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FG plans N88m cook stoves for institutions

● After N9.2bn stoves for rural women project flops

By Chidimma C. Okeke, Olusola 'Jide, Abbas Jimoh & Simon Echewofun Sunday

Five years into the controversies trailing the procurement of N9.2 billion cook stoves for

rural women, the Federal Ministry of Environment is shopping for companies to procure and distribute cook stoves to "institutions."

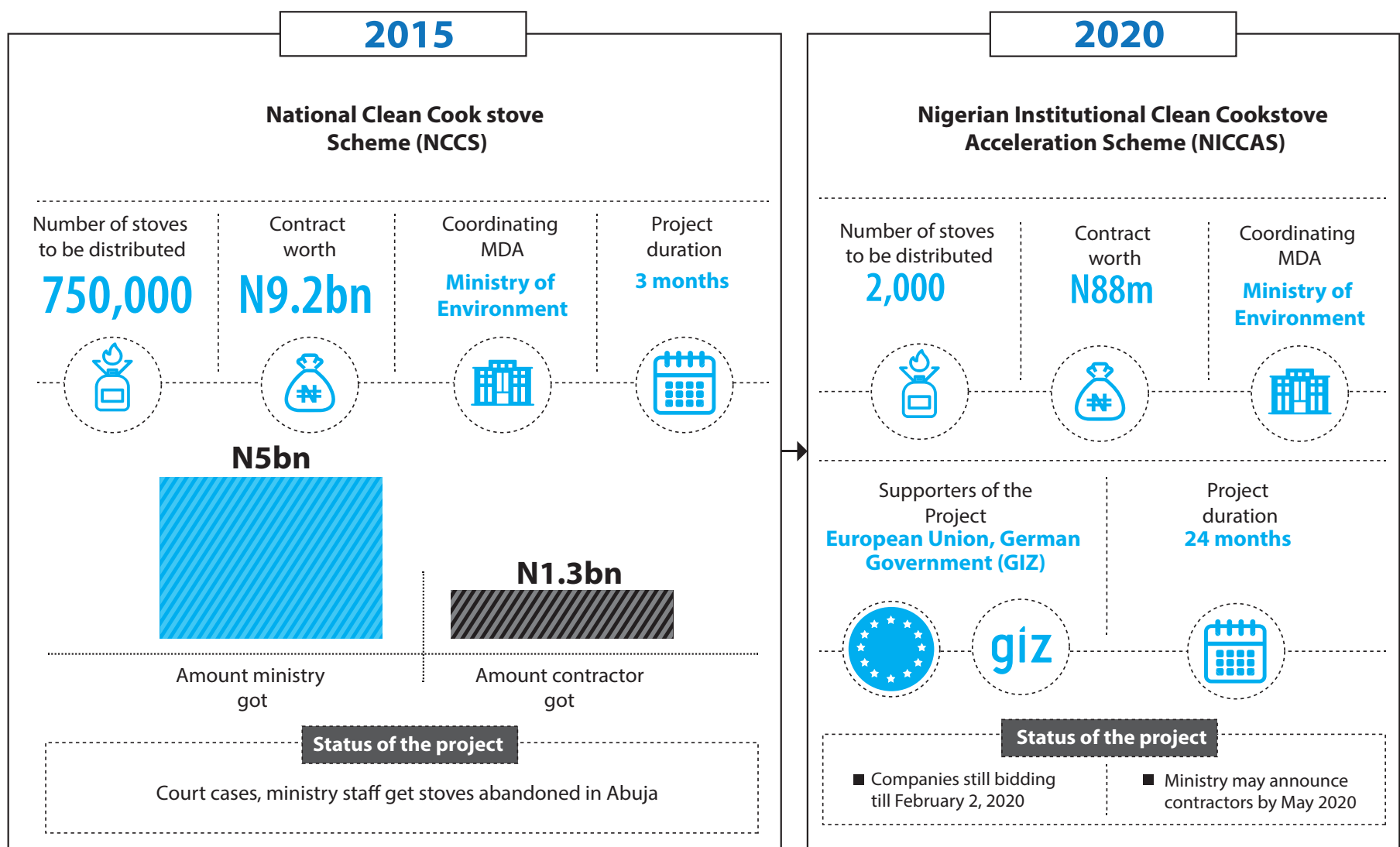
The Federal Executive Council (FEC) under ex-president Goodluck

Jonathan had in 2015 approved \$4.8 million (about N9.2bn) contracts for the supply of 750,000 cook stoves under the National Clean Cookstove Scheme (NCCS) for rural women.

Daily Trust reports that the

cook stove initiative was meant to checkmate felling of trees and to also enhance cleaner environment especially in rural areas of Nigeria.

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ABUJA SUNNY 36 MAX 21 MIN	KADUNA SUNNY 33 MAX 17 MIN	KANO SUNNY 29 MAX 14 MIN	MAIDUGURI SUNNY 31 MAX 15 MIN	JOS SUNNY 28 MAX 13 MIN
SOKOTO SUNNY 32 MAX 19 MIN	IBADAN SUNNY 37 MAX 20 MIN	ENUGU SUNNY 38 MAX 21 MIN	P/HARCOURT PARTLY CLOUDY 31 MAX 17 MIN	LAGOS SUNNY 34 MAX 23 MIN

(Temperature in centigrade)

AFRICAN SAYINGS >>

A rich person does not have to struggle, that is, share the problems of ordinary people.
(Tanzania)

Source: BBC collection of listeners' proverbs

FOOD FOR THOUGHT >>

Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young.
- Henry Ford



PHOTO OF THE DAY >>



■ People travel on overcrowded trains after attending the final prayer of Bishwa Ijtema, considered the world's second largest Muslim gathering after the hajj in Dhaka, Bangladesh yesterday

Photo: Mohammad Ponir Hossain/Reuters

PRAYER TIMES

CITIES	FAJR	DHUHR	ASR	MAGHRIB	ISHA
ABUJA	5:38	12:42	3:58	6:28	7:32
ENUGU	5:40	12:40	3:56	6:23	7:27
KADUNA	5:37	12:41	3:57	6:26	7:30
KANO	5:32	12:36	3:54	6:21	7:26
KATSINA	5:34	12:42	3:58	6:30	7:34
LAGOS	5:55	12:58	4:13	6:41	7:46
MAIDUGURI	5:15	12:19	3:35	6:04	7:08
P/HARCOURT	5:51	12:50	4:06	6:28	7:32
SOKOTO	5:45	12:50	4:06	6:36	7:40

SOURCE: Society for the propagation of Islam, Kaduna

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GAINERS	OKOMUOIL	CILEASING	UACN	LIVESTOCK	EKOCORP
OPEN	66.00	6.75	10.25	0.59	4.85
CLOSE	6.00	0.60	0.90	0.05	0.35
CHANGE	10.00	9.76	9.63	9.26	7.78
LOSERS	UNIONDAC	COURTVILLE	CORNERST	WEMABANK	LASACO
OPEN	0.20	0.23	0.58	0.71	0.27
CLOSE	-0.02	-0.02	-0.05	-0.06	-0.02
CHANGE	-9.09	-8.00	-7.94	-7.79	-6.90

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■ Gombe State First Lady, Hajiya Asma'u Inuwa Yahaya (right) with the state's Commissioner of Women Affairs and Social Development, Mrs. Na'omi Awak and others, during their visit to 14-year-old Nafi'u at the Federal Teaching Hospital in Gombe yesterday, where he is undergoing treatment after his alleged torture by a bakery operator in Bajoga

Photo: Gombe Govt. House

Ortom, Sule to FG: Don't withdraw soldiers from Benue, Nasarawa

From Ibraheem Hamza Muhammad, Lafia

Governors Abdullahi Sule and Samuel Ortom of Nasarawa and Benue States respectively yesterday appealed to the Federal Government not to withdraw Operation Whirl Strokes from their states.

The Federal Government had last December said it would gradually withdraw military operations in some volatile spots in the country, beginning from the first quarter of 2020.

But Governors Sule and Ortom, at a joint security meeting of Nasarawa and Benue States held in Lafia yesterday, said troops' withdrawal would not augur well for affected communities as security there was still fragile.

They said they had written formally to the authorities concerned to stay put on the planned withdrawal of troops till the situations on the border line of both states improved.

Sule asked the federal government to give the two states another two years to work on a complete master plan for the return of peace among citizens of the states living on the border line.

Ortom insisted that the Benue State Anti-open Grazing Prohibition and Ranching Law had come to stay in the state, urging governments at all levels to support herdsmen with incentives as done to farmers.

The Emir of Lafia and chairman of the Nasarawa State Traditional Council, Justice Sidi Bage (rtd), appealed to Ortom to review the Anti-open Grazing Prohibition and Ranching Law.

We won't take Armed Forces for granted – FG

Vice President Yemi Osinbajo has assured Nigerians that the Federal Government would continue to recognise the sacrifices of the men and women of the nation's armed forces.

Osinbajo gave the assurance during an interdenominational Church service organised by the Ministry of Defence to commemorate the 2020 Armed Force Remembrance Day Celebration (AFRDC) on Sunday in Abuja.

He said that the government would continue to prioritise their welfare and the wellbeing of the families of the fallen heroes.

According to him, "we do not and will not take our men and women of the armed forces for granted."

"We will do better for our veterans and the families of our fallen heroes and to improve the conditions of those in service and we shall do so incrementally."

"And so, today, we came together to thank the men and women of our armed forces for their sterling and selfless service to our nation. (NAN)

Troops kill 100 bandits in Zamfara, Katsina

From Shehu Umar, Gusau

Troops of Operation Hadarin Daji (OPHD) in Zamfara and Katsina States have killed 100 bandits, including their six top commanders.

A statement by the acting Force Information Officer, Captain Ayobami Oni-Orisan, said following the recent upsurge in activities of unrepentant bandits in Zamfara State, OPHD commenced an intensive kinetic operation in December 2019 against the bandits.

He said from December 16, 2019 to January 9, 2020, OPHD troops, comprising personnel of the Nigerian Army, the Nigerian Navy, the Nigerian Air Force, the Nigeria Police, the

Department of State Services and other security agencies, conducted several clearance operations to smoke out and neutralize "these recalcitrant bandits from their enclaves".

"So far, OPHD troops have flushed out bandits hibernating around Tashar Kuturu, Dankalgo, Gobirawa junction, Bagega, Kawaye, Duhuwa, Sabon-Birni, Dankurmi, Dangulbi, Hayin Bawa, Zango, Uguwar Shanu, Tundu Mali, Magazu, Mayanchi and Gando forest, in Anka, Talata Mafara, Tsafe, Maru and Bukkuyum Local Government areas of Zamfara State.

"Additionally, OPHD ground troops backed by the fighter jets of the Air Component also cleared

Shinfida in Jibia Local Government Area of Katsina state, neutralizing several bandits in the process", he said.

He added: "During these operations, OPHD troops successfully neutralized about 100 bandits, including six key commanders, and rescued no less than 10 kidnapped persons. Furthermore, troops recovered the following items: 500 rounds of 7.62mm special ammunition, 23 x Motorbikes, 15 x AK 47 rifles, 4 x General Purpose Machine Guns.

"Others are, 1x PKM Machine Gun, 1 x Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) bomb, 1 x Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) tube, 11 x fully loaded magazines 600

x rustled cows and 300 x rustled sheep."

He said during the clearance operations, the troops, in collaboration with the Defence Forces of Niger Republic, apprehended a high-profile gunrunner named 'Kunene', responsible for the inflow of arms, ammunition and other dangerous weapons to the region.

He said the troops also apprehended three suspected bandits; Abubakar Kiri Koloma, Abubakar Ibrahim and Haruna Alhaji Yaro as well as two alleged notorious drug dealers; Kabiru Abubakar Isah and Hamisu Dan-kwanba at various locations in Zamfara State during the period.

Katsina High Court judge, Bako, dies

From Habibu Umar Aminu, Katsina

A high Court Judge in Katsina State, Justice Ibrahim Maikaita Bako, has died. He died yesterday in an Abuja hospital following injuries sustained in a car accident along Funtua-Kankara road on January 4.

Confirming the death, the Chief Judge of the state, Justice Musa Danladi, said "late Bako died around 6am this morning at Cedar Crest

Hospital Abuja following road accident last Friday; he suffered serious spinal and neck injuries."

Daily Trust reports that the late Bako was the judge handling former Katsina State Governor Ibrahim Shehu Shema's case of alleged diversion of N11 billion local government funds filed by the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission.

Also, a former gubernatorial aspirant and retired Director State

Security Service, Alhaji Sada Ilu, has died in a private hospital in Egypt.

Meanwhile, Governor Aminu Bello Masari has expressed sadness over the death of the two prominent citizens.

Governor Masari, in a statement signed by the Director General, Media, Abdu Labaran Malumfashi, described the two as illustrious sons of Katsina State who were accomplished individuals in their respective careers.

Insecurity: Lalong to set up neighbourhood watchtowers

From Lami Sadiq, Jos

Plateau State Governor Simon Bako Lalong weekend said his administration would construct more watchtowers and mount security posts in key flash point areas once the pilot scheme undergoing construction at Dutse Uku area of Jos is completed.

Lalong had inspected the on-going construction of the first neighbourhood security watch tower at Dutse Uku where he warned criminal elements that he would be watching them closely and send

security agencies to track them down for arrests.

"We have done a lot to ensure that people live in peace and nobody will be allowed to change that," he said adding that the initiative will help in addressing issues before they escalate and ensure that criminals are not allowed to again cause strife among people.

He assured that the concept of the neighbourhood security watch tower will ensure an early warning system to pre-empt conflicts and nip them in the bud.

It's unfortunate military has lost its integrity – Wike

From Victor Edozie, Port Harcourt

Rivers State Governor Nyesom Wike yesterday alleged that the military had lost its integrity because of some unprofessional personnel.

He spoke at an inter-denominational Church Service marking the 2020 Armed Forces Remembrance Day Celebration at the Saint Peter's Anglican Church, Rumuepirikom.

"It is unfortunate that the military has lost its integrity because of some unprofessional personnel. Nobody is afraid of the military because of their

unprofessional conduct.

"Those who come to rig election or kill Rivers people, Heaven will never remember them," he said.

He said a reward system should be institutionalised to encourage soldiers put in their best for Nigeria.

Wike urged members of the Armed Forces to choose the right path in the interest of Nigeria.

He commended the Armed Forces for their roles in preserving the unity of the country, saying if not for their roles, kidnappers, cultists, insurgents and armed robbers would have taken over the country.

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Official arrested for allegedly pouring hot water on 12-yr-old girl

From Ahmed Tahir Ajobe, Lokoja

The Kogi State Police Command has arrested a woman identified as Mrs Ketim Idenyi for allegedly maltreating a 12-year-old girl under her care.

The suspect, who is a staff of a chief magistrate court in Ajaokuta town in Ajaokuta Local Government Area of the state, was picked by men of

the command on Jan 10, 2020 for the offence.

It was learnt that the suspect has been allegedly maltreating her ward, Barikisu Ibrahim, for a long time until the recent development which landed her in police custody.

The lady, who is said to be an aunt to the victim, on a date which was yet to be disclosed by the police, flogged the victim with wire and also used pestle

on her. Not satisfied, she was alleged to have poured boiling water on her, thereby causing the 12 year-old severe burns in parts of her body.

It was learnt that neighbours who were angered by the development, alerted the police.

“Following a report received on Jan. 10, 2020 at about 0800hrs that one Barikisu Ibrahim aged 12 years has been maltreated by her aunt one

Mrs. Ketim Idenyi, a staff of a chief magistrate court in Ajaokuta with mortal pestle, cable wire and also poured hot water on her, the operatives attached to Ajaokuta Division arrested Mrs. Idenyi who confessed to the crime,” a statement by the command spokesman, DSP William Ayah, added.

He said the suspect would be charged to court after investigation into the matter is concluded.

NSCDC deploys personnel to tackle Plateau killings

From Dickson S. Adama, Jos

The Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) has deployed its officers and men to Mangu Local Government Area of Plateau State where an attack by unknown gunmen killed about 12 people last week.

This was revealed in a statement by the Plateau State commandant, Solomon Olasupo, in Jos the state capital.

The statement, which said the NSCDC will equally tackle other crimes and criminals alike in the state, called for peace and calm amongst all warring groups, saying that community leaders should as well bury their differences and pursue peace among their wards.

The statement also warned against any form of revenge, reprisal attack or taking laws into ones hands, saying, “Regardless of provocation in our communities, we should not be engaged in any kind of crisis, violence or reprisals amongst each other because we ought to be living together as neighbours and in good harmony, unity, love and peace.”

Court remands man for allegedly beating another to death

A 27-year-old man, Damilola Farojoye, who allegedly hit and killed a man with a wooden stick, has been arraigned before an Ebute Meta Chief Magistrate Court in Lagos State.

The defendant is facing a count of murder but his plea was not taken.

The Chief Magistrate, Mrs Adeola Adedayo, remanded him at the Ikoyi Custodial Centre pending advice from the state Director of Public Prosecutions.

Adedayo adjourned the case until February 11 for mention.

Earlier, the Prosecutor, Insp. Chinalu Uwadione, told the court that the defendant committed the offence on December 21, at about 8.30a.m., on Adidas Field, Tolu, Ajegunle, Lagos State. (NAN)



Photo: EFCC

■ A fraudster, Joseph Adebayo was sentenced to seven years imprisonment without fine option by Justice Mohammed Owolabi of the Oyo State High Court in Ibadan on Friday for defrauding one Ikemefune Sunny of N700,000 over a land deal

NDLEA arrests 88, seizes 898.485kg drugs in Sokoto

From Rakiya A. Muhammad, Sokoto

Eighty-eight suspects have been arrested and three convicted over illicit drugs in Sokoto.

The Commander, National Drugs Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), Yakubu Kibo, who disclosed this in Sokoto, said the figures were recorded in 2019. He disclosed that those arrested included 87 males and one female.

Kibo also said the command made a total of 898.485kg

seizures. A breakdown showed Indian hemp to be 857.267kg, psychotropic substance, 14.733kg and cough syrup with codeine, 24.885kg.

Kibo said 50 drug addicts were counselled while 20 of them were rehabilitated during the period under review.

“We recorded 70 percent success on rehabilitation programmes,” he added.

The commander said the agency was in partnership with the Federal Neuro Psychiatric

Hospital Kware on cases that needed specialised services during rehabilitation.

“Many of our young ones are already languishing in various prisons across the country because of drugs issue. The supply reduction and the demand reduction should be given equal importance,” he said. He called on parents and community leaders to monitor the children’s associates and whereabouts at all times to curb drug abuse in the society.

Man dies while fleeing crime scene

From Jude A. Owuamanam, Owerri

A 41-year-old man has died after reportedly jumping from a two-storey building in Imo State while allegedly fleeing from a crime scene.

The deceased, identified as Uche Akunacha, who hailed from Amakhohia Owerri, was reportedly caught stealing in another man’s house.

A report from Mgbidi police station said on January 9, at about 3pm, the victim,

Tochukwu Okafor of College Road, Mgbidi, reported that he came back to his house at about 10am of that day and saw the key on his door damaged. He said on entering, he saw a man with spanner ransacking his room, adding that he prevented the thief from running out of the room and raised an alarm.

The suspect, he added, managed to free himself, jumped down from the corridor of his two-storey

building and landed with his head. He was said to have been rushed to the hospital where he identified himself before giving up the ghost at about 5:30pm.

His confessional statement was video recorded on his dying bed. The spokesman of the police in the state, SP Orlando Ikeokwu, confirmed the story. He said that the wife of the deceased was contacted and the corpse had been deposited at the morgue.

3 men remanded for allegedly robbing lady with toy gun

Three young men have been remanded in custodial centre for allegedly robbing a lady a toy gun in Lagos.

The defendant, Taofeek Adebayo, 24, Amos Marvelous, 21 and Sodiq Suleimon, 18, were arraigned on charges of conspiracy, stealing, and breach of the peace. The defendants, however, pleaded not guilty to the charges. The Prosecutor, Insp. Emmanuel Silas, told the court that the defendants committed the offences on January 20 4, at 9:30 p.m., along Funsho Williams Avenue, Alaka, Surulere.

Silas alleged that the three men conspired to rob a passenger in a tricycle, Victoria Emedem, and stole her hand bag and phones valued at N120, 000, after brandishing a toy gun to scare her. According to him, the defendants often use their tricycle to carry unsuspecting passengers and rob them of their belongings.

The Chief Magistrate, Mrs Adeola Adedayo, who ordered their remand at the Ikoyi Custodial Centre, adjourned the matter to February 11 for continuation of hearing. (NAN)

Teenager allegedly stabs man to death

A 17-year-old teenager, who allegedly stabbed a man to death with an iron rod, has been remanded by an Ebute Meta Magistrate Court in Lagos State.

The Chief Magistrate, Mrs Adeola Adedayo, did not take the teenager’s plea on Friday but ordered that the defendant should be kept at the Special Correctional Centre for Boys, Oregun, Lagos.

Adedayo adjourned the case until February 5 for mention.

Earlier, the Prosecutor, Insp. Chinalu Uwadione, told the court that the defendant committed the murder on January 2 at 2.30a.m. at Tiwalade St., Sogunle, Oshodi.

He said that the defendant used an iron rod to stab one 20-year-old Peter Udoh on the chest, causing his death. (NAN)



■ Some of the 981 suspects cleared by various security agencies in Borno State and released, during a brief ceremony at the Bulunkutu Rehabilitation Transit Center in the state at the weekend, where they were given material and cash supports by the state governor

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However, the N9.2bn contract for the cooking stoves has remained a

subject of controversy occasioned by litigations while millions of the targeted women in the rural areas are yet to get the stoves.

Sources told *Daily Trust* that officials of the ministry are now distributing the stoves to senior civil servants with some allegedly selling them.

Ministry begins N88m stove contract

While the 2015 problems associated with the contract for the provision of stoves to women is yet to be resolved, the Federal Ministry of Environment is now coming up with another stove project worth N88 million, according to documents seen by *Daily Trust*.

Officials of the ministry said the new plan is targeted at institutions and therefore completely different from the clean stove project of 2015 which targeted rural women. The ministry, in a recent advertorial called for proposals from companies to execute the N88.2 million contract.

However, instead of the name used in 2015 which had the acronym 'NCCS,' the

new scheme is christened the Nigerian Institutional Clean Cookstove Acceleration Scheme with the acronym 'NICCAS. The ministry in the advertorial said the project is being supported by the European Union (EU) and the German Government.

The ministry added that the project is being executed under the Nigerian Energy Support Project (NESP).

A source privy to the new project said commercial firms including restaurants, boarding schools among others are being targeted as potential buyers of the cook stoves.

Analysis of the project's details obtained from the ministry shows that the unit

cost for a stove is N44,100 and the companies will be allowed 120% profit margin which will amount to N52,920. At the end, one stove will sell for N97,020 during the 24 months duration.

On the financing of this fresh project, the document said there will be a 50% grant contribution, 30% equity contribution from the companies of about N26.5m; 20% debt contribution (N17.64m), 14% cost of equity and 18% cost of debt. Further analysis indicates that the ministry, through its Department of Climate Change, will deploy the stoves across parts of the north, central and southern regions.

How contractors will handle the new stove project

A bidder will first deploy 220 stoves in each region and provide a bankable plan to deploy another 2000 units.

The project will be implemented in three phases: pilot, replication and capitalisation. The Ministry of Environment said it will provide a grant support but not on cash basis.

"It will print materials and create awareness across the regions about the project especially during the marketing campaigns and workshops," the document

indicated.

The document added that, "There will also be technical assistance from the partners to support the selected companies.

"The companies to be selected must have at least five employees with two women and must have deployed 50 stoves before. Eligible company must also have capacity to produce and deploy 400 stoves in one year that would last beyond one year."

The ministry also wants

New project to encourage institutions - Ministry

When contacted on the reason for the new project, the Director, Department of Climate Change, Dr Peter Tarfa, said it is an entirely different

initiative by the German organization, GIZ.

Responding in a message through Sagir el-Mohammed who is the Director of Press in the

Ministry of Environment, the climate change director said, "It is to encourage institutions and it is to be funded by the GIZ."

Flashback on FG's failed N9.2bn cook stoves

Daily Trust reports that the sum of \$4.8 million (about N9.2bn) was earmarked in 2015 under the Ecological Funds for the supply of 750,000 cook stoves under the NCCS.

However, the project was soon overwhelmed by controversies that include a court case after the project was cancelled by the President Muhammadu Buhari administration.

The contractor, Messrs Integra Renewable Energy Services Limited, had gotten the approval for the project in November 2014. It was given three months to supply 750,000 units and 18,000 wonder bags. The controversy continued and in March 2019, a member of the House of Representatives Committee on Environment, Aishatu Dukku, during a visit to the National Agency for the Great Green Wall (NAGGW), brought up the issues of the abandoned cook stoves.

But the Director General of NAGGW, Dr Bukar Hassan, said the units supplied were stored because the

contract was cancelled and that they are for now a court exhibit pending the determination of the lawsuit.

The then permanent secretary of the ministry, Fatima Mede, confirmed that N5 billion was released to the ministry and that the contractor was paid N1.3bn.

Findings show that the contractor got 15% mobilisation fee and supplied about 299,000 units which were kept in storehouses at the velodrome at the National Stadium in Abuja. However, when our correspondents visited the velodrome last week, it was gathered that the stoves have been moved to the National Park Services headquarters along airport road, about a kilometre from the Abuja City Gate.

A source at the National Stadium said the stoves were moved out of the velodrome in August 2018 in preparation for the National Sports Festival. "They moved the stoves a long time ago, we saw the trucks heading towards airport road," he said.

Government officials get the stoves instead of rural women

While the rural women who were supposed to be the direct beneficiaries of the cook stoves are yet to receive them, our reporters found that many of the stoves were left under trees at the National Park Service while some were distributed to government officials.

Sources said the Ministry of Environment decided to distribute

some of the stoves to its staff.

One of those who spoke in confidence said the stoves were being taken away from the National Park Service in small numbers and distributed to some staff.

"Senior civil servants are being given up to seven stoves...Some are selling them off to interested buyers."

Environmentalists want old project delivered

Some advocates and experts in the environment sector have decried the obvious "duplicity of the cook stoves" projects and the strange procedures that make distribution of the units already supplied difficult and at the detriment of rural women and the environment.

Mr Hamzat Lawal who is the Chief Executive Officer of Connected Development (CODE), an agency which has been pushing for transparency of the old project, expressed shock that a new project has commenced when the old one has not been concluded.

"The new planned project should not be a reason to leave the earlier N9.2bn meant for 750,000 which is being investigated by EFCC and ICPC," he said.

Also speaking, Hajiya Salmat Abdulwaheed of Centre for Information Technology and Development (CITAD), said Nigerians knew the old project will never see the light of the day.

"The new project will also die like the old project. It seems this government wants to repeat same mistake of the former government," Salmat said.

S/west govs can't abuse Amotekun--Fayemi

By Muideen Olaniyi

Ekiti State Governor Kayode Fayemi says southwest governors cannot misuse the security outfit launched last Thursday, Amotekun, because of the mechanism put in place.

He said this at the weekend while responding to questions from a delegation of Media Trust Limited, publishers of Daily Trust newspapers, who visited him in Abuja.

Fayemi, who is the chairman of the Nigeria Governors' Forum, said

the security outfit was established as a confidence building measure to include people in community policing arrangement in order to tackle various security challenges in the southwest.

He said thought the Nigeria Police Force was "trying, it had been "overstretched".

He said, "Look, there's nothing we're doing that has not been done. On Friday, Governor Babagana Zulum, it's in your paper, was handing over vehicles to military, police, and Civilian Joint Task Force. Please, what is civilian JTF? I'm sure you know what

Civilian JTF means. Why is Civilian JTF very relevant in the northeast? They know the terrain. They know the culture. They know the people. They've better intelligence than even the security agencies. This is because those responsible for this problem, they live among them.

"Boko Haram insurgents are not from outer space. They're from this Nigeria. And they live among people. Why are we denying? In every country, what we're doing is a matter of course. It's not an exception at all. So, the notion that if you allow governors

to do this, they would abuse it to intimidate opponents, fine, let them try and intimidate opponents. One of the reasons why this (Amotekun) is regional is that we don't want anyone to reduce it to a machinery of oppression against their people.

"The primary role they have is to gather intelligence and provide this intelligence. If they've the capacity to arrest, every citizen has the right of arrest. You and I can arrest. You don't even need to be Amotekun to arrest and hand over to conventional agency responsible for internal security."



■ From left: National Security Adviser, retired Maj.- Gen. Babagana Monoguno; INEC's National Chairman, Prof. Mahmood Yakubu; and Inspector General of Police, Mohammed Adamu, during the Inter-Agency Consultative Committee on Election Security in Abuja yesterday Photo: Felix Onigbinde

CSOs want EFCC to prosecute ASD, Shehu Sani

By Abbas Jimoh

The Civil Society Groups for the Defence of Human Rights, Justice and Equity yesterday urged the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission to prosecute Alhaji Sani Dauda (ASD) and Senator Shehu Sani over the alleged corruption case involving them.

The spokesman of the organisation, Adamu Kabiru Matazu, at a news conference in Abuja, said the duo must be prosecuted since ASD had "willingly said he offered to compromise an ongoing EFCC investigation and pending judicial cases."

"As civil society groups (Conscience of the Nation), we will not fold our arms and watch the desecration of the temple of justice by some unscrupulous elements with

connection in higher places, and must be aware that the whole world is watching on how they will eventually deliver justice dispassionately or subvert the course of justice in the case of Abubakar Musa Abubakar vs Nasiba Sani Dauda and others, most especially that the EFCC's report in the public domain and as published by various newspapers to the effect that N1m each was given to four judges in order to compromise any case before them where Abubakar Musa Abubakar is a party.

"We will accept nothing less than the unbiased dispensation of justice without unnecessary meddlesomeness or influence and inducement by making sure that only proven fact are admitted as evidence as we shall monitor the proceedings from the beginning to the logical conclusion." Matazu said.

Buhari, APC greet Senate president at 61

By Muideen Olaniyi

President Muhammadu Buhari and the All Progressives Congress yesterday felicitated with Senate President Ahmad Lawan on his 61st birthday.

Buhari, in a statement by his media aide, Garba Shehu, extolled Lawan's discipline, maturity and selflessness in always looking at the broader picture in decision making.

The president said Lawan's maturity had translated into the many achievements of the ninth assembly within a short period, including a harmonious relationship with the executive, which recently, and historically, saw a return to the right budget cycle.

Buhari said Lawan's rich experience as an administrator, educator and

lawmaker at 61 would go a long way in shaping policies that would directly impact on the livelihood of Nigerians

He prayed that the almighty God continue to guide Lawan to provide strong leadership, and grant him longer life and good health.

Similarly, APC National Publicity Secretary Issa-Onilu, in a statement, said the ruling party celebrated a patriotic Nigerian, a diligent and experienced legislator, a loyal party man and a foremost progressive politician with enviable passion for the growth and development of our country.

Issa-Onilu said the APC, in acknowledgement of Lawan's sterling leadership qualities, appointed him to lead the APC National Reconciliation Committee.

..Ogun not pulling out---Gov Abiodun

From Peter Moses, Abeokuta

Ogun State Governor Dapo Abiodun yesterday said there was no plan for its state to pull out of Operation Amotekun.

Abiodun and his Lagos and Osun States counterparts were

absent at inauguration of the security outfit on Thursday in Ibadan; a development fuelling speculations of a plan to pull out of the operation.

Addressing newsmen in Sagamu yesterday, Abiodun said all the six western governors

jointly subscribed to the security outfit.

He noted that he was represented at the inauguration of the operation by his deputy.

Abiodun said his state had donated 20 operational vehicles to the initiative.

Lawan a progressive leader--Gombe gov

From Haruna Gimba Yaya, Gombe

Gombe State Governor Muhammad Inuwa Yahaya yesterday felicitated with Senate President Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan on his 61st birthday.

In a goodwill message he personally signed,

Governor Yahaya described Lawan as a true democrat, patriot and progressive leader.

He said the Senate president had brought to bear his academic and political acumen in the discharge of his responsibility as chairman of the National Assembly

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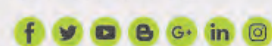
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Enter 'Amotekun', the Leopard

If a man sees a snake and a woman kills it, the important thing is that the snake is dead and no longer a threat. To argue that the woman has taken over the role of the man is sterile.

What does mankind achieve by demonising every bid to devise alternative solutions to nagging problems?

That is my candid reaction to some negative reactions trailing the inauguration of the Western Nigerian Security Network (WNSN), code-named Operation *Amotekun*, by the six governors of the Southwestern states. I am on record as one of the staunch supporters of the Civilian JTF which sprung up in the heat of the Boko Haram campaign in the northeast of Nigeria. At that time, Boko Haram actually controlled some local government areas as a de facto rogue government.

While some people felt that civilians had nothing to contribute to what they saw as a purely military campaign, many of us who don't play tribal games were of the view that we had nothing to lose by throwing everything — including the kitchen sink — at the mass murderers. Several years later, we are all witnesses to the great contributions those fellows have made at great risk to their lives and those of their families. Their knowledge of the terrain is not in any military textbook or police manual.

Of recent, the Southwest has been under the hammer of unbridled banditry like never before. The catalogue of gruesome killings is all over the media. The wide spectrum of victims, from the farmer to the labourer to the academic to the politician to the business mogul was simply confounding. Then it got to a stage when armed bandits stalked vehicles on inter-state highways and unloaded bullets from semi-automatic rifles. Every trip was a potential opening glee to another rendition of nunc dimittis.

Should the governors of the region have folded their hands when it was all but clear that the police and other security agencies had done their best but their best was apparently not enough? The issue of security was a big campaign point during the last elections. That is why the governors came together across party lines to apply cerebral muscle to tackling the problem. They ought to be commended, not condemned. We have tried the existing security architecture so far, but there is still a long way to go. What do we lose by adding *Amotekun* to what currently obtains?

To allay fears of inaugurating an alternative army as the critics alleged, Governor Kayode Fayemi, by far the most sedate of all the Southwest governors and the closest to President Buhari explained: "We were daily assaulted by armed robbers, bandits and kidnappers. The mainstream

security agencies did their best. ... Though criminal activities were all over the country then, our people in the Southwest, a relatively peaceful zone, became agitated over the increasing insecurity...

"The IGP has announced its endorsement. *Amotekun* is nothing but a community policing response to the yearning of our people. It will fill the void pending the time community policing structure being planned by the police will be ready. It is a confidence-building strategy for our people in the Southwest.

"When elements that will work in a joint task force are ready, they will do it with the knowledge of the language and culture and terrain of the places where they will work. So, we do not want this to create any fear in the mind of anyone. We have seen all manners of things in the social media. It is an attempt to sabotage what we are doing.

"We are not creating a regional police force. We are not oblivious of the steps we must take to have a state police...

"As long as they are close to our people and they can be held accountable, we are okay by it... They will operate independently but relate regionally. Most importantly, this is not an attempt to undermine the Federal Government of Nigeria..."

As proof that the *Amotekun* idea recommends itself to the rest of the country, if indeed any was needed, Governor Aminu Bello Masari of Katsina State who doubles as Chair of the Northwest Governors' Forum lauded the idea and is considering replicating it in his zone: "We have a lot to learn from them (the South west). I will call a meeting of the states affected by insecurity to see what they are doing and how we can borrow from them... Criminality has now come to the cities and towns from the forests; the criminals in the cities now invite the bandits from the forest to kidnap for ransom."

Some of the fears expressed by critics is that politicians could use the new outfit to fight private wars. That was the kind of fear expressed during the Second Republic when the Bola Ige-led government of old Oyo State established the country's first road safety corps. Naysayers went to the extent of instigating the NPN government at the federal level to ban the outfit from federal roads. With time, the federal government itself borrowed the idea under General Ibrahim Babangida to establish the Federal Road Safety Corps.

There must be a limit to the perennial mutual suspicion which regularly pits one section of the country against the other. "All seems infected that the infected spy, as all looks yellow to the jaundiced eye", says Alexander Pope.

It shouldn't matter who or what kills the snake of insecurity — as long as we get rid of the snake.

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Amotekun: (In) Security in Discourse

Last Thursday, January 9, 2020, Governors of Nigeria's six Southwest States of Ogun, Osun, Oyo, Ekiti, Ondo and Lagos, launched the western Nigeria security network called 'Operation *Amotekun*' in Ibadan, the Oyo State capital. Governors Seyi Makinde of Oyo, Kayode Fayemi of Ekiti and Rotimi Akeredolu of Ondo were present at the flag-off while Governors Gboyega Oyetola of Osun, Babajide Sanwo-Olu of Lagos and Dapo Abiodun of Ogun cited poor weather conditions as reason for their absence. As significant as the new security initiative (but there was once a regional police !!!) at sub-national level is, it's more out of fear than reasoned and well thought out security strategy. The point cannot be overstated: security like many critical Federal issues like army, immigration, customs service, capital and labour controls, health and safety, aviation are on the exclusive list of the 1999 constitution.

Operation *Amotekun* should not be another state police without constitutional amendment and legitimization and ownership that inputs by all Nigerians who have the right to move everywhere and be protected. Critical questions begging for answer are: under which Federal law are youths being armed and uniformed for security services in five states of the Federation? Where are the states' laws that confer operation *Amotekun* right to provide security services? What happens to rule of law in the south west? Who can train and arm youths for security in a Federation? Does *Amotekun* have the power of intelligence gathering, arrest and prosecution? How does the Operation *Amotekun* relate with the existing Nigeria Police Force?

Nigerian governments at all levels must adopt consensual gradualist approach to policy reforms instead of the current unhelpful uncoordinated divisive shock therapy approach which creates more problems than providing solutions for good governance. Nigeria should adopt gradualist inclusive approach to reforms instead of the current immediate effect/exclusive and vested interests' approach which alienates and divides. Goal 17 of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals to which Nigeria subscribes envisages Partnership in policy formulation and implementation. Both the proponents and antagonists of the so-called state police have been falsely pitched against each.

Only engagement and partnership would offer a common ground for security of lives and properties. In quantitative terms, Nigeria can definitely make do with more policemen and women. With less than 500,000 police for restless 200 million people, police per capital is one of the lowest in the world. But more than quantity, Nigeria needs quality policing through training and retraining and above all motivation and good compensation for service delivery. In fact Nigeria needs policing, not just police men and women. Who pays for Operation *Amotekun* and how much? Are the new security recruits trained or trainable? It is time we built a developmentalist state (as distinct from a police state!). A developmentalist state combines physical security with economic, income and social security of the masses of the people.

What Nigeria urgently needs is certainly not a police state, (Federal or state controlled) but a developmentalist state that must be driven by all tiers of governments, local governments, the states and the Federal government above all Nigerian people. Any state exists primarily for the security of its people. Scores of state-based institutions abound in Nigeria specifically charged with

the responsibility for the protection of life and property. They include the police, state security service agencies, military, civil defence agency, immigration, and prison services. When we combine the self-help arrangements like private guards guiding burglary ringed apartments, Nigeria already passes for a garrison/police state. Not less than 30 states are currently under the heels of military operations. No thanks, to the current enormous physical security challenges: crude oil theft, kidnappings, murders, arms proliferation, political violence, robberies, "religious" crises, high profile corruption, Trans-border banditry, smuggling and general economic crimes? We must think outside the physical security box.

Our current security preoccupation in Nigeria has been on the property (of the few rich!) and some lives of notable public office holders, namely retired and serving Heads of governments, governors, and legislators alike. We must broaden our security perspective to be inclusive of all, to also include job and income security, social and economic security for the greatest number of Nigerians. With 50 percent open unemployment, massive factory closures and 60 per cent gross under employment (read: Okada riders and road-side hawkers of God-knows-what-where) I bear witness that Nigeria remains the most "peaceful" country in the world. Many thanks to Nigeria Federal police force for maintaining the peace of the grave yard.

Economic and social security of the critical mass is as significant as the lives and property of the few. Many factors tend to increase the vulnerability of people to insecurity, the notable one is unemployment. No Federal or state police can curtail the army of miserably and hopelessly disillusioned poor people as Nigerians today. The policy implication is to create necessary economic and political conditions for minimization of physical insecurity and not a silly feverish atomization of the Federal police force into some Bantustan/state/*Amotekun*/policing.

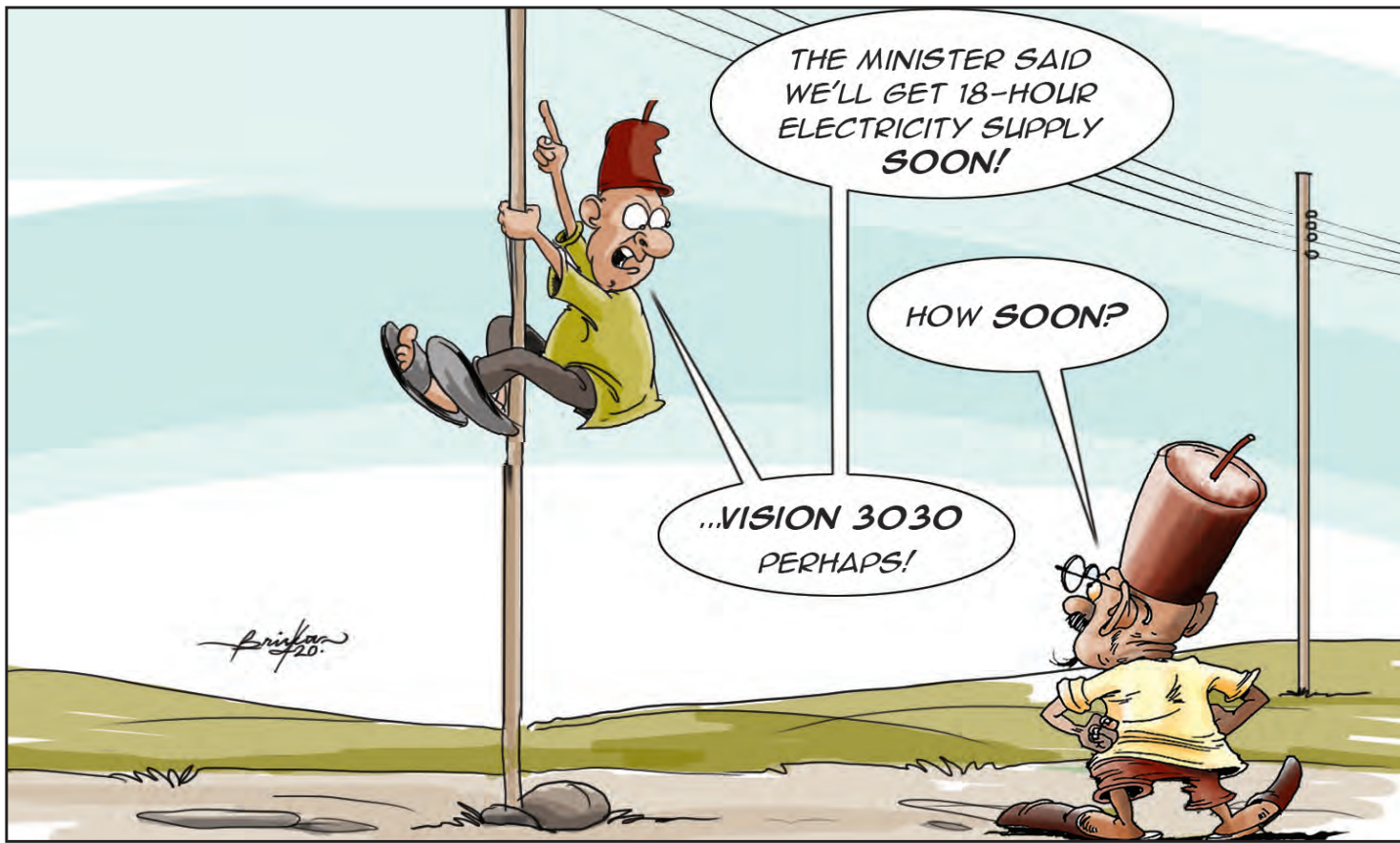
During the three decades of military dictatorship, the Nigeria Police Force was literally abandoned, saddled with acute shortage of office and barracks accommodation with rank and file on miserable salaries. Without logistic support like transport and communication equipment, poorly motivated police was turned into attack dogs against fundamental human rights of citizens, through open extortions and sheer brutality. It is therefore simplistic and misleading to think Policing can be as clinically divisible into state or Federal as some are putting it. We must first reform, reposition and transform the existing Federal police before any new innovations of state police can be taken seriously.

State governors who shamelessly politicize everything under their heels, resist payment of minimum wages cannot be trusted with any civil servants not to talk of armed unemployed youths in the garbs of police men and women. The prospect of a police force in a state going on incessant strikes on account of lower pay than the existing Federal pay is better imagined than contemplated. If we do not reform the existing Federal police first for the better, we might be decentralizing a mess dignified as state police. The history of the Police in Nigeria indicates that the state police under colonial rule engendered repression, incivility and brutality. We cannot take another leap to dark ages. Duties of the Police are provided for in the Constitution; the prevention and detection of crime, the apprehension of offenders, the preservation of law and order, the protection of life and property, due enforcement of all laws and regulations among others.

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CARTOON by AKILA JIBRIN



On Zaria to Pambeguwa road rehabilitation

Permit me space to draw the attention of minister of Works Babatunde Fashola over the snail speed and poor execution of road rehabilitation from Zaria to Pambeguwa awarded to Proportion Construction and Dredge Works Ltd.

The rehabilitation of the road which was awarded by the Federal Ministry of Works and Housing since 2017, has become an eyesore. It was reported that the contractor handling the project has collected over one billion naira for the rehabilitation but has not covered up to three kilometres. Even from Zaria where the work commenced, one could see depressions and potholes already dotting the newly rehabilitated portion of the road. The drainage system is poorly constructed.

The poor condition of the road has led to the deaths of many travellers who ply the road. It is sad to note, also that men of the underworld have taken over extorting or carrying their nefarious activities with relative ease because of its bad condition of the road.

The million naira questions begging for answers from people subjected to all manner of hardship are: Is the federal ministry of works aware of the level and quality of work being done? Does the company awarded the contract have the requisite technical experience to execute the contract? I think the federal comptroller of road or minister of works should mobilise their men to access the work.

The rehabilitation of the road for which the contract period has since elapsed is nothing to write home about. From how the rehabilitation is done, the company lacks expertise to do the job.

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Tiv traditional council invitation to Akume: A fallacy

Our attention has been drawn to a number of newspaper publications to the effect that the Tiv Traditional Council has summoned the Honourable Minister of Special Duties and Inter-Governmental Affairs to appear before it to answer charges of alleged insults on the Tor Tiv.

In this write up, I am not holding brief for the Honourable Minister of Special Duties and Inter-Governmental Affairs, Senator George Akume.

I will only go back a little bit to trace the root causes of incessant clashes between the Tor Tiv institution and political office holders in Tiv land. In the first place, the two positions, that of the Tor Tiv and political leadership are fighting for acceptability and popularity among the Tiv people. In the first republic late Senator JS Tarka had disagreement with the then Tor Tiv (Mallam Gondo Aluor) because while the majority of Tiv people followed JS Tarka into his United Middle Belt Congress (UMBC), the Tor Tiv was perceived to be an ardent follower of the ruling party, the Northern People's Congress (NPC).

In the second republic, such clashes were minimized probably because the Tor Tiv Orchivirigh Akperan Orshi being an experienced lawyer and a seasoned administrator balanced up very carefully between JS Tarka, Aper Aku of the ruling party (NPN) and the opposition leader at the state Mr. Paul Unongo of the Nigerian Peoples Party (NPP).

In this republic, the Tor Tiv is unluckier. He is controlled by a seemingly unpopular government at the state level which is pitched against the popular leadership of Senator George Akume, who is Minister of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

It all started during the electioneering campaign. The PDP hinged its campaign on the Fulani herders/Tiv farmers attack and also maligned the presidential candidate of the APC Muhammadu Buhari as been the master-minder of the killings.

Because of his awkward position, the Tor Tiv was perceived wrongly or rightly, siding the PDP which Akume and APC were of the view, that the matter could have been resolved without making it a political issue. This was the beginning of the present love lost. The popular thinking in the political circles of Benue State is that, following the formation of the federal government by the APC, everyone in the state is jostling to have the attention of the federal government of President Muhammadu Buhari. This writer discussed with a number of Tiv Traditional Council members who reliably informed him that the meeting in Gboko was a kangaroo meeting as most of the first class, second class and even the Tor Tiv himself were not in attendance. Other sources had it that the meeting was masterminded by Tor Kwande, HRH Ambrose Pinne Iyortyer and staff of the Tor Tiv palace. The meeting was basically meant to embarrass the honourable minister. This action has done nothing but brought anger and anguish

against the Tor Tiv institution by the Tiv people and quite a number of them called on the Tiv Traditional Council to tender an unreserved apology to Senator George Akume.

A prominent member of the Tiv Traditional Council opined that, if the Tor Tiv felt insulted by the distinguished son of Tiv land, the correct thing to do was for him to report to Tor Jemgbar and Ter Mbakor to caution their son in order to settle the matter amicably.

Today, Tiv land is divided over this issue, but the bulk of the people no doubt, stand with Senator George Akume.

Senator George Akume has climbed the political ladder very steadily. After a distinguish career in the civil service, he was elected governor of Benue State for two terms, served as senator for three terms and is now Minister of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, as well as undisputed political leader of Benue State.

Many people in the opposition are irked by this appointment as they rejoiced after the election that they had retired him from politics, having rigged him out of the senatorial election.

Senator George Akume CANNOT be wished away from Benue politics. No doubt the present barking against Senator Akume is a continuation of the orchestrated evil plans against APC before the election.

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Hanan Buhari's choice

Much that I do not share the sentiment and exaggerated offence or emotion connected with Hanan Buhari's access to the Presidential jet as "undue" privilege, I believe the ingenious photographer can find better use for her talent in places like Daily Trust newspaper with value for utilizing new ideas, innovation and vibrancy for moving forward.

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Re: Amotekun

All necessary legal measures must be taken not

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Diligence for Itu nuclear power plant in Akwa Ibom

In the continuing efforts to boost the power situation in the country, the federal government is considering the nuclear energy option. This option, in addition to hydro, solar power, gas and coal currently in use, will certainly complement the energy mix in the country. In pursuance of this, the government has identified Oku Iboku in Itu Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom as the site for a nuclear energy plant.

But predictably, the plan has run into a storm of protests from the inhabitants of the area. Their reasons are understandable. Nuclear plants the world over, have a tendency to be problematic with lasting devastating consequences. The ones that quickly come to mind are the widely reported incidents of explosions at the nuclear energy processing plant in the town of Chernobyl in Ukraine in the defunct Soviet Union and the one at Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania, United States of America, the effects of which exacted a toll in lives and in the immediate environments where the incidents occurred. People have therefore come to be wary of having nuclear power plants established in their neighbourhoods.

Even without incidents such as occurred in Chernobyl and Three Mile Island, nuclear plants by the inescapable radiation emanating from their processing units affect the air, water and environment of the immediate area of their operation. That is why as a rule, nuclear power plants are subjected to the most stringent regulations on the safety of operations within the plant and in the vicinity of the plant. It is imperative therefore to imbibe the lessons of the two incidents with respect to the proposed nuclear plant in Oku Iboku.

One of the most important and necessary safety requirements of a nuclear plant is the need for an Environment Impact Assessment (EIA). This involves the scientific assessment of the air, water, soil, flora and fauna of the area where the plant will be cited. Also, an important component of this exercise is the social mitigation aspect which must include the way of life and livelihoods of the people, their social structures, tradition and culture, occupations, health and amenities available in the area. This is with a view to determining how the project will affect their lives and how to provide necessary relief and succour as a result of possible disruption consequent upon the citing of the plant in their neighbourhood.

The EIA should not just be done before the commencement of the project but should be continuous and measurable even after the project is up and running. This is to ensure pro-active vigilance and application of necessary measures to prevent not just untoward technical incidents but also to mitigate any social and environmental issues that may come up in the course of the plant's operation.

As regards Itu nuclear power plant, we note that the stakeholders, comprising the community, Itu Local Government, Akwa Ibom State government as well as the federal government are in talks on the need to look at the salient issues pertaining to the citing of the nuclear plant in the area. We particularly note that the Special Adviser to the President on Niger Delta Affairs, Senator Ita Inang, who himself is an indigene of the state, recognised the demand of the people of Oku Iboku for an environmental assessment impact of the plant. In this regard, we recommend strongly that the people of the area through their representatives must not only be included in this exercise, but their views must be taken into account. There must be provisions to include their positions on how the plant will be run and the reliefs and amelioration that is due to them for agreeing to the project been cited in their area.

Aside from the environmental impact assessment, government at the local, state and federal levels must enter into constructive dialogue with the people of Oku Iboku, comprising their community leaders, women groups, youth and professionals from the area, to explain the reasons for choosing their community for this project and get their buy-in.

One of the major reasons why projects run into problems in this country is the failure to do due diligence in involving stakeholders in the process of carrying out such projects. As a result, the country is littered with projects that are either uncompleted or not functioning to the purpose intended after huge sums of money had been committed.

On the proposed nuclear plant in Oku Iboku, which comes with potential hazards to lives and the environment, utmost care must be taken to ensure that all the necessary diligence is done for the project to properly take off.

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As Nigeria's democracy rolls into its third uninterrupted decade, the question on every lip seems to be whether the once-ruling party, the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) can ever rediscover itself to pose any threat to the now ruling All Progressives Congress (APC). Of course, the answer to that question lies right inside the very fabric of the PDP. This is of course amid the party's disposition to self-destruct, and in the hordes of moles and fifth columnists parading as party leaders, and spawning unnecessary controversies and diversion.

At the dawn of democracy in 1999, many parties cropped up but could not survive beyond the election of that year which produced former President Olusegun Obasanjo of the PDP. The party held sway and became so strong and almost unbeatable, despite several attempts by others who wanted a taste of power at various levels.

The party survived several implosions that almost broke the very fabric that held it together till 2015 when several parties came together to merge under the All Progressives Congress which eventually, untied the winning strategy of PDP and equally beat them to their own game to the surprise of many.

The leaders of APC, after going through the rigours of a merger in 2014, set aside their individual differences and elected Muhammadu Buhari as the presidential flag bearer of the party for the 2015 presidential election. The losers of the primary set aside their differences to work together for the party even as they were PDP in colour but a gathering of different minds bent on 'seizing' power ... To the APC, Buhari was a better candidate with a mass appeal.

The then incumbent President Goodluck Ebele Jonathan and his PDP co-travellers were so sure that the gathering of minds in APC can never stop them from re-electing the man from Otuoke for a second term, after the successes of the 2011 elections that saw him emerge due to the death of President Umaru Musa Yar'Adua.

Their calculations were faulty, many members who felt aggrieved that they were not handed the flags at various levels for the state and National Assembly election, governorship and yes, the presidential primaries of the party sabotaged the party, while some members openly canvassed, worked and organized for the APC to win and enthrone Buhari.

Indeed, most PDP members like kids being dealt with by hunger pangs could not piece it together. They abandoned the party and began working for the APC albeit discreetly.

The PDP was literally ganging up against itself. It continued to drift and without a Captain to guide it ashore.

Today, with attention gradually shifting to the 2023 general elections and the off-season

PDP and the fifth columnists

elections in between, the PDP is still drifting.

The recent elections in Osun, Ekiti, Kogi and Bayelsa states are pointers that the party may not get it right if the members, whose party (the PDP) was at the receiving end, continue to justify rigging, cheating and the brigandage that characterized the elections in those states. And even at the level of the judiciary where what many may regard as flimsy technicalities are being used to justify the elections in favour of the ruling party.

Rather than condemning the electoral heist for what it is, some PDP leaders are buying the APC narrative of internal wrangling in the PDP to justify the rigging out of their party, and blaming fellow party members of losing the elections. This is even when every independent observer of the polls is insisting that the votes were not allowed to count.

More so, it is no longer a hidden secret that some of the state governors are taking it to another level. They want to ride on the back of the alleged loss of election to, not only become the new local/regional champions who decide what happens in their own state, but also in their neighbouring states. It's a deadly manifestation of an otherwise healthy sibling rivalry. And it is driven purely by a selfish quest for power.

This brings to the fore the alleged destabilising roles being played by some members of the party including Governor Wike of Rivers State. It is obvious that what they cannot take in their domain, they are indirectly trying to force it down the throats of others just to curry favour from the government at the centre.

For, how can one describe what happened in Bayelsa, for instance, especially in the days leading to the September 4, 2019 governorship primaries there?

The Bayelsa scenario creates a classic example of how a party that genuinely desires to regain power should not go about its business. For some curious reason, certain party chieftain got carried away with a selfish desire to undermine Gov. Dickson's rising profile that they forgot that the battle was against the APC.

Rather than face APC, all of PDP's was targeted at itself, cheered on by the scheming APC and a power-drunk, money-spraying Wike.

This is fuelled by the fact that the romance could be a conspiracy to dislodge the leader of the ruling party in the South-South and enthrone a new leadership through the back door. And in all, the Minister of Transportation Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, could be the fall guy. Indeed, Amaechi's position as leader of APC is seriously under threat by Governor Wike, his former Chief of Staff.

Again, it may not be in doubt that long before the last presidential primaries in Port Harcourt, Wike has been

covertly working for the APC. In all, he wanted his candidate, Rt. Honourable Aminu Tambuwal to pick the ticket against the popular choice of former Vice President Abubakar Atiku.

In Bayelsa, they tried to decide for the governor, who is serving out eight years of two terms, who to succeed him. That it was proper to deny the outgoing governor the courtesy of picking who to succeed him in February 2020. Not even former President Goodluck Jonathan wanted Dickson to play any role in the choice of the party's choice of his successor. They made so much noise about Dickson hurting the party by not handing the governorship ticket to Timi Alaibe, even as they turned a blind eye to the disaffection it would have caused if Alaibe, who returned to the party on the eve of the primaries, was handed the ticket ahead of people who had remained in the party since inception.

But the inordinate ambition is not restricted to the unwholesome meddling in the affairs of sister states, Wike also wants to choose who becomes what in the party and the National Assembly. The case of Ndudi Elumelu and Kingsley Chinda in the quest for who emerges the minority leader in the House of Representatives readily comes to mind.

The 2023 elections in Nigeria may be three years ahead, but the jostle for power may have begun no sooner had the Independent National Elections (INEC) concluded the conduct of the 2019 Presidential, National Assembly, Governorship and State Assembly elections in several states minus those with off season elections.

For the governors who know full well that there won't be a return to the government House in 2023, the jostle for who may eventually mount the saddle of governance in the states began just days after the 2019 governorship polls.

Indeed, there are tales of succession ringing all over and many have been playing slaves, getting closer than close to the incumbent for possible anointing, while parties in opposition are yet plotting takeover. In some states, including oil rich River State, the quest for dominance and the struggle to dislodge that may have started long before the last elections won by Governor Wike.

Several names have been propping up amongst whom is Sir Austin Opara, the former Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives under Governor Bello Masari and even the former Senator Magnus Abe who threw his hat into the ring during the last APC primaries and a host of others. There is this strong belief that the Ikwerrers and its upland neighbours are not ready to give up, neither are they ready to allow any other ethnic group from within the state taste the powers of being the governor of the state for now.

Sydney writes from Port Harcourt, Rivers State.



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Overview

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- Certificate of incorporation
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- Evidence of tax remittance over the last six months to one year

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- Minimum annual revenue of N30m

C. Distribution Capabilities

Must be a limited liability company and should have the following:

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- Demonstrate the ability to build a distribution network within territory of interest (if not in existence already)

Method of Application:

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http://bit.ly/SFP_App

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- Bank Statement for the business covering January - December 2019
- Audited/ Management Reports for 2018 and 2019
- High-Level Business Plan (maximum of 20 pages) structured as follows:
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 - **Section 2:** Organisation structure and profile of key management personnel
 - **Section 3:** Existing/planned infrastructure and logistics network, and distribution channels with adequate pictorial evidence of distribution capability in the coverage state(s)
 - **Section 4:** Agent network build up plan and the ability to acquire and service customers in the desired territory
 - **Section 5:** Three-five year financial outlook and projections for the business

Application must be submitted on or before **27th, January 2020**

MONDAY BUSINESS

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	US DOLLAR	POUND STERLING	EURO	YUAN/RENMINBI	RIVAL	CFA
Buying	306	376.1	334.4	42.9	81.5	0.48
Central NGN	306.5	376.8	335.0	43	81.7	0.49
Selling NGN	306.7	376.3	335.5	43.1	43.1	0.50

December 27, 2019

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CRUDE OIL BRENT	\$64.54/b
GOLD	\$1,485
GAS	\$2.296

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BUYING

Dollar	Euro	Pound S.
N357	N400	N470.11

SELLING

Dollar	Euro	Pound S.
N360	N404	N473.11

‘Government should leave business for businessmen’

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Despite CBN directive, petrol stations, malls still charge N50 stamp duty

From Sunday Michael Ogwu, Lagos

Despite the repeated clarification and caution from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and the Federal Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (FCCPC), investigation by Daily Trust reveals that merchants have continued to charge their customers N50 stamp duty.

Daily Trust reports that the Federal Government recently stopped the additional N50 charge currently being imposed on transactions carried out through Point of Sales (POS) Terminal.

FCCPC in a recent circular released on POS transactions’ charges clarified that instruction by the CBN is to be borne by businesses. As such, passing it on consumers is counterproductive, burdensome and inconsistent with the underlying cashless policy of the Central Bank of Nigeria.

Also explaining the new CBN financial guide, Musa Jimoh, a director in CBN’s payment system management department, said only businesses using the POS are to be deducted N50 per payment received through the machine and not customers.

“No single individual should pay N50 in addition to the cost of the good,” Jimoh said, adding that



■ Minister of Finance, Budget and National Planning, Hajiya Zaynab Ahmed

“Stamp duty is not to be paid by individuals that are consuming the goods and services of the merchant. The merchants who are receiving the money are the ones who are supposed to pay.”

However, when our correspondents went out to confirm complaints, it was observed that most petrol stations, airlines and malls in Lagos and Abuja were not complying with the directives.

Forte Oil filling station and Mobil filling station along Karu- Karshi road in Abuja were charging N50 stamp duty to customers who used their cards irrespective of the amount of purchase.

Mobil filling station along Ahmadu Bello way inward Gwarinpa and NIPCO filling station Lugbe and Shema Airport road Abuja were also observed charging N50 stamp duties from customers.

Similarly, Total Alapere 2 service station, MRS filling station on Ahmadu Bello, Victoria Island, Topy petroleum in Ikorodu, Forte Oil along Ikotun-Idimu road, by subol bus stop, Petrocam fuel station along Liasu road, Egbe, Alimosho, and Petrocam Olokonla, Ajah on the Lekki expressway were still charging their customers the N50 stamp duty.

When confronted, pump attendants and stations managers claim that the CBN or the FCCPC has not communicated them via a circular to discontinue the charge.

Some of them also said they have been directed to stop the charge on customers from February 1, 2020.

Many users of Opay have raised concerns that they operator has continued to charge N50 on transaction above N1,000 instead of N10,000 as directed by the circular.

A customer, Isaac Fela who spoke to our reporter said some filling stations continued to charge N50

stamp duty and urged the relevant agencies to go after them with stiffer penalty.

Another customer Mr Ademola Kazeem said: “Some merchants had upgraded their POS machines to automatically charge N50 for transactions above N1,000 to avoid the occasional backlash that comes with seeking customers’ consents before adding the charge manually during POS payments.”

According to the new proposed finance bill, the N50 stamp duty charge would now be levied on electronic payments above N10,000 as against payment above N1,000.

The finance bill is a plan by the Federal Government to revamp tax administration in the country by introducing various tax increments.

The new bill exempts bank transfers between two accounts owned by the same person or organization from stamp duty charges. The bill repeals a provision of the Stamp Duty Act 2014 which holds the threshold for receipts chargeable with stamp duty as N4 and above.

Stakeholders have argued that the increased limit would improve POS usage and prevent a total boycott of POS by small businesses/retailers.

They also noted that the new limit might assist the government put a balance in its quest to make the economy cashless and improve tax revenue.

Industrialisation: 27 years after, NEPZA moves to amend act

By Francis Arinze Iloani

The Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority (NEPZA) has disclosed the need to amend the Authority’s enabling act after 27 years to ramp up industrialisation and export.

The Acting Managing Director of the Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority (NEPZA), Mr Bitrus Dawuk,

said new innovations in free trade zones and special economic zones are excluded in the act, a development hampering the activities of the Authority.

Speaking to journalists in Abuja at the weekend, Dawuk disclosed that he would prioritise the amendment of the act while he remained at the helm of affairs in NEPZA to

make Nigeria’s free trade zones competitive across the world.

The NEPZA boss said the country’s free trade zones contribute positively to the country’s economy and the present administration has also increased the funding of the Authority’s budgets for better performance.

“I am planning to interact with stakeholders in all the free

trade zones across the country to see how we can team up together. I will be interacting with the supervising Ministry for the best interest of the country,” he said.

On the N14 billion budgeted for the Nigeria Special Economic Zones Company (NSEZCO), the Acting MD assured that a 7-man committee has been

constituted by the minister to correct and resolve the modalities.

It was reported that the Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Otunba Richard Adeniyi Adebayo clarified that it is been investigated as the said money appropriated for the company is still intact and in custody of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN).

NIGERIAN RAILWAY CORPORATION ABUJA – KADUNA TRAIN SERVICE (AKTS) TIME TABLE

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Government should leave business for business men – Izomor

Mr Godwin Izomor, the Group Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of MG Vowgas Group, an oil servicing and fabrication firm, in this interview, speaks on factors militating against local industries in Nigeria, and contribution of local content on job creation in the country.

From Bassey Willie, Yenagoa

What else do you think government should do to help indigenous companies to grow?

The government should expand the local content policy to other sectors of economy, and it should leave business for business men, and focus on providing enabling environment. If there is enabling environment in Nigeria, such as stable power supply, boost security, business will thrive. Also, the government can encourage private sector to invest in power generation; Federal Government should remove power sector from exclusive list for local companies to start investing in it. Nigeria is a huge economy, that anybody is ready to invest and power is one of the key areas that Nigeria, government must unlock for investors to come; if they had not unlocked NITEL, nobody would have had GSM by now.

Your company is presently building a ballistic airboat, how realistic is it?

We work with the research department of the Federal Ministry of Defense to build the first Nigeria ballistic airboat. The airboat has the capacity speed of a 100km per hour, and the airboat is using the propeller, that is the one used by airplanes, that is the one we use to power it, and we will launch it this January. We are expecting the President or Chief of Defense Staff to come and commission the



■ Godwin Izomor

first ever ballistic airboat built in Nigeria.

What are the challenges you faced in the business?

The challenges are so many. The NCDMB has to work hard in order to categorize the company because you cannot merge us with a company that has no office, no facility and you cannot tell us to quote, that means they will under quote and we will be going out of business because we have huge overhead cost. So, one of the challenges we have is that the industry should discourage lowest bidder instead of capacity to deliver the project. We are aware of that today, there are jobs that they give to some contractors that have not be able to deliver and Mobil has to cancel that contract. It's because those people do not have facilities, they don't have anything,

they are just contractors registered with NIPEX, they quote anything they can quote and at the end of the day, they cannot deliver such services. So, we have to tell IOCs to jettison lowest bidders, because lowest bidder is going to kill local companies, those who are struggling to build facilities like ours. So we need to encourage the qualified companies that have the capacity to deliver the project that should be the first thing the IOCs should consider.

Then secondly, the challenge of security, we spent money even going to the location where we work; we spent heavy money on security, where I'm working with Agip, we have two gunboats and 15 personnel, in Chevron, we have two gunboats and 15 personnel, so constantly, we are spending huge amount of

money on security, we have the salary cost of my workers is about N53 million monthly, while our expenses for security is almost N50 million monthly.

With your investment in the industry, are you satisfied with the patronage from IOCs?

Basically, we have spent close to \$175 million in our facility, but the issue of IOCs patronizing us is that they look at your certification in quality because these are some of the things we take dearly. We have ISO 2015, which is quality, and only few companies in Nigeria achieve ISO 2015, based on quality of fabrication not just quality on anything, we have the best quality management system in Nigeria, and the only company I can see in fabrication that have the best quality management is Lado in Lagos, it's only them that achieved ISO 2015 quality management system.

Ten years from now, where do you think Vowgas will be?

By the grace of God in ten years from now, we want to build the first modular refinery, which we are doing next year, we are also going to invest heavily with our partners in ship building. We have noted Brass in Bayelsa State and Bonny in Rivers state, but our partners are considering whether Bonny has the landmass for that investment, though Brass has a lot of land for us to play with. So, we are going to compare which one will be the best for us, because we must reduce capital flight from Nigeria, we made so much money, but we import almost everything.

We want to also appeal to government to set up another steel company in Nigeria because all the steel we used here, we either import them from Germany, Ukraine or Spain, which cost so much, the Federal Government should also ensure that in the next few years, the Ajaokuta steel company produce heavy steel for our fabrications.

What is investment profile of your company?

Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB) under categorized us in terms of finance, what we have spent, based on the certificate they issued to us, they under quote our worth, they quoted us \$125 million, but the facility is over a \$175 million investment here.

How did this investment start?

It all started in 2009, May 11 precisely in my parlour in Woji, Port Harcourt, then I recruited two other staff, Victor and Aliyu. I was paying them N35,000 and N25,000 respectively, myself, I had no salary then, I just told them that God is taking us somewhere, that we should work, and by the time Victor left our company, a year ago, he was earning a million naira, in the space of ten years, because he has been with us from the scratch, you know in Nigeria, everybody likes to aspire, so it was time for him to go do something else. But the journey has not been easy, today we have over 230 staff, but that is the journey of three people some years ago. It's only God that keep us strong.

FG urged to focus on market-oriented policies to quicken growth

From Sunday Michael Ogwu, Lagos

The President, Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria, Dr. Uche Olowu has urged the federal government to focus on creating an enabling environment supportive of driving a market-oriented economy.

Olowu said this recently at the Finance Correspondents' Association of Nigeria (FICAN) forum where he spoke extensively on the outlook of the economy in 2020.

He said creating a level playing field and allowing the markets to participate more in rebuilding the economy would enhance economic growth.

Olowu said: "The government must be more market oriented

by allowing the private sector to do more because there is no way the public sector can sustain the rebuilding of this economy. We need a level playing field, healthy competition, fairness, transparency, rule of law and the governance procedure so people can plan without surprises.

"In doing this, we would be able to get the right required outlook."

Reminiscing on the previous year, he said a lot of investment were made and part of the returns would be reaped this year.

Olowu said: "In 2019, the economy has enjoyed cyclical recovery and consequently there have been insufficient growth drivers. And when there

are no sufficient growth drivers you would have imbalanced development.

"So being that this was the trend in 2019, there is need for us to confront reality that our growth requires new drivers, which is being espoused in 2020 and development needs to be more inclusive and balanced."

"From my own perspective 2019 was investment led. That is how to jumpstart the economy and the new drivers of the economy should be investment led."

"I support government's approach of investment-led strategy and people blaming the government for borrowing are not being sincere because borrowing was necessary in growing the economy."

'Rural electrification key to Nigeria's economic development'

By Abbas Jimoh

The Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria (ILEWN) has said the electrification of rural communities is key to achieving the Federal Government's economic industrialization roadmap.

The organization's Executive Director, Ambassador Agbonkpolo Splendour, said this at a news conference in Abuja yesterday.

According to him, the rapid economic growth cannot be achieved holistically if electrification of rural areas in Nigeria is given less priority.

The Rural Electrification Agency (REA) under the Federal Ministry of Power is the

implementing agency of the Federal Government tasked with electrification of rural and unserved communities and is mandated to promote rural electrification in the country.

Splendour urged the Minister Power, Engr. Saleh Mamman, to allow the agency to operate smoothly and discharge its mandate freely to the people.

He said that some actions of the minister were capable of slowing down the progress of the agency.

He noted that the minister recently deployed a full Director to the agency to occupy a position statutorily reserved for a Deputy Director.

ECONOMIC INSIGHT

Dangote targets \$30billion in revenue, lauds FG on agriculture revolution

President of Dangote Group, Aliko Dangote has projected a turnover of \$30 billion for his businesses in the next two years.

He said though the company's annual turnover is about \$4 billion now, but with the completion and running of the refinery, fertilizer, petrochemicals and other businesses, the company's turnover should be in the region of \$30 billion in the next two years.

Speaking with select media last week, Dangote also lauded the federal government's efforts in the agricultural sector.

He said the government's serious focus on the sector will boost the GDP and also mean less reliance on the oil sector for growth and development.

He said: "We have massive arable

land, we have water, we have the right climate, so the population growth does not really make me nervous... So, I think the government is doing very well by focusing more on the agricultural sector...we just have to tilt towards Agriculture and manufacturing as against our oil reliant economy"

He also praised the government's drive in getting more revenue from taxes, noting that the restructuring of the nation's tax system will generate more revenue for the government.

According to him "60 per cent of the government revenue is coming from oil but the government is doing quite a lot to diversify the economy by even trying to restructure the tax system because we need to make more money from taxes because as it is now, the taxes generation in Nigeria is a bit

low but the government is on the right track with these innovations"

While expressing optimism that Nigeria will be certified a polio free nation by April, he lauded the collaboration between Aliko Dangote Foundation and Bill and Melinda Gates foundation on polio eradication in the country. He said: "...We have done quite a lot. The progress has been very tremendous in the last three years, we haven't really had any wild virus of polio and by April, we will be certified to be polio free country, which means the entire, African continent will be polio free."

It would be recalled that Dangote, was recently said to be \$4.3 billion richer in 2019 with his business investments in cement, flour and sugar.

According to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index, the 62-year-old businessman ended the year with a net worth of almost \$15 billion, making him the 96th wealthiest man in the world at the end of 2019.

Dangote holds significant stake in Dangote Cement, Dangote Sugar, Nascon Allied Industries, Dangote Flour Mills among many others.

Dangote incorporated his own business selling cement at 21 and begun cement manufacturing in the 1990s.

He has a crude oil refinery currently valued at \$12 billion oil refinery under construction.

The refinery, which would be single largest in the world upon completion, has the capacity to meet more than Nigeria's entire fuel consumption.

DPR set to grant 11,000 barrels/day NDPR refinery operational license

By Daniel Adugbo

The Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR) is set to grant the Niger Delta Petroleum Resources Limited (NDPR) a 'Licence to Operate' (LTO) its upgraded 11,000 barrels per day (bpd) refinery expected to be commissioned soon.

The Director/CEO of the DPR Engr. Sarki Auwalu who stated this, commended the giant strides of the NDPR, a subsidiary of Niger Delta Exploration & Production Plc (NDEP) in pioneering modular refinery in the country.

Auwalu said in a statement over the weekend that in addition to its maiden 1000 bpd Diesel Topping Refining Plant, NDPR has consolidated on its capacity by expanding the plant with an

additional 5,000 bpd.

The expansion provides for other products slate to include kerosene, marine diesel and heavy fuel oil to cater to the Nigerian market.

The expanded plant located at Ogbele, Ahoada in Rivers State will potentially reduce importation of petroleum products with corresponding savings in foreign exchange and employment generation for our teaming youths.

Furthermore, major equipment and units of the second (2nd) Train of 5,000 bpd have been fabricated, inspected, tested and modules are currently being shipped to Nigeria.

"When installed, the upgraded refining complex will bring the total refining capacity to 11,000

bpd and will then have the requisite units to produce diesel (512,775 litres/day), kerosene (317,205 litres/day), marine diesel (281,907 litres/day) and heavy fuel oil (234,525 litres/day), and particularly Premium Motor Spirit/gasoline (168,540 litres/day)." Auwalu said.

He said the DPR provided necessary regulatory guidance and technical support throughout the project development phases for NDPR to contribute about 4.2 per cent of national daily diesel demand and about 0.4 per cent for gasoline in Nigeria.

This laudable project, he said, is expected to catalyze further growth of the Nigerian Refining Industry by attracting more investments as more players gain confidence.

Report electrical faults to prevent disaster, KEDCO tells customers

By Simon Echowofun Sunday

Kano Electricity Distribution Company (KEDCO) has called on its customers to cultivate the habit of giving early warning reportage to prevent disaster in their communities from any faulty electrical equipment.

Kano DisCo said it observed the attitudes of some customers who refused to report minor faults until they posed serious danger or led to disaster.

The Head, Corporate Communication, Ibrahim Sani Shawai, in a statement yesterday said, "We have trained our engineers who have been stationed

for any complaints with regard to issues of faulty transformers and other electrical issues.

"This is also to caution against consulting quacks to fix faulty or operating on any KEDCO equipment as well as household installations. This is not acceptable. It is only KEDCO engineers that have the requisite training and right to work on our installations and equipment."

The management further observed that many households prefer calling unqualified technicians who often used sub-standard electrical installations that often result to disaster and accidents.



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PRESS STATEMENT

ASD VERSUS SENATOR SHEHU SANI'S BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION SAGA: WE ARE VINDICATED!

As you may recall that about a month ago we have course to addressed a press conference on issues that has to do with bigamy, marriage within marriage with concealment of the former marriage, abetment for an offence, criminal assaults, wrong confinement amongst others involving the trio of Abubakar Musa Abubakar, Nasiba Sani Dauda and Alhaji Sani Dauda (ASD). Our reason for addressing press conference then and now is to ensure the speedy dispensation of justice, protection of human rights and equity for all the parties involved.

We shout at the rooftop that there has been clandestine moves on the side of ASD to influence the judiciary to subvert the course of justice to guarantee a predetermined outcome in his favour. We make bold to say that the recent accusation and counter accusation of bribery, extortion and name-dropping to ensure that pending cases of financial crimes are dropped and also to compromise Chief Justice of Nigeria, Justice Tanko to influence pending cases at different courts. What is playing out at the moment is a clear vindication of our earlier position.

We wish to restate our position that we frown in the strongest term the many attempts towards influencing the temple of justice to cause miscarriage of justice in a case that is unambivalent. The brazen and expertly contrived attempts to sabotage the independence of the judiciary in dispensing justice dispassionately, and to bribe EFCC Officials to drop proven financial crimes should be condemned by all patriots. The plan is to primarily destroy the time tasted reputation of the EFCC on one hand and on the other compromising the person and Office of the Chief Justice of Nigeria whose duties include but not limited to ensure independence of the judiciary against any external influence and protection of both rich and poor, haves and have-not.

We salute the promptness with which the EFCC moves to avert corruption but in this case there are two sides; the alleged bribe giver (ASD) and the alleged bribe taker (Shehu Sani) both of whom must be apprehended having established through the confession of Alh. Sani Dauda (ASD) who allegedly offer to compromise an ongoing EFCC Investigation and pending judicial cases, hence the need for EFCC to move swiftly in arresting the suspects for immediate prosecution. The EFCC must purge itself of criminal elements within its fold or as associates.

As Civil Society Groups (Conscience of the Nation) we will not

fold our arms and watch the desecration of the temple of justice by some unscrupulous elements with connection in higher places, the Chief Judge of Kaduna, Grand Khadi of the Sharia Court of Appeal Kaduna, FCT High Court Chief Judge must be made aware that the whole world is watching on how they will eventually deliver justice dispassionately or subvert the course of justice in the Case of Abubakar Musa Abubakar Vs Nasiba Sani Dauda and others most especially that the EFCC's report in the public domain and as published by various newspapers to the effect that one Million Naira each was allegedly given to four judges in order to compromise any case before them where Abubakar Musa Abubakar is a party.

We will accept nothing less than the unbiased dispensation of justice without unnecessary meddlesomeness or influence and inducement by making sure that only proven fact are admitted as evidence, as we shall monitor the proceedings from the beginning to the logical conclusion.

We will remain eternally vigilant to ensure that the course of justice is not aborted prematurely and that justice will not be mortgaged for any reason whatsoever. We shall not fold our arms and allow muzzling of our judiciary by vested interests or any group of misdirected, self-serving or sinisterly motivated individuals or groups to sabotage the ongoing reforms in the judiciary led by CJN Honourable Justice Tanko Muhammad. It is worthy of note that the CJN has dissociated himself from the bribery attempt in consonance with our advocacy for a free and truly independence judiciary. We urge the CJN to go beyond issuing press statement denouncing his involvement but should write a formal complaint to relevant security agencies to investigate and prosecute all those responsible.

We sternly warn that any such activities will be met with stiff resistance from our parts. From all evidences on ground that the action of the suspect are highly contemptuous and fueled by corrupt individuals bent on subverting rule of law and principle of natural justice.

Adamu Kabiru Matazu
Spokesperson

NEWS

Illegal mining draining Nigeria's economy - Minister

By Victoria Onehi

The Minister of Mines and Steel Development Arc. Olamilekan Adebite has called for a stop to illegal mining of mineral resources in Nigeria, which he noted was draining the nation's economy.

Adebite made the call in Lafia, Nasarawa State when he paid a courtesy visit on the governor, Engr. Abdullahi Sule to explore possibilities of collaboration with the state on mining activities.

In a statement, the minister said the Federal Government needs to work with the state governments and ensure that mining is done properly

and becomes beneficial to everybody - the miners, local, states and Federal Government.

He called on all the artisanal miners to form co-operative societies or Joint Venture Companies in order to interface with the Federal Government which is focused and committed to train and equip them with the required tools.

"Mining is on the exclusive list which means it is under the purview of the Federal Government, but at the same time we encourage the State Governments to participate", he said.

In his response, the Governor, Engr. Abdullahi

Sule extolled the Minister for his patience and composure in co-coordinating the activities in the Mining Sector, since his assumption of office.

Sule assured the Minister that Nasarawa State will maintain the statuesque and allow the Federal Government to mine the mineral deposits in the state and ensure it gets its share of revenue generated.

He maintained that the problems confronting miners in the state could be addressed so long as the Federal Government is ready to partner the state governments to train and equip the artisans.

SEC moves to regulate crowd-funding, cry to assets

By Chris Agabi

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has said it will be introducing regulations on crowd-funding, crypto assets, robo advisory and distribution of collective investment schemes products through financial technology firms (Fintechs).

Although SEC didn't give timelines when this would happen, it indicated that it is investing in relevant technologies to be able to effectively regulate the emerging investment options.

SEC also indicated that its regulation of the market in a technology driven era is now more efficient and that is why it is stepping up its regulation to ensure that investors in the capital market are adequately

protected. The Acting Director General of the SEC Ms. Mary Uduk who disclosed this in a statement released by her media department also said the Commission is continuing to deploy technology in regulation.

She said, "Our regulation is becoming better and more efficient. We are able to tap into data we could not tap into before, so these now make regulation easier and more efficient and make us better able to protect investors. "As technology is improving access to the market it's also improving the ability of the regulator to better regulate the market" she stated.

Uduk said it is based on the foregoing that the Capital Market Committee decided to embrace financial technology for easy accessibility.

TCN union elects officials, reiterates power sector growth

By Simon Echowofun Sunday

The senior staff of the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) under the auspices of the Senior Staff Association of Electricity and Allied Companies (SSAEAC), TCN Branch, have elected new officials while reiterating their

dedication to power sector growth.

A statement issued by the union's Public Relations Officer (PRO), Gabriel Amiji said the election took place at the power transmission firm's Branch Congress and Seminar held in Akure, Ondo State at the weekend.

Among the 19 elected officials are the Branch President, Engr. Dairo Abidemi; the Branch Secretary, Comrade Yerima Bukhar Hassan, and the PRO, Amiji Gabriel.

Nine Regional Branch Presidents (RBP) were also elected for the nine regions of TCN that are Abuja, Shiroro,

Kaduna, Bauchi, Osogbo, Port Harcourt, Enugu, Benin and Lagos region.

Commenting on the process, the Branch President, Comrade Dairo Abidemi said the election was done in accordance with the provisions of the Associations Constitution Rule 6.

"The TCN Branch acted in

accordance with the provisions of the Association Constitution with an attendance of 90 percent of the Branch and Chapter Executives from all TCN Regions.

The election was transparent, orderly and credible. The process was recorded on video for posterity," he said.





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ECONOMY INSIGHT

E-ticketing will end racketeering at train stations - Amaechi

From **Abdullateef Aliyu, Lagos**

The Minister of Transportation Rotimi Amaechi has assured that the electronic ticketing solution being proposed for the Nigerian Railway Corporation (NRC) will take effect soon.

He stated this in response to widespread complaints of alleged ticket hoarding and racketeering by passengers on the Abuja-Kaduna train service.

Many passengers complain on a daily basis about ticket racketeering on the train service.

As part of measures to stop the alleged racketeering and improve the efficiency of train services across the country, the NRC has introduced the e-ticketing solutions which would enable people to book for seat on the train online.

According to the NRC, the solution being proposed would also decentralise the ticketing system to enable more small and medium enterprises participate in sales of tickets as the railway modernisation takes centre stage across the country.

The process started in August 2017 when the NRC advertised for companies to apply for the ticketing contract following which over 1000 companies applied.

However, more than two years after, it has been bogged down

by bureaucracy as passengers agitate for the swift implementation of the system to at least, minimise to the barest minimum, if not completely eliminate the alleged racketeering in the train service.

Daily Trust reports that the NRC had almost completed the process internally when the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission (ICRC) stopped the process, saying it was not carried along in the proposed public private partnership (PPP) arrangement.

The NRC bowed to the commission and after adding its input, the ICRC in September 2019 gave its nod to the proposal after which the minister of Transportation transmitted it to the Federal Executive Council which would give the final approval.

It was not clear when the proposal would receive the imprimatur of FEC as complaints grow from passengers over the difficulty in getting tickets on the Abuja-Kaduna train service.

Amaechi, while responding to a complaint by a Twitter user on his handle, assured members of the public that the automation and e-ticketing system would commence soon.

"We are aware of the issues and have heard all your complaints about ticketing on the Abuja-Kaduna rail line. We

are already working on automation and online ticketing. Please be patient with us as we try to fix this, ASAP," Amaechi wrote. Reacting to the minister's comment, many of his followers urged the federal government to fast-track the process.

They specifically want government to ensure the e-ticketing is in place before the commercialisation of the Lagos-Ibadan train which is currently being test-run with free train service.

One Musa Aliu, writing with [@Musa95Aliu](https://twitter.com/Musa95Aliu) handle said: "I had a very bad experience there yesterday. I bought my ticket for N2,500 and stood for almost 75% duration of the journey and squatted for the remaining part. We can do better and I know you Sir to have never taken last on any matter. Fix this challenge Sir."

Another Twitter user, Precious Chrysantus writing on the handle [@Pcrysantus](https://twitter.com/Pcrysantus) said: "The corruption that goes on at the Abuja and Kaduna stations is phenomenal. Several times I will struggle and get a standing ticket after queuing for hours and most times end up sitting through the trip because there are empty seats in the coaches."

But a user with the handle, [@DedaAnf](https://twitter.com/DedaAnf) believes "now is the time to ensure that Lagos-Ibadan has online ticketing once commercial activity starts on that route."

Kano dealers seek FG's intervention on smuggled gas

From **Ibrahim M. Giginyu, Kano**

Kano State dealers and users of liquefied petroleum gas known as the cooking gas yesterday raised an alarm over the proliferation of smuggled substandard gas from Niger Republic into the state's market and is seeking for the authority's immediate intervention.

According to one of the marketers, Alhaji Othman Shehu, with the border closure, users of cooking gas and other people in the gas businesses have begun to smile with satisfaction on the price, standard and quality of the made in Nigeria cooking gas.

He said the border closure had placed sanity in the buying and selling of cooking gas in Kano State in terms of standard and quality as well as value for money on the part of the users. He said initially,

questionable cooking gas from Niger Republic had flooded Kano markets giving rise to unstable pricing, and making the made in Nigerian gas unpopular due to price variation.

"Many users didn't know that the gas they were using was imported gas from Niger Republic which finished quickly and usually with offensive odour. People usually go for it because it was cheaper than the made in Nigerian gas which is more standardised.

"It was, however, gathered that with the border closure, the made in Nigerian cooking gas gained business momentum and many people came to realise the differences, but unfortunately as we speak with you now, there are some unpatriotic people smuggling the gas to Kano

State," Othman revealed.

Similarly, other sources confirmed Othman's claim on the smugglers of cooking gas into Nigeria from Niger Republic through Kano. It was reliably gathered that the processes, manner and the routes through which these smugglers smuggled the gas into the state still remained to be unravelled.

According to a cooking gas dealer, Auwal Ibrahim Malamawa, the rate at which gas was smuggled into the state is very alarming and that the giveaway price at which the smuggled gas is being sold had forced many made in Nigeria cooking gas related businesses to foldup, because not everyone can afford to match the competition.

"Go round and see for yourself how a lot of cooking gas depots are closing.

CORPORATE IMAGES



■ New MD of REA, Ahmad Salihijo Ahmad (4th from left) flanked by Dr Sanusi Ohiare, ED, Rural Electrification Fund (3rd from right) along with other management team at the agency in Abuja recently.



■ From left: Registrar JAMB, Prof Is-haq Oloyede; Director General National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) Engr. Aliyu Aziz and Director, Legal and Regulations NIMC, Mrs Hadiza Ali Dagabana during a press conference on the suspension of the use of National Identification Number (NIN) for the 2020 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) registration in Abuja on Saturday. Photo: **Ikechukwu Ibe**



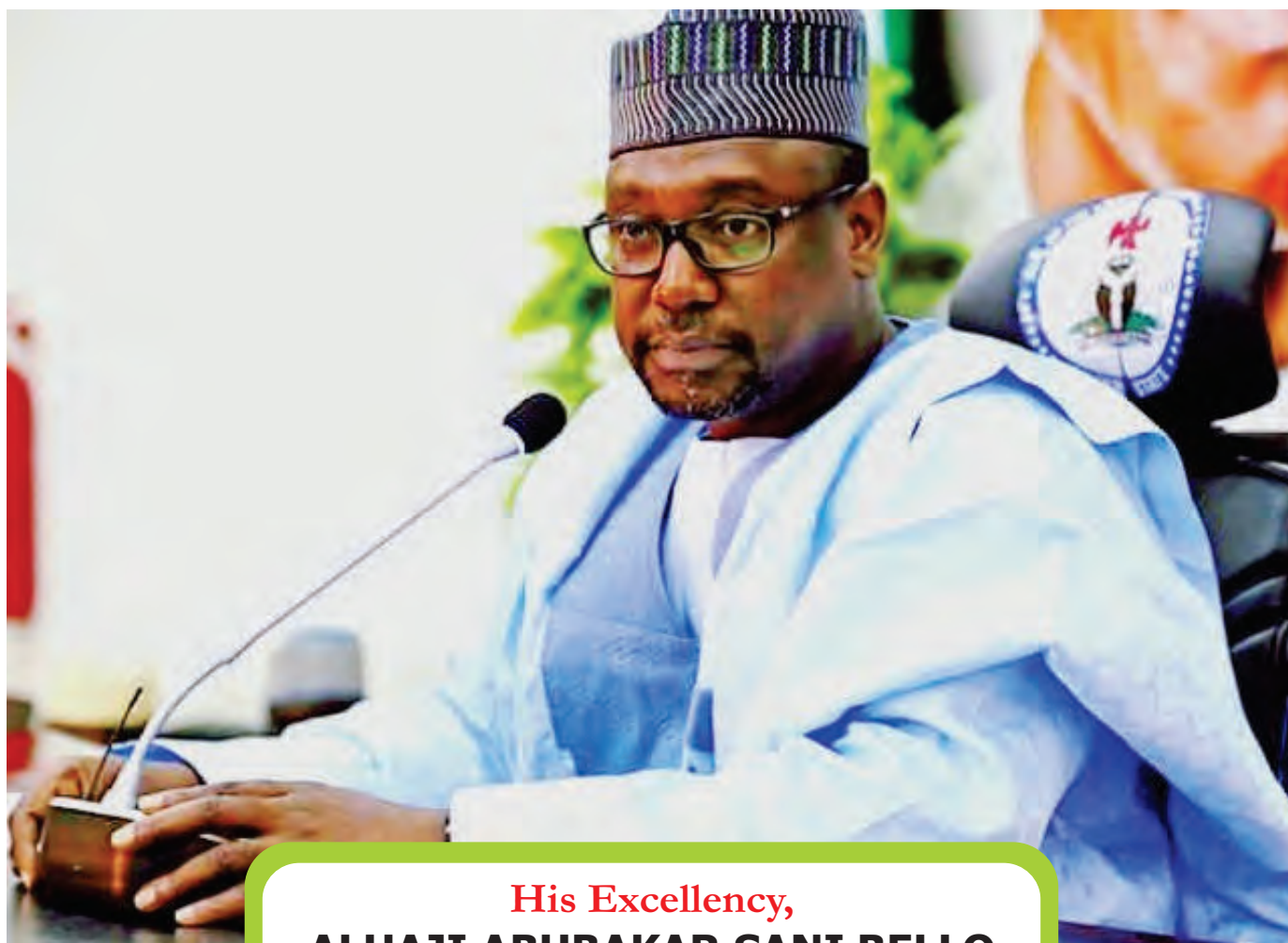
■ From left: Business Development Manager Transcorp Hilton Abuja, Betty Aguiyi-Ironsi; General Manager Kevin Brett; PR and Marketing Manager Shola Adeyemo; Commercial Director Islam Elmaddah, and Public Relations and Marketing Executive, Ijeoma Cassandra Osuji, during business cocktail party organized for media practitioners by the Transcorp Hilton held in Abuja at the weekend. Photo: **Felix Onigbinde**



■ From left: Registrar/CEO, Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria, Mr. Seye Awojobi; 1st Vice President, CIBN, Mr. Bayo Olugbemi; Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria, Mr. Ade Shonubi; Former Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria, Chief Joseph Sanusi; Son of Alhaji Oti, Mr. Olatokunbo Oti; President/Chairman of Council, CIBN, Dr. Uche Olowu; and Chairman, FBN Holding Plc, Dr. Oba Otudeko; during CIBN Special Governing Council Valedictory Session in honour of Late Alhaji Amusa O.G Oti, in Lagos on Friday.

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His Excellency,
ALHAJI ABUBAKAR SANI BELLO
The Executive Governor of Niger State

I wish to Congratulate Your Excellency, **Alhaji Abubakar Sani Bello**, The Executive Governor of Niger State, on the Ruling of The Supreme Court of The Federal Republic of Nigeria, as Affirmed Winner of the 2019 Governorship Election on Wednesday 8th January 2020.

Your Excellency Sir, as you settle down to Continue the Giant Development Strides in Niger State, I pray Today and Always for Allah's Divine Protection and Guidance.

Once again, Congratulations Sir.

Signed:

Alhaji Adamu Hussaini.
M.D, Z.B.C.C (Nig) Ltd.



CITY NEWS

Gunmen abduct Kuje APC scribe, demand N10m ransom

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

Armed men have abducted the All Progressives Congress (APC) Secretary of Kuje Area Council, Mr. Idris Aloma and are demanding for a N10 million ransom.

A member of the victim's family who preferred anonymity confirmed the kidnap via telephone interview with our reporter yesterday.

He said Aloma was abducted around 5:30pm along Gwargwada-Zagabutu village while riding on a motorcycle with his two male children, aged 10 and 7 years.

He said the victim left Zagabutu village to visit one of his sick relatives in neighbouring Gwargwada village, adding that it was while returning to his village that he ran into the gunmen who flagged him down at gunpoint and

whisked him away.

"They flagged him down at gunpoint and took his two children near a neighbouring village and abandoned them there, before the children now trekked down to the village to alert the villagers that their father had been kidnapped," he said.

He said some of the villagers trekked to the scene where the victim was abducted and discovered his motorcycle

abandoned inside the bush by the side of the road.

According to him, the family established contact with the kidnappers on Friday and they were demanding for N10 million before the Aloma would be released. The spokesman of the FCT police command, DSP Anjuguri Manzah, said he was not aware of the latest kidnap incident, adding that he would enquire and get back to our reporter.



■ Graduands of Sheikh Abubakar Mahmud Gumi Memorial Islamiyyah Centre Karu, during their 8th Quranic graduation ceremony in Abuja at the weekend

Photo: Abubakar Yakubu

FCTA to close illegal schools

By Malikatu Umar Shuaibu

As part of efforts to promote quality education, the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA), has reaffirmed its commitment to close all illegal schools operating in the nation's capital.

FCT Minister of State, Dr. Ramatu Tijjani Aliyu, who gave this commitment at the inauguration ceremony of PET International Academy, Lugbe last week in Abuja, also revealed that the Quality Assurance Department of the Education Secretariat will scale-up its monitoring and inspection of schools to ensure standards.

The minister, who was represented by the Director of FCT Universal Basic Education Board (UBEB), Dr. Adamu Noma, acknowledged that provision of quality education should not be the responsibility of government alone, saying private sector engagement was key to quality education.

She also stressed that the administration had in September 2019, granted approval to no fewer than 1,648 private schools both at junior and senior secondary schools levels.

"Undoubtedly, provision of quality education should not be the responsibility of government alone. We have come to the realization that private sector engagement

is key to quality education. In recognition of this fact, the FCT Administration as at September 2019, has granted approval to no fewer than 1,648 private schools both junior and senior secondary school levels.

"However, I want to use this occasion to state unequivocally that the FCT Administration will not compromise standard in both our public and private schools. Our quality assurance department will scale-up monitoring and enforcement in all schools.

"Therefore, the administration will not hesitate to close down all illegal and substandard schools operating in the territory. This is a task we must continue to carry out to ensure standard in our educational sector," he said.

Aliyu commended the management of the school for choosing FCT for the establishment of the ultra-model school to compliment government efforts in the development of education sector.

The proprietor of the school, Dr. Jeremiah Ekele, also acknowledged that the provision of quality and functional education to pupils and students cannot be left to government alone, stressing that PEM is being developed to complement government efforts.

Contractor assures of timely delivery of Dei-Dei market

By Adam Umar

The contractor handling the on-going rehabilitation of Dei-Dei Regional Market infrastructure, Messrs Ikhlas International Ventures Ltd, has vowed to deliver the project within the 12-month timeline issued by the association of shop owners.

Chairman of the company, Alh. Aminu Hamza, who is also one of the major investors in the market, who spoke at the site's handing over, said he couldn't afford to disappoint the association being a stakeholder in the project.

"I can't afford to let you down. I promise you, if we start this project, it won't stop; by the grace of God, it won't exceed the one year timeline," he said.

The chairman, Dei-Dei Regional Market Shop Owners Association, Alh. Tukur Abubakar, on his part, reiterated that the contract is to be funded 100 per cent by the shop owners through a development levy.

According to him, the various allottees in the market have been categorized into banks, warehouses, public conveniences, lockup shops and informal sector (open

stalls) which will contribute N500,000, N200,000, N200,000, N100,000 and N25,000, respectively.

With close to 7,000 lockup shops and open stalls sitting on 36.5 hectares, the market which was conceptualized in 2005 is inarguably the largest within the federal capital territory.

Abubakar lamented the dilapidated state of the market and urged the allottees to support the rehabilitation project by ensuring timely payment of their levies saying, "if we fail in this particular effort, I don't know when we will be able to do it again."

Disregard earth tremor rumour, council boss urges residents

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

The Chairman of Gwagwalada Area Council, Alhaji Adamu Mustapha, has urged residents of the council to disregard rumours making the rounds that an earth tremor occurred in the area.

A statement by the information officer of the council, Ismaila Mohammed Ibwa, said there was no incident of earth tremor in the council, noting that such rumours were peddled by rumour mongers.

He said the council chairman has been inundated with

phone calls enquiring about an earth tremor in the council, adding that it was not true, as according to him, it has been official verified that no such incident took place there.

The statement urged residents to go about their normal and routine activities

as such calamity never happened in any part of the area council.

According to him, some media organisations which also claimed to have heard the rumour of the earth tremor came to the council and approached him to enquire

about it.

The chairman, therefore, urged those spreading such rumour to desist from spreading unconfirmed claims in order not to distract the public from carrying out their legitimate and lawful businesses.



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The National Council on Education (NCE) at its meeting held in Yenegoa, Bayelsa State in 2006 gave a deadline for all unqualified teachers to get qualified, registered and licensed by TRCN. The NCE reiterated this position at its other meetings such as Kano 2017, Abuja 2018, and Port Harcourt 2019.

The December 31st, 2019 deadline has come and gone. The Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria in accordance with TRCN Act CAP T3 of 2004 hereby gives notice to the general public that a nationwide enforcement of the NCE decision will commence across the country this January 2020.

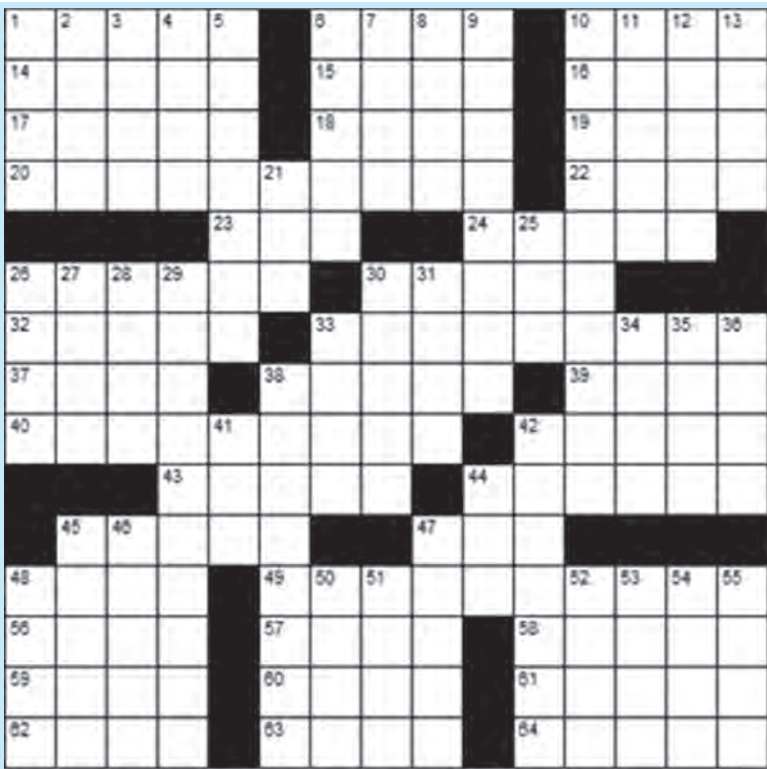
In light of the above, TRCN officials and Professionals engaged from relevant institutions will be going round the schools (both Public and Private) to ascertain the status of the teachers.

It is therefore mandatory that all teachers must present themselves for this crucial exercise

Signed
Prof. Josiah Olusegun Ajiboye
Registrar/Chief Executive (TRCN)

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EASY CROSSWORD >>



ACROSS

- 1. Penniless
- 6. Circle fragments
- 10. Try
- 14. Batman's sidekick
- 15. Formal dance
- 16. Biblical garden
- 17. Iniquities
- 18. Two-toed sloth
- 19. Implored
- 20. Exploding
- 22. Anagram of "Silo"
- 23. Commercials
- 24. Clothes
- 26. A misleading fabrication
- 30. Flora
- 32. Overweight
- 33. Milkmaid
- 37. "Oh my!"
- 38. In shape
- 39. If not
- 40. Passerines
- 42. Anoint (archaic)
- 43. Overly sentimental
- 44. High regard
- 45. Fable writer
- 47. Dip lightly
- 48. Hair salon process
- 49. Leather shorts
- 56. Sea eagle
- 57. Decorative case
- 58. Zapupe

DOWN

- 1. Engendered
- 2. Wander
- 3. Death notice
- 4. Prefix meaning 1000
- 5. Trap
- 6. Borders on
- 7. Hindu princess
- 8. Family group
- 9. A slothful person
- 10. Conduct
- 11. Improvise
- 12. Bobbins
- 13. Concludes
- 21. Annex
- 25. One or more
- 26. Anthracite
- 27. With competence
- 28. Close
- 29. Appraisal
- 30. Strike an open palm
- 31. Untruths
- 33. A hamlet (South African term)
- 34. Away from the wind
- 35. Small island
- 36. Consider
- 38. Social drinkers
- 41. Ghost's cry
- 42. Paving material
- 44. Hearing organ
- 45. Eagle's nest
- 46. Anagram of "Sneer"
- 47. Anagram of "Dimes"
- 48. Fur
- 50. French for "State"
- 51. Hoodwink
- 52. Curved molding
- 53. Epic
- 54. Wicked
- 55. Catches

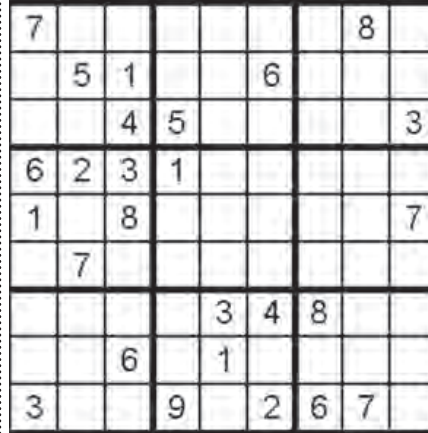


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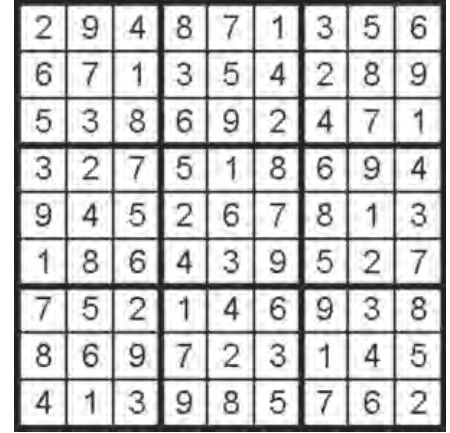
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Good luck!

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Solution to Sudoku 20



SNAPSHOT >>

Careless granny lowers 7-year-old grandson by rope over ledge to rescue cat



This is the heart-stopping moment an elderly woman dangled her seven-year-old grandson from a five-storey balcony by a rope to save her trapped cat. It is said the pensioner's pet had been stuck on the balcony one level below, so she decided to lower the boy to the edge of the platform for him to reach the animal. The child put the feline into a bag before being precariously pulled up by his grandmother. Both the boy and the cat were unhurt, according to reports. The risky rescue operation took place on Sunday in Peng'an, a county of Sichuan Province in southwestern China, reported *BJ News*. Trending footage shows the boy, known as Hao Hao, standing on a tiny ledge while being attached to the homemade safety equipment. Worrying about the boy's safety, onlookers shouted and urged the grandparent to stop the perilous act, but the retiree refused. The grandmother was widely criticised after footage of her act went viral on social media yesterday. A spokesperson at the local residential committee, Wang Ying, told *BJ News* that the pensioner did not feel her act was dangerous at the time, but after watching footage she felt scared, according to Chengdu-based *Red Star News*. The boy told the reporter that he did not feel scared at the time.

Photo: Facebook

SIGN LANGUAGE >>



What a blunder! Sign writer can't spell RIGHT, right. Photo location: Nottinghamshire, UK. Spotted by: Not Stated

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Excellency,
Prof. Yemi Osibanjo
Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

I, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje OFR, Executive Governor of Kano State, on behalf of the government and good people of the state, heartily welcome His Excellency, the Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Prof. Yemi Osibanjo, to Kano, the Center of Commerce, for a one-day working visit on **Monday, 13th January, 2020.**

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Sheikh Karibullah Sheikh Nasiru Kabara Bridge

While wishing Your Excellency joyful journey and safe arrival, I once again welcome you to Kano, Jalla Babbar Hausa!

Marhaban Lale! Jabbama!

Signed:

Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje OFR
Executive Governor
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The Governing Council of the Waziri Umaru Federal Polytechnic, Birnin Kebbi hereby invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to fill the post of Polytechnic Librarian of the institution, which became vacant on 5th November, 2019 respectively.

2. BRIEF HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTION.

The institution was established in 1976 College of Technology by the then Sokoto State Government and became Polytechnic of Sokoto State in 1980.

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3. POLYTECHNIC LIBRARIAN

The Polytechnic Librarian is a Principal Officer and shall be responsible to the Rector for the day-to-day running of the Libraries of the institution. He/She must be dedicated and loyal to the Institution through the Council in the discharge of his/her duties.

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- ii. He must be a Chief Librarian for a period of not less than 5 years on the rank from the Polytechnic or other similar Tertiary Institutions. In addition, he/she must provide evidence of registration with the relevant professional body.
- iii. He/She must have academic papers published in reputable journals in addition to conference papers accepted for presentation at Local/international conferences and or publication of textbooks.

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The Conditions of Service for the posts are the same as obtained in all Federal Polytechnics in Nigeria. In addition, the appointee shall enjoy any other benefit attached to the position of a Principal Officer.

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The salary shall be similar to the package approved by National Salaries Income and Wages Commission for Polytechnic Librarian.

9. METHOD OF APPLICATION

Interested candidates are expected to submit twenty (20) typewritten copies of applications including curriculum vitae and photocopies of certificates. The curriculum vitae shall cover the following:

- i. Full names (Surname first in Capital Letters)
- ii. Date and Place of birth
- iii. State of Origin and Local Government Area
- iv. Nationality
- v. Marital Status
- vi. Number and ages of children
- vii. Current Contact Address including telephone number and e-mail address
- viii. Educational institutions attended with dates
- ix. Academic and professional qualifications obtained with dates
- x. Membership of professional bodies/Associations
- xi. Honours and Distinction (if any)
- xii. Conferences attended with dates
- xiii. Community Service
- xiv. Present employment to include status, salary, duties and any other relevant experience.
- xv. Mission Statement/Brief proposal on repositioning the Registry for enhanced service delivery
- xvi. Other activities outside current employment
- xvii. Names and addresses of three referees, Applicant should request their referees to forward confidential reports on them directly to the Registrar, Waziri Umaru Federal Polytechnic, Birnin Kebbi.

Applicants will be required to present the original copies of their certificates and other relevant credentials if invited for interview.

Applications are to be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked "APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF POLYTECHNIC LIBRARIAN" as applicable on top left hand corner and addressed to:

The Registrar
Waziri Umaru Federal Polytechnic
P.M.B. 1034,
BIRNIN KEBBI
KEBBI STATE

All applications are expected to be submitted within six (6) weeks from the date of this publication.

Signed:

Abdulaziz Yusuf Bazata
Registrar/Secretary to the Council

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INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POSTS OF CHIEF SECURITY OFFICER, UNIVERSITY LEGAL OFFICER, DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT AND CHIEF STORES OFFICER

Applications are hereby invited from suitably qualified candidates to fill the following positions in Federal University Gusau (FUGUS).

1- CHIEF SECURITY OFFICER (CONTISS-13)

The Job

- The University Chief Security Officer is responsible to the Vice Chancellor for the overall security and intelligence matters of the University and ensuring safety for the entire University community.

The Responsibilities

- Supervise, monitor and control sub-units in the Division.
- Must be able to anticipate security crisis conditions on the campus and take appropriate measures.
- Prepare periodic security report for management action.
- Design and prepare standard training programmes for patrolmen and women for periodic implementation.
- Ensure security surveillance of both on and off campuses residence of the University.
- Perform other duties assigned by the Vice Chancellor.

Qualification

- Applicants should be holders of good honors degree from a recognized University or its equivalent from a recognized institution in the relevant field e.g. Law, Criminology, Security Studies, Sociology or any related discipline with 15 years' cognate experience.
- Applicants must show aptitude for security work, crime detection and prevention, be physically fit and of good character.
- Must be retired officers not below the rank of Lt. Col in the Nigerian Army, Chief Superintendent of Police or its equivalent in other forces.
- Must be computer literate.
- Must not be more than fifty (50) years of age.

2. UNIVERSITY LEGAL OFFICER (CONTISS-13)

The University Legal Officer is the Chief Legal Adviser of the University answerable to the Registrar.

The Responsibilities

- Advise the University on matters that relate to administration of justice, due process, procedures and University businesses.
- Interface between the University and the University external advocates.
- Drafts memorandum of understanding between sections of the University and other organizations.
- Serves as secretary to some committees of the University.
- Coordinates industrial relations and union matters within the University.
- He/she represents the University at courts and other legal fora.

Qualifications

- Possession of LLB, BL with a minimum of Second Class Lower from a recognized University;
- At least ten (10) years of post-call experience, at least five (5) of which must have been in a tertiary institution.
- Call-to-bar Certificate;
- National Youth Service Corps Certificate or Exemption Letter;
- Must be computer literate.

3- DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT (CONTISS-15)

The Director Advancement is charged with the responsibility to lead, produce and implement a strategy to achieve an integrated Advancement programme including clear objectives, performance measures, budgets and other resource requirements for fundraising, alumni relations and communications. He/she serves as the Chief Administrative head of the Advancement Office of the University.

The Roles

- Lead, supervise and coordinate the running of the Office.
- Work with the Vice-Chancellor to secure higher level support from individuals, corporations, donations and special government funding opportunities.
- Manage the fundraising budgets and ensure that the University can track the return on the investment in Advancement Office.
- Develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that donated funds are used effectively and in ways that are consistent with the University's undertakings to donors and sponsors.
- Achieve Key Performance indicators as agreed with management and work within the Human Relations guidelines of the University.
- Commission and oversee development communications as required.
- Develop and implement strategies to secure gifts that support institutional priorities and achieve the targets of the University.
- Prepare and maintain Policy and Procedure manual for the Office to ensure accountability.
- Work within the governing rules and guidelines of the University.
- Generate a protocol list of friends and partners of the University for mutual town/gown relationship.
- Perform other duties as may be assigned by the Vice-Chancellor.

The Person

Interested candidates should have at least twelve (12) years post-university graduation cognate experience in a relevant or related University activity. The candidate should possess a track record of team work and team building, has strong effective communication skills in both oral and written presentations. The candidate should convincingly demonstrate the ability to perform the stated roles of the Director of Advancement.

4- CHIEF STORES OFFICER (CONTISS-13)

The candidate should have passed the final examination of the Institute of Purchasing and Supply with at least 12 years' post-qualification experience. He/she should be a holder of B.Sc. in Social Science or Commerce with at least 12 year's post-qualification experience.

The Responsibilities

- General overseer/Coordinator of the store activities.
- Liaising with Procurement Officer on procurement of goods.
- Responsible to the Bursar.
- Performing any other duties assigned by the Bursar/University

CONDITION OF SERVICE

The condition of service and salaries of all the above positions are as obtained in the Federal Universities in Nigeria, and as may be determined by the University Governing Council.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

Candidates are required to forward their typed applications in 25 copies with the photocopies of their certificates and detailed curriculum vitae under confidential cover in an envelope sealed stating the post being applied for, and addressed to:

The Registrar
Federal University Gusau
P.M.B. 1001 Gusau,
Zamfara State
Nigeria

Applicants should send the names of the three (3) referees, at least two (2) of them should be competent to attest to the candidates' professional/academic standing and character. Candidates should request their referees to send their confidential reports direct to the address above.

CLOSING DATE

All Applications should be submitted to the above mentioned address not later than six (6) weeks from the date of this Advertisement. No application will be collected after six (6) weeks and only shortlisted candidates will be acknowledged.

(Signed)
Yakubu A. Anivbassa
Registrar
Federal University Gusau
P.M.B. 1001 Gusau
Zamfara State



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PUBLIC NOTICE

FILING OF ANNUAL TAX RETURNS BY INDIVIDUALS AND EMPLOYERS OF LABOUR

In line with Section 41 and Section 82 (2) of the Personal Income Tax (Amendment) Act 2011, Bauchi State Internal Revenue Service (BIRS) here by directs all Taxable Persons residing in Bauchi State and Employers of labour operating in the State to file their annual tax returns of income and allowances from **ALL SOURCES** earned and unearned for the year ended 31st December, 2019 within 90 days i.e. 31st March, 2020 in the case of individuals and 30 days i.e. 31st January, 2020 for employers of labour.

It is a duty of every Taxable Person, whether employed or self-employed, to complete and file Income Declaration Form 'A' and return same to the BIRS through any of its 16 Area Tax Offices across all the Local Government Areas of the State.

Employers of Labour, are required to file returns in respect of all employees in their employment in 2019 in accordance with the law.

Failure to file the return on time shall attract a penalty of **N500,000.00** in case of Body Corporate and **N50,000.00** in case of Individual Taxpayer.

BIRS shall enforce **PENALTIES** and **INTEREST** for incorrect, false declaration and late submission of returns.

For further enquiries, visit BIRS Headquarters at Ahmadu Bello Way, Bauchi or call **Mohammed Lawal** on **08030647967** or visit our website: www.birs.bu.gov.ng or email us at info@birs.bu.gov.ng

SIGNED:
Mu'azu Usman
Chairman, Chief Executive



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INVITATION TO TENDER FOR PROJECTS TO BE CARRIED OUT BY BAYERO UNIVERSITY, KANO

1. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE OF WORK

The Bayero University, Kano intends to utilise its 2014 - 2017 (Merged) Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) Intervention in Library Development to procure large volumes of textbooks/journals and, also, to improve its e-library contents.

In compliance with the Public Procurement Act, 2007 and the Bureau of Public Procurement's guidelines, the University invites interested, competent and reputable contractors/companies to tender for the procurement of 'goods' and 'works' as described below:

2. SCOPE OF WORKS/SUPPLY

Lot No	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Lot 1	Supply of Books and Journals for programmes in Engineering, and Earth/Environmental Sciences.
Lot 2	Supply of Books and Journals for programmes in Education and Humanities.
Lot 3	Supply of Books and Journals for programmes in Life Sciences and Social/Management Sciences.
Lot 4	Supply of Ebscohost e-Content
Lot 5	Supply and installation of Computers and Accessories to the University Library.
Lot 6	Supply and installation of various types of Library Furniture.

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Interested bidders are required to submit the following documents:

- Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Form CAC2 and CAC7;
- Evidence of Company Income's Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years valid till 31st December 2019, with minimum average turnover of **N50** million;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2019;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2019;
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2019;
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/1/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP;
- Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of Bayero University, Kano 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 - 2016, 2017 & 2018;
- Proof of Membership of the Nigerian Booksellers Association and/or Nigerian Publishers Association for potential bidders on Lots 1 to 3; Membership of Computer Professional Registration Council of Nigeria (CPRCN) for participation on Lots 4 and 5; in addition to Proof of Representation of EBSCO for Lot 4 only;
- 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;
- 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 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);
- Letter of Consent to allow for verification of all documents submitted;
- All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letterhead 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.

4. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

Interested companies are to collect the Standard Bidding Document (SBD) from the office of the Director, Procurement, New Campus, Bayero University, Kano on evidence of payment of a non-refundable tender fee of N10,000.00 per lot, paid into the Bayero University, Kano's Remita account.

5. SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

Prospective bidders 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" as appropriate. Thereafter, put the two sealed envelopes together in a bigger sealed envelope addressed to The Vice-Chancellor, Bayero University, PMB 3011, Kano - Nigeria and clearly marked with the name of the project and the Lot number. Furthermore, **the reverse side of each sealed envelope should have the name and address of the bidder** and drop in the designated Tender Box at the Procurement Unit, Bayero University, Kano **not later than 12:00 noon of 24th February 2020**.

6. OPENING OF TECHNICAL BIDS

Only the **technical bids** will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon of 24th February 2020** in the Procurement Unit's Boardroom, Faculty of Law Complex, New Campus, Bayero University, Kano in the presence of bidders or their representatives, while the **financial bids** will be kept un-opened. Please, ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register in the Procurement Unit's Boardroom, as the Bayero University, Kano will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquiries, please contact the Director, Procurement Unit, Bayero University, Kano on dir.proc@buk.edu.ng

7. GENERAL INFORMATION

- Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder;
- Profiles should be paginated and proper table of contents be provided to ease location of documents. Each page of the Profile must be signed by appropriate representative of the Bidder;
- Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened;
- A bidder should not bid for more than two (2) lots;
- All costs will be borne by the bidders;
- Only the pre-qualified bidders will be contacted at a later date for financial bid opening, while financial bids of unsuccessful bidders will be returned un-opened;
- The Bayero University, Kano 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
Director, Procurement Unit,
Bayero University, Kano.



FEATURES

At Kaduna's Bakin Dogo market, our correspondent finds out the challenges the makers of the popular delicacy, 'ganda', '(kpomo)' go through to feed the appetite of Nigerians for the controversial delicacy.

From Faruk Shuaibu, Kaduna

Cow skin over the years has found its way into the cuisine of most Nigerians as a tasty delicacy.

The delicacy known as kpomo or ganda, in Yoruba and Hausa dialects respectively, is said to have no nutritional value to the human body but yet it is being consumed in large quantities, rather than being used as leather.

In a quest to find why the appetite for cow skin is increasing, a BBC report identified high cost of beef as a possible cause, though people who can easily afford beef, often choose to go for ganda.

Cow skin, when dried or tanned, can be processed into shoes, belt and other leather products. In 2014, rumours surfaced of plans by government to stop its consumption to increase the export of hide and skin. That eventually did not happen.

Inevitably, the process of producing leather from animal skin and ganda, from the same source vary.

For ganda, the process starts with burning off the hair on the skin. This is mostly done over open flames. Alternatively, the skin is steamed, a process that tenderise it and make the hair easy to be scrapped off.

When *Daily Trust* visited the Yan Ganda section at Bakin Dogo market in Kaduna metropolis, thick, dark smoke could be seen from afar, rising into the sky.

The grounds where the processing has been taking place for decades is sticky, with layers of dirt and animal waste mixed with ashe and sooth, which has blacked almost everything in sight.

The eight open flames at the plant where the skin is treated are fuelled by firewood and bamboo sticks. The skin is placed on wrought iron frames over the flames to roast.

All around, 10 aluminium pots, used for cooking and tenderising the skin are scattered.

The fire is manned by two persons, armed with long sticks, which they use in prodding and rolling the skin to ensure no part is left untouched by the flames. Besides them, there is a keg of water to douse overzealous fire from doing much harm to the skin.

Despite the intensity of the fire, the workers have no protective gear to keep them from both the fire and its smoke.

"I have been doing this work since childhood" said 28-year-old, Abdullahi Mahmud.

Abdullahi chose to go into the business full time because after finishing his secondary school, he could not further his education. It was easy because the

Skin, fire and smoke

The story of Nigeria's love of tender cow skin and some of the men feeding off this demand



■ Roasted cow skin displayed on a table

business has been running in the family.

"My father and grandfather have been in the business and in my family, when a child is old enough to know his left from right, he will be asked to join the business," he said.

The skin is sourced from abattoirs in the city as well as small hamlet around Kaduna city on daily basis. Abdullahi and the others have formed years of partnership with dealers, who bring the skins to them at the market.

"When the skin is brought, it is cut into desired sizes and given to those who will roast it, which is their only job. They do not cut the skin if not for roasting," he said.

"The cut depends on the size of the skin so the biggest skin can fetch from 10 to 12 pieces, while a small skin can be cut into seven or eight. However, if it is going to be cut into smaller parts to be displayed on tables for immediate sale, there is also a way to cut it," he said.

After the skin is processed, they pass them on to some boys to wash them with



■ A man washing ganda with an iron sponge after being roasted

iron sponges, to clean out the blackness and make them look fresh.

Years of enduring the heat and inhaling smoke from the processing has had its toll on Abdullahi, even if he says it is "part of him" now.

"There was a day I had difficulty sleeping due to the smoke. I felt pain in my eyes and nose and it resulted in a headache," he said. "Since then I have not encountered any problem. Though, sometimes the work proves difficult but as time passes, I enjoy it. When I hold hot things, I do not feel much hurt. It hurts not that it does not, I just get used to it."

"If you are a visitor that is when you complain of the intensity of the fire. For us, expert in the field we have adapted to the difficulties associated with it. It has become a way of life and a livelihood, without the fire, we cannot make a living," he said.

Fire is the most important part of their work, it is also the most challenging, economically. Rise in the price of firewood is eating into their profit

margins.

"The price of wood is rising. Those doing the roasting do complain that they do not get much profit after the cost of wood is deducted. So if we can get an alternative, like electric stove, it will make it easier, less costly for us to work."

Still, Abdullahi is grateful for what he has been able to achieve through his trade. He has been able to support his parents financially. For him, at his age, that is an accomplishment.

"Anytime I notice they are in need, I will try my best to get it. I have been able to get married and sustain my family with the little I get from here," he said.

For Salisu Umar, who has been in the business for the past 20 years, the work conditions are something he could live with as breathing in the smoke has put bread on his table.

"There is no job in the world without its challenges. Nothing comes easy but with patience and perseverance, one will prosper. So, when you work hard and have the conviction of success you will get there," he said.

After passing from the flames to the pots, the finished product is shipped to a section of the market with haphazardly arranged tables, on which the ganda is displayed to attract interested buyers.

Ashiru Yusuf, 20, depends on the work the likes of Abdullahi and Salisu do as he sells ganda during the evening rush hour. His gain, he said, is significant because people require ganda to accompany their evening meals.

For now, despite threats of a government ban, Nigerians seem intent to continue feasting on their soft, soft ganda. For the likes of Abdullahi, Salisu and Ashiru, that means everything.



■ Abdullahi said he has been engaged in ganda business since childhood

EVERYDAY TECHNOLOGY

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Lessons from the huge technology job cuts in 2019

Those of us who have been around for a while have an advantage over the youth, in the sense that we can dig into our huge chest of knowledge - aka, experience - to make sense of current situations. We are able to have perspective. After all, a child cannot have more rags than his father. (Some cultures, such as the Yoruba's in Nigeria - or the Korean's in Asia - recognize this fact, explaining why the youth in those honorific-based cultures are expected to show a great deal of respect to their elders.)

We know how the economy played out prior to the birth of serious dot-com and Internet-based high tech portfolios, which today significantly play strong in the economy. Pre-Internet, it used to be exceedingly difficult for a company to hit the billion-dollar capitalization mark; requiring a bevy of highly educated, trained, experienced, and skilled business personnel. Big brick-and-mortar companies, such as Boeing, Exxon Mobile, General Electric, IBM, ITT, Lever Brothers, and so on are made up of these kinds of personnel. These companies sell stuff that you can see and touch.

A perfect example of a virtual company with huge fortune is WhatsApp, which was developed by the Ukrainian-born Jan Koum, who immigrated to the US at the age of 18. He was very poor and on welfare, but developed WhatsApp with Brian Acton, and sold it to Facebook for \$19 billion. Meanwhile, it is not clear how WhatsApp generates money for Facebook, though we are aware that the trove of data that WhatsApp acquires on people all over the world could in future translate into money in the bank. Many big businesses today combine elements of brick-and-mortar with virtual presence in order to gain competitive advantage. The idea is that the old economy appears to scale with real inputs, whereas high tech business performance doesn't necessarily do so!

In the 16 February 2015 article in this column, I reported on Apple's historic capitalization (\$710 billion), making the company the first to achieve this level of capitalization in the world. Apple had a real commodity, though: the iPhone 6S did the trick, accounting for almost 70% of the revenue! Good for Apple. It was only in 2013 that it overtook ExxonMobil as the world's most capitalized company at \$415 billion. In the 6 August 2018 article in this column, I reported on Apple's breaking of the \$1 trillion market capitalization barrier.

So what's the matter with the high tech companies now? A news analysis of job data have reported that high tech companies reported layoffs and job cuts in 2019 at an alarming rate compared to the 2018 figure, to the tune of an increase of 351%. And this applies to high tech companies all over the globe, though the stats are probably those of companies in the West, where transparency is not much of an issue. Nicole Karlis, in her article on 8 January 2020 in salon.com, attributes this to "restructuring, trade difficulties, tariffs, or bankruptcy." Uber, the ride-sharing company, is reportedly laying approximately 25% of its 1,200-person strong marketing department, "in an effort to slash costs and make operations more efficient following its public debut and first quarter losses of \$1 billion."

Karlis lists several high tech companies that laid off workers, and reports that the bubble burst in 2019 "for glorified real estate company WeWork, result in 2,400 employees around the world losing their jobs." Companies such as Oracle and PayPal reportedly laid off employees in 2019 as well.

Because of the way it generates income, vis-à-vis the traditional big businesses, as mentioned above, the technology sector is evidently the most volatile sector, with short product life cycles. According to Karlis, "the past few recessions in the United States have been correlated with major layoffs and dips in tech industry fortunes, and indeed, economists see the tech industry as something of an economic bellwether." Note that technology can be more easily leap-frogged, enabling otherwise impoverished developing countries to compete. However, investments in many of the high tech startups are yet to yield good fruits.

The projected outlook for 2020 is not good, with quite a few important layoffs already in the New Year. What to do as an employee? Strive to be the best at what you do - work extremely hard and smart - and be indispensable with respect to the metric that your industry uses to measure productivity. Also, be up-to-date with technology. With this, even if you get laid off, you will be more marketable. You should also always evaluate your professional options, and make a move when a better opportunity knocks. It's always a good thing to be loyal to your employer; but you also have to pay your bills and support your family.

For the employer, the statements of Uber's CEO Dara Khosrowshahi to his employees, are relevant: "We all have to play a part by establishing a new normal in how we work: identifying and eliminating duplicate work, upholding high standards for performance, giving direct feedback and taking action when expectations aren't being met, and eliminating the bureaucracy that tends to creep as companies grow."

New 'smart diaper' unveiled at CES 2020

A company in Miami called Smardii is developing a new smart diaper that will monitor for the presence of urine and stool to help keep both senior citizens and infants clean and dry.

Smardii's flagship product is a small white disk called a 'puck,' which can be attached to any pair of disposable diapers.

The sensor will detect when the diaper has been soiled, as well as monitor body temperature, detect abnormalities in urine composition, and even help prevent bed sores by tracking how long it's been since a person has moved.

'Some may think it's funny, but when you go to a nursing home setting and look at the quality of care, it's very serious,' Smardii founder Vikram Mehta told 'Investors Business Daily' at CES 2020, in Las Vegas last week where the company was demonstrating its products.

One of the most common day-to-day issues in elder care is incontinence, with an estimated 50 percent of adults over 60 suffering from the condition.

If left unaddressed over long periods of time, soiled undergarments can lead to a range of more serious problems, including infections, skin

breakdowns, pressure ulcers, and even falls.

The sensor communicates with a smartphone or tablet app via a Bluetooth signal, or over Wi-Fi through a Smardii produced Wi-Fi Gateway Device.

The app allows caregivers or parents to track as many as twelve patients or infants simultaneously.

It also provides live readouts of body temperature, time since last diaper change, and presence of stool or urine in the diaper.

The app also stores data over weeks and months to help track long-term shifts in behavior or body function.

Buhari voices commitment to public service delivery through ICT

By Muideen Olaniyi

President Muhammadu Buhari has renewed the commitment of his administration to use technology for enhanced public service delivery.

President Buhari, while receiving the leadership of Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria (CPCN) and Nigeria Computer Society (NCS) led by its president, Prof. Charles Uwadia, said "technology in public service delivery is no longer a luxury, but a pressing necessity."

The president, who said Information Technology is the driving force for social and economic change, told

the IT professionals that his government, through its actions, had demonstrated its commitment to convert these potentials to reality.

"The future belongs to IT. What was unimaginable 20 years ago is a reality today. Accordingly, we have introduced numerous policies and have made substantial investments to ensure the benefits of this technology-driven age is felt by 200 million Nigerians.

"Indeed, our strategy for inclusive economic growth can only be achieved by leveraging the technology tools available to us," he said in a statement issued by his media aide Femi Adesina.

Prof. Uwadia, in his remarks, lauded the President for demonstrating the political will to accelerate national IT development with his physical presence at the e-Nigeria conference and awards, on four consecutive occasions, over the years.

Uwadia, while speaking on behalf of IT professionals in the country, voiced gratitude to President Buhari for appointing two seasoned professionals, Dr Isa Ibrahim Pantami and Kashifu Abdullahi as Minister of Communications and Digital Economy and Director-General, National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA), respectively.

NCC takes tech hubs to rural areas

By Idowu Isamotu

The Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) says there is need to facilitate local content development by promoting ICT innovation and technology entrepreneurship.

It said leveraging on the power of digital technology will position Nigeria for 21st century digital revolution.

The Executive Vice Chairman of the commission, Prof. Umar Danbatta, made this known at the Emerging Technologies Research and ICT Innovation Forum in Nasarawa State.

Danbatta, who was represented by the Director New Media and Information Security department, NCC,



■ NCC EVC, Prof. Umar Danbatta

Engr. Haru Alhassan, stated that the ICT Innovation Forum has become necessary

to promote local content with emphasis on the tech ecosystem, identify 'unmet' needs and facilitate Public Private Partnership (PPP).

The NCC boss reiterated the commission's commitment to assist the various tech hubs with the right intervention and support to ease operations.

Also speaking at the event, the Executive Commissioner, Technical Services NCC, Engr. Ubale Maska, who was represented by the Director, Technical Standards, Engr. Bako Wakil said, "ICT is continuously having an increasing transformational impact on our socio-economic lives as it is manifesting in the way we live, socialize, learn, trade and do business."

Lagos begins e-registration of candidates for 2020 WASSCE

From Christiana T. Alabi, Lagos

The Lagos State Government has commenced electronic-registration (data capturing) of the 2020 May/June West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) for Senior Secondary School candidates in public secondary schools in the state.

The e-registration which took-off on January 9, 2020 is expected to end on January 31.

Commissioner for Education, Mrs. Folasade Adefisayo disclosed that the 322 Senior Secondary Schools in the state with a total of 47,804 candidates will benefit from the free registration for WASSCE.

Ahead of the e-registration of candidates, the Lagos State Ministry of Education had commenced the training of e-registration (Data Capturing) Officers drawn from within the Ministry of Education and the six education districts in the state.

She called for cooperation of all school principals to ensure a hitch-free exercise.



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INVITATION TO TENDER FOR YEARS 2015- 2018 (MERGED) TETFUND PROJECT AND INTERNALLY GENERATED REVENUE PROJECTS.

- 1. INTRODUCTION**
Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Ondo State in Compliance with the Public Procurement Act, 2007 hereby invites reputable and competent firms with relevant experience and good track records to submit Technical and Financial Bids for the under- listed projects/ supply.
- 2. SCOPE OF WORKS/SUPPLY**
CATEGORY A- TETFund Project Maintenance Intervention (Works).
LOT 1- Rehabilitation of Health Centre Building.
CATEGORY B - Internally Generated Revenue Projects (Works).
LOT 2- Rehabilitation of School of Education Building.
LOT 3- Construction of 200 Capacity Hall for Demonstration Secondary School.
LOT 4- Completion of Block B Hostel.
LOT 5- Re-Roofing of Tinubu Hall of Residence with the Annex.
LOT 6- Re-Roofing of Olunloyo Hall of Residence with the Annex.
LOT 7- Re-Roofing of Oduduwa Hall of Residence with the Annex.
LOT 8- Re-Roofing of Sports Centre Pavilion.
CATEGORY C- Internally Generated Revenue Projects (Goods)
LOT 9- Procurement and Installation of 100 KVA Generator.
LOT 10- Purchase of Vehicles.
LOT 11- Procurement of Diesel (AGO)
- ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**
Prospective Contractors are required to submit the following documents as applicable:
 - a. Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Forms CAC2 and CAC7;
 - b. Evidence of Company Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years valid till 31st December, 2019;
 - c. Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
 - d. Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
 - e. Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
 - f. Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/01/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP.
 - g. Original Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo 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;
 - h. Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years - 2016, 2017, 2018;
 - i. 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;
 - j. Company Profile with the Curriculum Vitae of Key Staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic and Professional qualifications (COREN, QSRBN, ARCON, CORBON etc. for bidders in lot 1-8);
 - k. Lot 9 requires the submission of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) Authorisation;
 - l. Lot 10: Only companies included in the National Automotive Design and Development Council's approved list of local manufacturers of vehicles or their authorised representatives should bid for the vehicles;
 - m. Lot 11 requires that bidders should have a filling station and tanker.
 - n. Verifiable documentary evidence of at least three (3) similar jobs executed in the last seven (7) years including Letters of Awards, Valuation Certificates, Job Completion Certificates and Photographs of the projects
 - m. List of Plants/Equipment with proof of Ownership/Lease (where applicable).
 - n. 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);
 - o. 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. COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS**
Interested companies are to collect the Standard Bidding Document (SBD) from the office of the Acting Director of Procurement, First floor of the former uncompleted building, opposite School of Postgraduate Studies & Research, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo on evidence of payment of a non-refundable tender fee of **₦10,000.00 per Lot**, paid into the Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo Remita account in any commercial bank.
- 4. SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS**
Prospective bidders are to submit bid for each of the Lot desired, 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 Acting Director of Procurement, Adeyemi College of Education, P.M.B. 520, Ondo and clearly marked with title of the project and 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 at the office of the Acting Director of Procurement, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo not later than **12:00noon on Wednesday, 26th February, 2020.**

Furthermore, bidders should visit www.eppms.aceondo.net to upload/submit electronic copy/version of their technical and financial bids (where applicable). please note that the financial bids are to be pass worded and the password submitted to esromao@aceondo.edu.ng on the financial bids opening date.
- 5. OPENING OF BIDS**
Only the technical bids will be opened immediately after deadline for submission at **12:00noon on Wednesday, 26th February, 2020** in the Centre for Educational Technology conference room, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo in the presence of bidders or their representatives, while the Financial bids will be kept un-opened.

Please, ensure that you sign the Bid Submission Register in the office of the Acting Director of Procurement, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, as Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquiries, please contact the Acting Director of Procurement on e-mail esromao@aceondo.edu.ng
- 6. GENERAL INFORMATION**
 - a. Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorised by the bidder;
 - b. Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened;
 - c. All costs will be borne by the bidders;
 - d. 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;
 - e. Bidders should not bid for more than two (2) Lots;
 - f. Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo 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
Dr S.A. Akintunde
Provost
Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo



INTERNAL / EXTERNAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The United Nations Development Programme (Nigeria) announces the following vacancy:

POST TITLE: DRIVER – MULTIPLE LOCATIONS (WITH POSSIBILITY OF BUILDING A ROSTER)
LEVEL OF POST: SB1
CONTRACT TYPE: SERVICE CONTRACT
LOCATION FOR POST: ABUJA AND OTHER DUTY STATIONS AROUND NIGERIA
CLOSING DATE: 31 JANUARY 2020

For details on the job description and application process, please visit

<http://www.ng.undp.org/content/nigeria/en/home/operations/jobs.html> and submit applications.

For further details on UN benefits and entitlements, please visit <http://icsc.un.org>

The UN is committed to achieving a workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture. Individuals from minority groups, indigenous groups and persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply. Qualified women are highly encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.



FEDERAL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (TECHNICAL),
P.M.B. 1088, GUSAU, ZAMFARA STATE
Office of the Registrar

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE VACANT POST OF REGISTRAR

Applications are hereby invited from suitably qualified candidates for appointment into the post of Registrar, Federal College of Education Technical Gusau. The position will become vacant in June 2020.

1. POSITION: REGISTRAR

The position of Registrar is a statutory position on tenure appointment for 5years in the first instance and MAY be renewed subject to the provision of extant regulations.

a. DUTIES

The Registrar is the Chief Administrative Officer of the College and is responsible to the Provost for the day to day administration of the Registry Dept. In addition, he/she serves as Secretary to the Governing Council and other Statutory Committees of the College.

b. QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

Eligible candidate who must have attained the rank of Deputy Registrar on Contediss 15 in College of Education system should possess a Masters degree, in any of the Social Science/Arts from a recognized institution of higher learning with at least 18 years cognate experience or a Doctorate degree with at least 15 years cognate experience. Candidates must also show evidence of membership of relevant professional body(s). Evidence of attendance of a continuous mandatory professional development course is required.

2. METHOD OF APPLICATION

a. Interested candidates should forward 15 copies of their typewritten application and detailed curriculum vitae.

The Curriculum vitae should highlight the following:

- i. Full Name, Surname underlined
- ii. Marital Status
- iii. Number of Children
- iv. Date and Place of Birth
- v. State of Origin
- vi. Local Government Area
- vii. Current Postal Address
- viii. Permanent Home Address
- ix. Educational Institutions Attended with Dates
- x. Membership of Professional Association/Bodies
- xi. Work Experience in Chronological Order
- xii. Present Employer, Rank and Salary
- xiv. Names and Address of three (3) referees, one which must be the present employer.

- b. Photocopies of relevant credentials to be attached to each of the copies.
- c. Candidates are advised to request three (3) of their referees (one of them must be the present employer) to forward reports on them under confidential cover to:

THE AG. PROVOST
FEDERAL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (TECHNICAL),
P.M.B. 1088, GUSAU, ZAMFARA STATE, NIGERIA

d. All applications and reference reports on the candidates should reach the Ag. Provost not later than six (6) weeks from the date of this publication.

This advertisement is also available on www.fcet-gusau.edu.ng.

Signed
REGISTRAR



UNIVERSITY OF PORT HARCOURT

CHObA, NIGERIA

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHANCELLOR

The post of Vice-Chancellor of the University of Port Harcourt will become vacant in July 2020. Pursuant to the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Decree No. 11 of 1993 as amended by the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Act No. 1 of 2007, the Governing Council of the University of Port Harcourt invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to fill the vacancy.

THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Port Harcourt was established in 1975 as a College of the University of Lagos and gained full autonomous status in 1977. The University is a Centre of Academic Excellence with a mandate to provide qualitative and research oriented education in the Niger Delta region and Nigeria at large.

“Unique UniPort,” as the Institution is popularly known by the alumni, staff and students, was accredited by the National Universities Commission (NUC) on a campus status with academic, residential, social and cultural facilities to support a growing community of scholars and administrators. The University has over the years exposed suitably qualified persons to a specialised body of knowledge that empowers them to make meaningful contribution towards personal development and the advancement of the society.

The University is located about 15 kilometers, northwest of the Central Business District of Port Harcourt City, Nigeria's second largest seaport and the hub of the Petroleum and Gas Industry, and has pursued its vision, mission and core mandate with tenacity and excellence over the years. It offers the best in conventional liberal and equal-opportunity education in the Arts, Engineering, Social Sciences and Science with several breakthroughs that have been patented and capitalised in our robust Technology Park.

The University has a long list of achievements to her credit and is striving even harder to become the first choice destination for the best brains in the finest academic tradition. The University is proud of her record in quality research, learning and public service in line with its core mandate of developing requisite manpower that would help to accelerate nation-building.

In research, the University gained global attention with its ground-breaking discovery of *Ciklavit*, a dietary supplement for the effective management of sickle cell anaemia which has since been patented by pharmaceutical giant, Nimeth. The Department of Petroleum Engineering also developed globally-rated software known as *OPTIWELL* which currently cuts by half the time and cost of drilling oil by the Shell Petroleum Development Company. The Black Anatomical Model developed by researchers from the Department of Human Anatomy has notched up awards at the NUC Research Fair and numerous fora. With over three hundred (300) Professors and talented students, Unique UniPort is a bustling Centre of Excellence in many branches of knowledge and public service. Its robust Brain Gain initiative has been attracting globally-rated scholars who join forces with academics here to internationalise our academic content at home.

The University of Port Harcourt has a College of Health Sciences (CHS), twelve (12) Faculties namely: Humanities, Social Sciences, Science, Education, Engineering, Management Sciences, Agriculture, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Basic Medical Sciences, Clinical Sciences, Dentistry and Law; a School of Graduate Studies (SGS); School of Science Laboratory Technology (SSLT); College of Continuing Education (CCE); eleven (11) Institutes; thirty-three (33) Centres/Units, including two (2) World Bank Africa Centres of Excellence, namely: Centre of Excellence in Oilfield Chemicals Research (CEFOR) and Centre of Excellence in Public Health and Toxicological Research (PUTOR); including the University of Port Harcourt Business School. The University currently has a student population of over 30,000.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE JOB

The Vice-Chancellor is the Chief Executive, Financial and Academic Officer of the University and the Chairman of many statutory bodies. He/she is also a member of the Governing Council, responsible to Council on matters of policy implementation in the areas of finance, property/facilities, general administration and good governance of the University. The right candidate for the post of Vice-Chancellor is required to possess a good University education and should be a proven, experienced and successful Manager of human and material resources, with excellent oral and written

communication skills, including interpersonal relations and team spirit.

Specifically, the candidate shall be expected to:

- Be not more than 65 years as at the date of assumption of duty as Vice-Chancellor;
- Be a highly distinguished academic of the rank of Professor, with ability to provide quality academic and administrative leadership.
- Be a scholar who is well-grounded in the finest academic tradition;
- Have a high reputation and be able to command the respect of national and international academic communities through his/her track record;
- Provide administrative leadership to a well-informed and articulate local academic community;
- Possess the ability to sustain harmony between Council, Administration, Staff and Students on the one hand, and between the University and the host communities on the other hand;
- Be a very resourceful personality with initiative, vision and drive for sustaining the accelerated pace of development of the University, even under financial and other challenging constraints;
- Be a person with good grasp of information and communication technology skills, and who appreciates its significance in the contemporary knowledge ecosystem;
- Be a person of high probity and personal integrity;
- Be someone who appreciates, respects and promotes merit without fear or favour even under pressure; and
- Enjoy excellent physical and mental health, and be prepared to work under considerable pressure.

CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

The remuneration and other conditions of service are as applicable to the post of a Vice-Chancellor in all Federal Universities in Nigeria and as may be determined by the Federal Government/the Governing Council of the University of Port Harcourt from time to time.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

Interested candidates who meet the conditions for the post as indicated herewith are required to apply and comply with the following instructions:

- Each application should be made in 30 copies, including detailed *Curriculum Vitae* duly signed and dated by the candidate;
- Each *Curriculum Vitae* must include the Names and Addresses of three Referees. Each applicant should request each of his/her Referees to forward direct to the Registrar and Secretary to Council, a “Confidential Report” in properly sealed envelope marked: “Referee Report” with the name of the candidate at the top left hand corner of the envelope by Courier Mail to the address below;
- All applications should be under confidential cover and addressed to:
*The Registrar and Secretary to Council
University of Port Harcourt
P.M.B. 5323
Choba,
Port Harcourt
Rivers State*
- In the case of a candidate identified and nominated by the “Search Team”, each application must be accompanied by a letter of consent duly signed by the candidate and posted via courier mail to the Registrar and Secretary to Council, University of Port Harcourt.
- The sealed envelopes containing the applications/nominations should be marked “Vice-Chancellor” at the top left hand corner and forwarded in time to reach the Registrar and Secretary to Council, by Courier Mail, not later than six weeks from the date of this publication.

Note that only shortlisted Candidates will be invited to an interview under the auspices of the Governing Council of the University.

CLOSING DATE

The closing date for submission of application is Friday, 21st February, 2020.

Signed:

MRS. DORCAS D. OTTO
Registrar and Secretary to Council
www.uniport.edu.ng



PROPERTY

Building collapse incidents rose by 122% in 2019

By Daniel Adugbo, Haruna Ibrahim and Malikatu Umar Shuaibu

- 66 die, 174 injured in 40 collapse cases
- More buildings may collapse in 2020-expert

The number of building collapse incidents in Nigeria more than doubled last year compared to 2018, just as more people died and a greater number sustained injuries, findings by Daily Trust have shown.

An analysis of data on collapsed buildings collated by Daily Trust between 2018 and 2019, showed that 40 cases of building collapse were recorded in 2019 whereas only 18 happened in the whole of 2018, representing about 122 per cent increase.

The data was compiled from routine newspaper reports of building collapse across the country. The regulators, the state emergency agency, professional bodies or the police also authenticated the incidents and confirmed the casualty figures.

Many structural failures occur yearly that are hardly reported because there is yet no up-to-date official statistics of building collapse in the country. The figures compiled are just a slice of the numerous cases that are difficult to track and report nationwide.

The data showed that two and three storey buildings, and buildings under construction collapsed more than any other type of structure last year.

The data revealed that while 66 people died and 174 sustained varying degrees of injuries from the 40 building collapse incidents in 2019, about 37 died and 91 sustained wounds from the 18 incidents in 2018.

Overall, the data showed that at least 103 people have died while 265 sustained injuries from 58 building collapse incidents in the last two years.

Lagos, followed by Anambra and Abia recorded the highest number of collapsed buildings in the country in 2019.

In Lagos, 27 people died from 15 collapse incidents; five died from four incidents in Anambra and three lost their lives from three incidents in Abia State. However, 14 deaths were recorded from just two incidents that happened in Plateau State in 2019.

In the first four months of 2019, Lagos witnessed four incidents of collapsed buildings with a total of 21 fatalities, although, one

particular incident accounted for more than 90 per cent of the death toll and injuries recorded in the state within the period.

The collapse of a three-storey residential/school building on 14 Massey Street, Ita Faji area of Lagos Island, on March 13, claimed about 20 lives while 43 people sustained injuries.

The statistics seem to be consistent with previous expert estimates which put cases of building collapse in the last seven years at over 100, with Lagos recording the highest number in terms of buildings and casualties.

According to the data, the second highest mortality from collapsed building last year occurred when a three-storey building caved in in Jos, Plateau State. The National Emergency Management Agency said 14 persons died from the incident.

Following the rampant occurrences, some state governments took fresh actions by carrying out integrity tests on buildings

suspected to be weak but the trend has continued despite these measures.

In response to the current wave of collapse of buildings, professional groups including building construction experts insist that strict enforcement of the building code is one sure way of mitigating building collapse.

President of the Nigerian Institute of Building (NIOB) Bld. Kunle Awobodu who agreed with the Daily Trust data said it was glaring why more buildings collapsed in 2019 and especially in Lagos.

“According to our own record, while Lagos was number one, Anambra and Plateau were next. What could have caused that? If you divide the buildings that collapsed into two areas, buildings under construction and existing buildings, you will find that the percentage of buildings that collapsed under construction was quite high, more than 50 per cent of existing buildings.

“The implication is that the monitoring and approval

system was at fault. That is the building control agency in Lagos, for instance, might be questioned. The government agencies that are saddled with the responsibility of monitoring need to go back to the drawing board and re-strategise because something is definitely wrong when you are having a high number of buildings collapsing under construction.”

Awobodu said for government to reduce the collapse of buildings during construction, there is need to ensure the existing laws in the area of construction are obeyed. He said the Builders Act LFN 2004 stipulates that the responsibility of management of building sites should be handled by registered builders.

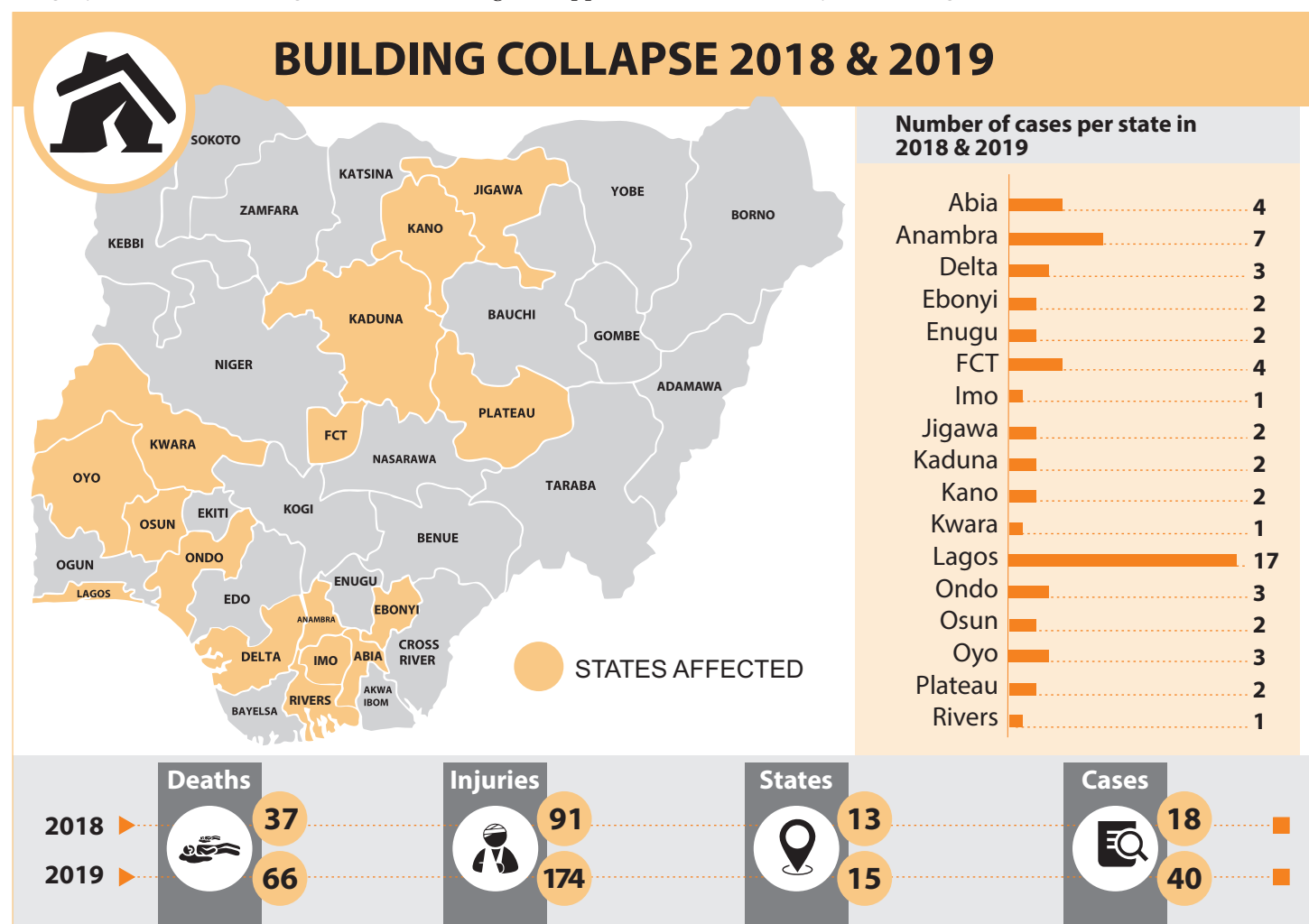
He said the NIOB will increase advocacy on the need for government and stakeholders in the built environment to ensure that existing laws were obeyed.

Also speaking, a Professor of Structural Engineering at the University of Maiduguri

(UNIMAID), Lateef O. Onundi, who also corroborated the Daily Trust data, added that the reasons for the increase in collapse incidents were the delay in action on many buildings that are distressed and marked for demolition; weak and distressed buildings abandoned by owners; misuse of original buildings’ concepts that usually lead to overload and adoption of wrong methods of demolition of distressed buildings.

Others, he said were, “use of crude methods, substandard materials and poor workmanship through the use of quacks in the construction industry; wrong geotechnical assumptions and excessive loading on wrong foundation types in soils with poor safe bearing capacities leading to failures during heavy downpours and lack of prompt action for maintenance and renovations.”

Prof. Onundi said the trend will continue unless the aforementioned reasons were resolved.



**EYE ON
ABUJA**

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Citywide Parks Development Challenges

Parks development activities are essentially the responsibility of the public sector but being concessioned to private concerns. It is more of philanthropic activity than commercial or revenue yielding. As part of the concession program, parks are now plotted, allocated and allowed to be developed by the private organizations under the supervision of the Parks and Recreations Department.

Other than open space, sit outs and cubicles for light refreshments for entertainments or leisure, permitted uses for parks did not include so many abhorrent structures erected by many of the allottees that refuse to comply with development guidelines. They don't also include the unauthorized commercial structures, restaurants, worship centers, beer parlors or night club now prevalent in many of the city parks. Rather than beautifying the City with green developments as parks are

cultural environment of the territory.

Accordingly, in the land use budget for its development, out of the 25,658ha total area of the Capital City, 8,435ha equivalent to 33% is budgeted for Parks and Open Spaces. These uses include parks, rock out-crops, active recreations, gardens, monuments and malls. Thus, Abuja is to be a typical garden city as conceived by the International Planning Associates (IPA). The environmental benefits of green developments as a principle in planning of Abuja, emphasizes "environmental conservation" and "city beautification" meant to ensure the development a new city much better by far than many Africa cities. Its main objectives had to deal essentially with addressing the earlier mistakes of eliminating environmental issues in city planning.

These green areas provided for in the master plan, are categorized into developable greens and undevelopable greens. The developable greens are open spaces, recreational facilities in parks and gardens, outdoor games, and sports centers, playing fields recreational grounds, race courses, golf courses, polo grounds, public parks, which are segmented into a graduating manner as neighborhood parks, District Parks, Kukwaba National Park and ultimately Regional Parks located outside the FCC. The undevelopable greens include green stretches along stream valleys, river bed, flood Plains, hilly patches and some incidental open spaces. These are meant to be left vacant but maintained by the state as part of the 33% green spaces provision in the Master plan.

Safeguarding this huge land resource proved to be a herculean task due to the frequent abuse of areas earmarked for green development in the land use plan in all the phases of the city development. Areas earmarked for parks are being desecrated for other uses, owners of plots adjoining parks encroach on the parks with impunity; peace and serenity of residents at night are threatened by loud musical noise that disturbs the comfort of residents at nights.

In order to address these challenges the FCT produced and gazette the Abuja Park Regulations in 2005, FCT Parks Operating License, FCT Parks Guidelines and Design Manual and the 2019 FCT Park Policy. Section 4 of 2005 Park Regulations states that, "all parks shall operate within the hours of 8.00a.m. - 7p.m. daily, except where a special permit has been sought and obtained, upon a proper application to the Director Parks and Recreations, for an extension of its operating hours".

The promulgation of all these stated regulations predates the present administration, but short of properly enforced. What is only needed by the FCT Administration is to ensure sanity in parks development activities is to enforce all these regulations to the later.

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meant for, the unauthorized uses have tendency of destroying the aesthetics and constituting nuisance to the general public.

The organizational structure of the Abuja Master Plan is tailored towards achieving a city-wide open space structure, based on a longitudinal parkway system internal to the city. Retention of the stream valley and watercourse network for both aesthetic and drainage purposes, and preservation of the surrounding escarpments of hills and the inselbergs, which extends up in the body of the Gwagwa plains and form the visual backdrop to the city and major focal points within the city.

It is important to note that the benefits of the Green developments include the improvement of quality of life or well-being of both the individual and the society. The Abuja Capital City was also expected to conserve as much as possible the natural and

Why we want to build youth hostels, car parks in Abuja - APDC MD

By Daniel Adugbo

The Acting Managing Director of Abuja Property Development Company (APDC) Bldr. Lawal Aliyu Magaji, has said that the company has commenced designs of affordable hostels that when constructed will accommodate mostly corps members undertaking the mandatory National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) programme in Abuja.

Magaji who disclosed this when he paid a courtesy visit on Media Trust Limited, publishers of the Daily Trust and other titles, said the company has also submitted a proposal to the minister of the FCT to construct a parking facility at the Idu train station to ease parking challenges at the facility. He said some other complimentary facilities like food court, tire service centre and automated car wash, were part of the plans for the car park.

APDC, incorporated in 1994 as the property division of the erstwhile Abuja Investments and Property Development Company (AIPDC) now Abuja Investment Company Limited (AICL), is a property development company providing construction, real estate development and facilities' management services.

On the planned youth hostels, he said: "We realized that when corps members come into the city for the NYSC, after the programme, they will have one or two reasons to stay back either to get engaged in a small business or a job. Before they can stand on their feet it is really difficult for them to source accommodation after they are out of camp. We have done the design; you will have a double bunk bed, and all you need to do is just pay for a bed space. In a room, you can have four or six with just a small drawer and then the cost



Lawal Aliyu Magaji will be low,"

Speaking further, he said the company is currently developing the APDC Capital Estate, Kaba District, which first phase of about 300 housing units have been commissioned and over 200 families have moved in.

"We are moving into phase two but in phase one we still have some more houses to complete within this year and by next. This month we will commence phase two where we will be building about 500 units," he said.

On the affordable houses being built by the company, he said: "When you compare ours to the real private companies, you will realise that ours are not expensive. In that location, one-bedroom goes for N6.2 million it is 50 square metres where you have a living room, bedroom, kitchen and toilet. Our two bedrooms go for N13.5m that is on 115 square metres and we have six flats on the block. And then our three bedrooms go for N16.2m sitting on 156 square metres. We have some terraces with BQ and without BQ. But our main focus is on those blocks of flats. The three-bedroom terrace without BQ goes for N22.9m and three-bedroom terrace plus BQ goes N31.9m"



2.8 HECTARES

FOR SALE BY TENDER

SUBSTANTIAL INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

Located at:
2a IBRAHIM DASUKI AVENUE KADUNA SOUTH, KADUNA, NIGERIA

VIEWING: 13th January to 14th Febary 2020
TIME: 9am to 5pm weekdays
CONTACTS: Michael - 0803 356 0427
Subair - 0708 935 8505

SEALED BIDS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO: OLUKANMI OLABANJI & CO
85 WESTERN AVENUE, SURULERE, LAGOS

On or before 21st February 2020



NIGERIAN ARMY

81.	SSC/2019/33262	Bate	Dauda		M
82.	SSC/2019/35218	Sabo	Adnan	Muhammad	M
83.	SSC/2019/30154	Sule	Andrew		M
84.	SSC/2019/24857	Sani	Iliya		M

NORTH WEST					
Serial	Application No	Surname	Firstname	Othernames	Gender
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1.	SSC/2019/40631	Haruna	Uzaidu	Hamisu	M
2.	SSC/2019/60071	Yahaya	Idris	Kega	M
3.	SSC/2019/34515	Ibrahim	Abdulrahman		M
4.	SSC/2019/3228	Sani	Adamu	Ahmad	M
5.	SSC/2019/21306	Abdulkarim	Aliyu		M
6.	SSC/2019/74718	Abdullahi	Anas		M
7.	SSC/2019/33562	Adam	Sani		M
8.	SSC/2019/8373	Musa	Ibrahim	Auwalu	M
9.	SSC/2019/4299	Abdullahi	Abubakar	Usman	M
10.	SSC/2019/23515	Mukhtar	Mukhtar		M
11.	SSC/2019/67719	Muhammad	Adamu	Rafa	M
12.	SSC/2019/28710	Ibrahim	Abubakar	Lamin	M
13.	SSC/2019/31496	Garba	Babangida	Isah	M
14.	SSC/2019/79538	Muhammed	Tahir	Abubakar	M
15.	SSC/2019/80685	Samaila	Alheri		F
16.	SSC/2019/49291	Kadima	Mandela	Cornelius	M
17.	SSC/2019/22592	Tawani	Clifford	Samuel	M
18.	SSC/2019/1426	Hallu	Muhammad	Auwal	M
19.	SSC/2019/16361	Ibrahim	Halliru	Baffa	M
20.	SSC/2019/5715	Kambai	George	Bulus	M
21.	SSC/2019/10485	Idzi	Wisdom		M
22.	SSC/2019/16667	Peter	Alexander		M
23.	SSC/2019/14451	Emmanuel	Moses	Shonikan	M
24.	SSC/2019/4527	Ibrahim	Rapha	Kyangchat	M
25.	SSC/2019/1951	Mahmood	Abubakar		M
26.	SSC/2019/71564	Adamu	Lawal		M
27.	SSC/2019/16323	Yusuf	Anas	Jamaa	M
28.	SSC/2019/2209	Simon	Dogara	Emmanuel	M
29.	SSC/2019/25427	Dayyabu	Nura		M
30.	SSC/2019/34010	Abdullahi	Abubakar	Musa	M
31.	SSC/2019/17517	Ibrahim	Suleiman		M
32.	SSC/2019/18726	Ibrahim	Nura	Liman	M
33.	SSC/2019/11736	Abdullahi	Muhammad	Bello	M
34.	SSC/2019/41739	Bashir	Farid	Ahmad	M
35.	SSC/2019/20039	Ismail	Fahad		M
36.	SSC/2019/72899	Mustapha	Bala	Adamu	M
37.	SSC/2019/18442	Isa	Saifullahi	Adamu	M
38.	SSC/2019/6612	Sagir	Usman		M
39.	SSC/2019/45176	Haruna	Usman	Usman	M
40.	SSC/2019/6536	Musa	Umar	Shehu	M
41.	SSC/2019/9493	Usman	Lawal	Abubakar	M
42.	SSC/2019/59560	Saleh	Al-Amin	Adamu	M
43.	SSC/2019/50383	Muhammad	Jamilu	Ibrahim	M
44.	SSC/2019/11674	Salman	Mustapha	Ayagi	M
45.	SSC/2019/74174	Ahmad	Abdulazeez	Gidado	M
46.	SSC/2019/890	Shuaibu	Umar		M
47.	SSC/2019/605	Musa	Adamu	Liman	M
48.	SSC/2019/39897	Ibrahim	Abdullahi	Gie	M
49.	SSC/2019/79441	Ismail	Ibrahim		M
50.	SSC/2019/36968	Aminu	Alkasim		M
51.	SSC/2019/8222	Abdullahi	Salihu		M
52.	SSC/2019/59753	Babangida	Ibrahim		M
53.	SSC/2019/28516	Babangida	Sani	Bakori	M
54.	SSC/2019/16628	Rayyana	Umar		M
55.	SSC/2019/1503	Sani	Abbas	Mukhtar	M
56.	SSC/2019/30690	Surajo	Aliyu		M
57.	SSC/2019/1676	Muhammad	Yusuf	Kankia	M
58.	SSC/2019/676	Ibrahim	Abubakar	Sodiq	M
59.	SSC/2019/11733	Emmanuel	Zacchaeus		M
60.	SSC/2019/37139	Yusuf	Bello		M
61.	SSC/2019/1178	Bala	Aliyu		M
62.	SSC/2019/4066	Danlami	Abubakar	Sadiq	M
63.	SSC/2019/9661	Abubakar	Bashar	Birin Kebbi	M
64.	SSC/2019/33702	Tijjani	Abdulhafeez		M
65.	SSC/2019/6245	Garba	Bilyaminu		M
66.	SSC/2019/62463	Hussaini	Usman		M
67.	SSC/2019/11846	Musa	Usman	Usman	M
68.	SSC/2019/67699	Aminu	Abdulwahab	Sodangi	M
69.	SSC/2019/30498	Ibrahim	Tijjani		M
70.	SSC/2019/45915	Abubakar	Aminu	Bunza	M
71.	SSC/2019/61254	Gabriel	Emmanuel	Wa'ita	M
72.	SSC/2019/44186	Garba	Abubakar	Bullet	M
73.	SSC/2019/79169	Isah	Aminu	Rikoto	M
74.	SSC/2019/11093	Muazu	Hassan	Umar	M
75.	SSC/2019/25924	Habibu	Adamu		M
76.	SSC/2019/1040	Umar	Nura	Iya	M
77.	SSC/2019/6477	Mohammed	Mustapha		M
78.	SSC/2019/37730	Hailu	Haruna	Yaro	M
79.	SSC/2019/2134	Umar	Hassan		M
80.	SSC/2019/17918	Umar	Abdulkadir	Gudun	M
81.	SSC/2019/50909	Abbas	Tasi'u	Abdullahi	M
82.	SSC/2019/58013	Abdullahi	Nasiru		M
83.	SSC/2019/43333	Sambo	Aliyu		M
84.	SSC/2019/17922	Umar	Abdulrashid	Bako	M
85.	SSC/2019/4047	Abubakar	Kamaludeen		M
86.	SSC/2019/1173	Musa	Aliyu	Muhammad	M
87.	SSC/2019/12548	Muhammad	Abubakar		M
88.	SSC/2019/4681	Abdullahi	Lawal	Abubakar	M
89.	SSC/2019/4788	Saleh	Abass		M
90.	SSC/2019/46576	Haruna	Uzaifa		M
91.	SSC/2019/21274	Ibrahim	Kabiru		M
92.	SSC/2019/47558	Dahiru	Auwal		M
93.	SSC/2019/49586	Mohammed	Abubakar	Sadiq	M
94.	SSC/2019/77464	Sani	Lawal		M
95.	SSC/2019/31397	Ibrahim	Salahuddin		M
96.	SSC/2019/5880	Danbaba	Othman	Abdullahi	M
97.	SSC/2019/4279	Ibrahim	Shuaibu	Maikaji	M
98.	SSC/2019/3756	Sulaiman	Ibrahim		M

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1.	SSC/2019/80383	Alaede	Anthony	Ndubuisi	M
2.	SSC/2019/49806	Nzechukwu	Daniel	Chukwujindu	M
3.	SSC/2019/19073	Ogbonna	Onyekachi	Precious	M
4.	SSC/2019/3121	Nzenwata	Chioma	Ann	F
5.	SSC/2019/48493	Ekeleme	Chimezie	Michael	M
6.	SSC/2019/34876	Eze	Anthony	Nkemakolam	M
7.	SSC/2019/6390	Emeh	Darlington	Chukwuebuka	M
8.	SSC/2019/25365	Philemon	Jeff		M
9.	SSC/2019/66228	Okorie	Grace	Ambrose	F
10.	SSC/2019/54691	Okoro	Basi	Chionyere	M
11.	SSC/2019/15518	Chigbo	Chukwuebuka	Success	M
12.	SSC/2019/28387	Ikwegbu	Chioma	Lorreta	F
13.	SSC/2019/42627	Madika	Chinedu	Charles	M
14.	SSC/2019/11893	Jonathan	Ndidi	Sylvanus	M
15.	SSC/2019/29516	Ihejirika	Jesse	Oluchukwu	M
16.	SSC/2019/4665	Peter	Ifechukwu	Miracle	M
17.	SSC/2019/9601	Ekwealor	Augustine	Ifeanyi	M
18.	SSC/2019/9866	Dioha	Charles		M
19.	SSC/2019/54925	John	Johnbosco	Onochie	M
20.	SSC/2019/77308	Mordi	Cosmas	Ojodulumi	M
21.	SSC/2019/59963	Nwoye	Ngozi	Linda	F
22.	SSC/2019/21256	Mbanugo	Ginikachukwu	Ogochukwu	F
23.	SSC/2019/6661	Omachonu	Godwin	Ojodomo	M
24.	SSC/2019/26299	Eze	Stanley	Uchenna	M
25.	SSC/2019/76941	Moneme	Ogechukwu	Angela	F
26.	SSC/2019/40815	Agba	Amaka	Maryjane	F
27.	SSC/2019/7101	Nduaguba	Izuchukwu	Christopher	M
28.	SSC/2019/30824	Ikeh	Chinedu	Kenechukwu	M
29.	SSC/2019/415	Orakwe	Chioma	Anastasia	F
30.	SSC/2019/18192	Nnebo	Richard	Chiedozie	M
31.	SSC/2019/275	Omeje	Vincent	Nkemjika	M
32.	SSC/2019/8795	Ezea	Chukwuemeka	Samson	M
33.	SSC/2019/80636	Attama	Sunday	Chinedu	M
34.	SSC/2019/76700	Ugwu	Ongemaechi	Daniel	M
35.	SSC/2019/66957	Ezema	Grace	Uchechi	F
36.	SSC/2019/68631	Eze	Chinonye	Victor	M
37.	SSC/2019/6216	Nzeadachie	Theophilus	Chinedu	M
38.	SSC/2019/78798	Ugwu	Collins	Chukwuebuka	M
39.	SSC/2019/41338	Ekwueme	Udochukwu		M
40.	SSC/2019/50937	Nwafor	Anthony	Chukwukadibia	M
41.	SSC/2019/4804	Ilokameje	Samuel	Ugochukwu	M
42.	SSC/2019/29196	Enema	Emmanuel	Ekene	M
43.	SSC/2019/57793	Ojukwu	Vivian	Chekwube	F
44.	SSC/2019/8434	Obioma	Pascal	Onyedikachi	M
45.	SSC/2019/20773	Ndubuisi	Daniel	Chibuikwe	M
46.	SSC/2019/67322	Agugo	Chizimuzo	Michelle	F
47.	SSC/2019/60145	Akabiuro	Stephanie	Chinenye	F
48.	SSC/2019/32749	Oyigbo	Cyprain	Chukwuebuka	M
49.	SSC/2019/54936	Ikeanyionwu	Izuchukwu	George	M
50.	SSC/2019/25215	Olugbuo	Chioma	Peace	F
51.	SSC/2019/43306	Okeowata	Chiedoche	Justin	M
52.	SSC/2019/591	Nnachi	Chima	David Onwukwe	M
53.	SSC/2019/10408	Nweke	Gideon	Chukwudi	M
54.	SSC/2019/66443	Azu	Azu	Nnachi	M
55.	SSC/2019/66125	Nweke	Michael	Odinaka	M
56.	SSC/2019/63530	Izekwe	Kenechukwu	Ernest	M
57.	SSC/2019/21173	Chima	Nwachukwu	Felix	M
58.	SSC/2019/46650	Amaechi	Dike	Sunday	M
59.	SSC/2019/50237	Robert	John	Nnachi	M
60.	SSC/2019/1602	Nnaji	Nkiruka	Manasoko	F
61.	SSC/2019/1795	Chukwueze	Dickson	Onyekachi	M

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1.	SSC/2019/71626	Essien	Fortune	Sunday	M
2.	SSC/2019/51489	Bassey	Aniebiet	Adolf	M
3.	SSC/2019/80993	Akpan	Daniel	Ubong	M
4.	SSC/2019/453	Joshua	Emmanuel	Asuquo	M
5.	SSC/2019/69562	Okon	Joseph	Boniface	M
6.	SSC/2019/78564	Daniel	Courage	Emmanuel	M
7.	SSC/2019/8249	Effiong	James	Udoh	M
8.	SSC/2019/79253	Williams	Hope	Akpan	M
9.	SSC/2019/17735	Ekefre	Itoabasi	Asuquo	F
10.	SSC/2019/14809	Akpan	Ukoette	Udouko	M
11.	SSC/2019/6099	Alex	Nsinyene	Malachy	M
12.	SSC/2019/55840	Udoatai	Anwana	Monday	M
13.	SSC/2019/74423	Ekanem	Edidiong		M
14.	SSC/2018/71	Bokumo	Godswill	Oyinlayifa	M
15.	SSC/2018/73583	Ikokote	Davinson	Enoni	M
16.	SSC/2018/75728	Olei	Richard	Tene-Kamalu	M
17.	SSC/2018/2772	George	Precious	Dorgu	M
18.	SSC/2018/9481	Asiayei	Rawlings	Jeremiah	M
19.	SSC/2018/59399	Kroasain	Ebideinkemefa		M
20.	SSC/2018/40209	Odums	Peace	Tokonaziba	F
21.	SSC/2018/56145	Dino	Pere	Gilpin	M
22.	SSC/2018/13159	Oyalade	Yusuf	Ingokiri	M
23.	SSC/2018/41505	Akuegbe	Osuemede		M
24.	SSC/2019/61025	Eje	Emmanuel	Okwori	M
25.	SSC/2019/28631	Ebah	Moses	Ogar	M
26.	SSC/2019/5404	Wonah	Adoga	Paul	M
27.	SSC/2019/70966	Abang	Sunday	Anoh	M
28.	SSC/2019/65632	Ekpali	Abednego	David	M
29.	SSC/2019/42216	Egba	Monday	Enang	M
30.	SSC/2019/75995	Etan	Ada	Sunday	F
31.	SSC/2019/32514	Adie	Nicodemus	Adie	M
32.	SSC/2019/8390	Eno	John	Uket	M
33.	SSC/2019/3836	Obongha	Peter	Bassey	M
34.	SSC/2019/60539	Abuo	Ferdinand	Olor	M
35.	SSC/2019/5835	Afor	Anthony	Obogo	M
36.	SSC/2019/34811	Nkeonye	Augustina		F

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37.	SSC/2019/870	Ogala	Kingsley	Osondu	M	17.	SSC/2019/68448	Abe	Joseph	Akpobome	M
38.	SSC/2019/14502	James-Oru	Afoke	Theresa	F	18.	SSC/2019/69514	Ibrahim	Kazeem	Adeniyi	M
39.	SSC/2019/9345	Nwaife	Andrew	Ogochukwu	M	19.	SSC/2019/43593	Taiwo	Usman	Adisa	M
40.	SSC/2019/7056	Williams	Emmanuel		M	20.	SSC/2019/43811	Taiwo	Abeeb	Ayobami	M
41.	SSC/2019/33222	Abel	Ogaga		M	21.	SSC/2019/12271	Oloyede	Johnson	Temitope	M
42.	SSC/2019/27820	Akpochimara	Sunny		M	22.	SSC/2019/8729	Oyegbola	Lukmon	Olakunle	M
43.	SSC/2019/73773	Abuah	Chidera	Nneka	F	23.	SSC/2019/8902	Ilo	Ayoola	Yusuf	M
44.	SSC/2019/65513	Oghoghorie	Orunor		M	24.	SSC/2019/18213	Ifenuga	Saheed	Oluwadamilare	M
45.	SSC/2019/14793	Ohwomuno	Peter	Okeoghene	M	25.	SSC/2019/35570	Oduyemi	Mufadil	Olasupo	M
46.	SSC/2019/8385	Thikan	Martins	Tari	M	26.	SSC/2019/2116	Adejimi	Adebowale	David	M
47.	SSC/2019/29926	Akoh	Stephen		M	27.	SSC/2019/29659	Bakare	Adekunle	Quadri	M
48.	SSC/2019/33590	Eghe	Emmanuel		M	28.	SSC/2019/27277	Akindeinde	Quazim	Segun	M
49.	SSC/2019/59986	Ogene	Richard		M	29.	SSC/2019/12351	Oluseyije	Tunmise	Ayotomiwa	M
50.	SSC/2019/14889	Atikpo	Samuel	Ikhioya	M	30.	SSC/2019/52730	Salvage	Olayinka	Vincent	M
51.	SSC/2019/83320	Abuele	Favour	Nosa	M	31.	SSC/2019/27936	Adebowale	Boluwatife	Emmanuel	M
52.	SSC/2019/8286	Ogundele	Enahoro	Monday	M	32.	SSC/2019/7446	Otusanya	Deborah	Olorunwa	F
53.	SSC/2019/28592	Usiobaho	Prince	Ohileobo	M	33.	SSC/2019/14660	Babalola	Abdulfatai		M
54.	SSC/2019/51354	Okhihie	Victory		M	34.	SSC/2019/27148	Akindutire	Samson	Ayomide	M
55.	SSC/2019/16498	Williams	West	Odianoson	M	35.	SSC/2019/47415	Duyilemi	Tunde	Samuel	M
56.	SSC/2019/3600	Igbinidu	Peace	Osarodion	M	36.	SSC/2019/12874	Akinmayowa	Temitope	Akinwale	M
57.	SSC/2019/24719	Itua	Joy	Ehino	F	37.	SSC/2019/53322	Kudehinbu	Opeyemi	Gladies	F
58.	SSC/2019/9867	Ogbeide	Sunny	Uhunamure	M	38.	SSC/2019/2544	Amusire	Babatunde	Korede	M
59.	SSC/2019/16321	Isoa	Andrew	Osehioria Gideon	M	39.	SSC/2019/12551	James	Gboyega	Isaiah	M
60.	SSC/2019/11848	Ayo	Fidelis	Ogbeide	M	40.	SSC/2019/17779	Akingbemi	Temitope	Ige	M
61.	SSC/2019/53098	Osimen	Barbara	Osemen	F	41.	SSC/2019/14573	Ogo-Oluwa	Kehinde	Joy	F
62.	SSC/2019/60169	Abhulimen	Lawretta	Omobhiye	F	42.	SSC/2019/1524	Adesina	Akinbode	Thomas	M
63.	SSC/2019/15948	Joseph	Abel	Imhologhomhe	M	43.	SSC/2019/38369	Obolo	Taiwo	Janet	F
64.	SSC/2019/8445	Omoakhia	Festus	Kenny	M	44.	SSC/2019/83076	Omolayo	Temitope	Victoria	F
65.	SSC/2019/7445	Osobase	Oseghale	Musa	M	45.	SSC/2019/23425	Akinbohun	Yetunde	Oluwaseyi	F
66.	SSC/2019/14087	Oyewole	Sunny	Augustine	M	46.	SSC/2019/20658	Modebe	Clement	Aanuoluwapo	M
67.	SSC/2019/30667	Uduebor	Faith	Osaretin	F	47.	SSC/2019/7136	Adeyemi	Adedapo	Michael	M
68.	SSC/2018/74960	Abiye	Terry	Dako	M	48.	SSC/2019/11417	Adebiyi	Ann	Damilola	F
69.	SSC/2018/32988	Chinda	Chisom	Bright	M	49.	SSC/2019/79609	Aragbaye	Adekola	Emmanuel	M
70.	SSC/2018/21585	Achi	Raphael	Ogechi	M	50.	SSC/2019/20175	Oluwole	Mary	Temitope	F
71.	SSC/2018/70960	Nwibani	Thankgod	Felix	M	51.	SSC/2019/59829	Olatunde	Adedoyin	Olawale	M
72.	SSC/2018/40033	Iyieke	Peter	Ngozi	M	52.	SSC/2019/71850	Amoo	Mohammed	Adewale	M
73.	SSC/2018/79736	Usendeng	James	Monday	M	53.	SSC/2019/2884	Adebayo	Ibrahim	Ibrahim	M
74.	SSC/2018/53665	Chibunna	Egwele	Godstime	M	54.	SSC/2019/37772	Ige	Bamidele	Sunday	M
75.	SSC/2018/21612	Nweke	Chineme	Clinton	M	55.	SSC/2019/739	Olatunji	Dare	Owolabi	M
76.	SSC/2018/5953	Wali	Chimenem	Orluoma	M	56.	SSC/2019/52748	Akinremi	Akinpelu	Oluwasegun	M
77.	SSC/2018/9255	Munonye	Chima		M	57.	SSC/2019/68996	Adedeji	Adediran	Samuel	M
78.	SSC/2018/74041	Eli	Amekomkioniso	Eshimvie	M	58.	SSC/2019/19497	Abdulsalam	Adam	Olalekan	M
79.	SSC/2018/22025	Jeremiah	Rejoice	Ada	F	59.	SSC/2019/2733	Salawu	Sadiq		M
80.	SSC/2018/37209	Abakwa	Godlead	Chinedu	M	60.	SSC/2019/59138	Adeshina	Olalekan	Zakhariyah	M
81.	SSC/2018/16311	Agbam	Wisdom		M	61.	SSC/2019/3971	Afolabi	Wasiu	Adedamola	M
						62.	SSC/2019/42641	Adefisan	Adebanjo	Immanuel	M
						63.	SSC/2019/70297	Asaolu	Esther	Miracle	F
						64.	SSC/2019/401	Akinyemi	Michael	Oluwabamidele	M
						65.	SSC/2019/28464	Bello	Adebowale	Abefe	M
						66.	SSC/2019/2567	Fajobi	Olakunle	Wilson	M
						67.	SSC/2019/80788	Adefemi	Olawale	Bamidele	M
						68.	SSC/2019/47131	Shittu	Lukman	Alaba	M
						69.	SSC/2019/24487	Salami	Oladeji	Ghaffar	M
						70.	SSC/2019/838	Idowu	Damilola	Emmanuel	M
						71.	SSC/2019/60548	Adeniran	Muhammed	Aramide	M
						72.	SSC/2019/73089	Idowu	Peter	Oluwafemi	M
						73.	SSC/2019/77913	Salaam	Akeem	Akorede	M
						74.	SSC/2019/33918	Afolabi	Kehinde	John	M
						75.	SSC/2019/32273	Garba	Habib		M
						76.	SSC/2019/19850	Daodu	Muritala	Adedamola	M
						77.	SSC/2019/40201	Akanni	Maruf	Akinkunmi	M
						78.	SSC/2019/34259	Owoade	Zainab	Odonayo	F
						79.	SSC/2019/4188	Ogunmola	Olaide	Ebunoluwa	F
						80.	SSC/2019/12977	Babawale	Masud	Akinwale	M
						81.	SSC/2019/7561	Abass	Monsur	Ayo	M
						82.	SSC/2019/16149	Timothy	Taiwo	Johnson	M
						83.	SSC/2019/22784	Oladeji	Bukola	James	M
						84.	SSC/2019/9299	Akinshola	Solomon	Tobi	M

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1.	SSC/2019/5393	Ajjjola	Tajudeen	Mayowa	M
2.	SSC/2019/15200	Ojo	Ayomikun	Emmanuel	M
3.	SSC/2019/23366	Jegede	Ayodeji	Joseph	M
4.	SSC/2019/18122	Alademomi	Ife	Valentine	M
5.	SSC/2019/64575	Owoeye	Reuben	Sanya	M
6.	SSC/2019/18241	Akinyemi	Rotimi	Daniel	M
7.	SSC/2019/45478	Ilesanmi	Busuyi	Emmanuel	M
8.	SSC/2019/45194	Bamikole	Funke	Esther	F
9.	SSC/2019/41946	Opeyemi	Oluwaseun	Oluwaseun	M
10.	SSC/2019/1152	Awolusi	Omoniyi	Isaac	M
11.	SSC/2019/14721	Adeyemi	Adedotun	Oluwaseun	M
12.	SSC/2019/49164	Ojo	Adedayo	Oluwasefunmi	F
13.	SSC/2019/62076	Kashimawo	Tunde	Kamil	M
14.	SSC/2019/68716	Shekoni	Jamiu	Oladimeji	M
15.	SSC/2019/18573	Jimoh	Abiodun	Babatunde	M
16.	SSC/2019/76296	Ademoye	Sulaimon	Olamilekan	M

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Successful candidates are to report at NDA (old site) with the following:
 - Original credentials including online print out that bears their passport photograph.
 - Four copies of 5 x 7 coloured photograph in suit and in full standing position without cap/hat.
 - Two pairs of white (**unmarked**) round neck vests/navy blue shorts (**without stripes**).
 - Two pairs of pure white canvas/trainers (**rubber type NOT acceptable**).
 - Two white bed sheets/pillow cases.
 - One blanket (grey or army green colour).
 - A set of cutlery.
 - Two pairs of national dress or suit and casual wears.
 - Serving military personnel are to come along with release letters and passes from their commanders/commanding officers.
- Successful candidates who fail to report on the stated date will forfeit their positions.
- Successful candidates are to check their names and general instructions at www.nigerianarmyms.ng.

Signed

Major General GAT Ochigbano

Military Secretary (Army)

for Chief of Army Staff

Army Headquarters Department of Military Secretary, Mambilla Barracks Asokoro Abuja



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SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES FOR DIRECT SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION COURSE 25/2020

The under listed successful candidates from the Nigerian Army Direct Short Service Commission Course 25/2020 Selection Board are to report for officer cadet training at Nigerian Army School of Infantry (NASI), Jaji-Kaduna on Friday 31 January 2020.

NORTH CENTRAL					
Serial (a)	Application No (b)	Names (c)		Gender (d)	
1.	DSSC/2019/0778	Onyilokwu	Ochigba	Anthony	Male
2.	DSSC/2019/10003	Ogbobi	Israel	Unekwu	Male
3.	DSSC/2019/1059	Bawa	Muhammad	Ismail	Male
4.	DSSC/2019/1120	Elaigwu	Gift	Elejo	Female
5.	DSSC/2019/11259	Akuse	Jude	Ushahemba	Male
6.	DSSC/2019/13244	Utaan	Jude	Terkimbi	Male
7.	DSSC/2019/13302	Abdullahi	Yusuf	Kawu	Male
8.	DSSC/2019/14004	Ogamu	Madaki	Edeh	Male
9.	DSSC/2019/14644	Ezekiel	Raymond	Gwom	Male
10.	DSSC/2019/15322	Agah	Miriam	Doosughun	Female
11.	DSSC/2019/16220	Ahmad	Abubakar	Muhammad	Male
12.	DSSC/2019/1815	Myam	Williams	Bundesen	Male
13.	DSSC/2019/18511	Ali	Ebenezer	Male	Male
14.	DSSC/2019/20250	Peter	Judeth	Alemeru	Female
15.	DSSC/2019/21084	Ahmed	Abdulkadir	Male	Male
16.	DSSC/2019/21293	Usman	Muhammed	Male	Male
17.	DSSC/2019/21396	Abraham	George	Tersee	Male
18.	DSSC/2019/21661	Idris	Ramalan	Evuti	Male
19.	DSSC/2019/25129	Mashin	Jude	Aondoakaa	Male
20.	DSSC/2019/25776	Egbeja	Vivian	Cincin	Female
21.	DSSC/2019/26217	Saidu	Sharif	Salihu	Male
22.	DSSC/2019/27179	Yakubu	Abdulkadir	Male	Male
23.	DSSC/2019/28382	Oguche	Emmanuel	Ojoarome	Male
24.	DSSC/2019/29897	Atere	Osibomu	Rita	Female
25.	DSSC/2019/30001	Yare	Moses	Male	Male
26.	DSSC/2019/30570	Samuel	Tokkyes	Pofi	Male
27.	DSSC/2019/31557	Ndayako	Bello	Nasiru	Male
28.	DSSC/2019/3342	Ganiyu	Kabir	Ajadi	Male
29.	DSSC/2019/33575	Iwodi	Augustine	Sylvanus	Male
30.	DSSC/2019/34596	Salami	Olugboyega	Mark	Male
31.	DSSC/2019/3703	Alawaye	Kabir	Mumeen	Male
32.	DSSC/2019/38119	Ganiyu	Saheed	Olakunle	Male
33.	DSSC/2019/3887	Ndanusa	Ismaila	Avuya	Male
34.	DSSC/2019/40830	Mohammed	Jamilu	Male	Male
35.	DSSC/2019/41255	Godwin	Patience	Female	Female
36.	DSSC/2019/42067	Salisu	Umar	Wali	Male
37.	DSSC/2019/4221	Aminu	Abdulrasheed	Male	Male
38.	DSSC/2019/4280	Ndanusa	Umar	Umaru	Male
39.	DSSC/2019/42807	Dangyang	Nathan	Geoffrey	Male
40.	DSSC/2019/43915	Shuaibu	Salihu	Male	Male
41.	DSSC/2019/43945	Tong	Mancha	Samuel	Male
42.	DSSC/2019/4453	Baker	Abdulmujeeb	Tosin	Male
43.	DSSC/2019/44953	Amos	Itongna	Moses	Male
44.	DSSC/2019/45837	Cyprian	Patrick	Male	Male
45.	DSSC/2019/47252	Iliya	Zwador	John	Male
46.	DSSC/2019/48878	Ibrahim	Gbolahan	Ibrahim	Male
47.	DSSC/2019/49887	Haruna	Hafiz	Bainze	Male
48.	DSSC/2019/539	Adewumi	Adebayo	Samuel	Male
49.	DSSC/2019/54152	Agada	Onuche	Gabriel	Male
50.	DSSC/2019/54953	Agwad	Zaka	Male	Male
51.	DSSC/2019/54957	Binkun	Nanman	Hosea	Male
52.	DSSC/2019/5649	Solomon	Ponsak	Nimven	Male
53.	DSSC/2019/56606	Ujor	Noah	Male	Male
54.	DSSC/2019/57029	Yusuf	Hamza	Onimisi	Male
55.	DSSC/2019/58952	Idakwo	Echechofu	Peter	Male
56.	DSSC/2019/60126	Husseni	Justin	Ojonugwa	Male
57.	DSSC/2019/61867	Abdullahi	Salisu	Male	Male
58.	DSSC/2019/62537	Ogoh	Acheyi	Moyosore	Female
59.	DSSC/2019/68458	Afolayan	Helen	Iyabode	Female
60.	DSSC/2019/69598	Noah	Olofu	Male	Male
61.	DSSC/2019/72109	Adaradahun	Damilare	James	Male
62.	DSSC/2019/74031	Ahmad	Nurudeen	Male	Male
63.	DSSC/2019/7734	Imam	Yunusa	Tswako	Male
64.	DSSC/2019/78644	Adamaku	Danjuma	Male	Male
65.	DSSC/2019/7885	Iordekaren	Timothy	Terngu	Male
66.	DSSC/2019/80097	Ukule	Kundushima	Cosmas	Male
67.	DSSC/2019/806	Abubakar	Hamza	Yunusa	Male
68.	DSSC/2019/9172	Adofikwu	Adikwu	Adakole	Male
69.	DSSC/2019/9191	Doka	Elisha	Abet	Male
70.	DSSC/2019/23183	Idoga	Omaji	Jacob	Male
71.	DSSC/2019/50255	Omada	Daniel	Moses	Male

NORTH WEST					
Serial (a)	Application No (b)	Names (c)		Gender (d)	
1.	DSSC/2019/10039	Yahaya	Muhammad	Auwal	Male
2.	DSSC/2019/10164	Muhammad	Inusa	Ahmad	Male
3.	DSSC/2019/1035	Bashir	Abdulhakim	Musa	Male
4.	DSSC/2019/1081	Dama	Abednego	Dennis	Male
5.	DSSC/2019/10971	Habib	Muhammad	Rabiu	Male
6.	DSSC/2019/1139	Abdulmumin	Bashir	Sani	Male
7.	DSSC/2019/1385	Usman	Usman	Male	Male
8.	DSSC/2019/14613	Mahboob	Muhammed	Male	Male
9.	DSSC/2019/148	Sani	Mohammed	Male	Male
10.	DSSC/2019/15510	Auwal	Ismail	Sani	Male
11.	DSSC/2019/15517	Aliyu	Ibrahim	Ammani	Male
12.	DSSC/2019/15564	Rumu	Masud	Ibrahim	Male
13.	DSSC/2019/17000	Jibril	Naziru	Tanimu	Male
14.	DSSC/2019/17765	Rabiu	Adamu	Male	Male
15.	DSSC/2019/1796	Namiji	Gabriel	Adamu	Male
16.	DSSC/2019/1851	Gambo	Suleiman	Ibrahim	Male
17.	DSSC/2019/18697	Shehu	Hafiz	Faskari	Male
18.	DSSC/2019/18733	Yahaya	Jamilu	Muhammed	Male
19.	DSSC/2019/19140	Bello	Bashar	Male	Male
20.	DSSC/2019/1975	Kabir	Attahir	Male	Male
21.	DSSC/2019/19929	Garba	Sirajo	Mallam	Male
22.	DSSC/2019/21017	Sulaiman	Nasir	Muhammad	Male
23.	DSSC/2019/23798	Yusuf	Zaharadeen	Jega	Male
24.	DSSC/2019/23998	Ibrahim	Idris	Male	Male
25.	DSSC/2019/25021	Sunusi	Abubakar	Male	Male
26.	DSSC/2019/25468	Danjuma	Ismail	Male	Male
27.	DSSC/2019/25908	Mustapha	Mubarak	Abubakar	Male
28.	DSSC/2019/27130	Bello	Harisu	Aminu	Male
29.	DSSC/2019/27839	Makudas	Aliyu	Haliru	Male
30.	DSSC/2019/27840	Sani	Adam	Adam	Male
31.	DSSC/2019/2930	Umar	Ibrahim	Male	Male
32.	DSSC/2019/3044	Imam	Saad	Suraj	Male
33.	DSSC/2019/31011	Aliyu	Nasiru	Male	Male
34.	DSSC/2019/3172	Muhammad	Abubakar	Abubakar	Male
35.	DSSC/2019/3272	Ibrahim	Musa	Musa	Male
36.	DSSC/2019/33056	Ali	Marifah	Asabe	Female
37.	DSSC/2019/33594	Iliya	Faith	Bala	Female
38.	DSSC/2019/33944	Aminu	Faisal	Male	Male
39.	DSSC/2019/34910	Yusuf	Kabiru	Nahantsi	Male
40.	DSSC/2019/3496	Abubakar	Sani	Male	Male
41.	DSSC/2019/35060	Dangi	Samson	Manga	Male
42.	DSSC/2019/35242	Abubakar	Sadiq	Male	Male
43.	DSSC/2019/35877	Alhassan	Aminu	Male	Male
44.	DSSC/2019/37683	John	Joshua	Atu	Male
45.	DSSC/2019/39060	Umar	Shamsudeen	Male	Male
46.	DSSC/2019/39235	Hassan	Abdullahi	Male	Male
47.	DSSC/2019/4149	Datti	Muhammad	Alhassan	Male
48.	DSSC/2019/4199	Lawan	Zuhair	Male	Male
49.	DSSC/2019/42258	Umar	Abdulhafiz	Male	Male
50.	DSSC/2019/45347	Hussain	Tamim	Ibrahim	Male
51.	DSSC/2019/45706	Usman	Muhammad	Sani	Male
52.	DSSC/2019/46871	Isah	Salim	Sani	Male
53.	DSSC/2019/47347	Haruna	Jemilu	Fakai	Male
54.	DSSC/2019/47463	Mohammed	Ibrahim	Garba	Male
55.	DSSC/2019/47529	Musa	Abubakar	Male	Male
56.	DSSC/2019/48771	Yusuf	Fodio	Abubakar	Male
57.	DSSC/2019/49130	Lawal	Abubakar	Ahmad	Male
58.	DSSC/2019/50809	Dauda	Bitrus	Phanuel	Male
59.	DSSC/2019/52104	Ilyasu	Mohammed	Hassan	Male
60.	DSSC/2019/53538	Shehu	Idris	Ishaq	Male
61.	DSSC/2019/54777	Adiyau	Kamaluddeen	Male	Male
62.	DSSC/2019/55430	Abdu	Sulaiman	Danwaire	Male
63.	DSSC/2019/58063	Haladu	Sani	Shuaibu	Male
64.	DSSC/2019/67397	Musa	Umar	Shehu	Male
65.	DSSC/2019/67619	Isah	Umar	Faruk	Male
66.	DSSC/2019/67917	Barau Ahmed	Abba	Male	Male
67.	DSSC/2019/6904	Muhammad	Ismaila	Male	Male
68.	DSSC/2019/71065	Mukhtar	Fuad	Muhammad	Male
69.	DSSC/2019/7560	Musa	Mujaddadu	Male	Male
70.	DSSC/2019/76195	Idris	Abubakar	Male	Male
71.	DSSC/2019/81107	Mohammed	Mubarak	Lawal	Male
72.	DSSC/2019/8155	Usman	Hassan	Garkuwa	Male
73.	DSSC/2019/9354	Salihu	Dalhatu	Bakwai	Male

NORTH EAST					
Serial (a)	Application No (b)	Names (c)		Gender (d)	
1.	DSSC/2019/10106	Abba Aji	Muhammad	Abdullahi	Male
2.	DSSC/2019/10678	Bello	Tumba	Abubakar	Male
3.	DSSC/2019/11563	Ibrahim	Aliyu	Male	Male
4.	DSSC/2019/11934	Bawa	Joseph	Bula	Male
5.	DSSC/2019/12528	Yakubu	Suleiman	Francis	Male
6.	DSSC/2019/1325	Ahmed	Ahmed	Ismail	Male
7.	DSSC/2019/1354	Ambe	Pwanabeshi	Male	Male
8.	DSSC/2019/1438	Adamu	Umar	Usman	Male
9.	DSSC/2019/15438	Ahmad	Abubakar	Mukhtar	Male
10.	DSSC/2019/1545	Ezra	Emmanuel	Male	Male
11.	DSSC/2019/1659	Yakubu	Bala	Male	Male
12.	DSSC/2019/1666	Umaru	Abdullahi	Ali	Male
13.	DSSC/2019/17592	Zoaka	Gideon	Male	Male
14.	DSSC/2019/17611	Nasiru	Abdulmalik	Male	Male
15.	DSSC/2019/17644	Salama	Abdulaziz	Male	Male
16.	DSSC/2019/20362	Seth	Sarah	Female	Female
17.	DSSC/2019/20567	Abubakar	Isa	Male	Male
18.	DSSC/2019/21257	Gizo	Francis	Male	Male
19.	DSSC/2019/21601	Umar	Maryam	Female	Female
20.	DSSC/2019/22239	Isa	Moses	Iorlumun	Male
21.	DSSC/2019/22558	Dodo	Timothy	Male	Male
22.	DSSC/2019/2265	Ibrahim	Khalid	Abbo	Male
23.	DSSC/2019/22899	Linga	Ibrahim	A	Male
24.	DSSC/2019/24678	Adamu	Muhammad	Yerima	Male
25.	DSSC/2019/281	Buba	Musa	Male	Male
26.	DSSC/2019/28458	Yusuf	Abdulrazak	Ibrahim	Male
27.	DSSC/2019/29253	Mikailu	Ramsey	Bala	Male
28.	DSSC/2019/30296	Kefas	Mary	Tabu	Female
29.	DSSC/2019/3093	Hussaini	Yunusa	Male	Male



LABOUR

2020: What FG must do to check unemployment - Rep Mani

Rep Aminu Ashiru Mani, member representing Mani/Bindawa Federal Constituency in Katsani State is the Chairman House Committee on Lake Chad. In this interview, he said the National Directorate of Employment (NDE) is a key player in capacity building and the federal government's commitment to job creation for the unemployed youth and women across the country.

By Umar Shehu Usman & Zahraddeen Yakubu Shuaibu

You have been at the forefront of the fight against unemployment, what do you think the federal government must do this year to reduce unemployment in the country?

President Muhammadu Buhari cannot involve himself in every aspect of the country; he needs people to support him. Nobody is perfect; you can only specialise in one sector.

The federal government needs to focus more attention on the National Directorate of Employment (NDE). Since we are in government, we urge that this organisation is a key player in the capacity building which if handled well will yield positive result especially in reducing poverty in the country. A wise man said "you can't barb someone's head in his absence".

The Director-General, Dr. Nasir Ladan Mohammed, has overwhelmingly brought change within a short period of time, it is not about age; there is passion and zeal. He's leaving a legacy that people will remember him for.

Also, you must get good people around you. If you get good people around you can be able to work perfectly. Now that we have a high population of people, we have about 200 million



■ Rep Aminu Ashiru Mani

people, this organisation will serve as a basic foundation that will work towards reducing poverty in the country. Let people have a means of livelihood, let them be employed, provide job opportunities then you will see how we will progress.

For me, with our high population, the federal government needs to fund the NDE to ensure efficient discharge of responsibility; it will help in fulfilling all the promise made during the campaigns and the manifesto

of change.

This directorate touches every aspect, every discipline. Our major problem in most African countries is poverty, how do you solve that problem? It is through employment, empowerment.

Insurgency and kidnapping have become persistent in the country, how can it be curbed?

The insurgency, kidnappings and other crimes, are persistent as a result of unemployment, as a result of poverty. We all know

that an idle mind is the devil's workshop, once someone is educated but has no job, then there is a serious problem.

Someone can spend 10 years after his degree without a job. Not everyone will be employed after graduation, go to developed countries like China, they are talking about self-reliance, how to be independent.

It is better if someone did not go to school, but imagine a situation where someone who graduated from university but has no

job to do, definitely there will be problem, by the time the youth is an employed then envy will set in. The solution is to strengthen the NDE.

Should there be synergy with NYSC?

My take now on the NYSC is that it should be stopped and money spent on the corps members should be given to them a start-up capital so they can be independent. Let us enact a law that will provide for our youth graduates to be given N500,000 capital each.

In the past, we had corps members once in a year but now, you have six batches in a year. In each batch, you have about three million graduates. Where will they go to? I urge for a synergy between the NYSC and the National Directorate of Employment. They should collaborate to help the youth tap into their potential skills, with capital for a startup. I call on the government to complete the building and employ more staff. The staff strength and working capacity in the organization are weak, we are talking about 2,000.

The agency should have at least 10, 000 staff. They should restructure the organisation just as they did to UBEC, TETFund. They should devise a way of generating internal revenue. NDE is just as important as CBN and NNPC.

TUC debunks investment rumour

By Umar Shehu Usman

The Trade Union Congress has debunked the rumour of investment for quick returns in the union, saying that "is false and totally misleading and should be disregarded immediately."

The union, however, noted that in its effort to fight corruption in the country, "we will not hesitate to invite the EFCC and ICPC to apprehend any individuals parading themselves on behalf of congress. The public is hereby warned."

At the end of its National Executive

...says it'll not hesitate to invite EFCC, ICPC

Council meeting held in Lagos, the congress in a communique signed by TUC president, Comrade Quadri Olaleye, and the Secretary-General, Comrade Musa Lawal, expressed delight over the proposed review of labour law.

The communique reads: "NEC-in-session appreciates the need to review the Nigeria Labour Laws to suit the present-day realities in the world of work but warns against attempt from any quarter to remove labour issues

from the exclusive legislative list."

On the issue of insecurity in the country and threat to global peace, the NEC-in-session deplored the spate of insecurity in the country.

It went further to condemn all forms of casualisation and slave labour in Nigeria, saying, "The congress will in the year, therefore, engage any employer that violates the right of Nigerian workers to unionize and have permanent employment."

It called on government to extend

Local Content Policy as applied in the oil sector to other applicable sectors of the economy.

In that regard, congress called on federal government to intensify more practical efforts towards wiping out killings, kidnapping and insurgency to save the country from total collapse.

To this end, TUC resolved to participate in a global rally against war slated for January 25, 2020, in view of the vulnerability of workers in the war period.



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON THE UNSPENT BUDGET FUNDS (HR. 256/12/2019)

CALL FOR SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDUM AND INVITATION TO THE INVESTIGATIVE HEARING:

Pursuant to Sections 62, 88 and 89 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended); and House Resolution (H.R 256/12/2019), the Ad-hoc Committee hereby requests for Memorandum on the amount of unspent Capital Projects' Funds, and Constituency Projects' Funds (Zonal Intervention Projects) of Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDA's) not remitted from 2009 – 2019; from former and serving Distinguished Senators and Honourable Members of the House of Representatives, all MDA's, Interest Groups and the Public.

2. All MDA's that are yet to receive formal request for information and invitation letters from the Committee, are by this publication required to comply and forward the information listed (i – ix) below. One (1) soft copy and twenty (20) hard copies typed double spaced, and addressed to the Chairman should be submitted to the Secretariat of the Ad-hoc Committee in Office 246, New Building, House of Representatives, National Assembly Complex, Abuja.

- i. Copy of MDA's Budget 2009 – 2019
- ii. Funds Released from 2009 – 2019
- iii. Cash Backed Funds of the MDA's from 2009 - 2019
- iii. Summary of Procurement Process and Letters of Award of Contracts
- iv. Evidence of Payment made in respect to the Projects
- v. Bank Statements of MDA's
- vi. Evidence of Mopped up of Cash for the period under review.
- vii. Evidence of Remittance to Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) via Consolidated Revenue Funds (CRF) of the Federation.
- viii. Evidence of Job Completion for Projects from 2009 – 2019.
- ix. Any other information relevant to the course of this investigation.

3. Similarly, the Committee wishes to use this medium to invite concerned Stakeholders,

and the Public to the Investigative Hearings, scheduled to commence as indicated below. The MDA's must be represented by the Chief Executive Officers.

Date: Monday, 13th January – Friday, 28th February, 2020

Venue: Conference Room 236, New Building, House of Representatives, National Assembly Complex, Abuja

Time: 11.00 a.m. Daily

4. The following concerned stakeholders, and Heads of Federal Government Agencies and Organisations should please take note:

- I. Former and Serving Distinguished Senators (2009 – 2019)
- ii. Former and Serving Honourable Members of the House of Representatives (2009 – 2019)
- iii. Federal Ministry of Finance
- iv. Ministry of Budget and National Planning
- v. Office of the Accountant General of the Federation
- vi. Central Bank of Nigeria
- vii. Office of the Auditor General of the Federation
- viii. All other MDA's
- ix. All Federal Universities and Federal Universities' Teaching Hospitals
- x. All Federal Medical Centers, Federal Neuro Psychiatric Hospitals, Federal Orthopedic Hospitals, and Federal Eye Hospitals/Centers.
- xi. All Federal Polytechnics
- xii. All Federal Colleges of Education
- xiii. All River Basin Development Authorities
- xiv. All Research Institutes

Signed:

Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok
Chairman

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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 FY2019 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 2019 Capital Projects:

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES/WORKS/SUPPLY

LOT NO.	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
CATEGORY A		
1	REHABILITATION OF INNER ROADS AT MODUPE JOHNSON STREET, SURULERE, LAGOS STATE	LAGOS
2	SUPPLY OF HOME SOLAR SYSTEMS TO RESIDENTS IN EKITI SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, EKITI STATE.	EKITI
3	SUPPLY OF LAPTOPS TO STUDENTS IN EKITI SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, EKITI STATE	EKITI
4	SUPPLY OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS TO YOUTHS IN WARDS G, G1, G2, SURULERE 1 FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
5	SUPPLY OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS TO YOUTHS IN WARDS G3, E, E1, SURULERE 1 FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
6	SUPPLY OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS TO YOUTHS IN WARDS F1, F2, F3, SURULERE 1 FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
CATEGORY B		
7	EMPOWERMENT TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN ON TRADE/EXPORT PROCESSING AND INVESTMENT IN AGBOYI 1, AGBOYI II, KETU/IKOSI WARDS KOSOFE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
8	EMPOWERMENT TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN ON TRADE/EXPORT PROCESSING AND INVESTMENT IN APAPA 1, APAPA II, APAPA III WARDS APAPA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
9	EMPOWERMENT TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN ON TRADE/EXPORT PROCESSING AND INVESTMENT IN IGANMU, GASKIYA WARDS APAPA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
10	EMPOWERMENT TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN ON TRADE/EXPORT PROCESSING AND INVESTMENT IN ISELE 1, ISELE II, ISELE III WARDS IKORODU FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS
11	EMPOWERMENT TRAINING OF YOUTH AND WOMEN ON TRADE/EXPORT PROCESSING AND INVESTMENT IN IMOTA 1, IMOTA II, IGBOGBO WARDS IKORODU FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY	LAGOS

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 CAC2 and CAC7;
- Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years valid till 31st December, 2019 with a minimum average turnover of **N250 million** for LOT 1 and **N100 million** for other LOTS.
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
- Evidence of Current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
- Evidence of registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/1/2020 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 (2015, 2016, 2017);
- 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;
- 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 (for Supply& Works) 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 have the name and address of the bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, 24th February, 2020**. Every bidder should ensure a tender submission form receipt is issued 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 have the name and address of the bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box not later than **12:00noon Monday, 27th January, 2020**. Every bidder should ensure a tender submission form receipt is issued accordingly.

7. OPENING OF PRE QUALIFICATION DOCUMENTS/EOI

The EOI will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 27th January, 2020** in the meeting hall, 3rd floor, NEPZA Building, Maitama, Abuja in the presence of bidders or their representatives while the Technical bids will also be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12 noon on Monday, 24th February, 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.
- 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;
- The Procurement Unit 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
MANAGEMENT
NIGERIA EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES AUTHORITY



UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN, IBADAN

VACANCY: INTERNAL/EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following positions in the University of Ibadan.

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| 1. Clerical Officer | 2. Office Assistant II |
| 3. Programme Analyst | 4. System Analyst |
| 5. Accountant II | 6. Executive Officer (Accounts) |
| 7. Laboratory Assistant II | 8. Confidential Secretary IV |
| 9. Data Processing Officer | 10. Motor Driver/Mechanic |

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

For position No. 1: Applicants must possess at least five O/Level Credit in SSCE/ WASSCE/GCE/NECO including English Language.

For position No. 2: Applicants must possess at least five O/Level Credit in SSCE/ WASSCE/GCE/NECO including English Language.

For position No. 3: Applicants must possess 5 "O" Level credits pass (WASSCE/NECO/GCE) including English Language and Mathematics plus a Degree /HND in Computer Science/ Information Technology and other related discipline

For position No. 4: Applicants must possess 5 O' level credits (WASSCE/NECO/GCE) including English Language and Mathematics plus HND/ Degree in related field, plus at least three (3) years cognate experience.

For position No. 5: Applicants must possess 5 O' level credits (WASSCE/NECO/GCE) including English Language and Mathematics with ND in Accounts, Financial Studies.

For position No. 6: Applicants must possess 5 O' level credits (WASSCE/NECO/GCE) including English Language and Mathematics with ND in relevant discipline with professional training in Data Processing.

For position No. 7: Applicants must possess at least five O/Level Credit which must include two science subjects in SSCE/ WASSCE/GCE/NECO including English Language

For position No. 8: Applicants must possess five O/Level Credit including English and Mathematics in SSCE/WASSCE/GCE/NECO in addition to Confidential Secretary IV Certificate, (35/80 WPM) and a recognized certificate of computer training plus six (6) years' experience.

For position No. 9: Applicants must possess 5 O' level credits (WASSCE/NECO/GCE) including English Language and Mathematics with ND in relevant discipline with professional training in Data Processing.

For position No. 10: Applicants must possess with five O/Level Credit including English and Mathematics in SSCE/WASSCE/ GCE/NECO, a valid Group "E" Driving License plus Trade Test Grade I,II,III with three (3) years' experience.

Conditions of Service:

As obtainable in Federal Universities in Nigeria.

METHOD OF APPLICATION:

For further information, applicants are requested to log on to the following website <https://bulletin.ui.edu.ng/content/2019-october-31-3> for details.

Only the applications of shortlisted candidates will be acknowledged.

Thank you.

Olubunmi O. Faluyi, MCI, MAIA
Registrar



JIGAWA STATE GOVERNMENT

MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING, DUTSE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Honorable Commissioner, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning is hereby notifying the general public especially, Contractors who have outstanding liabilities yet to be settled by the State Government that a verified list of those to be paid by the current administration has been posted on its website www.jsmf.org for information.

This is in line with the policy of the state for improved Fiscal Transparency, Accountability and Sustainability for good governance.

By this advert the Jigawa State Government is advising all contractors or service providers who have outstanding liabilities with the state to go to this link: http://jsmf.org/images/jsmf_pics/2020_docs/Jigawa_State_Expenditure_Arrears_Clearance_Policy_Framework_.pdf for verification.

For further enquiries, please contact the following numbers: 08032076456, 08036428146

Signed:
Hon. Commissioner



**NATIONAL AGENCY FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING INFRASTRUCTURE (NASENI)
(FEDERAL MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY)**

Idu Industrial Area, P. M. B. 391, Garki, Abuja.

TEL: 09-7831365 EMAIL: procurementdepartment@naseni.org

**INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO
ACQUIRE PATENT TOWARDS PRODUCTION OF SMART
ELECTRIC PREPAID ENERGY METRES (SPEM)**

1. INTRODUCTION

The National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure (NASENI), an Agency of the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology has researched and developed a fully made in Nigeria SMART PREPAID ELECTRIC ENERGY METRE (SPEM), which has been tested, patented and ready for commercialization.

2. The Smart Metre has the following specification among other features:

- i. Home automation via Android app control
- ii. Remote monitoring of energy consumption via a utility IOT (Internet of Things) platform
- iii. Power theft detection and reporting on the IOT platform
- iv. Accurate metering and communication based on the IEC62056 metering standard
- v. Adequate data security using the DLMS (Device Language Message Specification) metering data specification
- vi. IrDA (Infrared Data Association) optical port communication

3. The Agency has government approval to dispose the Intellectual Property (Patent) and cede the technology to Nigerian private companies through competitive bidding in line with Section 55 of the Public Procurement Act, 2007.

4. Interested Nigerian Private Company willing to mass-produce and make the Smart Energy Metre available to the Nigerian market are invited to submit Express of Interest in line with the following conditions:

5. SCOPE OF PROJECT

Expression of Interest to Purchase Patent and Own Technology for Mass Production of Smart Prepaid Energy Meter (SPEM).

6. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- a. Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including forms CAC2 and CAC7;
- b. Evidence of firm's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last Three (3) Years valid till 31st December, 2019;
- c. Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
- d. Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
- e. Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December, 2019;
- f. Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/1/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP.
- g. Sworn Affidavit disclosing whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure 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;
- h. Company's Audited Account for the last Three (3) years – 2016, 2017, 2018;
- i. 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;
- j. Company's profile with the Curriculum Vitae of key staff to be deployed for the project, including copies of their Academic/Professional qualifications;
- k. Verifiable evidence of participation, involvement or vendorship of electric meter services directly or indirectly to an Electricity Distribution Company(ies) in Nigeria.
- l. Verifiable evidence of availability of plant/manufacturing equipment and factory in Nigeria with proof of ownership/lease (where applicable).
- m. 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). Consortium is required for Architectural Design, Bill of Quantity, Engineering and Scientific Services.

- n. 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.

7. SUBMISSION OF EOI DOCUMENTS

Invitation for Expression of Interest to acquire Patent towards production of Smart Electric Prepaid Energy Meters (SPEM)

Interested Manufacturers/SME's are invited to come and inspect Smart Electric Energy Meter (SPEM) at Technology Orientation Centre (TOC), NASENI Headquarters, Idu Industrial Area, Abuja and are required to prepare and submit their Pre-qualification Bid Documents in sealed separate envelopes. To be clearly written at the top right hand corner of each envelope are: the Product Title, 'SME's Name and 'Technical Bid' as the case may be. The envelopes shall be sealed envelope addressed to: **The Executive Vice Chairman/Chief Executive**, National Agency for Science & Engineering Infrastructure, Idu Industrial Area, Abuja (Room 15, Procurement Department) as in item 6. Furthermore, the reverse of each sealed envelope should have the name and address of the bidder and drop in the designated Tender Box at NASENI Headquarters not later than **12:00 noon on Thursday 27th February, 2020.**

9. OPENING OF EOI DOCUMENTS

Invitation to Tender (Ceding of Smart Prepaid Meters to SME's).

The EOI will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Thursday 27th February, 2020** at the NASENI Headquarters

Submission and opening of EOIs will take place at NASENI Headquarters:

The Executive Vice Chairman/Chief Executive,
National Agency for Science & Engineering
Infrastructure,
Idu Industrial Area,
Abuja (Room 15, Procurement Department).

10. GENERAL INFORMATION

- a. Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorized by the bidder;
- b. Bids submitted after the deadline for submission would be returned un-opened.
- c. All costs will be borne by the bidders.
- d. NASENI reserves the right to verify claims made by any bidder.
- e. Submission of bids through email or fax will not be accepted.
- f. **Technology Transfer of Smart Prepaid Meters to SME's:** Only prequalified 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;
- g. Only shortlisted firms will be contacted at a later date for collection of Request for Proposals
- h. **NASENI is not bound to prequalify 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 Executive Vice Chairman/Chief Executive,
National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure,
Idu Industrial Area,
Abuja.



MICHAEL OKPARA UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE, UMUDIKE
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF PRE-QUALIFICATION AND TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR PROJECTS UNDER NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF NIGERIA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike (MOUUAU) wishes to execute projects under **NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF NIGERIA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES**.

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 listed Projects under **NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF NIGERIA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES**.

S/NO	Description of Project	Non-Refundable Tender Fee (₦)
Lot 1	Proposed Procurement of Equipment for Colleges of Management Sciences and Crop and Soil Sciences (COLMAS & CCSS)	10,000.00
Lot 2	Proposed Procurement of Equipment for Colleges Natural Resources/Environmental Management, and Natural and Applied Sciences (CNREM & COLNAS)	10,000.00
Lot 3	Proposed Procurement of Equipment for College Animal Science and Animal Production (CASAP)	10,000.00
Lot 4	Proposed Procurement of Equipment for College Engineering and Engineering Technology (CEET)	10,000.00
Lot 5	Proposed Procurement of Equipment for Colleges of Food Sciences and Tourism and Veterinary Medicine (CAFST& CVM).	10,000.00
Lot 6	Proposed Procurement of Equipment for College of Engineering and Engineering Technology (CEET)	10,000.00
Lot 7	Proposed Procurement of Executive Tables/Chairs	10,000.00
Lot 8	Proposed Procurement of Office/Classroom Furniture	10,000.00
Lot 9	Proposed Procurement of Computers, Printers, Risograph etc.	10,000.00
Lot 10	Proposed Procurement of Office Equipment	10,000.00
Lot 11	Proposed Procurement of Interactive Whiteboard	10,000.00

2.0 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

- 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 31st December 2019 with minimum average annual turnover of N5 million;
- Evidence of current Pension Compliance Certificate expiring on 31st December, 2019.
- Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate expiring on 31st December, 2019.
- Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Valid till December 2019.
- Evidence of Registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/01/2020 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 including a reference letter from a reputable commercial bank indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the project when needed.
- Company 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.
- For Supply of Equipment: Letter of Authorisation as representatives of the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs).
- 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 letterhead 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 (10a.m. - 3p.m.) on presentation of evidence of payment of N10,000.00 per Lot paid into MOUUAU's Remita account in any reputable commercial bank in Nigeria.

4.0 SUBMISSION OF BID DOCUMENTS

Interested Contractors are required to prepare and submit their Pre-qualification/Financial Bid Documents 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 **NEEDS ASSESSMENT OR CAPITAL PROJECTS**, Project Title/Lot Number/Contractor's name and the envelope addressed to the Registrar, Room 214, Alex Ekwueme Building, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike. The Pre-qualification/Financial bid documents shall be dropped in a marked box at the Office of the Registrar on or before **12:00 noon on Monday, 24th February, 2020**.

5.0 OPENING OF TECHNICAL BIDS

Only the technical bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for submission at **12:00 noon on Monday, 24th February, 2020** in the Vice-Chancellor's conference room in the presence of the representatives of the bidding Companies and the general Public who wish to attend. In submitting the company's profile, please state clearly the company's full contact address, GSM phone number and E-mail address required for ease of communication. Pre-qualified Contractors shall be notified accordingly for the opening of their financial bids.

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 bid.
- MOUUAU reserves the right to verify the authenticity of claims made by bidder and shall reject any submission based on unverifiable information.
- Submission of bids by post or courier will not be acceptable and any bid received at the designated location after the required time and date have elapsed shall be considered late and non-responsive.
- 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.
- 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
- 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.
- No bidder shall tender for more than two (2) lots. Any such entry stands disqualified.
- The University is not bound to prequalify any bidder and reserves the right to annul the bidding process in line with Section 28 of the PPA, 2007, without incurring any liability and/or assign any reason thereof

Jacinta N. Ogwo-Agu (Mrs.)
Registrar



TRANSMISSION COMPANY OF NIGERIA (TCN)
INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR

KEDCO: Notice of Lifting Suspension Orders No:
TCN/ISO/MO/2019/005,
TCN/ISO/MO/2019/009 & Disconnection Order No:
TCN/ISO/MO/2019/006

Issued against Kano Electricity Distribution Company Before the Market Operator (Independent System Operator) Transmission Company of Nigeria. In the matter of non-compliance with the conditions of Market Rules and Market Participation Agreements.

WHEREAS:

- KANO Electricity Distribution Company (KEDCO) was suspended from the Market Operator Administered Market due to **EVENTS OF DEFAULT**. KEDCO was notified of this EVENT OF DEFAULT by **NOTICE OF EVENT OF DEFAULTS (NED/2019/005)** dated July 9th, 2019 and **(NED/2019/007)** dated July 23, 2019.
- In line with Section 45.3.7 of the Market Rules, KEDCO was issued **Notice of Intent to Issue Suspension Orders "(NIISO/2019/005)"** dated July 15th, 2019 and **"(NIISO/2019/007)"** dated July 29th, 2019.
- Due to its failure to remedy the "Events of Default", the Market Operator, in line with Market Rules 45.3.9, 45.3.12 and 45.3.13, suspended KEDCO from the Electricity Market.
- KEDCO has now remedied the Events of Default and paid the associated penalty.
- In line with Market Rules 45.3.11, the Market Operator hereby notifies the Transmission Service Provider, System Operator, other Participants and the General Public that:
 - the Market Operator Suspension **Orders No: TCN/ISO/MO/005, TCN/ISO/MO/009 & Disconnection Order No: TCN/ISO/MO/006** suspending Kano Electricity Distribution Company (KAEDCO) from the Market Operator Administered Market and subsequent Disconnection have been lifted.

BY THE NOTICE OF THE MARKET OPERATOR

DATED THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY 2020

Engr. E.A. EJE
MARKET OPERATOR

AROUND THE WORLD

OMAN

Tributes pour in as Oman mourns Sultan Qaboos

World leaders and the people of Oman have paid tributes to Sultan Qaboos bin Said Al Said, the Arab world's longest-serving ruler who died on Friday at 79.

Widely seen as popular, Qaboos set Oman on a path to development after coming to power in a bloodless coup in 1970. His cousin Haitham bin Tariq Al Said has been sworn in as successor.

The emirs of Kuwait, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates as well as the king of Bahrain and the Tunisian president were among the foreign leaders who travelled to Muscat for his

funeral. US President Donald Trump, who said Qaboos was a "true partner and friend" to the US. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, described him as a "great leader who worked tirelessly to promote peace and stability in our region."

Iran's Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif, called the death "a loss for the region" while French President Emmanuel Macron said Oman lost a "man of spirit and culture... deeply attached to his Omani roots and open to the world."

LIBYA

Rival factions accuse each other of violating ceasefire

Libya's warring factions have accused each other of violating a ceasefire proposed by Turkey and Russia, as fighting continues on the outskirts of capital Tripoli.

Both the LNA and the Tripoli-based, internationally-recognised Government of National Accord (GNA) had said they conditionally agreed to the truce.

However, the GNA said in a statement that it had recorded gunfire in the Salaheddin and Wadi Rabea areas "minutes" after the ceasefire was meant

to start at midnight local time on Sunday (22:01 GMT on Saturday).

"The [GNA] militias violated the truce on more than one battlefield, with all types of weapons," said LNA commander Al-Mabrouk Al-Ghazawi, adding that forces were waiting for further instruction from LNA general command.

Early on Sunday morning, exchange of fire could be heard in Salaheddin and Ain Zara districts, according to the Reuters News Agency.

IRAQ

Rockets hit Iraq military base hosting US troops

Several rockets have slammed into an Iraqi airbase north of Baghdad where US troops are based, officials and military sources said, adding that at least four Iraqi airmen were wounded.

A majority of US airmen stationed at the Balad airbase, 80km (50 miles) north of Baghdad, had already left, AFP news agency quoting military sources said on Sunday.

Some shells hit the runway of the Balad airbase while

another shell struck the gate, said Colonel Mohammed Khalil, a police officer in the northern Iraqi province of Saladin.

"Three Iraqi soldiers, who were on guard at the airbase gate, were injured as a result of the shelling," he said.

So far, there has been no claim of responsibility for the attack that comes amid tensions between the United States and Iran over the last two weeks.

PHILIPPINES

Volcano: Thousands evacuated as Taal spews ash

A volcano in the Philippines has emitted a giant plume of ash, prompting authorities to order the evacuation of some 8,000 people living nearby.

The plume coming from the Taal volcano, south of the capital Manila, stretched about 1km (0.6 miles) into the sky.

Rumbling sounds and tremors were also reported around Taal - the Philippines' second-most active volcano - on Sunday. Authorities raised the alert level, warning that a "hazardous eruption" was possible within weeks.

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology

also warned residents living nearby of a possible "volcanic tsunami", while flights were suspended at Manila's international airport because of the volcanic ash.

Ash began falling in nearby areas on Sunday, with residents advised to wear masks.

A man in the popular holiday resort of Tagaytay told Reuters news agency he was having lunch when he heard a rumbling sound.

"We saw the volcano erupting. It rained and some small pebbles fell to the ground," Jon Patrick Yen said. "I did not expect to see such spectacle."

IRAN

Ukrainian airliner: Protesters demand leaders quit

Protests erupted across Iran for a second day on Sunday, piling pressure on the leadership after the military admitted it had mistakenly shot down a Ukrainian airliner at a time when Tehran had feared U.S. air strikes.

"They are lying that our enemy is America, our enemy is right here," a group of protesters outside a university in Tehran chanted, according to video clips posted on Twitter.

Riot police fired teargas at thousands of protesters in the capital on Saturday, where many had chanted "Death to the dictator", directing their anger at the Islamic Republic's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

"Apologize and resign," Iran's moderate Etemad daily wrote in a banner headline on Sunday, saying the "people's demand" was for those responsible for mishandling the plane crisis

to quit. Britain said its ambassador in Iran was briefly detained on Saturday, which Iranian media said was because he was inciting protests. The envoy said he attended a vigil for plane victims.

Iran summoned him on Sunday. British Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab condemned the arrest and said Iran "can continue its march toward pariah status ... or take steps to de-escalate tensions" with diplomacy.



■ A runner dressed as a tank in the Run Against Dictatorship protest race at a public park in Bangkok, Thailand yesterday. Thousands of people took part, while a rival group held a walk to support the government
Photo: Rungroj Yongrit/EPA

THAILAND

'Run against dictatorship' draws thousands

Thousands of people have taken part in park runs across Thailand to protest against the military-backed government and call for more political freedom.

At least 10,000 people registered for the Run Against Dictatorship in the capital, Bangkok.

Some 3,000 had put their names down for a similar event in another Bangkok park in support of Prayuth Chan-ocha.

The former military ruler was returned to power as prime minister in elections last year.

GAMBIA

Jammeh warned not to return to country

The Gambia has warned its ousted leader Yahya Jammeh not to try to return home from his exile in Equatorial Guinea.

Mr Jammeh's safety couldn't be guaranteed if he did return without permission, a government spokesman

told the BBC.

A spokesman for Mr Jammeh's party said he could arrive back at any time.

The Gambia's neighbours forced Mr Jammeh into exile in Equatorial Guinea after he refused to accept his defeat in elections in

December 2016.

Mr Jammeh has expressed his desire to return to his country.

The interim leader of Mr Jammeh's party, Ousman Rambo Jatta, refused to say exactly when the ousted leader would arrive in The Gambia.

VACANCY

A Microfinance Bank based in Abuja has vacancy for the following positions:

- Credit Officer
- Customer Service Officer
- Cashiers

QUALIFICATION/REQUIREMENTS
Degree, H.N.D and a minimum of O.N.D.
Applicants should submit C.Vs and applications in person to:
Shop No 12 and 14, Luxury Block,
Garki Ultra Model Market,
Garki Abuja.

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CHANGE OF NAME

ALIYU: I formerly known as **ADAMU UMAR ALI GARGA**, but now wishes to be known and addressed as **ADAMU UMAR ALIYU**. All formal documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

I formally known as **MUHAMMAD MUKTAR BULAMA** now wish to be known and addressed as **MAHAMMAD MUKTAR BULAMA**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

LAWALI: I formerly known and addressed as **LAWALI MOHAMMED** now wishes to be known and addressed as **LAWALI MOHAMMED SAMINAKA** all former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

JEREMIAH: I, formerly known and addressed as **ALI OMOH**, now wish to be known and addressed as **JEREMIAH OMOH JOY**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

MAIMUNA: I Popularly Known And Addressed As **MAIMUNA BUNU**, Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **MAIMUNA BALARABE BUNU**. All Former Documents Remain Valid. First Bank, Access Bank And The General Public To Take Note Please.

BINTA: I formerly known as **BINTA MUSA** now wish to be known and addressed as **BINTA ILU JIBRIN**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

DANIELS: I, formerly known as **ODIARI ONYINYE CORDELIA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **DANIELS ONYINYE TRIUMPH**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

I formally known as **HAJJA AISA BUKAR WAGANI** now wish to be known and addressed as **HAJJA AISA BUNU KOLO**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

HAMZA: I formerly known and addressed as **MUHAMMAD SAADU HAMZA** now wishes to be known and addressed as **MUHAMMAD HAMZA** all former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BAILAU: I am formally known and address as **BAIDAU SANI** and now wish to be call and address as **BAILAU SANI** all former documents remain valid authorities concern and general public should take note

I Formerly Known As **AWAISU MUHAMMAD** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **AWAISU ABDULLAHI** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

FATIMA: I formerly known as **FATIMA SUNUSI UMAR** now wish to be known and addressed as **FATIMA SUNUSI MUHAMMAD**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

MARYAM: I, formerly known as **MARYAM YUSUF**, now wish to be known and addressed as **MARYAM GUBIO YUSUF**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

I formally known as **ABDULRAHMAN AHMADU** now wish to be known and addressed as **ABDULRAHMAN AMADU**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

CANWU: I formerly known and address as **SHAAYA CANWU** now wishes to be known and addressed as **ADAMU SA'AYA MAIGIZO** all former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

I Formerly Known As **BASHAR IBRAHIM GUSAU** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **BASHAR MAIANGUWA GUSAU** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I Formerly Known As **LAWALI IDI** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **LAWALI IDRIS**. All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

NGOZI: I formerly known as **NGOZI VERONICA NWADIKE** now wish to be known and addressed as **NGOZI VERONICA UZUEGBUNAM**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAME: This is to inform the general public that **ONYEMAUCHE NOBLE EKPEREDIRE** and **ONYEMAUCHE NOBLE UCHECHUKWU** is one and same person. All documents remain valid. Authority concerned to take note.

SURAJO: I formerly known as **LUKMAN ALHAJI SURAJO**. now wish to be known and addressed as **SURAJO LUKMAN**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

MAMUDA: I formerly known as **MAMUDA USMAN**. now wish to be known and addressed as **MAMUDA GUSAU**. All former documents remain valid Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

I Formerly Known As **ADAMU IBRAHIM & IBRAHIM ADAMU** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **ADAMU IBRAHIM MORIKI** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I Formerly Known As **UMAR MANDE BASHIRU** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **BASHIR UMAR** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

SULAIMAN: I formerly known as **SULAIMAN HABIB MAHMUD** now wish to be known and addressed as **SULAIMAN MAHMUD**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

IBRAHIM: I, formerly known as **IBRAHIM ABDULAZEEZ DANKULLA**, now wish to be known as **IBRAHIM ABDULAZEEZ YUSHA'U**. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.

BUHARI: I formerly known as **BUHAR IBRAHIM**. now wish to be known and addressed as **BUHARI MUHAMMADU**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

UGOCHUKWU: I, formerly known as **CHINAZOR ONYEMA UGOCHUKWU**, now wish to be known and addressed as **UGOCHUKWU EZEKIEL NWOMA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

I Formerly Known As **HARI MOH'D** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **HARI MALAM** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I Formerly Known As **HASSAN MAFARA SHUAIBU** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **HASSAN SHUAIBU** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

TSAV: I formerly known as **AGER LUCIA TSAV** now wish to be known and addressed as **TSAV LUCIA HEMBADOON**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

This is to inform the general public the name **FATI WALI & YAFATI WALI** refers to one and the same person now wish to be known and addressed as **FATI WALI**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

I formerly known and called **TIVWASE VERONICA & TIVWASE DOOSHIMA VERONICA** now wish to be known and addressed as **WILSON DOOSHIMA VERONICA** and I was born on 12th December, 1990. All former documents bearing these names still remain valid. The authorities concerned and the general public to take note.

AROGBONLO: I, formerly known as **ARE FUNMILAYO OMLADE**, now wish to be known and addressed as **AROGBONLO FUNMILAYO OMLADE**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

I Formerly Known As **DEBORAH BALOGUN BOSE** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **DEBORAH BALOGUN** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I Formerly Known As **UBAIDATU ALIYU** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **UBAIDATU ALIYU LAWAL**, My D.O.B Is **12/7/1976**. All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

MUHAMMAD: I formerly known as **MUHAMMAD ADAMU YUSIF** now wish to be known and addressed as **MUHAMMAD TUKUR ADAMU**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

I formally known as **AMINA USMAN** now wish to be known and addressed as **AMINA ALHAJI USMAN**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

I, formerly known and addressed as **DORCAS HANDAN DAVID** now wish to be known and addressed as **DORCAS DAVID** with date of birth **14 02 1990**. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.

NDULUE: I Formerly known and addressed as **NDULUE STEPHEN** now wish to be known and addressed as **NDULUE UDODILI STEPHEN**. All former documents remain valid. The general public take note

I FORMERLY KNOWN AS ADAMU ISA JAURO NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS ADAMU ISA. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC TO NOTE

I Formerly Known As **MUSTAPHA MUHAMMED** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **MUSTAPHA BELLO** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

ABBAS: I formerly known as **HAMISU SHARIF GARBA 04/08/1992** now wish to be known and addressed as **ABBAS HASSAN SALIHU 25/06/1995**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

I formally known as **HAUWA MUSA** now wish to be known and addressed as **HAUWA CHINDA**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

I formerly known and addressed as **GODDEY MIFFORD IGBOROBARO**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **ENUESIKE MILFORD IGBOROBARO**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public to take.

UMARU: I, Formerly known and addressed as **UMAR SALIU** now wish to be known and addressed as **UMARU SALISU**. All former documents remain valid. The general public take note.

I FORMERLY KNOWN AS ALI ABDULRAZAK NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS ALIYU ZAHRADEEN ALI. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERALPUBLIC TO NOTE

I Formerly Known As **DAHIRU AHMAD MUHAMMAD** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **DAHIRU AHMAD** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I ABDULLAHI formerly known as **KABIR JABIR ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called as **KABIR SALIM**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concern and the general public should please take note.

I formally known as **HADIZA TADA** now wish to be known and addressed as **HADIZA MUSA TADA**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

JAFAR: I, formerly known as **JAFAR A. SAL**, now wish to be known and addressed as **JAFAR AHMED**. All former documents remain valid. Access bank, Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

VERIFICATION OF NAME: FATIMA: I, FORMERLY KNOWN AS AISHA IBRAHIM NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS MUHAMMAD LIMAN. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER AUTHORITIES CONCERNED SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

I Formerly Known As **AHMAD YARO** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **USMAN AHMAD ABDULLAHI** My D.O.B Is **03/03/1980**. All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I was formerly known as **Mohammed Bakar Mutulinow** wish to be known and address as **Muhammad Abubakar**. All my former documents remain valid and general public should please take note

MUSA formerly known as **HAMSATU MUSA** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAJIYA HAMSATU MUSA**. All former documents remain valid authority concern and general public to note

I formally known as **IYA ABBA** now wish to be known and addressed as **AISHA MOHAMMED SALEH**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

I formerly known and addressed as **ASOBIBI REJOICE**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **MRS. MOMOH REJOICE BENEDICTA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public to take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME: My name was wrongly written as **HUNWATHAN BUKOLA ABIGAIL** in my Bank Account details. I wish to state that my name is **HUNWATHAN BUKOLA MAUSI**. All former documents remain valid. Relevant Bank authorities and the General Public should please take note.

I FORMERLY KNOWN AS RABIU WANZAM NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS ADAMU RABIU. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC TO NOTE

LAWALI: I formerly known as **LAWALI ISAH ISAH** 01-Jan-1973 now wish to be known and addressed as **LAWALI A ISAH** 09-Jan-1975. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

I MUSA formerly known as **YAKUBU MUSA -9-5-1987** now wish to be called and addressed as **HABU SALISU -1-6-1995** All former documents remain valid authority concern and general public to note

I formally known as **BABAKURA GONI GABTCHA** now wish to be known and addressed as **BABAKURA GONI**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

ADEYEMI: I, FORMERLY KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS **ADEFISOYE ABIMBOLA SUSAN**, NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS **ADEYEMI ABIMBOLA SUSAN**. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC TAKE NOTE.

DANLADI: I, formerly known as **DANLADI ALANI**, now wish to be known and addressed as **YAMUSA DANLADI ALANI**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

I formerly known and addressed as **1. HARUNA HUSSAINI 2. HUSSAINI HARUNA 3. HUSSAINI HARUNA SALIHU**, now wish to be known and addressed as **HUSSAINI HARUNA SALIHU**, all former documents remain valid, All authorities concerned and General public please take note.

AHMAD: I formerly known as **AHMAD ABBA** now wish to be known and addressed as **AHMAD ABBA LAH**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

I, MURTALA formerly known as **MURTALA HAMIDAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **LAWAN ALASAN**. All former documents remain valid authority concern and general public to note

OGUNSAKIN: I, formerly known as **LAMAI OLBUNMI RONKE**, now wish to be known and addressed as **OGUNSAKIN OLBUNMI RONKE**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and the General public should please take note.

I FORMERLY KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS **MRS GRACE OMOTOMHE OSARENREN BALDWIN**. ALSO KNOWN AS **MRS GRACE OMOTOMHE IJEKHUJEMEN**. NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS **MRS GRACE OMOTOMHE IDEWOR**. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. AUTHORITY CONCERNED AND GENERAL PUBLIC TO TAKE NOTE.

I Formerly Known As **RAYYA AA MASTER** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **RAYYANATU AA MASTER AHMAD** My D.O.B Is **27/07/1994** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

I formerly known as **ALEXANDER GODWIN** now wish to be known and addressed as **IBRAHIM GODWIN**. All former documents remain valid. General public to note

CHINEMEREM: I formerly known as **CHINEMEREM MARY IZUOGU** now wish to be known and addressed as **CHINEMEREM MARYMILLICENT RAPHEAL**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

I, formerly known as USMAN DAUDA MUSA. Now wish to be called and address as **USMAN MUSA DAUDA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and General public should please take note.

I formally known as **SURA DIJA MSHELIA** now wish to be known and addressed as **DIJA ISHAYA SURA**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

I, formerly known and addressed as **MISS. NWACHUKWU CHIKA**, Now wish to be known and addressed as **MRS. ADENIRAN EVELYN**. All former documents remain valid. General public take note.

I Formerly known as **HADIZA YUSUF ISHAYA** now wish to be known And address as **NADANDA ISHAYA** all former documents remain valid general public should take note

I Formerly known as **EMMANUEL YANGYOCK ISAAC** and **ISAAC YANGYOCK EMMANUEL** Now wish to be called **ISAAC EMMANUEL DOB 18/12/1980** not **11/10/1980**.ZENITH BANK PLC and General public to note

ODABA: I formerly known as **OJOKO ODEH BENEDICT** now wish to be known and addressed as **ODABA OJOKO BENEDICT 21101998**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

I, formerly known as MAIGARI MUHAMMAD. Now wish to be called and address as **MAIGARI SANI MUHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and General public should please take note.

I formally known as **AMINA ISA** now wish to be known and addressed as **AMINA MUSTAPHA**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

I FORMERLY KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS **UGWANA ANIETIE AKPAN**, NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS **ANIETIE JOSHUA CHARLIE**. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. BANK AND GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD TAKE NOTE.

I Formerly Known As **AHMED SURAJO ALIYU** Now Wish To Be Known And Addressed As **SURAJO AHMAD** All Former Ducoments Remain Valid General Public Should Take Note.

BUBA: I, formally known as **LAWEEZAH MISAU BUBA** now wish to be called and address as **LAWIZA BUBA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and General public should please take note.

ANAS: I formerly known as **ANAS ALIYU** now wish to be known and addressed as **ANAS GARBA**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.

SARATU: I, formerly known as **SARATU NASIR**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SARATU NASIR IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take

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HAFSATU: I formerly known as ABISSETU YUSUF now wish to be called as HAFSATU AHMED all former documents remain valid general public all authority concern should please take note.

OYEBANJI: I, was formerly known and addressed as OLADAPO BUSAYO MORENIKEJI . Now wish to be known and addressed as OYEBANJI BUSAYO MORENIKEJI OLADAPO . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid. Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

KUFTI: I formerly known as ABDULRAHMAN LAWAN ALIMI now wish to be known and addressed as ABDULRAHMAN ALIMI KUFTI 18/12/2001 All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note

IDRIS: I formerly known as ABUBAKAR IDRISA TIMTA, now wish to be known and addressed as ABUBAKAR IDRISA. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

SHU'AIBU: I formerly known as AHMED SHU'AIBU, now wish to be known and addressed as MUHAMMAD SHU'AIBU. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public to take note

SULAIMAN: I, formerly known as SULAIMAN SANI HARUNA, now wish to be known and called SULAIMAN HARUNA SANI. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

ADAKU: I, formerly known as ADAKU ZARA OLUGBEJA, now wish to be known and called ADAKU HULDAH OTUKA. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

GBENLE: I formerly known and addressed as OKUNOREN SINMISOLA OMOWUNMI Now wish to be known and addressed as GBENLE SINMISOLA OMOWUNMI . All former documents remain valid, General public kindly take note.

GODWIN: I formerly known as GODWIN OLA EMMANUEL now wish to be known and addressed as ADEKUNLE GODWIN All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note

ALIRAM: I Formerly known as ALIRAM BUKAR, now wish to be known and addressed as ALIRAM LAWAN. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

SAMAILA: I formerly known as IBRAHIM ALIYU and BELLO SAMAILA, now wish to be known and addressed as BELLO SAMAILA. All former documents remain valid. Authorities and general public to take note

MSHELIA: I was formerly known as LADI IDAU AYIKU and now wish to be known as MSHELIA LADI LYDIA. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

Verification of name Formerly known as: a. BILKISU ZAKARIYA ABUBAKAR b. BILKISU ZACHARIA, but prefers BILKISU ZAKARIYA ABUBAKAR. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

CHANGE OF NAME / CORRECTION OF DATE OF BIRTH: I formerly known and addressed as Tajudeen Ajani Ojumu Now wish to be known and addressed as Tajudeen Adebayo Ojumu. My correct date of birth is 10-03-1968 Not 19-01-1968. All former documents remain valid, General public kindly take note.

ALI: I formerly known as ISA ISA now wish to be known as ALI ISA. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

ABUBAKAR: I formerly known as ABUBAKAR MUSA BOKKO, now wish to be known and addressed as ABUBAKAR MUSA. All former documents remain valid, General public should please take note.

USMAN: I, formerly known and address as HAJJA KALTUM YUSUF . Now wish to be known and addressed as HAJJA KALTUM USMAN. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note

KHALID: I, formerly known as AYUBA SULEIMAN, now wish to be known and called KHALID SULEIMAN. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

VERIFICATION OF NAME. I, formerly known as FARI OJUMU MARYAM MUSA now wish to be known and addressed as MARYAM YEMI ABDUKADIR-OJUMU. All former documents valid, general public and other Authorities concerned should please Take Note.

CHANGE OF NAME / CORRECTION OF DATE OF BIRTH: I formerly known and addressed as Adeniji Adebola Titilayo Now wish to be known and addressed as Ojumu Adebola Titilayo. My correct date of birth is 19-09-1986 Not 19-06-1983. All former documents remain valid, General public kindly take note.

SADIQ: I formerly known as SADIQ MOHAMMED now wish to be known as SADIQ MOHAMMED ABUBAKAR. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

ASHIRU: I Formerly known as MUHAMMED MIGA, now wish to be known and addressed as ASHIRU MOHAMMED. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

MODU: I formerly known as MODU BUJI ABATCHA now wish to be known as MODU ABATCHA. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

IBRAHIM: I formerly known as IBRAHIM ABDULRAHMAN now wish to be called as IBRAHIM ABDULRAHMAN all former documents remain valid wrongly date of birth 06/6/1982 correct date of birth 06/6/1995 general public all authority concern should please take note.

HABIBA: I, formerly known as HABIBA KABIRU SA'ADU, now wish to be known and addressed as HABIBA KABIRU LAWAL. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

ALABI: I, formerly known and addressed as IDOWU ODUNAYO TOLULOPE. Now wish to be known and addressed as ALABI ODUNAYO TOLULOPE. All former documents remain valid, general public please take note.

AHMAD: I formerly known and addressed as AHMAD HASSAN now wish to be called and addressed as AHMAD M HASSAN. All former document remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should take note please.

ZAINAB: I formerly known as ZAINAB IBRAHIM HASSAN, now wish to be known and addressed as ZAINAB IBRAHIM. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

I, OGUNWANDE MODUPE CHRISTIANA wish to confirm that OGUNWANDE FUNMILOLA CHRISTIANA as on my Bank Details and my BVN and OGUNWANDE MODUPE CHRISTIANA is one and same person. That my correct name is OGUNWANDE MODUPE CHRISTIANA . All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The general public please take note.

BASHAR: I FORMERLY KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS BASHAR GALADIMA NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN AND ADDRESSED AS BASHAR YAKUBU. ALL DOCUMENTS BEARING FORMER NAME REMAIN VALID. CONCERNED AUTHORITIES AND GENERAL PUBLIC TO TAKE NOTE.

JOSEPH: I, was formerly known and addressed as SHOLAGBADE, MOSES ADENIYI . Now wish to be known and addressed as JOSEPH, SEGUN MOSES . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid, Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

FEMI: I formerly known as MISS SALAMI NIKE MARY, now wish to be known, and addressed as MRS FEMI OJO NIKE MARY , all documents remains valid, and the authority of NYSC and general public should take note.

OKEREKE: I formerly known as OKEREKE THERESA NWANNEKA now wish to be known as OKEREKE THERESA. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

FATI: I Formerly known as FATIMA M. KAWU, now wish to be known and addressed as HAJJA FATI MODU. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

AGBADIZU - I formerly known as UZUEGBU BERNARDINE OGECHI . Now wish to be known called and addressed as AGBADIZU NEE UZUEGBU BERNARDINE OGECHI. All documents remain valid. General public please take note.

Confirmation of name: I, OCHEJE CHARLES G. known as OCHEJE CHARLES G and OCHEJE CHARLES wish to inform the general public that the names belong to one and same person Ocheje Charles. Documents bearing these names remain valid. WAEC, UNN should take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME AUGUSTINE : That my name was wrongly written as MICHAEL AUGUSTINE KPANOU instead of MICHAEL AUGUSTINE PADONU. All former documents bearing my former name remain valid. Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

UMAR: I formerly known and addressed as USMAN MOHAMMED now wish to be called and addressed as UMAR MUHAMMAD. All former document remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should take note please.

BULAMA: I formerly known as MALLAM BULAMA ABBA YUSUF now wish to be known as BULAMA ABBA YUSUF. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

ADAMU: I Formerly known as ABUBAKAR ADAMU ABBA, now wish to be known and addressed as ABUBAKAR ADAMU ALKALI. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

NWAFOR - I formerly known as AGBAWA PHILOMINA . now wish to be known called and addressed as NWAFOR PHILOMINA. All documents remain valid. General public please take note.

FATIMAH: I formerly known and addressed as FATIMAH SAFI now wish to be known and called FATIMAH YUSUFU ABEJO all former documents remain valid the general public and all concern Authorities should Please take note.

ADDITIONAL NAME MICHAEL: I, was formerly known and addressed as MICHAEL VICTORIA . Now wish to be known and addressed as MICHAEL VICTORIA PADONU . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid, Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

AUDU: I formerly known as HABU AUDU now wish to be known and addressed as HABU ALHAJI AUDU All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note

MUHAMMAD: I formerly known as HASSAN IBRAHIM KANDIRA now wish to be known as MUHAMMAD BUKAR LAWAN. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

ZAKIYYA: I Formerly known as ZAKIYA ALIYU SULAIMAN, now wish to be known and addressed as ZAKIYYA ALIYU MOHAMMED. All former documents remain valid. First Bank and general public should please take note

MOSES - I formerly known as JOEL CHIZIKE ICHEONWU. Now wish to be known called and addressed as JOEL CHIZIKE MOSES. All documents remain valid. General public please take note.

HAFIZU: I, formerly known as HAFIZU IBRAHIM MUHAMMED, now wish to be known and called HAFIZU IBRAHIM. All former documents remain valid. Access Bank PLC, National I card the general public and any authority concerned to please take note

ADDITIONAL NAME MICHAEL: I, was formerly known and addressed as MICHAEL RUBEN . Now wish to be known and addressed as MICHAEL RUBEN PADONU . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid, Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

INUSA: I formerly known as MOHAMMED BILAL now wish to be known and addressed as INUSA MARI ALI All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note

AISHA: I formerly known as AISHA BARAMSIRAH MUHAMMAD now wish to be known as AISHA MUHAMMAD BARAMSIRA. All former document remain valid. general public should take note.

BINTU: I, formerly known and address as BINTU GANA KALLI. Now wish to be known and addressed as BINTU MAI KALLI . All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note

OGBONNA: That I was formerly known as MR. NWAGBOBI OKECHUKWU. That I now wish to be known as MR. OGBONNA OKECHUKWU OBED. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The general public should please take note.

EZE: I Formerly called EZE ALU CHIBUIKE now want to be called and addressed as EZE CLETUS CHIBUIKE. All former documents remain valid. General public note.

CORRECTION OF NAME PADONU: I, was formerly known and addressed as KPANU MICHAEL O. PLANOU MICHAEL AND PANU MICHAEL instead of PADONU MICHAEL . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid, Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI: I formerly known as AUDU SHAIBU now wish to be called and addressed as ABDULLAHI SHAIBU BELU. All former document remain valid. The general public should please take note

GARBA: I formerly known and addressed as JAMILA GARBA SATI, now wish to be known and addressed as JAMILA GARBA, D.O.B.01/01/1990, All former Documents remain valid, Authority concerned and the general public should take note.

MARYAM: I Formerly known as MARYAM USMAN ISAH, now wish to be known and addressed as MARYAM SANI ISAH. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

IMMACULATE: That I was formerly known as EZEJI IMMACULATE. That I now wish to be known as IMMACULATE DAVID. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The general public should please take note.

I DANLAMI SYLVESTER KATO WISH TO STATE THAT I WROTE NECO EXAMINATION IN JUNE/ JULY, 2007 WITH DANLAMI SYLVESTER KATO BUT ON RECEIVING THE RESULT MY NAME WAS ERRONEOUSLY SPLIT AS SALAMI SYLVESTER KATO THE SAID NAME WAS IN ERROR BY NECO. MY NAME IS DANLAMI SYLVESTER KATO ALL DOCUMENT REMAIN VALID. NECO, AND ANY OTHER CONCERNED AUTHORITY AND GENERAL PUBLIC TO PLEASE TAKE NOTE

CHANGE OF NAME DUE TO MARRIAGE Mrs. OBADINA : I, was formerly known and addressed as Mrs. AKEREDOLU ERIBUNMI FOLAKE . Now wish to be known and addressed as Mrs. OBADINA ERIBUNMI FOLAKE . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid, Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

HALIMA: I formally known as HALIMA S ABUBAKAR now wish to be known and addressed as HALIMA SADIYA ABUBAKAR All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.

YAGANA: I Formerly known as YAGANA MODU, now wish to be known and addressed as YAGANA MODU ABBA KAGU. All former documents remain valid General public should please take note

MUKHTAR: I formerly known as NURUDEEN MUKHTAR, now wish to be addressed as ABUHURAIRA MUKHTAR NURUDEEN. All former document remain valid. General public and the authority concern should take note.

NNAEMEKA: That I was formerly known called and addressed as AKPA STEPHEN EKE. Now wish to be known called and addressed as EKE NNAEMEKA STEPHEN. All former documents bearing my former name remains valid. General public should please take note.

RAHAMA: I, formerly known as IBRAHIM RAHAMA ABDULLAHI, now wish to be known and addressed as RAHAMA IBRAHIM ARGUNGU. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

COMFORT: I, was formerly known and addressed as COMFORT UMBUGADU CYRIL . Now wish to be known and addressed as COMFORT AYUBA . All former documents bearing my former name remain valid, Authority concerned and general public should please take note.

MURTALA: I formerly known and addressed as MURTALA UMAR now wish to be called and addressed as MURTALA MUHAMMAD. All former document remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should take note please.

INUWA: I formerly known and addressed as MUBARAK INUWA, now wish to be known and addressed as MUBARAK MUHAMMAD INUWA, All former Documents remain valid, Authority concerned and the general public should take note.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public of the Loss of Original Certificate of occupancy and other documents NGS 9333, in respect of land situated at Tunga, Minna Niger state bearing the name of Mr S.O Ojumu. The said document was lost to an inferno and all effort made to recover same proved abortive. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note

HEARTS THAT CARE INITIATIVE

Hearts That Care Initiative (HTCI), a Non-Governmental Organization comprising of friends and associates of like minds hereby seeks to register with the Corporate Affairs Commission under the Company and Allied Matters Act.

OBJECTIVES

- Promotion of education and health among the rural dwellers in Nigeria, particularly the in the North East Geopolitical zone
- Promotion entrepreneurship and self-sustaining means of livelihood among the rural communities especially among the less privileged and vulnerable group.
- To preach love and harmony without boundaries.

TRUSTEES

1. Josephine Tayo Ibinola	President
2. Rev. Dr Hilary Nanmari Dachelem	Member
3. Alh. Garba Mohammed Noma	Member
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6. Brig. Gen. (rtd) Abdurrahman Jatau Alexander	Member
7. Solomon Babatunde Aiyedero	Member
8. Dr Habiba Joshua Dauda	Member

Any objection regarding the above submissions or against the registration should reach The Registrar Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja within 21 days from the date of this publication.

Signed
Josephine Tayo Ibinola (President)

ISOWOPO PEOPLE'S CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY

NOTICE is hereby given to the general public that the above named Assembly has applied for registration under Part C of the Companies and Allied Matters Act No. 1 of 1990.

The Trustee Are:

- Prince George Niyi _____ President
- Mr. Emmanuel Adewumi _____ Member
- Prince Benjamin Babatunde Ayodele _____ Member
- Mr. Oluwatoyin Japheth _____ Member
- Otunba Oluwole Babasanya _____ Member
- Prince Henry Adekunle Omola _____ Member

Aims and Objectives:

- To promote and foster unity among the members of the Assembly and the membership communities.
- To continue to seek the progress and development of the Assembly members and membership communities.
- To promote social and economic cooperation among membership communities.
- To create an enabling environment for the practice of agriculture by the membership communities and any other individual members of the Assembly.

Any objection to this registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General Corporate Affairs Commission, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

Tayo Douglas, Esq. (Solicitor)

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

I, Dalhatu Mohammed Mahmoud of No.27, Ishaku Road, Malali, GRA, Kaduna, Kaduna State wish to inform the general public of the Loss of my Original Offer of Grant/Regrant of Statutory Right of Occupancy in respect of a property (Plot of Land) known and situated at No.16, Road 'Y' on TPO. 462, Malali N.E Residential Layout, Kaduna covered by file No.KDL 38430/5 dated 3rd day of May, 1995. I bought the said property from Nuhu Bello Abdulmumin of Unguwan Dosa, Kaduna sometimes on the 6th day of March, 2009 and the Original Offer of Grant/Regrant of Statutory Right of Occupancy in respect of the said plot dated 27th day May, 1999 got lost on the 10th of October, 2012. All effort made to trace same proved abortive. If found, please return to the nearest police station or the above addressed. The general public particularly KADGIS to please take note



JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD

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CONTACT Our On-Line Support Centre at "support.jamb.gov.ng" VISIT: ibass.jamb.gov.ng (for e-brochure)

SALE OF 2020 UNIFIED TERTIARY MATRICULATION EXAMINATION (UTME) AND DIRECT ENTRY (DE) APPLICATION DOCUMENTS IN NIGERIA AND FOREIGN CENTERS

1.0 2020 UTME/DE APPLICATION
1.1 Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission to Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria for the 2020/2021 Academic Session.

2.0 REGISTRATION PERIOD (UTME & DIRECT ENTRY)
2.1 The period of registration for all (UTME/DE) candidates including those from Foreign Countries is from 13th January to 17th February 2020.
2.2 PIN vending ends on Friday, 14th February 2020, while the registration portal closes on Monday, 17th February 2020.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY CHECKER
Candidates are advised to check their eligibility for chosen programmes and institutions on ibass.jamb.gov.ng. It is important that candidates check the requirements before commencing the application process. The eligibility checker assists candidates with options of programmes (courses) based on their qualifications.

4.0 GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
4.1 The general entry requirements for admission into the First Degree, National Diploma (ND), National Innovation Diploma (NID) and Nigeria Certificate in Education (NCE) programmes are five (5) O'level credit passes including English Language. Details are available in the e-Brochure which would be given to each eligible candidate at any JAMB accredited CBT - registration centres. The e-Brochure is also available for download at ibass.jamb.gov.ng and on Android Mobile App (JAMB IBASS) from the Google Play store.
4.2 **DIRECT ENTRY** (Note: DE registration closes on the same date with UTME Application)
Candidates with any of the following qualifications may be considered for admission through Direct Entry:
• A minimum of O'level credit pass in five (5) SSCE subjects at not more than two sittings with at least two prescribed subjects (for each programme (course of study)) at Principal or A'level.
• Two passes (in prescribed subjects for each (programme) course of study) at the A'Level Examination of JMB, Cambridge, JUPEB or Institute of Baccalaureate with SSCE/GCE, NTS/NBC credits equivalents in three other subjects.
• Passes in two major subjects in the NCE with SSCE, NTC/NBC credits or equivalents in THREE other subjects (mainly for Education Courses) and ND.
• Minimum of lower credit grade in National Diploma or National Innovation Diploma and the O'level requirements.

■ DE CANDIDATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THEIR JAMB REGISTRATION NUMBERS WITH WHICH THEY GAINED ADMISSION TO NCE/NID/DIPLOMA AND PREVIOUS DEGREE PROGRAMMES. ■ QUALIFICATIONS AWARDED BY EXAMINATION BODIES (JMB, CAMBRIDGE, WAEC, NABTEB, JUPEB, etc) APPROVED BY NIGERIA SHALL NOT REQUIRE ANY PREVIOUS JAMB REGISTRATION NUMBER. ■ REGISTRATION FOR DE CANDIDATES SHALL NOT BE EXTENDED BEYOND THE PERIOD ALLOTTED TO BOTH UTME/DE

CAVEAT:
CANDIDATES SHOULD NOT APPLY FOR UTME AND DE AT THE SAME TIME. IF ANY CANDIDATE APPLIES THROUGH UTME AND LATER OBTAINS HIGHER QUALIFICATION, THE UTME CAN BE UPGRADED TO DE AT NO COST. Indeed it is a sanctionable infraction to obtain two application documents in the same year. Double/multiple registrations attract outright cancellation and prosecution.

4.3 Candidates are not permitted to register more than once. In the event of any error during registration process, such candidates are to seek correction from the Board and not to obtain a fresh application as doing so would attract sanction.

4.4 Registration can only be done at the centres listed on the Board's website (www.jamb.gov.ng) and pasted at JAMB Offices across the country. Anybody who registers outside these centres does so at his/her own risk.

4.5 Nobody, including parents/guardians or any proxy is allowed to transact any business on any candidate's profile. The registration process and all activities on candidates' profile are being monitored by the Board and defaulters shall be severely sanctioned. Any candidate who makes his password, profile code or other security codes available to another person (parents, friends, tutorial teachers, fraudsters etc) is liable for any alteration done by such person(s). DO NOT GIVE YOUR PASSWORD TO ANYBODY INCLUDING JAMB OFFICIALS. These security codes are not to be demanded at any registration centre by any person for any purpose.

4.6 **ORDER OF CHOICE OF INSTITUTIONS** (Any institution can be first choice)
Every candidate is to note that his/her 1st choice can be a College of Education, University, Innovation Enterprise Institution, Polytechnic/Monotechnic, Nigerian Defence Academy or Police Academy.

5.0 PROCESS FOR 2020 UTME/DE REGISTRATION
A. CREATION OF PROFILE
i. Every Candidate will require the use of a unique phone (mobile) number (SIM) for the process of registration. The unique phone number can only be used by one candidate.
ii. Candidate will send his/her name (Surname First-Name Middle-Name (if any)) by text (SMS) to 55019. This should be maximum of 38 characters + 2 spaces between names = 40 characters in all to 55019 e.g Bola Bature Okoro. Surname and first name are mandatory.
iii. A Profile Code of 10 characters will be received by the candidate on the same telephone(SIM) number.
iv. The phone (mobile) number used for the text message is automatically tied to the Candidate's name and will be used in all communication relating to each candidate's 2020 Application, Examination and Admission. CANDIDATES SHOULD NOTE AND ALWAYS REMEMBER THE SIM-NUMBER USED. IT IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE FOR SUBSEQUENT COMMUNICATION WITH THE BOARD.

■ BY OBTAINING UTME/DE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS, A CANDIDATE HAS ACCEPTED TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGES FROM JAMB (55019) EVEN WHEN THE "DO NOT DISTURB" IS ACTIVATED.

v. Candidate will present the profile code at the point of procurement of application document (Banks, MMDs, MFBs, Switches, USSD Partners). An ePIN is then sent as text message to the candidate's phone.
vi. Candidate will present the Profile code and ePIN at any JAMB accredited CBT Centre for registration.
vii. The application cannot be completed until the candidate's biometrics (all ten fingers) are captured and photograph taken physically (No submission of passport photograph). Successful capture of biometrics and photograph will authorise a candidate to print his/her e-registration slip. The fingerprint shall be required for any further transaction with JAMB on the candidate's profile.
viii. Only candidates whose biometric verification is successful on examination day will be permitted to sit the UTME. No parent or any proxy is allowed to make any transaction on the candidate's profile.
ix. Candidates with biometric challenges can only register at JAMB headquarters in Abuja.

B. SELF HELP IN CASE OF MISTAKE/LOSS OF PROFILE CODE
i. To retrieve a lost Profile Code, send the word [RESEND] from the same mobile number to 55019 as a text message.
ii. Candidates can reset lost or forgotten Profile Password on their registered cell phone number by sending the word "PASSWORD" space [the email address] from the same mobile number as a text message to 55019.

C. TICKETING (FREE COMPLAINTS)
For ALL complaints on JAMB processes, a candidate should create a support ticket at (support.jamb.gov.ng) with his/her email address with the Board. Candidate then provides his/her name, phone number and the nature of the complaint, selects a complaint area on a drop-down and then summarises the nature of the complaint. He/she should also attach supporting documents (if available). Complaints from 3rd parties are merely noted. Letter writing is not encouraged. Rather all complaints should be channelled through the ticketing system for prompt attention and documentation.

■ NOTE THAT CANDIDATES' PASSWORD SHOULD NOT BE RELEASED TO ANYONE. JAMB CAN ONLY HELP ON PROFILE-PASSWORD, NOT E-MAIL-BOX-PASSWORD. CANDIDATES CAN ALSO CHECK THEIR ADMISSION STATUS ON JAMB IBASS APP ON THEIR PHONE. CANDIDATES SHOULD NOT CHECK AT ANY CYBERCAFÉ THAT WOULD DEMAND FOR THEIR PASSWORD WHICH COULD THEN BE USED TO STEAL OR MANIPULATE THEIR RECORDS. "TO BE FOREWARNED IS TO BE FOREARMED"

Candidates and the general public are to note that nobody can help with admission or upgrade of scores; they would only deceive and defraud those who patronise fraudsters.

D. JAMB ePIN SELLING POINTS
The ePIN outlets are hereby listed:
i. NIPOST and eleven Participating Banks (ACCESS, FCMB, FIDELITY, FIRSTBANK, GTB, JAIZ, POLARIS, STERLING, TAI, UBA, UNION and UNITY).
ii. Mobile Money Operators are hereby listed: Paga, e-Transact, Pocket Moni, TEASYPay, Packway Projects (ReadyCash) and Xpress payment solutions.
iii. Participating Micro Finance Banks are hereby listed: Trust MFB, Halal Credit MFB, Zazzau MFB, ObeledunMFB, Regent MFB and Unikal MFB.
iv. Online Payment Platforms are hereby listed: System Specs (Remita), InterSwitch (Quickteller) Upper-link, e-Transact and Unified Payment Services (UPS)
v. Cooperative Society are hereby listed: JAMB Multi-Purpose Cooperative Society and The West African Examination Council.
vi. Other outlets are hereby listed: Unique ICT, Digital Partners Network, payvantage, PayCom, Nomoword, and Cottage Assets.
vii. Point Of Sale (POS) outlet: Citi-Serves
viii. Automated Teller Machines (ATM) cards of all banks listed above and InterSwitch
ix. Foreign Candidates are to visit the following foreign missions:
Nigerian Embassy, Abidjan, Cote D'Ivoire.
Nigerian High Commission Accra, Ghana.
Nigerian Embassy/Permanent Mission, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
Nigerian Consulate, Beau, Cameroun.
Nigerian Consulate, Cotonou, Benin Republic.
Nigerian Consulate, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
Nigerian Consulate, Johannesburg, South Africa.
Nigerian High Commission, London, United Kingdom.

E. DUTIES OF PARTICIPATING BANKS/OUTLETS
i. Collection of Profile Code from candidate's phone
ii. Collection of payment and vending of ePIN by SMS to candidate's phone (Not dictating or copying)
iii. Facilitation of Payment through POS, if necessary
iv. Issuance of Evidence of Payment
v. Delivery of ePIN to candidates electronically (not to be handwritten)

F. SIX DIFFERENT MODES/METHODS OF PAYMENT/ PROCUREMENT OF ePIN FOR REGISTRATION (CHOOSE SUITABLE ONE)
I. PAYMENT THROUGH BANKS INCLUDING MICRO FINANCE BANKS
(a) Present Profile Code and pay by cash or card
(b) ePIN is then delivered to the candidate's unique telephone number
ii. PAYMENT THROUGH POS
This is available at State Offices of JAMB + CBT Centres, other POS outlets and any CBT Centre that demands it
(a) Present Profile Code and pay by card
(b) ePIN is then delivered to the candidate's unique telephone number
iii. PAYMENT THROUGH MOBILE MONEY OPERATORS
This is available at CBT Centres and Other Outlets
(a) Present Profile Code and pay by cash
(b) ePIN is then delivered to the candidate's unique telephone number
iv. PAYMENT USING ATM
This is available on all ATM outlets of Participating Banks listed above (InterSwitch Channel)
(a) Select Bill Payment and then pick JAMB
(b) Enter Profile Code and pay
(c) ePIN is then delivered to the candidate's unique telephone number
v. ONLINE PAYMENT ON JAMB PORTAL
(a) Visit JAMB website: www.jamb.gov.ng
(b) Click purchase of 2020 Application Document
(c) Enter your Profile Code
(d) Select payment method (InterSwitch, Remita, e-Transact, Unified Payment Solutions, Upper-link or Paga)
(e) Make payment
(f) ePIN is then delivered to the candidate's unique telephone number
vi. PROCEDURE FOR REGISTRATION AT THE EIGHT FOREIGN CENTRES:
(a) Registration fee for candidates from the eight foreign countries is Twenty United States Dollars (\$20) or its equivalent in each of the eight countries local currency
(b) Candidates in the eight foreign countries are to download the Application from the Board's website (www.jamb.gov.ng), complete and submit it with the fee at the designated centres in the country as indicated on the website.
OR
(c) Foreign candidate visits www.jamb.org.ng/efacility
a. Create a profile
b. Login to the profile
c. On the menu on the left pane, click on 2020 Foreign UTME/DE Registration
d. Go through guided questions until the payment page
e. Make payment using any of the authorised cards
f. Complete the registration directly online

G. OFFER OF FREE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS
i. Any government, person or organisation that wishes to distribute free application documents to prospective applicants is required to urgently procure the bulk e-pins from either JAMB or any of the approved sale outlets
ii. Candidates who want to enjoy any of this offer are advised to visit the sponsor's designated bank(s) or other e PIN outlets (NOT ANY CBT centre) to collect the e-pin after creating their profiles as illustrated above.
iii. No refund would be made to any candidate if he/she had earlier purchased the application document before being offered free ePIN. Such applicants should refrain from multiple registration

H. HOW TO RECOVER LOST ePIN AFTER PAYMENT
i. If ePIN is not Received or Lost, send [UTMEPIN] or [DEPIN] from the Unique number to 55019 for UTME or DE respectively
ii. The ePIN would then be retrieved and delivered to the candidate's unique phone number

■ AFTER SUCCESSFUL PAYMENT AND OBTAINING ePIN, CANDIDATE SHOULD PROCEED TO ANY OF THE JAMB ACCREDITED CBT CENTRE TO COMPLETE HIS/HER REGISTRATION

I. REGISTRATION CENTRES
i. Registration is carried out only at the accredited Computer Based Test Centres (CBT) and Professional Registration Centres (PRC)
ii. Each candidate should visit any accredited CBT centre (the list of accredited centres is on the Board's website (www.jamb.gov.ng and JAMB offices), with his/her profile code and e-PIN.

J. REGISTRATION PROCESS AT CBT CENTRES:
Candidate must PERSONALLY present his/her profile Code and e-PIN at any JAMB accredited CBT Centre for registration. Candidate's photograph and biometrics (all ten fingerprint) MUST be captured at the CBT centre.

Candidates are to:
i. Note that service charge payable at the CBT centre for either MOCK or registration is N700 only. Candidates should report any centre that ask for more.
ii. Provide choice of institutions and programmes (course of study).
iii. Provide qualification with grades and dates, if not awaiting result.
iv. Upload relevant certificates, if not awaiting result (this is applicable for both UTME and Direct Entry (DE) candidates).
v. Provide O/L and/or A/L grades. Candidates who are awaiting results should supply (upload) the results online on CAPS (JAMB) as soon as they are available. No recommendations from any institution will be considered by JAMB if the candidate does not upload his/her result on the portal of JAMB. No institution is allowed to take a new picture/photograph, biometrics or require any other upload of result. All results are downloadable by institutions from the Board's website (and the download is tracked to avoid abuse).
vi. Supply JAMB registration number for previous institutional certificates for DE only
vii. Provide UTME subjects and choice of examination town(s) for
a. Mock examination (optional)
b. Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) (actual examination)
viii. Review entries and confirm correctness
ix. Print Registration Slip USING BIOMETRIC AUTHENTICATION to confirm valid fingerprint (UTME/DE). Note that authentication with your fingerprint removes blames of error from CBT centres. Candidates are to check before confirming with their fingerprint.
x. Collect, at no other cost, the reading text and CD
xi. Collect e-slip at the end of registration as evidence of registration

NOTE: There will be no offline registration, as all the accredited CBT centres have been empowered for real-time online registration. No candidate should register at any centre other than the accredited CBT centre and JAMB State-Offices. Any candidate who is registered outside approved centres will be identified and disqualified. No submission of passport photograph, documents and other personal details to any centre with the instruction of coming back to complete registration at another day or time. All registration must be completed online, real-time.

K. BLIND CANDIDATES
Candidates who are blind are to indicate by typing BLIND and also pick the option of sitting for the examination through CBT mode or Read Aloud. A candidate is either blind or sighted. It is important to be factual.

L. DEAF/MUTE CANDIDATES
A special indicator for the deaf/mute has been created to differentiate them for special attention at the examination hall. Deaf candidates are therefore required to confirm this appropriately during registration.

M. BIOMETRIC CHALLENGES
i. Candidates with biometric challenges can only register at JAMB Headquarters, Bwari, Abuja.
ii. No other CBT centre is permitted to register such candidates
iii. Such candidates will also sit for their examination at JAMB Headquarters in Abuja
iv. No candidate will be permitted to sit for the examination if his/her biometrics is not verified
v. The Board will not permit or process any examination without biometric verification
vi. Candidates with Biometric abnormality can only register and take examination at the JAMB vii. Headquarters, Bwari, Abuja. The Board will facilitate the travels of the candidates.

6.0 DATES AND VENUE FOR THE 2020 UNIFIED TERTIARY MATRICULATION EXAMINATION
6.1 The 2020 UTME will commence on Saturday, 14th March and end on Saturday, 4th April 2020
6.2 The venue of the examination will be at any centre in the candidate's chosen examination town(s)

■ JAMB DOES NOT POST ANY CANDIDATE TO ANY EXAMINATION TOWN (OR GROUP OF TOWNS) OTHER THAN THE ONE CHOSEN BY THE CANDIDATE AT THE POINT OF REGISTRATION. CANDIDATES ARE, HOWEVER, ADVISED TO REGISTER EARLY BEFORE THE AVAILABLE SPACES IN THEIR TOWN OF CHOICE OR GROUP OF TOWNS ARE EXHAUSTED. DUE TO DISCOVERED CONSPIRACY AMONG SOME CBT CENTRES, NO EXAMINATION TOWN WITH FEW CENTRES IS ALLOWED. MANY TOWNS HAVE BEEN MERGED.

7.0 REGISTRATION FEE/PROCUREMENT OF REGISTRATION ePINS
7.1 For the 2020 UTME, candidates are required to pay Three Thousand Five Hundred (N3, 500) Naira Only as registration fee. Additional Five Hundred (N500) Naira only, is paid to obtain the reading text "Sweet Sixteen" by Bolaji Abdullahi for UTME Candidates and "The Last Days at Forcados High School" by A. H. Mohammed or "In Dependence" by Sarah Ladipo Manyika for DE Candidates. Seven Hundred Naira (N700) is the regulated charge for CBT Centre service and \$20 is the application fee for Candidates in the eight foreign centres.
7.2 A Compact Disc (CD) containing JAMB eSyllabus, eBrochure and other vital materials is given free to every registered candidate.
7.3 Candidates should note that ePINS purchased are tied to individual profile and are not transferable.
7.4 Candidates are advised to keep as private and confidential their security details such as registration numbers, password/numbers of ATM Cards, email addresses and ePINS. No centre is allowed to request for or accept a candidate's password.

8.0 OPTIONAL MOCK-EXAMINATION
8.1 The Board will conduct a Mock Examination in all the accredited CBT centres to prepare and familiarise INTERESTED Candidates with the CBT environment. Interested candidates are advised to indicate interest in the Mock Examination during registration provided they register on or before Saturday, 1st February, 2020.
8.2 The date for MOCK examination shall be on Tuesday, 18th February, 2020.
8.3 Non-JAMB owned CBT Centres are allowed to collect, through their bank accounts, a separate Seven Hundred Naira (N700) only, for Mock Examination from only interested candidate(s) after notification of centre has been received by the candidate(s). The payment for Mock Examination by candidates shall be made to the centre to which the candidate is assigned after the notification of assigned centres for the Mock Examination. No Association or body is permitted to run any Mock Examination on behalf of JAMB

CANDIDATES ARE NOT TO PAY FOR MOCK EXAMINATION UNTIL JAMB ASSIGNS TO THEM A CBT CENTRE. NO ONE SHOULD PATRONISE FRAUDSTERS. ONLY JAMB ACCREDITED CBT CENTRES CAN DO VALID REGISTRATION AND SERVE AS EXAMINATION CENTRES

9.0 GENERAL INFORMATION
9.1 All candidates must mandatorily register their profiles through text messages as illustrated above before proceeding to buy the ePIN.
9.2 The registration fee is non-refundable.
9.3 As it is the practice, centres are allowed to charge not more than Seven Hundred Naira (N700) only as registration fee. Any centre that charges more than Seven Hundred Naira (N700) should be reported to JAMB for appropriate sanctions.
9.4 All CBT centres have been mandated to select any of the participating banks, or other ePIN outlets. These financial institutions are to be present at the CBT centres for the purpose of collecting all fees. No CBT centre staff is allowed to conduct direct cash transaction with the candidates.
9.5 Candidates are advised to read and understand the guidelines on admission and instructions on how to complete the online registration before commencing the process of registration.
9.6 Multiple registrations are not permitted. Candidates who register more than once will be identified and disqualified.
9.7 UTME Candidates are to note that irrespective of their choice of programme of study, they will be tested on a general text: Sweet Sixteen by Bolaji Abdullahi.
9.8 Candidates/Officials would not be allowed to enter into the examination centre with earphones, wristwatches, mobile phones, electronic devices, or any pen/biro. Only common pencil is allowed.
9.9 Candidates are warned that the Board does not require or authorise the services of ANY cyber cafe or establishment other than the accredited CBT centres for the purpose of this registration.

**SIGNED
REGISTRAR**

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NIGERIA STOCK EXCHANGE MARKET CAP. ▶ **N15.174TR (0.07%)** ↑ ALL SHARE INDEX ▶ **29,415.39POINTS (0.07%)** ↑ MARKET TURNOVER ▶ **280.9MN SHARES**


Friday, January 10, 2020

 OIL AND GAS 246.74 -0.11%	 BANKING 395.47 -1.04%	 CONSUMER GOODS 591.44 0.01%	 INSURANCE 130.37 -2.62%	 INDUSTRIAL 1,285.38 3.35%
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COMPANY NAME	MARKET(NM)	PRICE	CHANGE	TRADES	VOLUME
BANKING					
ACCESS BANK PLC	383,888.44	10.80	-1.37	387	45,227,014
UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA PLC	287,275.14	8.40	0.60	363	22,137,073
ZENITH BANK PLC	686,013.39	21.85	-0.68	508	29,177,613
OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS					
FBN HOLDINGS PLC	274,598.99	7.65	-0.65	310	15,445,246
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES					
MTN NIGERIA COMMUNICATIONS PLC	2,361,123.51	116.00	3.45	259	4,718,922
BUILDING MATERIALS					
DANGOTE CEMENT PLC	2,930,967.27	172.00	-1.71	174	2,345,902
LAFARGE AFRICA PLC	248,060.05	15.40	-0.97	307	9,243,379
EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION					
SEPLAT PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY PLC	346,888.07	589.50	-	3	117
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS (REITS)					
SKYE SHELTER FUND PLC	1,710.00	85.50	-	0	0
UNION HOMES REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (REIT)	10,175.81	40.70	-	0	0
UPDC REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST	9,338.94	3.50	-4.11	13	437,926
OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS					
NIGERIA ENERGY SECTOR FUND	411.91	552.20	-	0	0
VALLIANCE VALUE FUND	3,312.39	103.20	-	0	0
AGRICULTURE					
FTN COCOA PROCESSORS PLC	440.00	0.20	-	1	4,500
OKOMU OIL PALM PLC	62,958.06	66.00	10.00	24	176,938
PRESCO PLC	56,900.00	56.90	-0.26	27	674,410
FISHING/HUNTING/TRAPPING					
ELLAH LAKES PLC	8,500.00	4.25	-	0	0
LIVESTOCK/ANIMAL SPECIALTIES					
LIVESTOCK FEEDS PLC	1,770.00	0.59	9.26	18	877,159
DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES					
JOHN HOLT PLC	217.92	0.56	-	2	80,731
S C O A NIG. PLC	1,903.99	2.93	-	4	4,533
TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATION OF NIGERIA PLC	43,086.87	1.06	-2.75	80	5,957,936
U A C N PLC	29,533.29	10.25	9.63	270	17,733,387
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION					
ARIBCO PLC	521.24	3.51	-	0	0
INFRASTRUCTURE/HEAVY CONSTRUCTION					
JULIUS BERGER NIG. PLC	28,842.00	21.85	-	14	80,728
ROADS NIG PLC	165.00	6.60	-	0	0
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT					
UACN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY PLC	2,598.40	1.00	-	10	123,062
AUTOMOBILES/AUTO PARTS					
DN TYRE & RUBBER PLC	954.53	0.20	-	0	0
BEVERAGES--BREWERS/DISTILLERS					
CHAMPION BREW. PLC	7,672.91	0.98	-1.01	12	821,520
GOLDEN GUINEA BREW. PLC	242.22	0.89	-	0	0
GUINNESS NIG PLC	66,149.56	30.20	0.50	70	5,797,021
INTERNATIONAL BREWERIES PLC	79,081.93	9.20	-	59	4,690,311
NIGERIAN BREW. PLC	448,226.36	56.05	-	45	123,130
FOOD PRODUCTS					
DANGOTE SUGAR REFINERY PLC	180,000.00	15.00	-	93	1,678,620
FLOUR MILLS NIG. PLC	94,308.73	23.00	-1.30	153	21,786,990
ROSEWELL FLOUR MILLS PLC	8,485.31	1.07	-	9	203,968
MULTI-TREX INTEGRATED FOODS PLC	1,340.10	0.36	-	0	0
N NIG. FLOUR MILLS PLC	766.26	4.30	-	0	0
NASCION ALLIED INDUSTRIES PLC	39,741.58	15.00	-0.33	61	2,319,414
UNION DICON SALT PLC	2,993.06	10.95	-	0	0
FOOD PRODUCTS--DIVERSIFIED					
CADBURY NIGERIA PLC	19,815.03	10.55	-	19	87,093
NESTLE NIGERIA PLC	1,165,125.42	1,469.90	-	25	172,885
HOUSEHOLD DURABLES					
NIGERIAN ENAMELWARE PLC	1,680.31	22.10	-	0	0
VITAFDAM NIG PLC	6,004.05	4.80	-	34	179,133
PERSONAL/HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS					
P Z CUSONS NIGERIA PLC	23,227.29	5.85	-	34	249,998
UNILEVER NIGERIA PLC	109,155.10	19.00	-	40	419,816
FINANCIAL SERVICES					
ECOBANK TRANSNATIONAL INCORPORATED	143,126.50	7.80	1.30	81	1,265,465
FIDELITY BANK PLC	65,483.04	2.26	-0.44	86	4,114,255
GUARANTY TRUST BANK PLC	940,326.18	31.95	-1.84	216	13,975,699
JAZZ BANK PLC	19,446.40	0.66	-5.71	38	2,087,870
STERLING BANK PLC	57,292.93	1.99	-0.50	51	1,605,399
UNION BANK NIG. PLC	177,636.59	6.10	-0.81	64	351,651
UNITY BANK PLC	8,416.32	0.72	-	3	40,750
WEMA BANK PLC	27,387.87	0.71	-7.79	31	4,196,634
INSURANCE CARRIERS, BROKERS AND SERVICES					
AFRICAN ALLIANCE INSURANCE PLC	4,117.00	0.20	-	0	0
AICO INSURANCE PLC	5,336.26	0.77	-1.30	21	1,402,112
AXAMANSARD INSURANCE PLC	21,525.00	2.05	-	10	111,208
CONSOLIDATED HALLMARK INSURANCE PLC	3,414.60	0.42	-	0	0
CONTINENTAL REINSURANCE PLC	22,820.04	2.20	-	0	0
CORNERSTONE INSURANCE PLC	8,543.11	0.58	-7.94	14	245,767
GOLDLINK INSURANCE PLC	909.99	0.20	-	0	0
GUINEA INSURANCE PLC	1,228.00	0.20	-	0	0
INTERNATIONAL ENERGY INSURANCE PLC	487.95	0.38	-	0	0
LASACO ASSURANCE PLC	1,977.33	0.27	-6.90	21	778,330
LAW UNION AND ROCK INS. PLC	2,148.17	0.50	-5.66	7	1,183,243
LINKAGE ASSURANCE PLC	3,840.00	0.48	-	1	3,000
MUTUAL BENEFITS ASSURANCE PLC	2,234.55	0.20	-	8	228,000
NEM INSURANCE PLC	11,986.74	2.27	-6.20	10	298,500
NIGER INSURANCE PLC	1,547.90	0.20	-	0	0
PRESTIGE ASSURANCE PLC	2,960.40	0.55	-	1	20,500
REGENCY ASSURANCE PLC	1,333.75	0.20	-	1	49,099
SOVEREIGN TRUST INSURANCE PLC	2,500.18	0.22	-	1	20,000
STACO INSURANCE PLC	4,483.72	0.48	-	0	0
STANDARD ALLIANCE INSURANCE PLC	2,582.21	0.20	-	0	0
SUNU ASSURANCE NIGERIA PLC	2,800.00	0.20	-	1	2,000
UNIC DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS PLC	516.46	0.20	-	0	0
UNIVERSAL ASSURANCE PLC	3,200.00	0.20	-	0	0
VERITAS KAPITAL ASSURANCE PLC	2,773.33	0.20	-	0	0
WAPIC ASSURANCE PLC	4,817.79	0.36	-5.26	34	3,010,647
MICRO-FINANCE BANKS					
NPF MICROFINANCE BANK PLC	2,835.43	1.24	5.08	6	298,300
ABBAY MORTGAGE BANK PLC	4,200.00	1.00	-	1	10
ASO SAVINGS AND LOANS PLC	7,370.87	0.50	-	0	0
INFINITY TRUST MORTGAGE BANK PLC	5,796.93	1.39	-	0	0
RESORT SAVINGS & LOANS PLC	2,265.95	0.20	-	0	0
UNION HOMES SAVINGS AND LOANS PLC	2,949.22	0.20	-	0	0
OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS					
AFRICA PRUDENTIAL PLC	9,020.00	4.51	-4.04	55	762,495
CUSTODIAN INVESTMENT PLC	34,997.09	5.95	-	17	410,790
DEAP CAPITAL MANAGEMENT & TRUST PLC	540.00	0.36	-	0	0
FOMB GROUP PLC	39,605.42	2.00	-0.50	136	11,031,621
ROYAL EXCHANGE PLC	1,697.97	0.33	-	6	218,477
STANBIC IBC HOLDINGS PLC	446,461.11	42.50	-	31	1,451,669
UNITED CAPITAL PLC	15,600.00	2.60	-4.06	94	3,441,372
HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS					
EKOCORP PLC	2,418.21	4.85	7.78	4	402,356
UNION DIAGNOSTIC & CLINICAL SERVICES PLC	710.63	0.20	-9.09	6	1,684,375
MEDICAL SUPPLIES					
MORISON INDUSTRIES PLC	494.58	0.50	-	2	6,700
PHARMACEUTICALS					
EVANS MEDICAL PLC	366.17	0.50	-	0	0
FIBSON HEALTHCARE PLC	5,633.17	2.70	-	20	287,704
GLAXO SMITHKLINE CONSUMER NIG. PLC	6,338.15	5.30	-	51	6,122,100
MAY & BAKER NIGERIA PLC	3,743.76	2.17	-	6	50,000
NEMETH INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICALS PLC	1,063.53	0.56	-	5	44,431
NIGERIA-GERMAN CHEMICALS PLC	556.71	3.62	-	0	0
PHARMA-DEKO PLC	325.23	1.50	-	0	0

COMMODITIES PRICE

CRUDE OIL (BRENT)

\$71.76

NATURAL GAS

\$2.61

COPPER

\$2.81

GOLD

\$1,284.1

SILVER

\$14.650

SUGAR

\$12.21

COCOA

\$2,314

LIVE CATTLE

\$114,000

COTTON

\$75.46

COMPANY NAME	PRICE	CHANGE	TRADES	VOLUME
COMPUTER BASED SYSTEMS				
COURTVILLE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS PLC	816.96	0.23	-8.00	4
COMPUTERS AND PERIPHERALS				
OMATEK VENTURES PLC	1,323.81	0.45	-	0
CWG PLC	6,413.06	2.54	-	0
NCR (NIGERIA) PLC	437.40	4.05	-	2
TRIPPLE GEE AND COMPANY PLC	287.07	0.58	-	9
IT SERVICES				
CHAMS PLC	1,643.62	0.35	-2.78	12
E-TRANZACT INTERNATIONAL PLC	10,962.00	2.61	-	0
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES				
AIRTEL AFRICA PLC	1,123,311.48	298.90	-	0
BUILDING MATERIALS				
BERGER PAINTS PLC	1,956.31	6.75	-	11
BUA CEMENT PLC	1,388,438.52	41.00	6.63	161
CAP PLC	17,500.00	25.00	4.38	41
MEYER PLC	265.62	0.50	-	6
PORTLAND PAINTS & PRODUCTS NIGERIA PLC	1,769.32	2.23	-	1
PREMIER PAINTS PLC	1,156.20	9.40	-	0
ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS				
AUSTIN LAZ & COMPANY PLC	2,256.91	2.09	-	0
CUTIX PLC	2,518.69	1.43	-	7
PACKAGING/CONTAINERS				
BETA GLASS PLC	26,898.49	53.80	-	1
GREIF NIGERIA PLC	388.02	9.10	-	0
CHEMICALS				
B O C GASES PLC	2,289.35	5.50	-	1
NOTORE CHEMICAL IND PLC	100,754.14	62.50	-	0
NATURAL RESOURCES				
ALUMINIUM EXTRUSION IND. PLC	1,781.64	8.10	-	0
MULTIVERSE MINING AND EXPLORATION PLC	852.39	0.20	-	0
PAPER/FOREST PRODUCTS				
THOMAS WYATT NIG. PLC	77.00	0.35	-	1
OIL AND GAS				
JAPPAUL OIL & MARITIME SERVICES PLC	1,315.17	0.21	-4.76	23
OANDO PLC	47,860.94	3.85	-0.77	71
PETROLEUM AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTORS				
11 PLC	53,332.04	147.90	-	21
CONOIL PLC	14,468.90	20.85	-	41
ETERNA PLC	4,694.92	3.60	-	3
FORTE OIL PLC	22,011.93	16.90	-	45
MRS OIL NIGERIA PLC	4,663.23	15.30	-	15
TOTAL NIGERIA PLC	36,328.84	107.00	-	35
ADVERTISING				
AFROMEDIA PLC	1,509.28	0.34	-	0
AIRLINES				
MEDVIEW AIRLINE PLC	15,796.05	1.62	-	0
AUTOMOBILE/AUTO PART RETAILERS				
T BRISCOE PLC	235.27	0.20	-	1
COURIER/FREIGHT/DELIVERY				
RED STAR EXPRESS PLC	2,623.26	4.45	-	4
TRANS-NATIONWIDE EXPRESS PLC	403.21	0.86	-6.52	5
HOSPITALITY				
TANTALIZERS PLC	642.33	0.20	-	0
HOTELS/LODGING				
CAPITAL HOTEL PLC	4,259.15	2.75	-	0
WEJA HOTEL PLC	2,328.25	1.12	-	1
TOURIST COMPANY OF NIGERIA PLC	7,862.53			



INSIDE POLITICS

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“Those that you declare as winners must be the candidates that the people have chosen. Democracy is about free will, and the will of the people must be allowed to prevail. Get your act together, and leave no room for underhand tricks or manipulation” - **President Muhammadu Buhari**

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S/Court hears appeals against Ganduje, Tambuwal, Ihedioha today

By John Chuks Azu

The Supreme Court will today hear the appeals challenging the elections of governors Umar Ganduje of Kano State, Waziri Tambuwal of Sokoto State and Emeka Ihedioha of Imo State.

Sources informed Daily Trust that the appeals and cross appeals will be argued conclusively before the panel of the Supreme Court, adding that judgment date would be fixed immediately after the hearings.

The appeals are part

of the seven outstanding governorship appeals before the apex court. The others are the appeal against Governors Ahmadu Fintiri of Adamawa State; Bala Mohammed of Bauchi; Samuel Ortom of Benue; Simon Lalong of Plateau State.

Governor Ganduje's election is being challenged by Abba Kabiru Yusuf (PDP) who is contending that he was winning the election in majority of the local governments in Kano before it was declared inconclusive and a rerun ordered by



■ Gov Ganduje

the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC). He also alleged widespread irregularities in the March 23 rerun election in the state.

In Sokoto, APC's Ahmed



■ Gov Tambuwal

Aliyu is challenging the election of Governor Aminu Tambuwal. He is alleging over voting and other irregularities in the election. Aliyu polled 511, 661 votes against 512,002

votes by Tambuwal after conclusion of collation in the rerun.

Governor Emeka Ihedioha's election is being challenged by the APC candidate, Hope Uzodimma, the Action Alliance (AA) candidate, Uche Nwosu and the candidate of the All Progressives Grand Alliance (APGA) Ifeanyi Ararume. Although the allegations of irregularities in the election by the AA and APGA against Ihedioha were dismissed by the Court of Appeal, there was a dissenting judgment in favour of Uzodimma's appeal.

2023: Yarima declares interest to contest for presidency

From Hassan Ibrahim, Bauchi

A former governor of Zamfara State, Senator Ahmad Sani Yarima has declared interest to contest for the presidency come 2023.

Yarima, an All Progressives Party (APC) member disclosed this yesterday in Bauchi while speaking with newsmen shortly after he paid a condolence visit to a famous Islamic scholar, Sheikh Dahiru Usman Bauchi over the death of his wife.

He said that various political groups from different parts of the country had approached him to contest for the presidency. “And by the grace of Allah, I will contest for the seat in 2023,” he said.

Yarima who served as governor for eight years and senator for eight years, said if elected in 2023, he will fight poverty, create job opportunities and address the infrastructural gap in the country.

“The APC has set a standard of

producing a presidential candidate through direct primaries and by the grace of Allah I will contest the primaries. People will look for a candidate that has something to offer for the country, a common man will not look for money but will look for what I can offer to the country,” he said.

He commended President Muhammadu Buhari for his fight against corruption and security challenges, urging him to do more to address poverty and unemployment.

Why my govt started at slow pace - Gov Abiodun

From Peter Moses, Abeokuta

Ogun State Governor Dapo Abiodun has blamed “hostile transition” caused by his predecessor, Senator Ibikunle Amosun and the legal battles which trailed his election as reasons why his administration started on a slow pace.

Abiodun also said as a governor coming from a private sector, he deliberately took his time to choose those who have the capacity and experience to help realise his vision for the state.

He spoke in Abeokuta, the state capital, while inaugurating the 48-man Governor's Elders Advisory Council (GEAC) chaired by Chief Olu Okuboyejo.

Abiodun said: “As we go on, you will find me more available than I've been in the past and the reason for that is very simple; the first few months of this administration, we spent in settling down and I do not need to remind us how hostile the takeover was and how turbulent the journey has been.

“It took other governors one election. They only won one election, for me I won an election and I have to win in court three times. While doing that I was also trying to be very meticulous in choosing the team that would work with me, particularly in the areas that are very sensitive.

“And I think in my own experience in the private sector, when you take over a company, it is not something that happens overnight, for instance, in the area of choosing the chief operating officers from different units.”

I've no anointed candidates for Benue LGs election -Ortom

From Hope Abah Emmanuel, Makurdi

Governor Samuel Ortom of Benue State says he has no anointed candidates for the forthcoming local government election in the state.

Our correspondent reports that the Benue State Independent Electoral Commission (BSIEC) in October last year postponed the LGs poll earlier slated for November 30, 2019 to the first quarter of this year.

Based on the announcement by the BSIEC chairman, Dr. Joseph Tersoo Loko, during a stakeholders' forum organised by the commission in

Makurdi, some aspirants purportedly paraded themselves as the governor's anointed candidates for the election into their various councils.

Speaking during an expanded caucus meeting of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in Makurdi at the weekend, the governor punctured the claims of some of the aspirants, saying he had no favourite candidate.

“Let no one tell you ‘I am Ortom's candidate’ or ‘I am Ortom's wife candidate’. If I have interest in any local government, I will call stakeholders and tell them. I have no any candidate,” he said.

The governor therefore appealed to all party faithful to remain united, stressing that those who had not benefited yet still have more days ahead to reap their labour for the party.

“We are happy that the PDP won governor, three senators out of three, eight House of Representatives out of 11, 22 House of Assembly members out of 30 in the 2019 general elections,” he said.

Also speaking at the meeting, an ex-governor, Senator Gabriel Suswam, warned anyone parading himself as the governor's anointed candidate to desist.

National Secretary: North East APC exco, state chairmen meet today

By Muideen Olaniyi

North East Zonal Executive of the APC and state party chairmen in the zone will today meet at the party's National Secretariat, Abuja.

Daily Trust learnt that the meeting convened by the APC National Vice Chairman, North East, Comrade Mustapha Salihu, would be used to agree on a new National Secretary to replace Mai Mala Buni, the incumbent Governor of Yobe State, who resigned to contest governorship election in

2019.

Last month, Comrade Salihu had said that a meeting of the zonal exco would be convened to deliberate on the vacant position.

When asked to confirm via a text message whether an exclusive report by an online medium that Ibrahim Baba from Bauchi State had been endorsed by North East APC as new National Secretary, he said, “Nobody was or is endorsed for the position.”

The leading contenders for the vacant position of APC scribe include

Architect Waziri Bulama, the Deputy Director General of the APC Presidential Campaign Council, who hails from Borno State; Barrister Muhammad Bello Mustapha from Taraba State; an APC chieftain from Bauchi State, and Dr Sama'ila Dahuwa Azare (Kachallan Katagum).

Alhaji Kashim Imam, Abdulrahman Terab, and a former interim National Secretary of the APC, Alhaji Tijani Musa Tumsah, who is also a member of the APC Board of Trustees (BoT), are said to have indicated interest in the position.

Masari to PDP: I'm not afraid to conduct LGs poll

From Habibu Umar Aminu, Katsina

Governor Aminu Masari has said his administration is ready to conduct local government election if there is a clear pronouncement on their case now before the Supreme Court.

The opposition PDP and the APC administration are at loggerheads over the dissolution of local councils which case is now before the Supreme Court.

Only last week, the state PDP chairman, Salisu Majigiri, said they are looking forward to the state governor implementing a recent Supreme Court judgment on LGAs by



■ Governor Aminu Masari

reinstating sacked councils officials.

Masari, at a media chat said, "The fact that some pronouncements are made somewhere, they don't directly affect Katsina State unless there is pronouncement from the Supreme Court, on our own case.

"So I think I consider it to be one of those stories. And circumstances are different. What kills somebody here maybe a different disease that killed somebody there. The fact that some other states have dissolved local government and they said take them back, does not mean what we did is the same. Maybe they did not follow the law," he said.

Masari explained further, "We

followed the law that was enacted by our predecessors to dissolve the local government councils. So until and unless there is a clear pronouncement on our own case that is before the Supreme Court, before we can decide.

"But I assure you that today, if there is a positive declaration by the Supreme Court, we would not take more than three months to have election; because we are ready. As far as we are concerned, we are ready for election. So we are not even afraid of it.

"It is their law. We inherited the law, we used it and now they are challenging the same law that they passed in the court."

Maku denies meeting with Tinubu, Atiku over 2023

From Ibraheem Hamza Muhammad, Lafia

A former Minister of Information, Mr. Labaran Maku, has denied meeting with the national leader of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu and former vice president Atiku Abubakar towards floating a new political party for 2023.

An online news platform had reported that Maku met with the two politicians to discuss the modalities

for the formation of a new political platform ahead of 2023.

But in a telephone interview, Maku described the report as fake, adding that there was no how a meeting between him and the two politicians will be held without it being reported by the media.

He urged his supporters and other Nigerians to disregard the report in its entirety, describing it was fake news and the handiwork of disgruntled elements.

Lokpobiri supporters fault appeal court ruling, head to Supreme Court

From Bassey Willie, Yenagoa

Supporters of the former minister of State for Agriculture and Rural Development, Senator Heineken Lokpobiri, have kicked against the ruling, Saturday, of the Court of Appeal sitting in Port Harcourt, Rivers State which dismissed his appeal against the emergence of Bayelsa State governor-elect, Chief David Lyon, as the candidate of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in the September 4, 2019 governorship primary of the party.

The group which dubs itself as "Senator Lokpobiri supporters within the APC", also declared that they have backed the senator's decision to seek redress at the Supreme Court following the alleged faulty ruling of the Court of Appeal which

affirmed that Lyon was the validly elected governorship flag bearer of APC for the November 16 gubernatorial election.

Speaking on behalf of the group yesterday in Yenagoa, Sunday, Frank-Okputu described the ruling as unfortunate and the grounds of striking out the case at the appeal court based on timing as "extravagant which has no legal basis."

Okputu explained that the decision to head to the Supreme Court was to determine if it is really out of time as claimed by the appeal court judges. He said on the court record, the case was filed on September 17, 2019 while the primary election of the APC was held on September 14, 2019 because the laws of the land including the Electoral Act had given every applicant 14 days to appeal.

Why I sponsored 27 bills in 7 months - Monguno

By Balarabe Alkassim

The Chief Whip, House of Representatives, Mohammed Tahir Monguno (APC, Borno) says he sponsored 27 bills in seven months to impact positively on the lives of his constituents and other Nigerians.

Speaking to our correspondent, Monguno who was ranked among top bill sponsors in the ninth assembly, said he was spurred by the zeal to contribute towards building a better Nigeria through robust and beneficial legislations.

He said: "Coming from an area bedevilled by myriad of security and developmental challenges, I am duty bound to present bills that will bring succour to my people and other Nigerians.

"All the bills I personally sponsored or co-sponsored with my colleagues are quality, well thought out proposals which when passed into law will help in bringing the needed legal frameworks for the development of the country.

"Notable among the bills I sponsored are; the bill for the Separation of the Office of the Attorney General, bill for the Establishment for a body to regulate the Proliferation of Small Arms and the Onshore/Offshore Production Sharing as well as other important bills."

Monguno added that, he was particularly moved by the current socio-economic challenges facing the country which required a review of most of the country's laws to take care of the realities on ground.

"We cannot move forward without being proactive especially with some of our constitutional provisions. The dynamism of the present times comes with challenges that need prompt actions especially from the National Assembly.

"I assure you, with the way the 9th assembly is focusing in making laws, Nigerians will have legislations that will be geared towards realising the dreams of having a country with progressive ideals to ensure overall development," he said.

Monguno was ranked second lawmaker with the highest number of bills in the ninth House of Representatives since inauguration on June 11 last year. So far, he has sponsored 27 bills.

Apologise to Tor Tiv, Benue N/Assembly Caucus tells Akume

From Hope Abah Emmanuel, Makurdi

Members of the Benue State Caucus of the National Assembly have urged the minister of Special Duties and Inter-Governmental Affairs, Senator George Akume, to apologise to the paramount ruler of Tiv kingdom, Tor Tiv, Professor James Ayatse.

Addressing newsmen in Makurdi, at the weekend, the caucus including three senators of the state, expressed concern over the crisis generated by the alleged verbal attacks on the traditional ruler who is the chairman of the Benue State Council of Chiefs.

"We therefore condemn in very clear and strong terms the minister's regrettable utterances against the Tor Tiv, His Royal Majesty, Professor

James Ayatse, and we urge Senator Akume to de-escalate the ugly situation in the best interest of our dear state and tender an unreserved apology to Tor Tiv.

"We find the recent uncomplimentary and derogatory remarks by the minister of Special Duties and Inter-Governmental Affairs, Senator George Akume, most unfortunate, and if allowed to go unchecked, portend grave consequences not only on the image of Benue State but also would set a negative precedence for the present and future generations," the lawmakers stated.

The spokesman of the group, Senator Abba Moro, who was flanked by his colleagues as well as seven members of the House of Representatives from the

state, noted that the royal father must be respected without any preconditions by all Benue sons and daughters regardless of their status and locations.

Reacting to the lawmakers' demand, the acting publicity secretary of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in the state, James Ornguga, accused the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in the state of conscripting the paramount ruler into its fold.

"We find this act by the PDP in Benue, especially the so-called "Benue National Assembly Caucus" as needless meddlesomeness into a matter that should be the exclusive preserve of Tiv Area Traditional Council; this is akin to an attempt to quench fire with petrol," he stated.

Rep wants federal poly sited in Bauchi central

From Hassan Ibrahim, Bauchi

The member representing Ganjuwa/Darazo Federal Constituency in the House Representatives, Mansur Manu Soro, has called on the people and government of

Bauchi State to support the establishment of a tertiary institution especially the approved Federal Polytechnic Wailo to be sited at the Bauchi Central Senatorial Zone.

The lawmaker, in a

statement, said when established the polytechnic will address the imbalance of tertiary institutions in the state and create conducive atmosphere for educational development in the constituency and

neighbouring states.

"We hope the new approved polytechnic will be situated in Bauchi central zone particularly Wailo.

"Indeed, in good conscience Wailo in Ganjuwa LGA is the most

credible site for the approved polytechnic as it has a geographical advantage by virtue of the central location and access to other key towns, villages in Bauchi and its neighbouring states," he said.

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■ Minister of Health, Dr. Osagie Ehanire (left) with the Director- General, National Council for Disease Control (NCDC), Dr. Chikwe Ihekweazu (middle), during the minister's recent visit to NCDC National Reference Laboratory at Gaduwa, in Abuja



■ From right: Director, College of Administration Studies and Social Sciences, Kaduna Polytechnic, Dr. Mohammad L. Suleiman; Minister of Environment, Dr. Muhammad Mahmood Abubakar; and Chairman of the occasion, Dr. Abdullahi Maikudi, during an award presentation in honour of residents of Kaduna North Local Government Area organized by the All Stakeholders Forum in Kaduna yesterday
Photo: Shehu K. Goro



■ From left: Deputy Commissioner of Police Ahmed Malumfashi; Magistrate Muhammad B. Marafa; Alh. Hamza Daura of IQ Academy; and Alh. Abdulaziz A. Chafe of C.A.C, during a Walima graduation ceremony in Abuja at the weekend



■ Rivers State Governor, Nyesom Ezenwo Wike with some senior military officers, during an inter-denominational Church Service marking the 2020-Armed Forces Remembrance Day Celebration at the Saint Peter's Anglican Church in Rumuepirikom, Rivers State yesterday
Photo: RSG



■ Fire guts an ambulance conveying a corpse to Mercy Hospital at Umulogho Obowo autonomous Community in Imo State yesterday
Photo: NAN



■ Masquerades entertain spectators during an event in Karu, Abuja recently
Photo: Abubakar Sadiq Isah



■ Some of the 70 new surveillance vehicles released by the Borno State governor on Friday in Maiduguri to support the Nigerian Army, police and volunteers in the civilian JTF and hunters involved in fighting Boko Haram

7 die in multiple crashes in Nasarawa

From Ibraheem Hamza Muhammad, Lafia

Seven persons have died following a motor accident along the Akwanga/Lafia road in Nasarawa State.

The road crash was as a result of a head-on-collision involving a Toyota Hilux belonging to the Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR), Makurdi office and a Volkswagen Sharon commercial bus.

Commissioner of police in Nasarawa State Bola Longe confirmed the accident, saying "The accident occurred yesterday between a vehicle belonging to the federal government under the DPR with registration number DPR 18B-9FG and a green Sharon Volkswagen bus with registration number KWL 820 AJ."

According to him, the DPR vehicle was heading to Abuja and the injured persons were taken to the Federal Medical Centre (FMC) Keffi for treatment.

Similarly, another road accident involving a Toyota vehicle with registration number YAB 729 JY and a Ford Galaxy bus with registration number KUJ 64 AY resulted in the death of two persons at Gwanje, along Jos road, near Akwanga town of Nasarawa State.

The Akwanga Unit FRSC Public Education Officer (PEO), Ndem confirmed the accident, saying "12 persons were involved, two died; while eight sustained various degrees of injuries."

He said the dead and those injured have been evacuated to Akwanga.

Tiv, Jukun desert Dananacha in Taraba

From Magaji Isa Hunkuyi, Jalingo

Tiv and Jukun communities have deserted Dananacha town in Gassol Local Government Area of Taraba state following renewed hostilities between the two ethnic groups.

Daily Trust gathered that the two groups have been in conflict since the attempted change of name of the town from Dananacha to Kwararafa which led to violent clash that claimed several lives in November last year.

It was further gathered that the two ethnic groups also clashed on Saturday but only the quick intervention of soldiers and the police prevented an escalation into full-scale war as the warring factions

embarked on mobilisation of their militia groups.

Both ethnic groups are said to have deserted the town with the Jukun heading to Wukari area and the Tiv moving to Sabongida, Tella, Mutumbiyu and Bali areas.

A source in Dananacha, Mallam Habibu Garba told *Daily Trust* that the Jukun and Tiv have deserted the town and soldiers and Mobile Police now control the area.

Contacted, the police spokesman DSP David Misal confirmed the incident and explained that, "A deputy commissioner of police is leading a 24-hour patrol and peace has been restored in the town now."

Zakzaky: Beware of reckoning, Shi'ites tell el-Rufai

From Maryam Ahmadu-Suka, Kaduna

Members of the Islamic Movement in Nigeria, otherwise known as Shi'ites, yesterday told Governor Nasir el-Rufai to beware of the day of reckoning.

In a statement by the president of the IMN Media Forum, Ibrahim Musa, issued yesterday in Kaduna, the organisation insisted that no amount of blackmail and misuse of state power could avert the whirlwind of justice from catching up with the leadership.

The statement was a reaction to a live broadcast by the governor wherein he stated that Sheikh Ibrahim Zakzaky is being tried for crimes he and his followers committed in the last 30 years in Zaria.

Musa further said that the



■ Sheikh Ibrahim El-Zakzaky

movement would intensify peaceful campaigns until justice was done to the victims of the Zaria killings of December, 2015 and Sheikh Zakzaky and his followers regained their freedom.

Northern govs felicitate with Lawan at 61

From Lami Sadiq, Jos

The Northern Governors Forum has described Senate President Ahmad Lawan as a shining example of Northern Nigeria who has lived a life of patriotism and dedication while promoting values

of unity, peace and progress.

The forum, in a statement by its chairman and governor of Plateau State, Simon Bako Lalong, said it was happy that Lawan was leading the National Assembly with dignity, commitment and integrity and putting

national interest above all other considerations.

It expressed belief that Lawan's leadership of the 9th National Assembly would provide the much needed win-win synergy necessary for a harmonious relationship between the Executive and the legislature.



PUBLIC NOTICE

FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) AND RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLAN (RAP) ON THE CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION OF MAIDUGURI-KONDUGA-BAMA ROAD IN BORNO STATE BY BORNO STATE MULTI-SECTORAL CRISIS RECOVERY PROJECT (MCRP).

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 Notice for information and comments on the Draft Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) submitted by Borno State Multi-Sectoral Crisis Recovery Project (MCRP). This disclosure is to enable the public make input that shall facilitate informed decision taking on the projects.

The Display Centers are:

- Headquarters, Maiduguri Local Government Area, Maiduguri, Borno State.
- Headquarters, Bama Local Government Area, Bama, Borno State
- Headquarters, Konduga Local Government Area, Konduga, Borno State
- Borno State Ministry of Environment and Water Resources, State Secretariat Complex, Maiduguri, Borno State.
- Borno State Project Coordinator Unit of the Multi-Sectoral Crisis Recovery Project, Maiduguri, Borno State
- Federal Ministry of Environment Office, Federal Secretariat, Borno State.
- Federal Ministry of Environment, Environment House (Brown Building), Independence Way, Central Business District, Abuja-FCT.
- www.ead.gov.ng

Brief Projects Description:

i. The proposed project is a road rehabilitation of approximately 66km Maiduguri-Konduga-Bama road. It will involve the scratching of failed section of the road, provision of stone base, pothole patching, restoration of shoulders, and construction of concrete kilometer signs, road markings, culverts, drains and rehabilitation of other road features along the stretch. The civil works will also include construction of 7.3m roadway and construction of 2.2m x2 road shoulders among others.

ii. Resettlement Action Plan for this project is financed by the World Bank, Global Environment Facility, the Special Climate Change Fund and the Government of Nigeria. The activities involved in this road construction and rehabilitation project could trigger World Bank operational policy (OP.4.12) which require Resettlement Action Plan (RAP).

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■ Philip Shaibu

NSF 2020: No automatic shirt for athletes in Edo - Dep. Gov

The Deputy Governor of Edo, Philip Shaibu has said that there would be no automatic shirt for any athlete in the state at the upcoming 20th National Sports Festival.

The Chief Press Secretary to the Deputy Governor, Musa

Ebebomusa, quoted Shaibu on Sunday in Benin as disclosing this while addressing a six-man committee constituted for a successful outing of the state team at the sports festival.

"There will be no automatic ticket for anybody. Every athlete, old or young, has to compete for a place in the 32 sports lined up for the festival," he said.

It will be noted that the sports fiesta, tagged "Edo 2020", will hold at different centres in Benin, the state capital, from March 20 to April 4.

"We must not fail; we are committing all these resources because we want to redefine national competitive sports in Nigeria.

"We are not just hosting; we

are hosting to win, and win clean to show the world what national sports festival should be.

"The Third Edo Sports Festival is not going to be a jamboree. Rather, it is expected to serve as a ground for talent hunt to discover young and fresh athletes who will replace the tired and ageing ones.

By Olusola 'Jide @jide_olusola

Nigeria's representatives at the CAF Confederation Cup, Enyimba FC have revived their hopes of making it beyond the group stage with a 4-1 home win over Algerian side, Paradou AC.

Enyimba, two-time African champions, leapfrogs Paradou into second place on six points, one shy of leaders Hassania Agadir, who face Ivorian debutants San Pedro later on Sunday in Agadir.

Dimgba began the goal harvest on the quarter-hour mark heading home from a Reuben Bala corner, leaving Paradou goalie Toufik Moussaoui with no option.

The goal brought out the best of the Algerians, who took the game to their host in search of the equalizer. Four minutes later, Enyimba goalie Stanley Nwabali tipped away Adem Zorgane's low shot, as the post came to the rescue of the homers.

Three minutes past the half-hour mark, Nwabali was again called to duty and he scored full marks after denying Ghiles Guenaoui from close range.

Enyimba, guided by new coach Fatai Osho, who replaced Usman Abdallah few days earlier responded in style on 35 minutes, Dimgba turning provider this time with a cross from the left that met the head of Mbaoma for

Enyimba revive CAF Confed Cup hopes

...Rangers slip at home again



■ CAF Confederation Cup between Enyimba and Paradou AC at the Enyimba International Stadium yesterday

the second.

A minute later, the former Nigeria U23 winger Dimgba completed his brace finishing

off a Cyril Olisema assist, after Paradou have given the ball away upon restart.

Five minutes into the

second half, Dimgba was again at his best, rounding his markers on the left before laying to Mbaoma, but the

latter's effort kissed the upright, with Moussaoui, in what could have been his side's fourth.

Dimgba's hattrick was sealed on 76 minutes, when headed home from a Stanley Okorom corner before Kadri gave the visitors something to cheer about with a strike a minute from time.

Enyimba are now second in Group D with six points from four matches, a point behind leaders HUSA of Morocco, who have a game in hand.

Meanwhile, Rangers International's chances of progressing to the knockout phases of the Total CAF Confederations Cup suffered a blow after they played to a 1-1 draw with FC Noaudhibou in Enugu to earn two points after four matches.

Ibrahim Olawoyin rescued a point for Rangers with a second half penalty after Yasin Elwely had given Nouadhibou a first half lead.

Rangers will have to defeat group leaders, Pyramids and second placed Al Masry to have any realistic hope of progressing to the last eight.

Peace tournament for Muslims, Christians commences in Jos North

From Dickson S. Adama, Jos

A football tournament geared toward promoting peaceful coexistence amongst Muslims and Christians in Jos North Local Government Area (LGA) of Plateau State has commenced.

About 140 youths are participating in the tournament which is played across the various communities which constitute Jos North.

Speaking on the need for the tournament, the organizer, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Displaced Women and Children Foundation and also the Director Face of Peace Global, Salis Mohammad Abdulsalam, said such tournament has the capacity to bring back the stained relationship

between the two religions not only in Jos North, but in the state at large.

He said the tournament which will be played along with music and other fanfare will also help to bring back the initial trust and healthy relationship existing amongst the different ethno-religious groups.

"Any step taken towards cementing the broken relationship between the two religious groups in the state is vital because if we are not proactive to certain peace moves, misunderstanding and suspicion could prevail.

"We are going to carry the peace campaign to those who are directly involved, especially youths engaged in substance abuse, idle persons, among

others because we can no longer deal with them through middle persons alone like the ward heads, villages heads, associations, etc.

"This tournament is therefore targeting flash point communities like, Dutse Uku, Tina Junction, Rikkos, Agwan Rukuba, among others to preach peace through football tournament. The communities involved will produce football teams that would represent them in the peace tournament, and that would comprise of both the Muslim and Christian communities," he said.

He said the competition is purely for peace purpose and not to show the most powerful team or teams as the case may be, adding that the

prizes included trophies, jerseys, nets for the goal post and other necessary materials for the tournament.

The organiser further noted that the players will be encourage during the tournament by rewarding the most valuable player, highest goal scorer, among other rewards.

"We have what will call mentoring and counselling session where all the footballers would assemble in one hall in Jos North for counseling and tutorial. We are also creating platform whereby we will start to develop effective strategies that will enhance peaceful coexistence, which is basically what we want to achieve," he added.

The theme of the tournament is, 'Music + Football = Peace'.

Lobi Stars displace Plateau Utd, top NPFL table

By Olusola 'Jide @jide_olusola

Lobi Stars have displaced Plateau United as the Nigeria Professional Football League leaders following a 1-0 victory over visiting MFM after the conclusion of the Match Day 14 clashes.

Plateau United who at the early stages of the league seemed untouchable as they were securing victories home and away till the Jos based club suffered its first loss to Heartland in December. It was a 1-0 loss.

With two more losses to Abia Warriors and Katsina United, a supposed insurmountable lead was cut and were level on the same points with Lobi Stars who had constantly been on their heels and had lost two matches.

Plateau Utd in their own game played out a goalless draw with Akwa United.

Meanwhile, Chukwudi Nwakdu's lone strike in the 10th minute was all that was needed in Makurdi for Lobi Stars to secure the victor over



■ Lobi Stars celebrating a goal in a recent league match

MFM.

In the 12th minute, Nnamdi Mejuobi had a chance to draw level for MFM after receiving a lovely pass from Dennis Obasi but his weak shot couldn't beat Faith James.

The Olukoya Boys put everything into the game with fine display but were unable to put the ball into the net.

Other results from other matches recorded Dakkada

FC defeating Rivers Utd 2-1 while Heartland secured a 1-0 victory over Abia Warriors.

Ifeanyi Ubah secured a 3-1 victory over visiting Warri Wolves while Jigawa Golden Stars battled hard to a 3-2 victory over Adamawa Utd. Wikki Tourist failed to beat Sunshine Stars as they lost 2-1 at home.

With these results, Lobi Stars top the table with 27

points from 13 games while Plateau Utd are second with 25 points from 14 games. Rivers Utd are third with 24 points from 14 games.

The bottom three is occupied by Enugu Rangers who have 9 points from 10 games while Adamawa Utd are 19th with 10 points from 14 games. Nasarawa Utd are placed 18th with 10 points from 13 games.

Nigeria battle 62 others for Tokyo 2020 slots in Portugal

From Risikat Ramoni, Lagos

Nigeria will be battling 33 teams in the men category and 29 in the women category at the 2020 World Team Olympic Qualifying tournament set to take place in Gondomar, Portugal on January 22 to 26.

The only African nation, Nigeria will be making another attempt at qualifying for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games in Portugal.

From the men and women events, 18 teams made up of nine men and nine women are expected to pick their slots to Tokyo 2020 from the Portugal showdown.

According to the playing format, the matches will be in knockout stages with the first stage made up of a knockout of 64. The eight teams, which make it to the quarterfinals will qualify to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, while the quarterfinals, semifinals and final matches will not be played.

The 9th and final qualification place for both Men's & Women's Teams will be determined via a 2nd knockout stage between teams losing in the round of 16 of the first stage. The matches are best of five individual matches consisting of a doubles and four singles.

The International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) has confirmed the five-man contingent of Nigeria's men team made up of Aruna Quadri, Olajide Omotayo, Segun Toriola, Bode Abiodun and junior sensation, Taiwo Mati.

The women will be represented by Edem Offiong, Olufunke Oshonaike, Fatimo Bello, Ajoke Ojomu and Cecilia Akpan.

The tournament would give Nigeria another avenue to qualify for Tokyo 2020 after missing the continental sole slot to Egypt at the 2019 African Games in Morocco.

The Multiusos de Gondomar, in Portugal will host the tournament with 9 teams (men and women) qualifying to Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and subsequently be entitled to confirm two athletes to take part in the singles events.

ATP Cup: Djokovic defeats Nadal as Serbia beat Spain

Novak Djokovic inspired Serbia to victory in the inaugural ATP Cup as his singles win over Rafael Nadal helped his country beat Spain 2-1 in Sydney.

World number two Djokovic, 32, defeated top-ranked Nadal, 33, 6-2 7-6 (7-4) to level the tie after Roberto Bautista Agut beat Dusan Lajovic 7-5 6-1.

Djokovic then partnered Viktor Troicki to a 6-3 6-4 doubles win over Pablo Carreno Busta and Feliciano Lopez.

"I will remember this experience for the rest of my life," Djokovic said.

"It's definitely one of the nicest moments of my career." Djokovic and

Troicki quickly went 3-1 down in the first set of the doubles but the animated Serbian pair won the next five games to take the opening set.

They broke early in the second and maintained their momentum, with Djokovic serving out the match at his first attempt.

Djokovic, the reigning Australian Open champion, did not lose a match during the week-long tournament, claiming six singles and two doubles wins.

"It was a huge team effort," Djokovic said.

"I've been very fortunate and blessed to have an amazing career but playing



■ Victorious Serbia team after defeating Spain in the ATP Cup finals

for your country, with some of my best friends, you can't match that."

The Australian Open begins on 20 January, eight days after the ATP Cup finishes.

Aguero hits hat-trick as Man City thrash Aston Villa

Sergio Aguero scored his 12th hat-trick to become the highest overseas goalscorer in Premier League history in rampant Manchester City's six-goal hammering of struggling Aston Villa.

The Argentine moved level - and then past - Thierry Henry, before joining Frank Lampard on 177 goals in England's top flight.

Only three men - Alan Shearer,

Wayne Rooney and Andy Cole - are still ahead of him on the all-time Premier League list. Aguero's number of hat-tricks is a Premier League record.

It was part of a merciless City performance as they took apart a Villa side who were suffering their worst defeat since Liverpool beat them at 6-0 at Villa Park in February 2016 and have dropped into the

relegation zone.

Riyad Mahrez scored the first two, with Gabriel Jesus splitting Aguero's double just before half-time.

The result leaves City second, the highest position they have occupied following a full round of matches since the beginning of November, although they remain 14 points behind leaders Liverpool, having played a game more.

Iran's only female Olympic medallist defects



■ Kimia Alizadeh

Iran's only female Olympic medallist, Kimia Alizadeh, says she has defected.

Alizadeh, 21, posted on social media that she had left Iran because she didn't want to be part of "hypocrisy, lies, injustice and flattery".

She described herself as "one of the millions of oppressed women in

Iran".

Alizadeh did not say where she was, amid reports that she has been training in the Netherlands. She made history for Iran in 2016 when she won a bronze medal in taekwondo at the Rio Olympics.

But in her social media posts she said authorities in the

Islamic republic had used her success as a propaganda tool.

Her defection comes as Iran is gripped by protests - stemming from the accidental shooting down of a Ukrainian airliner on Wednesday, in middle of a major confrontation with the US.

Real beat Atletico on penalties to win Supercopa

Real Madrid won their 11th Supercopa de Espana title as Sergio Ramos tucked home the winning spot-kick to see off city rivals Atletico Madrid 4-1 in a penalty shootout after a dismal goalless draw.

With Atleti having failed to convert their opening two penalties, Madrid captain Ramos proved their nemesis again when he sent Jan Oblak the wrong way.

Federico Valverde and Alvaro Morata - against his former club - spurned the best opportunities of a dour

90 minutes at King Abdullah Sports City stadium on Sunday, though the quality did improve in extra-time.

However, a string of excellent saves from both goalkeepers, either side of Valverde's late red card, forced penalties, with Saul Niguez and Thomas Parrey missing from the spot.

Ramos kept his composure to take the title back to Santiago Bernabeu after Dani Carvajal, Rodrygo and Luka Modric also hit the target from 12 yards.

THE MONDAY COLUMN

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Roll out drums; Africa is 60

Roll out the big drums because the mother of all continents, Africa, is 60 this year. Please bring out the biggest African drums from Zululand. Many old timers may have forgotten, but there was this short story in one of our old primary school English textbooks with the title, A Zulu boy and a Basuto boy. The Zulus and the Basutos live mostly in today's South Africa and Lesotho.

It is nearly fifty years since I last read that story so I cannot recall the exact wordings, but it was something like this. A Zulu boy boasted to his Basuto friend that in his village, they had a drum so huge that drummers could stand on it. The Basuto boy doubted the story, but he then told his own tale. He said in his village, they had a goat as big as an elephant. The Zulu boy said he did not believe it, so the Basuto boy said, "If there is no goat as big as that, where did your people get the goatskin to make your drum?"

It is this kind of Zulu drum that we should bring out today to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Africa. Now, I am not saying that the rock and soil of the African continent is 60 years old. In fact it is about 550 million years old, according to geologists. Nor did humans arrive in Africa 60 years ago. In fact, Africa is the cradle of mankind. According to all paleontological and anthropological evidence, it was here that both archaic and modern humans emerged somewhere in the Ethiopian highlands and the East African Rift Valley. From there, humans migrated in waves, over tens of thousands of years, to Europe, Asia and Australia through existing land bridges. Much later, humans crossed from Siberia through a land bridge to Alaska. They then marched southwards into North America, down to Central America and all the way down to South America.

Fast forward to a century and a half ago when Europeans, who are our descendants, sat at a table in Berlin, hosted by the Iron Chancellor Otto von Bismarck. They used a map and pencils to partition Africa among themselves. The Berlin Conference was the culmination of the attack, sacking, killing, enslaving, raping and plundering of the African continent. I said "culmination" because many centuries before that, Arab merchants marched an estimated 8 million Africans across the Sahara Desert to slavery in Arabia. Portuguese sailors then came and shipped an estimated 12.5 million Africans across the Atlantic Ocean to become slaves in the Americas. In other words, a grown-up child, the European,

turned around and raped his own mother.

America was the last major continent to be inhabited by humans but today, the lone North American superpower lords it over everybody. North American Whites are the descendants of Europeans, who in turn are descendants of Africans. In other words, an upstart North American Yank is today kicking his own grandmother all around. Europeans were our own sons and daughters because they marched out of Africa into Europe and hid in caves during the Ice Age. From there, Portuguese sailors took them in sailing ships to America, where they decimated the Red Indians and wiped out the bison herds. These days these same children and grandchildren of ours turn around and kick us, their ancestral grandparents, about like football.

Anyway, in 1960, African countries in large numbers attained independence and at last began to take back our destiny into our hands, or so we thought. The Second World War, which ended 15 years earlier, provided a strong impetus to end colonialism. Nationalist movements rose all over the continent and drove out the colonial powers, or so we thought. Seventeen African nations, namely Chad, Cameroun, Central African Republic, Congo, Dahomey [Benin], D.R. Congo, Gabon, Ivory Coast [Cote d'Ivoire], Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Niger Republic, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia, Togo and Upper Volta [Burkina Faso] all became independent in 1960.

Several African nations became independent years earlier, including Egypt [1922], South Africa [1931], Libya [1951], Tunisia, Sudan and Morocco [1956], Ghana [1957] and Guinea Conakry [1958]. Other African nations subsequently gained independence in the 1960s and 1970s, culminating with the end of UDI in Zimbabwe in 1980 and end of Apartheid in South Africa in 1994.

We were taught in primary school that Nigeria gained its independence from Britain "on a platter of gold." Which clever British colonial historian inserted that phrase into the History syllabus? Try telling that to Aba women rioters, Iva Valley massacre victims or to descendants of the great horsemen and archers who fought and died at the gates of Bida, Kontagora and under the Giginya trees in Sokoto to stop Lord Lugard and his West African Frontier Force [WAFF] from forcing them to swear allegiance to the British King.

Independence on a platter of gold? Tell that to Algerians, who lost 300,000 people in the fight that threw out one

million French settlers from Algeria. Or tell that to Kenyans, especially the Kikuyu, who staged the Mau Mau rebellion in order to stop White and Indian settlers from gobbling up their land. Try telling that to Angolans, who were plunged into a civil war immediately after independence from Portugal in 1975. Holden Roberto's FNLA, Jonas Savimbi's UNITA as well as Front for the Liberation of the Enclave of Cabinda [FLEC], all funded and armed by CIA and Apartheid South Africa, made Angolan independence blood-soaked.

Talk about independence on a platter of gold to Mozambique's FRELIMO, to Guinea Bissau's PAIGC, to Zimbabwe's ZANU and ZAPU, to Namibia's SWAPO or to South Africa's ANC and PAC. The only good case of African corruption that I know was when Mobutu Sese Seko embezzled the money that CIA sent to him to buy arms for UNITA. That "corruption" saved tens of thousands of Angolan lives.

Has it all been worth it? In 1982 when Imo State Governor Sam Mbakwe went to a FEDECO voters' registration center and found that his name was missing from the register, he said, "Nigerians cannot rule themselves! The British should come back!" Don't blame old man Mbakwe. He was frustrated because the retreating colonials planted UNITA-style landmines all over the African political, economic and social landscape. These mines began to explode like so many fire crackers over the next six decades.

Let me cite just one example of a European post-independence minefield, as told by former Ghanaian President Jerry Rawlings to the great Kenyan academic Ali Mazrui in his television series The Africans. Rawlings said in 1960, it took one ton of Ghanaian cocoa to buy one Caterpillar tractor from Canada. In the 1980s however, he needed 60 tons of Ghanaian cocoa to buy the same tractor. Forget about money; product for product, the terms of trade deteriorated 60 times against Africa.

Other landmines that retreating colonialists planted in the African landscape included sponsoring coups, planting pliant rulers, deceptively acquiring military bases, instigating wars, arming both sides in African conflicts, acculturation using soft power of films and music, debt trap, bombing out some African regimes and lately, inviting all African leaders to single country summits. It is our fault, however, that in 60 years we did not dig up and detonate all the landmines.

Even if we don't have modern mine detectors, we should have done what the Russians once did during the Crimean War. They got teams of volunteers to march through minefields and explode the mines, so that the rest of the brigade could safely march through. Even now it is not too late. Let us identify all the Euro-American political and economic minefields planted all over Africa, then get volunteers to explode them through self-sacrifice. Afterwards, the rest of us can march safely through.

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Kenya's Kipruto breaks 10km world record



■ Rhonex Kipruto

Kenya's Rhonex Kipruto set a new 10km road world record of 26 minutes 24 seconds in Valencia yesterday.

Kipruto bettered the previous fastest time set by Uganda's Joshua Cheptegei, also in Valencia last month, by 14 seconds. Both times are pending official ratification. The astonishing run by Kipruto also included him breaking the 5km road world record after he crossed the halfway point of the 10km race in 13:18. Kipruto came close to breaking the 10km world record when he registered 26:44 in Prague in September 2018.

The 20-year-old won a bronze medal at the World Championships in Qatar last year.

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Serena Williams ended a three-year title drought and donated her winner's cheque to victims of the Australian bushfires in an emotional WTA Auckland Classic final yesterday.

Williams raised expectations for this month's Australian Open, where she can equal Margaret Court's record of 24 Grand Slam titles, with her 6-3, 6-4 victory - her first WTA trophy since she won in Melbourne in 2017.

But the 38-year-old tempered celebrations as she donated her US\$43,000 winners' cheque to the Australian bushfire relief fund and described how the tragedy had affected her deeply. It is Williams' first title since 2017 - and her first as a mother - since she won the Australian Open while pregnant. Her 73 WTA titles now stretch across four decades, after she won her first in 1999.