former documents remain valid, Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

**ZARA: I** formerly known as **RAMATU MOHAMMED** now wish to be known as **ZARA ALHAJI ALI**. All former document remain valid. General public should take note

**MRS. NWAEBE = I**, formerly known as **MISS. CHILAKA CHRITY IHUAKU**. Now wish to be known as **MRS. NWAEBE CHARITY IHUAKU**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The general public should please take note.

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**DAHIRU I** formerly known as **DAHIRU YAKUBU** now wish to be known and addressed as **DAHIRU BABANGIDA** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

**KAUSARA I** formerly known as **LAWAL KAUSARA** now wish to be known and addressed as **ADEDEFE KAUSARA**. All former documents remain valid concerned authority and general public should take note.

**SAIDU: I** formally known as **HUSSAINI KANAWA SAIDU**, now wish to be known and addressed as **HUSSAINI SAIDU**, All former documents remain valid, Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

**MOHAMMED: I** formerly known as **USMAN YADIMA** now wish to be known as **MOHAMMED USMAN**. All former document remain valid. General public should take note.

**MRS. INYANG = I**, formerly known as **INYANG ANI ADDO**. Now wish to be known as **MRS. INYANG KOKO ABDULLAHI ADDO**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The general public should please take note.

**ABUBAKAR : I** formerly known as **ABUBAKAR ADAMU** now wish to be known as **ABUBAKAR ADAMU BIRMA**. All former document remain valid. General public should take note.

**ISAH: I**, formerly known as **GIDADO YAU JARMAI** now wish to be known and addressed as **ISAH BANGA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note.

**MOHAMMED: I** formally known as **SALISU MUHAMMED**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SALISU MOHAMMED**, All former documents remain valid, Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

**BABAGANA: I** formerly known as **BABAGANA MOHAMMED LAMINU** now wish to be known as **BABAGANA MELEH MASU**. All former document remain valid. General public should take note.

**OSHIOWE: I**, formerly known as **EKPE WILLIAMS**, now wish to be known and addressed as **OSHIOWE WILLIAMS EKPE**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
This is to inform the general public of the Loss of **Original Allocation Paper of Plot No. 268** situated at **Rijiyar Zaki Quarters of Ungogo Local Government Area of Kano State** belonging to **Hajiya Zahra'u Mukhtar of Tudun Yola Quarters** who bought the said Plot from **Haruna Kano Kwari** on **14th day of July, 2008** is hereby declared missing. All efforts to trace the said document proved abortive. Ungogo Local Government and Authorities concerned should please take note

**LOSS OF DOCUMENTS**  
This is to inform the general public of the Loss of **Original NYSC Certificate with State Code No. ZM/15A/1500** issued by **National Youth Service Corps (NYSC)** on **14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016**. Belonging to **IBRAHIM SALEH** of **No. 6, Magaji Road, Badarawa, Kaduna State**. All efforts to trace the said document proved abortive. Authorities concerned should please take note

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
This is to inform the general public of the Loss of **Original Allocation Paper of Plot No. 217** situated at **Rijiyar Zaki Quarters of Ungogo Local Government Area of Kano State** belonging to **Hajiya Zahra'u Mukhtar of Tudun Yola Quarters** who bought the said Plot from **Haruna Kano Kwari** on **14th day of July, 2008** is hereby declared missing. All efforts to trace the said document proved abortive. Ungogo Local Government and Authorities concerned should please take note

**LEGAL NOTICE IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY, ABUJA.**  
Whereas the person/persons whose name is set out in the first column hereunder died intestate on the date and place in the said column. And whereas the person(s) whose name and address is set out in the second column hereunder claimed the relationship of the said deceased and has applied to above named court for the grant letters of administration of the personal property. Notice is hereby given that the said letters of administration be granted to such person(s) unless **"NOTICE TO PROHIBIT"** the grant thereof is filed in the probate registry of the above named court within twenty one (21) days from the date of publication.  
**SCHEDULE**  
**DECEASED NAME AND ADDRESS** **APPLICANTS FOR GRANT**  
**ECHENDU PASCHAL CHINASA** WHO DIED ON THE **6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2020** AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE **AEDC, ABUJA.** **ECHENDU BLESSING AND PASCHAL MARIA - BLESSING ONYEDIKACHI** OF **40 JOS STREET AREA 3 GARKI ABUJA.** WIDOW AND DAUGHTER.  
**DATED AT ABUJA THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2020**  
SIGNED:  
**MUHAMMAD MUSTAPHA ADAMU**  
CHIEF REGISTRAR

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**SCHEDULE**  
**DECEASED NAME AND ADDRESS** **APPLICANTS FOR GRANT**  
**HALIMA ZUBAIR RABIU** WHO DIED ON THE **2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2020** AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE **ABUJA ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION COMPANY.** **MEMUNATU OGEDEMBE OJOGUN (A.K.A) JIMOH MEMUNATU GUARDIAN TO MUHAMMED ASHIRAF RABIU AND HAYAT RABIU** OF **NO 83, CHOOSE ESTATE ABUJA.** MOTHER AND SON AND SON.  
**DATED AT ABUJA THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2020**  
SIGNED:  
**MUHAMMAD MUSTAPHA ADAMU**  
CHIEF REGISTRAR

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**SCHEDULE**  
**DECEASED NAME AND ADDRESS** **APPLICANTS FOR GRANT**  
**OLANREWAJU LARRY BADMUS** WHO DIED ON THE **29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020** AND WAS WORKING WITH **AGIP - NIGERIAN AGIP OIL COMPANY (RETIRED).** **ANTHONIA IYABODE BADMUS GUARDIAN TO OLUWABENGA BADMUS AND OLUWATOYIN MOSURAT BADMUS** OF **HOUSE 3, PLOT 13, BOLA AJIBOLA CRESCENT KATAMPE EXT. ABUJA.** MOTHER AND SON AND SISTER.  
**DATED AT ABUJA THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2020**  
SIGNED:  
**MUHAMMAD MUSTAPHA ADAMU**  
CHIEF REGISTRAR

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**SCHEDULE**  
**DECEASED NAME AND ADDRESS** **APPLICANTS FOR GRANT**  
**MUHAMMAD MAIDABO GORONYO ABUBAKAR** WHO DIED ON THE **5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2020** AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE **FEDERAL HOUSING AUTHORITY.** **HADIZA MUHAMMAD GORONYO AND ABUBAKAR SADIQ MUHAMMAD** OF **PLOT EN3074, 4<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, 43 CRESCENT GWARIMPA ABUJA.** DAUGHTER AND SON.  
**DATED AT ABUJA THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2020**  
SIGNED:  
**MUHAMMAD MUSTAPHA ADAMU**  
CHIEF REGISTRAR

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**SCHEDULE**  
**DECEASED NAME AND ADDRESS** **APPLICANTS FOR GRANT**  
**GARBA TUMBA** WHO DIED ON THE **15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2020** AND WAS **RETIRED.** **ALI GARBA TUMBA AND AMINA GARBA** OF **FRCN ABUJA.** SON AND DAUGHTER.  
**DATED AT ABUJA THIS 28TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2020**  
SIGNED:  
**MUHAMMAD MUSTAPHA ADAMU**  
CHIEF REGISTRAR

**LOSS OF DOCUMENTS**  
THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE LOSS OF ORIGINAL RE-CERTIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTER AND PHOTOCOPY OF ACKNOWLEDGED RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY (R OF O) and related documents IN RESPECT OF FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL LTD, WITH THE FOLLOWING DETAILS: FILE NO. MISC 54084. PLOT NO. 1113, KAURA DISTRICT, CADASTRAL ZONE B11 Abuja. MEASURING ABOUT 3890.88SQM. ALL EFFORTS TO TRACE THE SAID DOCUMENTS PROVED ABORTIVE, IF FOUND OR ANY INFORMATION, CONTACT FCT LAND DEPARTMENT- AGIS or MOHAMMED SAGIR HAMIDU of PLOT 23, Block 12B, Wuse 2 Abuja. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

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**Sort Code: 011084060**

**Bank: UBA Plc**  
**Account No: 1007117397**  
**Sort Code: 033080013**

**Bank: GTBank Plc**  
**Account No: 0024570856**  
**Sort Code: 058083231**

**LOSS OF DOCUMENT**  
THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS HEREBY INFORMED THE LOSS OF ORIGINAL RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY (R OF O) IN RESPECT OF PLOT NUMBER 1164 CADASTRAL ZONE BO8 JAHI DISTRICT FCT ABUJA DATED 11/18/98, WITH NEW FILE NUMBER KD11308 DATED 03/22/07, BELONGING TO NAOMI ABBA. ALL EFFORTS MADE TO TRACE THE SAID DOCUMENT PROVED ABORTIVE. IF FOUND, PLEASE RETURN TO THE NEAREST POLICE STATION. GENERAL PUBLIC TO PLEASE TAKE NOTE.  
SIGNED:  
**JOSEPH KALAT ABBA**  
ADMINISTRATOR FOR ESTATE OF NAOMI ABBA



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<b>AJEH CHUKWUWEIKE CHRISTOPHER</b> WHO DIED ON THE 15 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2020 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE AJAOKUTA STEEL COMPANY (KOGI STATE) RTD.	<b>AJEH CHINEDU CYTHIA AND AJEH JOSEPH ANTHONY</b> OF DUTSE ABUJA. DAUGHTER AND SON.

DATED AT ABUJA THIS 27TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2020  
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<b>ALIYU YERIMA</b> WHO DIED ON THE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2020 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE LEA PRIMARY SCHOOL GWAGWA.	<b>SULEIMAN ALIYU AND ASIBI IBRAHIM</b> OF KAGINI VILLAGE AMAC FCT ABUJA. BROTHER AND WIDOW

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<b>MRS. GOODLUCK OGBENYEALU ERONDU</b> WHO DIED ON THE 18 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2020 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE STRATTON HOTEL LIMITED, ASOKORO.	<b>CHIDERA IHEANACHO LINUS AND VIVIAN ERONDU AMUCHE</b> OF NO. 1, UCHE STEPHEN STR., A S O P A D A , M A R A R A B A , NASARAWA STATE. SON AND DAUGHTER.

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<b>OSUJI GLORY ONUWA</b> WHO DIED ON THE 18 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE OPTICIANS REG - BOARD OF NIGERIA.	<b>EZE STELLA NGOZI AND EZE EMMANUEL CHINAZAEKPERE</b> OF ZONE 4, EXTENSION, LUGBE ABUJA. MOTHER AND BROTHER.

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<b>SALAMI SUSAN AJOKI</b> WHO DIED ON THE 9 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE NIGERIA SECURITY AND CIVIL DEFENCE CORPS.	<b>SALAMI MOBOLAJI S. GRD TO AND EZEKIEL SALAMI</b> OF NO 18 NOSA AMAGBOR STR. F. 01 KUBWA ABUJA. WIDOWER AND SON.

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<b>WILLIAMS JERRY DOGO (A.K.A) DANLADI</b> WHO DIED ON THE 4 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2020 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE L.E.A (AMAC).	<b>SARATU ADUKWA (A.K.A) DOGO SARAH AND DOGO SAMUEL AND HELEN DOGO</b> OF OPP. LE.A PRIMARY SCHOOL ZUBA, ABUJA. WIDOW AND SON AND DAUGHTER.

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<b>MR. EMMANUEL AKPAN ESHIET</b> WHO DIED ON THE 2 <sup>ND</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL COURT OF NIGERIA.	<b>MRS. REGINA EMMANUEL ESHIET</b> GUARDIAN TO AND <b>MASTER SOLOMON EMMANUEL ESHIET</b> OF PLOT 4 OSISIOGU STREET UTAKO, FCT - ABUJA. WIDOW AND SON.

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<b>SIMON GODWIN IDOKO</b> WHO DIED ON THE 13 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019 AND WAS AN APPLICANT.	<b>SIMON JOHN IDOKO AND AKOR MONICA ENE</b> OF BLK. 41, ROOM 4, AREA A NYANYA, ABUJA. BROTHER AND SISTER.

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<b>CHUBADO MAHMUD MUHAMMAD</b> WHO DIED ON THE 24 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE TIDDO SECURITIES LIMITED.	<b>MUHAMMAD ABDURRAHMAN MODIBBO AND MUHAMMAD ZAINAB GRD TO AISHA MAHMUD CHUBADO</b> OF NO. 10, FRED SIMON STREET, BEHIND CITY COLLEGE MARARABA NASARAWA STATE. BROTHER.

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<b>MRS. ODOM CALLISTA CHIKERE</b> WHO DIED ON THE 28 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019.	<b>AUSTELL NNANYERE IHEDIOHA</b> OF BWARI NEW EXTENSION FCT, ABUJA. SON.

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<b>MOHAMMED USMAN</b> WHO DIED ON THE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2020 AND WAS A PRIVATE BUSINESS MAN.	<b>ABDULJAWAAD MOHAMMED AND ABDULJABBAR MOHAMMED</b> OF BLK. 4, FLAT 3, PHASE 2, SITE 1 KUBWA, FCT ABUJA. SON AND SON.

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<b>STEPHEN H. MOSES</b> WHO DIED ON THE 16 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE NATIONAL IRON ORE MINING COMPANY LTD, OKENE.	<b>MOSES ELEJO DORCAS</b> OF BEHIND RONACS SCH, SHADADI KUJE ABUJA. DAUGHTER.

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<b>A Y O D A B O H A K E E M ADETOKUNBO</b> WHO DIED ON THE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2019 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE FED. MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT.	<b>AYODABO ENIOLA FATIMA AND ADETOKUNBO OLUWAKEMI</b> OF ABATOWA MPAPE CRUSHED ROCK ABUJA. DAUGHTER AND WIDOW.

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<b>UGWUOBIORA WILFRED</b> WHO DIED ON THE 30 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019 AND WAS SELF EMPLOYED.	<b>U G W U A G A T H A NKEMFURU AND OBIORA CYRIL CHUKWUKAMA</b> OF JIKWOYI PHASE 2, ABUJA. WIDOW AND SON.

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<b>SULE KOGI</b> WHO DIED ON THE 29 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2016 AND WAS WORKING UNDER THE NIGERIA POLICE FORCE.	<b>A M O S B R I D G E T</b> GUARDIAN TO AND <b>JENIFER AMOS</b> OF MASAKA NASARAWA STATE. DAUGHTER AND DAUGHTER.

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## House committee fumes over Abuja-Kano road project

Richard P. Ngbokai, Kano

The House of Representatives' Committee on Works over the weekend inspected the ongoing construction work on the Abuja-Kano road, as well as Kano-Katsina roads and expressed dissatisfaction with the work pace.

Among the projects inspected included the 165 km Zuba-Kaduna road, 75 km Kaduna-Zaria road, and Zaria to Kano roads being handled by Julius Berger Construction Company.

Other projects inspected by the lawmakers were Kano western bypass and Kano-Katsina roads being handled by Dantata & Sawoe Construction Company and a Chinese consortium, China Civil Engineering Construction Company (CCECC) respectively.

Some of the lawmakers who spoke to journalist about their discoveries during the tour lamented the way the projects are being handled, describing it as

disappointing.

At western bypass in Kano, the lawmakers had to suspend their oversight inspection indefinitely because the management of the company handling the project, Dantata & Sawoe was not properly represented to respond to questions arising from their discoveries.

The Committee Chairman, Engr. Abubakar Kabir Bichi was visibly angry as he called off the inspection over what he described as unfortunate conduct of the company's management which he alleged deliberately refused to avail itself to clear some grey issues about the project.

"As far as we are concerned, we wrote to them informing them that we are coming. We expect to see their management or someone that can take responsibility on their behalf. In view of this, we adjourn this exercise indefinitely," he said.

Daily Trust learnt that the Kano

western bypass project involves the construction of 26.6km dual carriageway starting from Naibawa Km10 to Kano-Kaduna road; route50 (A2) and ending at Dawanau village Km 15 on the Kano-Katsina road route 95 (A9) was initially awarded in 2007 as an extension of the Kano-Maiduguri dual carriageway.

The contract was awarded on 25th April 2007 at the sum of N13,226, 801, 593.27 and has an initial commencement date of 20th May 2007, and the initial contract period of 36 months which ended on the 20th of May 2010.

Though the contractors said the contract was at 98 percent level of completion, the lawmakers were however not happy over the laxity that characterised the handling of the project.

Kabiru Alhassan Rurum, representing Rano, Kibiya, and Bunkure federal constituency, disclosed that out of 173km Kaduna-Kano road, only 30km has been completed.

According to Rurum, "We started the tour from Zuba, that is the 00 levels to Kaduna; from Kaduna to Zaria, from Zaria to Kano, and as the chairman and the entire committee rightly stated we are not happy with the way and manner the work is being done.

Earlier when the team visited the Kano State Governor, Dr Abdullahi Umar Ganduje at the Government House, Engr. Kabir said "Despite collecting N70 billion out of the N155 billion total sum of the contract, Berger is still yet to do substantial work on the projects and the contract tenure is 36 months and the company spent 26 months on the project and they have only 9 months remaining.

"In phase one of the project, from Zuba to Kaduna, unfortunately, only 10 km has been executed out of the 165 km while from Kaduna to Zaria only five to six km completed out of the 75 km, then from Zaria to Kano, only 11km executed."

## Housewife abducted 4 days after giving birth in Taraba

From Magaji Isa Hunkuyi, Jalingo

A housewife has been abducted by armed men suspected to be kidnappers at Namne village in Gassol Local Government Area of Taraba State on Saturday, four days after he gave birth.

Zainab Buba, a 25-year-old housewife, it was gathered, gave birth to a baby boy four days ago and was kidnapped from her room at midnight.

The kidnappers left the newborn baby behind even when the kidnapped mother insisted she wanted to carry her baby along.

Daily Trust further gathered that Zainab's husband, Buba Maianguwa is a traditional ruler.

It was learnt that the gunmen targeted Buba who was said to have some herds of cows, but he managed to escape through the back of the house when they arrived.

Residents of the village, it was gathered, have organised a search party in an attempt to rescue the nursing mother whose baby has been crying as it was put under the care of another nursing mother in the village.

The kidnappers, Daily Trust gathered, have called Buba Maianguwa, the husband of Zainab and demanded a ransom.

Police spokesman in the state DSP David Misal could not be reached for comment as his line was switched off when our reporter called him.

## Blasphemy: Kano Ulama, NGOs back court verdict

From Ibrahim Musa Giginyu, Kano

The Ulama and non-government organisations (NGOs) in Kano under the auspices of Coalition of Ulama and NGOs in Kano State have expressed support for the death verdict on Kano singer for blasphemy against the Holy Prophet (SAW).

The support came in a statement issued by the coalition chairman, Professor Musa Muhammad Borodo, which said the prompt arrest and prosecution of the suspect saved the situation.

It added that the coalition is saddened by the unfortunate and insensitive commentaries and the reaction of some "so-called" human rights activists, Amnesty International, and some interest groups who faulted the ruling on the case without recourse to the extant law applicable to the offender and the environment the offence was committed.

The statement also commended the state governor, Dr Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, for expressing his willingness to respect the law and the sensibility of the people he leads.



## NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL (NECO)

KM 8, BIDA ROAD, MINNA NIGER STATE

### PRESS STATEMENT

#### DEADLINE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF SCHOOLS AND EXAMINATION CANDIDATES FOR THE 2020 NECO SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (SSCE)

The National Examinations Council (NECO) wishes to remind all stakeholders and the general public that the deadline for the registration of schools and examination candidates for the 2020 Senior School Certificate Examination (SSCE) is Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 and will not be subject to extension as approved by the Federal Ministry of Education. This is to enable efficient and effective planning for the examination logistics required for the smooth conduct of the 2020 NECO SSCE (Internal)

NECO hereby reminds all stakeholders and the

general public that 2020 NECO SSCE (Internal) will commence on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 and end on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.

We also use this opportunity to notify all stakeholders that the schedule and Examination Time-Table for the 2020 SSCE (External) will soon be released.

Signed:  
**Registrar/Chief Executive**  
NECO

31<sup>st</sup> August, 2020



## Fulani leader counters Gani Adams, says no ISIS militant hiding in S/West

From Abdullateef Aliyu, Lagos

The Serikin Fulani of Oyo State, Alhaji Salihu Abdulkadir yesterday faulted the Aare Onakakanfo of Yorubaland and the leader of Oodua Peoples Congress (OPC), Otunba Gani Adams over his recent comments that terrorists are hiding in some communities and villages in the state.

The Fulani leader said the statement credited to Adams is unfortunate coming from a person of

his calibre, saying there is no iota of truth in the claim.

Aare Gani Adams recently in an interview with BBC Yoruba claimed that some armed men working for the terrorist organisation, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), are hiding in the thick forests of Ibarapa, Shaki, Oke Ogun and Igbo Ora communities in Oyo State with a plan to launch an attack in the region.

Speaking with Daily Trust yesterday, Abdulkadir, who is also the President of Jamu Nati Fulbe, the

foremost Fulani organisation in the Yoruba speaking area of the South West, said there was no evidence to back up Gani Adams' claim, stressing that it was further from the truth.

He said a personality of Aare of Yoruba land caliber should not have made such allegation, which he described as not only spurious but another ploy to tag the Fulani herdsmen leaving peacefully in the South West.

The Fulani leader said, "I am the Serikin Fulani in Oyo State and I live

at Ibarapa; I have never heard or seen any ISIS terrorist hiding in our communities.

"This kind of comments shouldn't have come from Aare. I am familiar with the terrain he is talking about; I know the whole of Igbo Ora and Ibarapa and I can tell you categorically that nothing of such exists. Also, there was no report from the security operatives as to the existence of any armed group whether of ISIS or whatever planning an attack."

## SERAP sues Buhari over 'N800bn recovered loot'

From Adelanwa Bamgboye, Lagos

Socio-Economic Rights and Accountability Project (SERAP) has filed a lawsuit against President Muhammadu Buhari over failure to "disclose information and documents relating to the names of people from whom N800 billion in looted public funds have been recovered, specific dates of the recovery, and details of projects on which the money has been spent."

In the suit last Friday at the Federal High Court, Abuja, SERAP is seeking: "an order for leave to apply for judicial review and an order of mandamus to direct and/or compel President Buhari to publish a comprehensive list of names of people from whom N800 billion in looted funds have been recovered, the details of spending of the money, and the specific dates of the recovery."

SERAP is also seeking: "an order of mandamus to direct and compel President Buhari to instruct appropriate anti-corruption agencies to promptly, thoroughly and transparently investigate the alleged payment of N51 billion of public funds into individual private accounts in 2019."

Joined in the suit as respondents are Mr Abubakar Malami, SAN, Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, and Mrs Zainab Ahmed, Minister of Finance, Budget, and National Planning.

In the suit, SERAP is arguing that: "The court ought to compel the respondents to disclose the details and whereabouts of the public funds. There is no legally justifiable reason why the information should not be made widely available to Nigerians, especially as the Nigerian Constitution of 1999 (as amended) requires the government in section 15(5) to abolish all forms of corruption."

The suit followed SERAP's Freedom of Information (FoI) request dated 13 June, 2020 to President Buhari, stating that: "The public has a right to know-how recovered N800bn loot has been spent, and the details and purpose of the alleged payments of N51bn into individual private accounts..."

No date has been fixed for the hearing of the suit.



■ The Emir of Kano, Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero (left) with the Group Managing Director/CEO of KAM Holding Dr. Kamoru Yusuf (2nd right) and other traditional chiefs, during the monarch's arrival at the Ilorin International Airport in Kwara State

## Jibia IDPs recount rape, robbery ordeal

From Tijjani Ibrahim, Katsina

Residents of some border communities in Jibia Local Government Area of Katsina State, whose villages were invaded by bandits lately, have recounted their ordeal.

On Thursday, 27 2020, the people of Tsambaye, Zango Mai Rumbuna and Karauki villages, men, women, and children decided to desert their houses, farmlands and the remnants of their belongings to take shelter in the Jibia Central Primary School in order to escape bandits harassment and torment in the area.

When Daily Trust visited the camp, some of the IDPs narrated how their villages were frequented by the bandits during which women, especially younger ones were raped, sometimes by a gang;

while men were mercilessly beaten, and those who attempted resistance were murdered, with belongings carted away or vandalised.

One of the victims of rape told our reporter that a man was butchered with a cutlass, while two women were abducted, with one of the abducted a nursing mother taken along with her infant.

"Today is the third time when that man was killed in our village and before then, two women were abducted, one of them recently delivered a baby, but those merciless kidnappers took them away and did not even allow her to take a piece of clothing with which to wrap her baby. Only God knows the condition of the baby now as they are still there with", she said emotionally.

A young lady, Rabi, said eight men

were killed when the bandits invaded their village, including the village head.

"Almost every middle-aged lady was raped in our village that night, either by one person or by a group of the bandits. They have beaten our men including even the younger ones and took our foodstuff away..." she narrated.

One of the leaders of the affected communities who didn't want his name mentioned, said his daughter was abducted, while he was robbed and beaten up by the bandits, with their domestic animals and poultry carted away.

They called on the governments at all levels to consider their plight, saying "We are in a dire situation, we cannot continue to remain here (in the school) and we cannot go back to our former place if the situation remains like that."

## Former Adamawa governor laid to rest

By Amina Abdullahi, Yola

The body of defunct Gongola State Governor, Wilberforce Bafta Juta has been finally laid to rest in his residence in Pakka of Maiha Local Government Area of Adamawa State.

There was total adherence to the COVID-19 protocol as mourners were seen observing social distance and wearing a face mask at the cathedral LCCN church in Yola where the funeral

service took place.

Governor of Adamawa State, Ahmadu Umaru Fintiri said the death of the former ambassador is a tremendous loss to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in the state and the entire nation.

The state Deputy Governor, Chief Crowther Seth, who represented the governor at the burial, praised the late governor's commitment and his versatility of knowledge.

Deputy Governor of Taraba State, Haruna Manu said the late Juta had fostered unity and development in the two states and lauded his exemplary efforts in leadership.

Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF), Boss Mustapha, who represented the presidency, said the 76-year-old late Juta was his principal in secondary school, saying Adamawa people should accept his demise as an act of God.

## Daura transport varsity: Construction begins September 2020 - Amaechi

From Tijjani Ibrahim, Katsina

Minister of Transport, Mr Rotimi Amaechi has disclosed that the construction work of the Chinese-assisted University of Transportation, Daura, will commence in September, this year.

Mr Amaechi disclosed this Saturday when he paid a courtesy call on Governor Aminu Bello Masari at government house, Katsina.

The minister expressed gratitude to the governor for the provision of land for the project, saying that the contractors were currently clearing and

building the fence of the university.

The project, he said, was a donation by the Government of China through the Chinese Civil Engineering Construction Company (CCECC), adding that the government had made a request for the CCECC to include a primary and secondary school in the

project.

He said a team from the federal ministry of transport had accepted to do the consultancy work on the project.

In his remarks, Governor Masari expressed appreciation to the federal ministry of transport for locating the university in Daura.





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■ Victor Osimhen

## 'Osimhen not experiencing any kind of pressure at Napoli'

William D'Avila, the agent of Napoli forward Victor Osimhen, has stated that the Nigerian does not feel under pressure at the club.

The 21-year-old has been making headlines since his big-money move from Lille and showed a glimpse of his quality when he scored a

hat-trick and provided an assist in an 11-0 routing of L'Aquila in the Partenopei's training camp at Castel di Sangro on Friday.

Such a performance only makes the excitement around Osimhen even stronger, something which the former Wolfsburg man is pleased about.

"We are extremely happy with Victor's performance. He called

me and confessed that he was extremely happy for the first goals for the Azzurri," D'Avila told Radio Punto Nuovo.

"If he feels the pressure now? No, why should he? He's not experiencing any kind of pressure, he knows how to be a great striker. His goal is to score a lot of goals, so no pressure.

"His first impressions on

Napoli and Gattuso? Perfect, everything. Victor already feels at home."

When quizzed on whether Napoli will be able to return to the Champions League next season, having settled for a Europa League spot by winning the Coppa Italia, D'Avila said: "Absolutely yes, it is the goal of Victor and all his teammates."

## World Athletics unhappy with sports ministry's handling of AFN crisis

By Olusola 'Jide @jide\_olusola

The international governing body for the sport of athletics, World Athletics (WA), has written to the Federal Ministry of Youths and Sports Development expressing its displeasure over the leadership crisis within the Athletics Federation of Nigeria (AFN).

In a letter dated 27th August 2020 and signed by the Chief Executive Officer, Jon Ridgeon, the World Athletics body said the crisis could have been resolved in accordance with the process laid out in the constitution.

It will be recalled that the Court of Appeal sitting in Abuja struck out the stay of execution application filed by the sports ministry over the recognition of Engineer Ibrahim Shehu Gusau as AFN president.

"Over the last few months our office has received communication addressed to our President from your Ministry concerning the status of Mr Shehu-Gusau as the President of AFN, the contents of which have been noted.

"Naturally, we are disappointed that the dispute has resulted in court proceedings when it could have been resolved in accordance with the process laid out in the constitution," the letter read.



■ Poster girl of Nigerian athletics, Blessing Okagbare at the 2013 World Athletics Championship in Moscow

The World Athletics acknowledged the AFN special congress held on 4th December 2019 where a new constitution was approved but expressed its "doubt about the status of that new constitution between the different factions within the AFN."

The body stated that it awaits the final verdict of the Court of Appeal while declaring that it has been corresponding with

Engr Ibrahim Shehu-Gusau about the crisis as well as the allegations.

"According to our records, we understand that the mandate of the Board, including the President, is until June 2021.

"It seems to us that whatever the outcome of the court proceedings in order to ensure there is no ambiguity and all stakeholders are absolutely clear it will become

necessary to engage with the membership of the AFN on the status of the constitution and the President, whoever that may be in the future, to ensure they have their constitutional endorsement.

"As I am sure you will agree, ultimately these are matters for the membership to manage, consider and decide in the long-term," said the international body.

## Ex-Falcons star, Avre welcomes first child at 44

Former Nigeria international Patience Avre has announced the birth of her first child.

The former Super Falcons striker has become a mother at age 44 following her announcement of the birth of her first baby on Friday.

Following her safe delivery, Avre has since joined her husband at their home in Chicago, Illinois, in the USA celebrating the birth of a new baby boy, Oritse Laju.

Days after returning home, she took to social media to share a video message of her dancing with her husband with the baby on Sunday.

"Our bundle of joy is here. We are grateful for the gift of him," Avre posted on her Instagram page.

"God made all things beautiful in his time. In his time, the perfect time he gave Oritse Laju to us. Our beloved son, Laju in whom we are well pleased. You're welcome to our world of wonders. You are a priceless awesome gift to us and your generation.

"Oh, how I love your cute loving face. How I love your chuckling, your sweet smiles light up stars in my bowels. I bless you today and always. You will live to fulfil your purpose. You grow tall, strong, and healthy."

## Ogun All Stars bemoan deplorable state of Muda Lawal stadium

From Peter Moses, Abeokuta

Ex-football players in Ogun State yesterday bemoaned the deplorable condition of Late Super Eagles midfield maestro, Mudashiru Babatunde Lawal's Stadium in Asero, Abeokuta where a number of football stars have played in the past.

The ex-footballers under the umbrella of All Stars Football Club, Asero branch equally expressed displeasure over the state of sport activities in the State, which they described as "dead."

The President, All stars football club, Asero branch, Salmon Akinbo expressed this view when the executive members of Sports Writers Association of Nigeria (SWAN), Ogun state chapter paid a visit to the association of former players.

Akinbo who described the stadium as 'iconic pitch' which has produced football stars expressed regret that the state government has abandoned the stadium to be taken over by weeds and reptiles.

"Muda Lawal stadium is an iconic pitch

that has produced many football icons. Government in the state has continued to pay lip service to renovation of the stadium.

"The poor state of the stadium is worrisome, even the cleaning of the pitch has been put in our custody. Attention has been given to MKO Abiola stadium at Kuto, but this is where football kicked off in Ogun state.

"We attempted to seek private support to uplift the stadium, but we are handicapped because we have

limited resources.

"We are also afraid because we have been informed that the state government wants to sell or concession the stadium to a private company. The emphasis here is to resuscitate this stadium not to sell," he said.

Responding, the SWAN Chairman, Alhaji Hakeem Akintunde commended the veteran footballers for keeping the legacy of late Mudashiru Lawal alive.

Akintunde assured the ex-soccer stars of SWAN's support at all times.



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## Short fuse of FFK

**H**ow can anybody in Femi Fani-Kayode's position not have a short fuse in today's Nigeria? The people who are criticizing him for admitting that he has a short fuse and is liable to explode at what they think is a journalist's harmless question, know not what they are talking about.

To the critics, it looked reasonable that Daily Trust's Calabar correspondent Eyo Charles asked FFK who is bankrolling his trips around PDP-controlled states to inspect projects. What is harmless about that question? You mean in this Nigeria, a man should disclose that a state governor shoved a bag full of naira notes and an envelop full of scarce foreign exchange into his pockets in order for him to come to his state, "inspect" carefully selected and well dressed-up projects and then try to convince the world that the governor is doing a wonderful job?

Look, do you even know how projects are chosen in Nigeria before a VIP's visit to inspect or to commission them? Senator Aliyu Magatakarda Wamakko once told me a story, that when he was the military-appointed Sole Administrator of Sokoto Local Government in the 1980s, Government House lined up a project to be commissioned by a visiting VIP. Trouble was, the project was uncompleted but it was already listed in the protocol schedule for the VIP visitor to commission. So, the Sole Administrator rounded up the contractor and told him he must work overnight. The contractor complained that his men could not paint the building in the dark, so Wamakko turned around his official Peugeot 504 car and beamed the headlight throughout the night while the men worked.

If not because of "mobilization," an honest project inspector should not accept a list of projects carefully orchestrated by the state government. He should do what a Senate committee did four years ago, according to a story that then Senator Baba Kaka Bashir Garbai once told me. His team was in the Niger Delta to inspect NDDC projects and they asked for a list of completed and paid for projects. The commission turned over a list of 3,000 projects scattered across seven states. All these are completed and paid for? Yes, NDDC officials said, and we have lined up the ones you will inspect. No, the committee members said. Since all of them are completed, we are going to select at random those to be inspected. Sure

enough, when they selected three dozen projects at random, 90% of them were non-existent. Did FFK select the projects he was to inspect or did he just accept a list drawn up by Cross River State Government officials?

Besides, just because you come to "inspect" a project and it looks impressive to you, did you find out how much it cost, whether the work done justified the cost, if and how much money was siphoned from the contract, or even whether the project was a priority identified by the community or whether it was just erected at the behest of bureaucrats and politicians for other reasons? A community may get an impressive ICT centre when, left to them, they prefer to have pipe-borne water or a refurbished health center. I attended a workshop organized by UNDP in Bauchi in the 1990s, where experts attributed the large number of abandoned projects in this country to lack of community input in the choice of projects.

Newly arrived governors and LGA chairmen in Nigeria do not want to complete projects started by their predecessors, no matter how laudable, because they will not get political credit for it. Nigerian voters only give you credit for a project that you started, even if someone else completed it. According to UNDP, the solution to that is for communities to identify their own priorities so that even when a new ruler comes, they would say, "This is our priority project. Please complete it. Don't worry, we will give you political credit for completing it."

You don't expect an inspector like FFK to ask questions about whether the project is a community priority or whether it was instituted by a politician because of its contract-intensive nature. If he asks questions like that, who will invite him next time to inspect projects in his own state? Such invitations don't come cheap. Governors are not fools. They don't invite every Tom, Dick and Harry and make costly arrangements for him to come and inspect their projects, unless they will gain something politically from it.

What is the likely gain from having a man like FFK inspect your projects? One obvious one is that he get mouth, to use Nigerian parlance. He speaks volubly with a faint posh English accent, all the while glaring at his listeners and regaling his audience with a claim to glorious family history and rich Cambridge education. Well, not so fast. If FFK's resume were that glorious, why is he not invited to inspect projects in

the Southwest? I have not seen any Southwest state governor invite him to help inspect his projects. There must be more to it than APC control of most Southwestern states whereas FFK is a PDP member, for now. Is it because his family's political history isn't so well perceived at home?

With respect to PDP state governments' invitation to FFK to inspect their projects, we do not know for sure who initiated it. It is unlikely that PDP governors sat at a forum and identified FFK, of all available prominent persons sympathetic to the party, to be the one to go round and inspect their projects. Much more likely that they received a proposal. It was an offer they could not refuse because FFK has shown himself capable of going overnight from sweet mouth to a very foul mouth, and vice versa.

One only has to refer to his very acerbic attacks on President Obasanjo's administration in its early days. Overnight, he accepted a job as Obasanjo's top attack dog. When a reporter asked him that time why he serially launched acerbic attacks at anyone who criticized Obasanjo, including General Yakubu Gowon and Col. Dangiwa Umar, FFK said, "My brief is that whoever joins issues with the President, I should join issues with him." I see; whoever joins issues with the president, even if what the person said had a ring of truth to it. Is it the same principle that he is extending to this project inspection tour, that whoever joins issues with any of his hosts, he should acerbically join issues with him?

That includes the reporter who asked to who is bank rolling the tour. In between fits of rage, FFK actually tried to answer the question by saying as a lawyer and a former minister, it should be apparent that he could finance his tours. Not necessarily. Money does not come flowing to anyone just because he is a lawyer; he has to work hard to earn it. There is scant evidence that FFK earned money from the law. In answer to a question he was asked in Gusau last month, he said he has been in politics since 1990. Now, since he was called to the bar only a few years before that, that timeline did not give enough time to earn money from the law.

As for being a former minister, that is probably a revelation. Even a serving minister would not be able to pay his way through a nation-wide tour from his legitimate earnings, not to mention a former one. How many former ministers and former governors do we have in Nigeria that are having trouble fueling their cars? One can only escape that fate if he made hay while the sun shined, to put it delicately. Maybe that is why some former ministers are standing trial for alleged embezzling of public funds. We now begin to see why Eyo Charles was stupid to be asking questions about bankrolling.

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## Serena sets sights-again-on 24th Grand Slam title



■ Serena Williams

**S**erena Williams' protracted pursuit of Margaret Court's record of 24 Grand Slam titles resumes at a 2020 US Open that promises to be unlike any other.

The absence of fans because of coronavirus concerns means the buzz and hubbub that define the US Open will be missing.

Williams, whose 23 major victories are an Open-era record, will have nothing but her own skill and will to get her through the tough moments as she seeks a record-breaking seventh title on the hard courts at Flushing Meadows.

"I don't dislike it and that's weird because I am a player that is so emotional and so, like, a crowd player," Williams said.

## Lewandowski wins German Player of the Year award



■ Robert Lewandowski

Bayern Munich striker Robert Lewandowski was voted Germany's Footballer of the Year on Sunday.

The 31-year-old Pole was the runaway winner of the title awarded by the football magazine Kicker, following a vote by journalists.

Lewandowski received 276 votes, well ahead of two other members of Bayern's triple-winning squad: Thomas Muller (54 votes) and Joshua Kimmich (49).

The striker amassed 55 goals for Bayern, finishing top scorer in every club competition in which he played. He hit 34 in the Bundesliga, 15 in the Champions League and six in the German Cup, as Bayern won all three.