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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A great pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do

- Albert Einstein



AFRICAN SAYINGS

"An army of sheep led by a lion can defeat an army of lions led by a sheep"

(African Proverbs)

Source: BBC collection of listeners' proverbs

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MAGHRIB	6:31	6:31	6:31	6:26	6:26	6:50	6:08	6:35	6:41
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SOURCE: Society for the propagation of Islam, Kaduna



PHOTO OF THE DAY

■ New currency or bank transfer, a strong message by Keke Napep rider

Photo: Facebook post

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38 herders killed in Nasarawa air raid

By Ismail Mudashir (Abuja),
Hope A. Emmanuel (Makurdi)
& Umar Muhammed (Lafia)

Controversy has trailed the killing of 38 herders in the Rukubi community of Doma Local Government Area of Nasarawa State, allegedly by military operatives.

The herders, multiple sources said, were killed while returning from Makurdi, the Benue State capital, where they went to retrieve over 1,000 cows seized by the Benue Livestock Guards.

It was gathered that after the payment of fines amounting to N29m, some of the livestock was released to the herders by the guards and they were sadly trailed and killed while offloading the cattle shortly after they reached their destination in Nasarawa State.

Daily Trust gathered that the killing of the herders on Tuesday night has raised tension in Benue and Nasarawa state.

Rukubi is located in Nasarawa State, which borders Benue State.

Tension was high yesterday in the Hausa-dominated Wadata vicinity of the Makurdi metropolis in Benue State over the killings of. The northern elders have condemned the incident which they said was a result of ethnic profiling.

Nasarawa gov sues for peace

Nasarawa State governor, Abdullahi Sule confirmed the killings in an exclusive with Daily Trust. He also urged the family of the victims to be calm, assuring them the matter would be thoroughly investigated.

The governor said there were conflicting reports as to the number of victims.

"The government is doing everything possible, as I told you, I have not slept since yesterday (Tuesday) when this happened. I have been on it. I got up early in the morning, I spoke with the leader of the Miyetti Allah national, I spoke severally with the Miyetti Allah leader in Nasarawa State and I spoke with the security agencies.

"We sent the army and police on condolence to the people, the deputy governor also went and met these people, our two major traditional rulers were there for the funeral prayers.

"We are doing everything possible on our side to make sure that we douse the tension," he said.

The governor said the



■ Nasarawa State Governor, Abdullahi Sule

information was that some herders got their cows arrested by the Benue State government as a result of the anti-open grazing law.

"They went and paid the penalty to the Benue State government, and they came back to the border where they were told to come and wait to receive their cow, so while they were waiting, the bomb exploded. There were all kinds of allegations, initially, they thought it was an airplane that came and bombed the place, but now it has been established that it was a drone that was sent.

"A drone was sent, we do not know who sent the drone, was it security agencies or other people we don't know? I spoke with the governor of Benue, and I also spoke with the security agencies. Nobody is claiming responsibility that they sent the drone. So that is the true position of things," he said.

Asked about the number of herders killed, he said, "That is very difficult to determine because various people are giving different numbers, the Fulani said 38 of their people were killed, they came for the burial in Doma this (yesterday) afternoon. The Emir of Lafia was there, Andoma of Doma was there and my deputy governor was there, sitting down there and starting to count bodies will generate another tension, so they did not.

"In Benue, the governor also told me that some bodies were brought to Benue. He even said

some people were unhappy with him, because they are thinking he is responsible, so they started tearing up his posters and things like that, he can tell you those things himself anyway. So anybody giving you any particular number right now may just be exaggerating. It has to be fully investigated before we can get the exact number of the people."

The governor said he had called on Governor Ortom to release the remaining cattle.

Both the Director, Defence Media Operations, Maj.-Gen. Musa Danmadami and the Air Force Spokesman, Air Commodore Wap Maigida could not be reached last night for comment as calls to their mobile phones depicted "unreachable".

They did not respond to text messages also.

How Air force killed our innocent members – MACBAN

The Miyetti Allah Cattle Breeders Association of Nigeria (MACBAN) has blamed the killing of the herders on the Nigerian Air Force.

Spokesperson for the association, Muhammad Nura, in a statement, said 30 pastoralists were killed by the Air Force, calling for a thorough probe of the incident.

He said the herders were killed by operatives of the Nigerian Air Force Base in Makurdi.

"Those killed had gone to Makurdi to retrieve about 1,250 livestock impounded by the

Benue Livestock Guards after paying a fine of about N29m for violating the anti-open grazing law of Benue State.

"After paying, the pastoralist had hired vehicles from Makurdi to convey back their seized livestock to Rukubi and it was in the process of offloading their livestock that the Air Force came and bombed the vehicles and those within the vicinity.

"This is the third time that the Air Force is being involved in strafing livestock between the border of Benue and Nasarawa states in the last year," the association said.

It described the action as not only condemnable but "A war crime under the Geneva Convention that prohibits the wanton killing of livestock."

Calling for a thorough probe of the killing, the association said information available to them shows that the Air Force must have been informed about the release of the livestock from Benue Livestock Guards custody.

Daily Trust reports that the Nasarawa State governor, Abdullahi Sule, was represented by his deputy, Dr. Emmanuel Akabe, during the mass burial of the victims in Doma, the headquarters of Doma LGA of Nasarawa State.

We're devastated – Victims' relatives

A kinsman of one of the victims, Bello Abdulsalam, a lawyer, said one of those killed, Jallat Danbata, was his cousin and that they went to redeem their cattle which were earlier impounded by the Benue State government, adding that it was while they were offloading the animals that they were killed.

"It was while they were offloading the cattle that a fighter jet came down and dropped a bomb on them killing 42 of them, one of them was my cousin's brother; his name is Jaallat Danbata, 41 of the deceased are Fulani," the lawyer said.

The leadership of Operation Whirl Stroke (OPWS) operating in the three states of Benue, Nasarawa and Taraba, hadn't responded to calls over the incident as of the time of this report.

But, a reliable military source, who craved anonymity, said that the incident was connected with an ongoing military operation ordered by the Defence Headquarters following increasing killings, kidnappings

and terrorism by the Darul Salam/Boko Haram elements running away from troop onslaught in the North East and North West parts of the country.

Killings portray worst evil of profiling - NEF

The spokesperson for the Northern Elders Forum, Dr Hakeem Baba-Ahmed last night described the killings of the Fulani herders as "The worst evil of profiling and stereotyping."

He said, "When you target Fulani that have not done anything wrong and killed close to forty according to reports, there is no language to use other than to say it is condemnable and irresponsible.

"We do not want this incident to be swept under the carpet. It is not right. Fulani should be held responsible and accountable for what they do wrong and those who killed them (Fulani) without any reason should also be held to account.

"This killing cannot be treated as one among many that we have walked away from."

Asked why such incidents kept happening, Dr Baba-Ahmed said, "I think it is because we have done nothing about past killings. That area, Nasarawa, Plateau and Benue has been a killing field for a very long time.

How many people have you heard being brought to book because they have killed innocent Fulani or Fulani who have committed atrocities? Hardly if there is any. Laws have been passed (by the Benue State government) that you cannot put cattle on the ground; and it is very expensive to move them in vehicles.

"Sometimes communities take the law into their own hands. Government agents sometimes kill people and cattle are taken away from Fulani until they pay millions of naira. This is wrong, it is condemnable and we must raise our voices against it."

He said if the security operatives were involved in what happened, clearly something must have gone wrong and it must be investigated.

"Definitely something has gone wrong in this particular killing. For the air force to bomb people who are Fulani, whatever their assumption... This number of people bombed to death in the most horrible way, something has gone wrong. This must be investigated, we want to know what happened," he said.

FG urges parents to allow health workers to deworm children

The Federal Government on Wednesday in Abuja advised parents and caregivers to allow health workers to administer deworming drugs to children for the prevention of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs).

It made the call during a community outreach for the treatment of schistosomiasis and soil-transmitted helminthiasis.

Helminthiasis is an infestation with one or more intestinal parasitic roundworms that include whipworms, hookworms and ascariis.

Giving the advice, Mr Fatai Oyediran, Director, Snake Envenoming Unit, NTDs Division at the Ministry of Health, decried the poor response by parents availing their children for the mass

drug administration to prevent NTDs.

Oyediran noted that NTDs often affected people in rural communities, especially the poor because of poor personal hygiene, inadequate water supply and infrastructure at the grassroots.

"Some of these diseases affect children under the age of five and that is why we target communities

and schools to give free drugs.

"We advise parents to cooperate with health workers because some parents, probably due to personal or religious beliefs, prevent children from taking the drugs and this is doing more damage than good.

"We encourage them to allow health workers to give the drugs to their children whenever they

come for mass administration of drugs," he said.

In his remarks, Dr Eunice Ogunipe, NTDs Coordinator in the FCT, said the outreach and the NTDs Day celebration was a call for all stakeholders to collaborate to eliminate the diseases in totality.

"We are here to sensitise and create awareness in this school and its environment. (NAN)

Tinubu: Fuel crisis, naira redesign ploy to sabotage elections

● We won't accept postponement; probe Asiwaju – PDP ● Tinubu not fair to Nigerians – NNPP
● He gets things wrong every time – LP ● Presidency, CBN, APC mum

By Muideen Olaniyi, Saawua Terzungwe, Terkula Igidi, Baba Martins, Abbas Jimoh (Abuja) & Peter Moses (Abeokuta)

The presidential candidate of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Bola Ahmed Tinubu, has described the ongoing fuel crisis and the naira redesign as a grand ploy to sabotage the general elections slated for February 25 and March 11.

Tinubu, a former governor of Lagos State, spoke yesterday in Abeokuta, the Ogun State capital, during the APC presidential campaign in the state.

The MKO Abiola Stadium, Kuto, Abeokuta—the venue of the rally—was filled to the brim with party supporters and stakeholders who converged on the town from across the country.

But his statement elicited reactions from opposition parties.

Addressing the gathering, Tinubu said “the traitors” have plotted to sabotage the election, using the fuel scarcity and the naira redesign.

He wondered why the fuel scarcity which began in October last year, has not ended up to today.

“They don't want this election to hold. They want to sabotage it. Will you allow them?” he queried.

He said, “Even if they said there is no fuel, we will trek to vote. They have a lot of mischief; they could say there is no fuel. They have been scheming to create fuel crisis, but forget about it.

“Relax, I, Asiwaju, have told you that the issue of fuel supply will be permanently addressed. Whoever wants to eat the honey embedded in a mountain won't worry about the axe. Is that not so? And if you want to eat palm kernel, you would bring stone and use it to break it, then the kernel will come out.

“Let them increase the price of fuel, only then they know where they



■ Tinubu

have hoarded fuel, they hoarded money, they hoarded naira; we will go and vote and we will win.

“Even if they changed the ink on naira notes. Whatever their plans, it will come to nought. We are going to win. Those in the PDP will lose.

“I am homeboy; I have come here, you will not be put to shame. We will take over the government from them, the traitors who wanted to contest with us. They had no experience.

“The great Nigerian youths, the great Nigerian students, the confident Nigerian youths. This is a revolution. This election is a revolution. They are plotting, but they will fail. They said fuel price will increase and reach N200 per litre. Go and relax. They don't want this election to be held, they want to scuttle it. Will you allow them?”

Some of the bigwigs at the rally were Tinubu's running mate, Kashim Shettima; Speaker of the House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabamila; host governor, Dapo Abiodun; Babajide Sanwo-Olu (Lagos), AbdulRahaman AbdulRazaq (Kwara) and Biodun Ojebanji (Ekiti).

Others were former governors Adams Oshiomhole (Edo), Adegboyega Oyetola (Osun), Dr Kayode Fayemi (Ekiti), Gbenga Daniel (Ogun), Segun Osoba (Ogun) and the APC National Secretary, Iyiola Omisore.

Meanwhile, the National

Chairman of APC, Senator Abdullahi Adamu was absent at the presidential rally.

We won't accept postponement, Tinubu should be investigated – PDP

But reacting, the leading opposition Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) has warned that it would not accept election postponement, adding that Tinubu should be investigated to give more details of what he knows.

The PDP National Publicity Secretary, Debo Ologunagba, told *Daily Trust* that “the kite they are flying will not work. Nigerians are ready, the international communities are interested and the party (APC) must get ready.”

The PDP said, “Tinubu needs to answer more questions based on what he said. On our part as a party, we have said before now that the election is sacrosanct.

“If the APC candidate thinks otherwise, then he needs to answer more questions. We are not in the same party with him, our views are not the same as the APC or its presidential candidate.

“This election has been scheduled, it must hold, it must go on and we have said that. He needs to be investigated because whatever he knows that is making him to say so we don't know.

“There is no difference

between the APC and this government, so if there are plans by them, let them come out, because Nigerians are ready for this election, so if he is talking about scuttling the election, he should tell Nigerians what he knows.

“He is the national leader of the party and presidential candidate, that means he has information at his disposal and we believe that he is trying to fly a kite.

“If they postpone the election, Nigerians will not accept it; any plan to scuttle this election will not be accepted by Nigerians and the international community and Tinubu should know that.

“APC should just get ready for the election because Nigerians are ready and the federal government must provide the enabling environment for INEC to conduct free, fair and credible elections. INEC must be given all the support.”

Tinubu is not fair to Nigerians – NNPP

The National Publicity Secretary of the New Nigeria People's Party (NNPP), Dr Agbo Major, while reacting to Tinubu's statement, said the fuel scarcity started a year ago so it was uncharitable for the APC presidential candidate to attribute it to plot to scuttle the 2023 general elections.

He said, “I think the man is not being fair to Nigerians. It is not right for him to say that it is sabotage. This fuel scarcity started exactly February last year and it has not been put under check. Infact, rather it is worsening every day. That is the statement of a drowning candidate and a drowning party.”

On the issue of naira redesign, the NNPP spokesman said it was a sound economic policy; adding that for Tinubu to complain about it showed the disconnect between the government and the ruling party.

“Is the CBN governor not an employee of the APC government? This goes to show the disconnect within them as

a government and a party. This means people are just running the show as they want,” the NNPP said.

He gets things wrong every time – LP

Reacting to the development, the Head of Media, Obi/Datti Presidential Campaign Council of the Labour Party (LP), Mr Diran Onifade, said Tinubu's advisers should tell him to stop going to Abeokuta because he gets things wrong each time he goes there.

“If I were to be Tinubu's adviser, I would have advised him to stop going to Abeokuta. It was in the same Abeokuta that he made the gaffe of ‘Olule’ and how President Muhammadu Buhari was crying on TV, ‘emi lokan’ and all that.

“Now, he (Tinubu) is saying the fuel scarcity is meant to make the elections fail and how they are going to take over power from them. Who are they or them?”

“He could have been talking to the CBN governor (Godwin Emefiele) and the Minister of Petroleum and who is the Minister of Petroleum in this respect? President Muhammadu Buhari. The same man that Tinubu has been campaigning that he wants to take over from and continue the good work.

“I think his advisers should advise him to stop going to Abeokuta because he gets things wrong every time he goes there,” he said.

Presidency, CBN mum

When contacted, the Senior Special Assistant to the President on Media and Publicity, Malam Garba Shehu, declined to comment.

Calls to the number of the Head, Corporate Communication of the CBN, Osita Nwasinobi, were also not answered.

Similarly, the spokesman of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Barrister Felix Morka, neither answered a call put to his phone nor responded to a text message sent to it.

Moderate your comments at campaigns, Dickson urges politicians

By Abdullateef Salau

A former governor of Bayelsa State, Senator Seriake Dickson, has cautioned politicians seeking elective positions and their supporters against mudslinging their opponents during campaigns.

Dickson, who currently represents Bayelsa Central at the Senate, gave the advice while speaking to reporters on

Wednesday on the sidelines of an event organised in his honour by the Rotary Club of Abuja, Maitama.

There have been concerns that frontrunners and their supporters have engaged in personality attacks on their opponents instead of addressing issues that are germane to the country's development.

Senator Dickson condemned the uncivil comments or attacks on

candidates, saying no politician is justified to make statements that have the capacity to cause crisis.

He urged those contesting elections to be temperate and civil while canvassing for votes, and work towards preserving peace, stability and unity of the country.

The lawmaker said, “While we sort out issues, political leaders should not make themselves disagreeable. Every action has consequences and repercussions. I

condemn uncivil comments or attacks on candidates generally.

“No supporter or politician is justified in inciting or making statements that have the capacity to cause a crisis.

“We should all support INEC and the security agencies to deliver free, fair and acceptable general elections that will throw up a new class of leaders in our country.”

20th Daily Trust Dialogue holds today in Abuja

By Faruk Shuaibu

Four eminent Nigerians will today analyse the campaign promises of top contenders for the presidency in the 2023 general elections at the 20th Daily Trust Dialogue.

The event which is billed to hold at the NAF Centre in Abuja is organised by the Media Trust Limited, owners of Daily Trust and Trust Television.

In a statement, the Group Chief Executive Officer of Media Trust Limited, Mounir Gwarzo, said that the dialogue would lead to the experts proffering solutions and airing what they feel the next president of Nigeria should focus on to positively transform the country.

Gwarzo disclosed that the four panelists selected for the 2023 edition of the dialogue with the theme, "Interrogating the 2023 Presidential Agenda," were a member of the Board of the Centre for Democracy and Development, Mr Jibrin Ibrahim; a foremost entrepreneur and former Chairman of the Board of Directors of First Bank of Nigeria (FBN), Mrs Ibukunoluwa Awosika; a human capacity development specialist and scion of the Enahoro family, Dr Eugene Enahoro; and a lecturer in Analysis of Business Problems at the Lagos Business School, Dr Yetunde Anibaba.

"The Archbishop Emeritus of the Catholic Church in Abuja,

John Cardinal Onaiyekan, will preside over the 20th edition of the annual dialogue, which is to be moderated by Dr Suleiman Suleiman, the Deputy Editor-in-Chief and Chairman of the Editorial Board of the newspaper."

The GCEO said that a veteran journalist and Sarkin Karshi, Abuja, Alhaji Ismaila Mohammed, MFR, would serve as the Royal Father at the event.

He further stated that unlike in the past two years, the 2023 edition would have physical convergence with the removal of restrictions imposed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The GCEO said this year's event would be broadcast live by Trust Television on StarTimes

Channel 164; NigComSat's Free TV; Moreplex 715; ArabSat Badr Sat7; AVO TV; and LIMEX World TV, as well as on YouTube and other social media platforms.

"The annual Daily Trust Dialogue is part of Media Trust Limited's contributions to stimulating discussions by Nigerians and fellow Africans towards enhancing national, and indeed, African integration and cohesion, which are crucial for sustainable socio-political growth and economic development of Nigeria, and the African Continent at large.

"Since 2002, Media Trust has hosted the annual public lecture series to discuss topical issues on various aspects of governance. The series of Dialogues had

been attended by past Heads of Government, the leadership of the National Assembly as well as captains of commerce and industry, aside from members of the diplomatic corps.

"The Daily Trust Dialogue had equally been graced at different times by eminent personalities from across Africa. They include Mr Festus Mogae, former President of Botswana; late Ft. Lt. Jerry Rawlings, former President of Ghana; and Dr. Salim Ahmed Salim, former Prime Minister of Tanzania. Others are the late Mrs Winnie Mandela of South Africa's anti-apartheid struggle; Dr. Mo Ibrahim; and Mrs. Samia Nkrumah, daughter of late Dr. Kwame Nkrumah," he added.



THE JULY 1966 COUNTER COUP

GENERAL AGUIYI IRONSI

REMINISCENCES

THE JULY 1966 counter-coup that toppled the first military government of General Aguiyi Ironsi has one living witness: his ADC, then Lieutenant Sani Bello, who was with him that fateful morning in Government House, Ibadan.

For the first time, now Colonel Sani Bello, former Military Governor of Kano State and multi-millionaire businessman, speaks to Trust Television on how Ironsi and his host Colonel Fajuyi lost their lives and how he survived to tell the story.

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How airstrikes killed 18 vigilantes, injured 9 others in Niger

From Abubakar Akote, Minna

At least 18 special vigilantes have been killed in Tuesday afternoon air bombardment in Galkogo, Shiroro Local Government Area of Niger State.

Daily Trust gathered that the commander of the vigilantes who is currently recuperating at the emergency unit of the IBB Specialist Hospital and his men were alerted of the movement of bandits towards Shiroro and Munya LGAs when they were caught in the airstrikes.

Sources said nine others including the commander were recuperating at the IBB Specialist Hospital, Minna.

Some sources said the wrong bombardment was caused by miscommunication between the air operators and the commander of the special vigilantes.

Although Nigerian Air Force (NAF) had yet to make any official statement on the incident, Daily Trust gathered that a delegation, led by the Commander, Air Force Base, Minna was at the IBB Specialist Hospital to sympathize with the

injured victims.

The air force has regularly carried out air raids in some banditry ridden states to target terrorists operating in rural communities

Daily Trust also gathered that seven corpses of vigilantes who were natives of Shiroro and Munya local governments were buried amid tears in Zumba, Shiroro Local Government while one was buried in Minna, the state capital.

The remaining 10 others were said to be still in the mortuary of the IBB Specialist Hospital.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in Niger State, DSP Wasiu Abiodun, did not respond to enquiries by our correspondent.

The State Commissioner for Internal Security and Humanitarian Affairs, Emmanuel Umar, also did not respond to calls or replied a message sent to him by our correspondent.

Daily Trust, however, gathered that the visit by the air force commander to the IBB Specialist Hospital on Wednesday was greeted with anger by some relations of some victims.



■ Governor Sani Bello of Niger State

The Chairman, Shiroro Local Government, Akilu Isyaku Kuta, told our correspondent on the telephone that the situation in Shiroro and its neighbouring Munya had been tense in the last six days.

"We have left everything in the hand of God because I was recently a victim too. Only God saved my life; bandits nearly killed me.

"On Sunday, we reported the situation to our security agencies and they came, doing their best. We also have vigilantes in Galkogo, Kuchi and other parts of Munya Local Government. But unfortunately, because of the large number of bandits and we don't have more security

operatives, the situation has not been curtailed. You will just see 500 security agents while bandits are more than 800 in number. And if you want to curtail such type of situation, we are supposed to have more security operatives, at least more 2,000.

"Now, the vigilantes that were assisting in protecting our people, on Tuesday, an aircraft came and dropped bombs in their centre and 18 people lost their lives. So, those people that have been saving our communities from attacks have run away and people have fled their homes and bandits are still inside the villages," Kuta lamented.

He called on the federal government to recruit more people into various security agencies, saying that "our youths are ready to serve the country."

Residents said no fewer than 10 communities had been invaded in the last five days in Munya and Shiroro alone with many lives lost and people kidnapped.

Dozens of residents especially women and children have also fled their homes to Kuta, the Headquarters of Shiroro Local Government and Gwada while others have headed to Minna, the

state capital.

Sani Abubakar Yusuf Kokki, the Co-Convener of Concerned Shiroro Youths, said the attackers had been sacking villages unchallenged and wreaking havoc.

"They have intensified attacks which have resulted in gruesome killings, maiming, arsons and dispossessing locals of their belongings among other crimes against humanity.

"The most hit local governments in their recently renewed attacks are Shiroro, Munya and Paikoro local governments." He said.

Bandits kill 2 vigilantes

Similarly, two vigilantes have been reportedly killed in Kuchi, a community in Munya Local Government Area of Niger State.

Residents said the bandits who invaded Kuchi around 10am on Wednesday blocked all the exit routes and operated till 5pm.

Aliyu Idris, a resident, told our correspondent around 5pm on Wednesday that they were still in the bush trying to flee to Minna, the state capital, but bandits had taken control of Sarkin-Pawa-Minna route which they wanted to follow.

Experts counsel FG on inflation, stimulating economic growth

From Ayobami Balogun, Lagos

The federal government has been urged to harmonise fiscal and monetary policies to tame rising inflation and propel economic growth in the country.

The Chairman of the Nigerian Economic Summit Group (NESG), Niyi Yusuf, made the call at the annual Vanguard Economic Discourse 2023 with the theme, "Taming Inflation and Stimulating Growth: The Place of Fiscal & Monetary Policies."

He urged the government to ensure

efficiency in tax collection across all sectors.

"Nigeria needs to improve more on widening its tax nets as opposed to increasing taxes. We don't need a fixed tax. All we need is efficiency in the way we collect our taxes.

"We also need to think of innovative ways to attract capital as opposed to oil. Nigeria is a nation that requires huge capital to build infrastructure; to build hospitals, to build schools."

Yusuf also said there was the need to encourage private capital to drive more development projects while stressing

that private investors must also be assured that when they are deliberate about capital they will also have physical access to Foreign exchange.

"To do the hard work of inviting private capital investments, what is more important is the stability of the rates and that everybody has access to the forex at the same rate," he said.

The former chairman of the First Bank of Nigeria, Ibukun Awosika, charged the government to address the loopholes in the economy to prevent the rising level of people migrating from the

country.

She urged the media to never compromise their responsibility of telling the truth always.

"I challenge the media to continue to be the conscience of the people and that should

not be forsaken. Your responsibility is beyond publishing a paper; you are the voice and conscience of the people and that should never be compromised," she added.

On her part, the Founder and Group Chief

Executive of Emerging Africa Capital, Mrs Toyin Sanni, said there was the need to provide infrastructural facilities if Nigeria wanted to retain her best brains and discourage the brain drain (Japa) syndrome.

NAOWA trains widows of fallen soldiers in Niger

From Abubakar Akote, Minna

The Nigeria Army Officers Wives Association (NAOWA) said that it had trained thousands of widows of soldiers who died in the line of duty across the country.

The national president of the association and wife of the chief of army staff, Mrs Salamatu Faruk Yahaya, made this known at the inauguration of multimillion naira nursery and primary schools in the Minna Military Cantonment, Niger State.

She said education in school had been subsidised for children whose fathers had died in the line of duty to facilitate their access to quality education and stop them from dropping out of school.

She said the school was inaugurated 14 years

after the foundation was laid and called for proper maintenance of the facility.

Mrs Yahaya said the association had employed over 2,000 across all its establishments in the country with over 60 per cent emphasis on women as key players in nation building.

Earlier, the Niger State Coordinator of NAOWA and wife of the commander, training and doctrine command of the Nigerian Army, Minna,

Mrs Yemisi Elizabeth Olabanji, said the school which boasts 100 pupils and 12 qualified teachers was established to among others support the orphans of the fallen heroes.

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Buhari's support for Tinubu unquestionable, Presidency replies Yakasai

By Muideen Olaniyi

The Presidency yesterday urged Nigerians not take an elder statesman, Alhaji Tanko Yakasai, seriously for questioning President Muhammadu Buhari's support for the presidential candidate of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Ahmed Bola Tinubu.

A presidential spokesman, Garba Shehu, made the call in a statement entitled 'On Alhaji Tanko Yakasai's Questioning of the President's Support of APC at the Forthcoming Election.'

Shehu stated: "Alhaji Tanko Yakasai is unknown to the All Progressives Congress, APC. Everyone is entitled to their view, but what we do know is that his insight in a recent interview does not come from within the party or the President's team. His support for Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu is welcome although it is difficult to see what value it will add.

"He is right to highlight his experience as a senior citizen, a leader in government and ability to reach out across divides are strong foundations for the highest office.

"But Yakasai's questioning of the loyalties of President Muhammadu Buhari stands in sharp contrast to the actions of the President. Only on Monday, he was out at a rally in Bauchi supporting the flag bearer of the party. Presidential duties permitting, he is scheduled to make further appearances at campaign events in the coming weeks.

"His support for the party's candidate, Asiwaju Bola Tinubu is unquestioned.

"If this wasn't on TV, Yakasai's unwise comment on the issue would have been dismissed as a misquotation. But he was live on TV.

"On this one against President Buhari, no one should take him seriously.

"Perhaps times are hard and the old man needs a bit of help."

U.S. imposes visa ban on persons 'undermining' democracy in Nigeria

By Joshua Odeyemi

The United States of America yesterday announced visa restrictions for people undermining democracy in Nigeria.

US Secretary Antony J. Blinken, in a statement published on the website of the American Embassy in

Nigeria, said the restrictions were specific to certain individuals and not directed at the Nigerian people or the government of Nigeria.

Although he did not name those affected, Blinken said the decision to impose visa restrictions reflects the US' commitment to supporting Nigerian aspirations to combat corruption and

strengthen democracy and the rule of law.

He stated: "We are committed to supporting and advancing democracy in Nigeria and around the world.

"Today, I am announcing visa restrictions on specific individuals in Nigeria for undermining the democratic process in a recent Nigerian

election.

"Under Section 212(a)(3)(C) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, these individuals will be found ineligible for visas to the United States under a policy to restrict visas of those believed to be responsible for, or complicit in, undermining democracy in Nigeria.

"Certain family members

of such persons may also be subject to these restrictions. Additional persons who undermine the democratic process in Nigeria — including in the lead-up to, during, and following Nigeria's 2023 elections — may be found ineligible for U.S. visas under this policy," the statement quoted him as saying in part.



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Bandits fire grenades at vigilantes in Zamfara town

From Shehu Umar, Gusau

Bandits fired a volley of rocket-propelled grenades on Tuesday towards Birnin Magaji town, headquarters of Birnin Magaji LGA of Zamfara State, *Daily Trust* gathered.

The local government shares a border with the

troubled Batsari LGA of neighbouring Katsina State.

The local government has been a hotspot for bandit activities, largely perpetrated by the boys of Dankarami and one Ardo Nashawari.

A vigilante leader who pleaded anonymity told the *Daily Trust* that the criminals had earlier attacked some

farmers tending to their lands about a kilometre east of the town.

“As the farmers escaped unhurt, our well-standing group of vigilantes mobilised and pursued the bandits. A gunfight erupted immediately. The armed criminals called for reinforcements after they

learnt that the vigilantes would not give up fighting.

“A gang of armed men on motorbikes arrived and they immediately began to fire grenades in our direction. The grenades, luckily, fell short of their target. One of them exploded and left a large crater near a stream.

“No one was killed or

harmed in the attack, and the assailants were forced to withdraw. It has been a tradition for us, vigilantes, to always be armed to fortify our town, knowing fully that the bandits can strike at any time.

“The other undetonated grenades were recovered the next day and were

brought to the emir’s palace for assessment and onward delivery to appropriate authorities,” the vigilante leader said. The spokesman of the state police command, SP Muhammad Shehu, could not be reached for comment. He was also yet to reply to a text message sent to him as of press time.

Zulum receives 1,300 Nigerian refugees from Cameroon

From Olatunji Omirin, Maiduguri

The Borno State governor, Prof. Babagana Zulum, on Tuesday received the second batch of additional 855 Nigerian refugees repatriated from neighbouring Cameroon.

The refugees were handed over to him by Cameroonian officials led by the Governor of the Far North Region of Cameroon, Minjinyawa Bakari, at a brief farewell ceremony in Maroua.

Bakari while presenting farewell packages consisting of food and non-food items announced the closure of this phase of repatriation totalling 1,300 refugees. Zulum, on behalf of Nigeria, thanked the Cameroonian president, other officials and host communities for taking good care of the Nigerian refugees in the last nearly nine years.

The governor appreciated the donation made by President Paul Biya.

The 855 Nigerian Refugees residing in Minawao camp were received at a border community between Nigeria and Cameroon, close to Banki in Bama Local Government by the Chairman of the Transitional Committee, Grema Terab.

Each of the refugees received federal government return packages of N40,000 and a 50kg bag of rice, 10kg bag of beans, 5 litres of cooking oil, a carton of seasoning, wrapper and N60,000 per household from the state government.

United Nations High Commission on Refugees (UNHCR) Cameroun Office led by Madam Kimberly visited Banki camp where she commended the resettlement efforts led by the Zulum administration.

Kidnapping: Amotekun bars unpainted taxis, unregistered motorcyclists

From Tosin Tope, Akure

The Ondo State Security Network Agency, otherwise known as “Amotekun Corps,” has said it will go after unregistered commercial motorcyclists popularly called Okada riders in the state to stem the tide of incessant kidnapping.

Adetunji Adeleye, commander of the corps, who stated this in Akure, on Wednesday, said the action became necessary following the alarming rate at which passengers boarding commercial motorcycles were going missing in the state.

He explained that the unregistered motorcyclists in face masks were kidnapping innocent people in the state.

“To further stem the tide of these latest tactics of kidnapping, Okada riders with hooded faces, henceforth not allowed to operate in the state.

“All those covering their faces with masks and riding Okada are

all members of the syndicate,” Adeleye said.

He advised residents to ensure that the commercial motorcyclist they plan to board has a SITA registration number and a commercial registration number plate.

While noting that the same treatment would be meted out to taxi drivers, Adeleye said commercial drivers who refused to paint their cars in blue and yellow would not be allowed to ply the state roads.

“Any taxi without a registration number is assumed to belong to that syndicate, and we are tracking them down, but we want to warn members of the public not to board such Okada or taxi otherwise, they may end up being hypnotised and kidnapped.”

He, however, explained that the ungodly act was more rampant during the day, stressing that it was the main reason the local security outfit wanted to caution the people to be extra careful.

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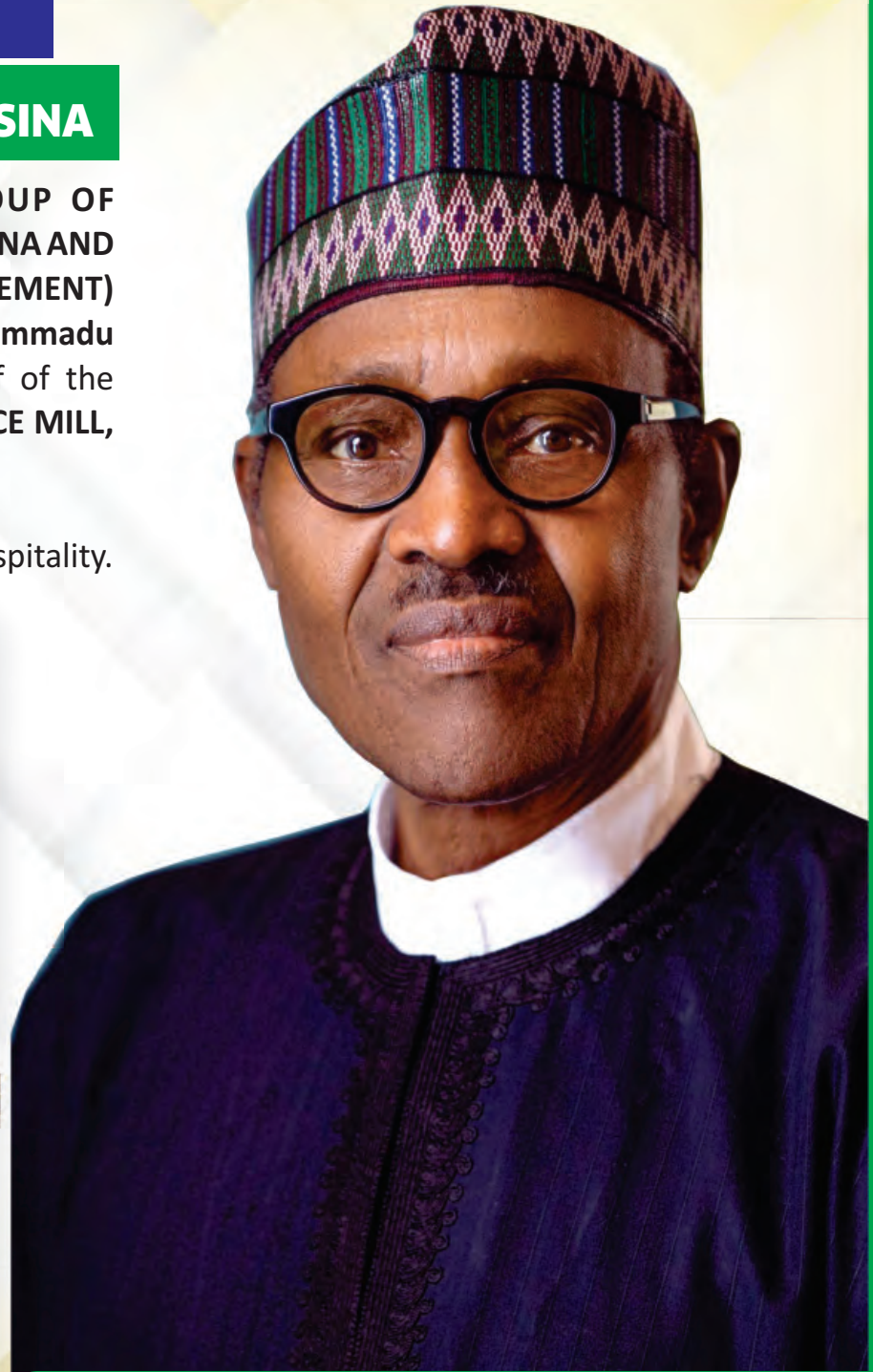
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Presidential visit: Katsina declares 2 days work-free

From Tijjani Ibrahim, Katsina

The Katsina State government has declared today and tomorrow as work-free days to enable workers to welcome President Muhammadu Buhari, who will be on a two-day state visit to the state.

This was contained in a statement issued by the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Information,

Culture and Home Affairs, Sani Bala Kabomo.

He said the work-free days were to enable all workers of the state, local government councils and local education authorities to welcome the president.

Kabomo, however, said the work-free days did not affect workers in the federal service, banks, or essential services.

“Workers and the general public are therefore requested to

come out en masse to give a rousing welcome to Mr President and members of his entourage, as well as exhibit decorum, and the traditional hospitality of the state on this auspicious visit,” the statement read.

President Buhari is expected to be in Katsina on a working visit, during which he will inaugurate some selected projects executed in the three senatorial zones of the state.

Rain destroys houses, churches, schools in Ondo

From Tosin Tope, Akure

Torrential rain that lasted for two hours on Tuesday wreaked havoc in Ipogun community in Ifedore LGA of Ondo State, destroying property worth millions of naira.

The downpour, accompanied by a heavy storm, damaged several houses, shops, church buildings, electric poles, schools, and a part of the community’s health centre among others.

The incident came barely 24 hours after the Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NiMet) predicted that the country would witness normal rainfall earlier than the long-term average of 2023.

Daily Trust gathered that a Deeper Life Bible Church in the community was mostly hit as the rainstorm destroyed the iron roofing sheet and ceiling.

Some of the victims revealed that the rain, which started normal, grew worse, and the accompanying heavy storm began blowing off rooftops and destroying anything in its path.

They said it was the third rainfall in the community in the last four days and the heaviest in decades, coming with snowdrops.

One of the victims, Ms Adeola Ajayi, said the rain destroyed her shop and goods.

“It was just too heavy, as we could not salvage anything while the downpour lasted.

“Over 200 houses were destroyed by the rain. So, we are begging Mr Governor (Rotimi Akeredolu) and other philanthropists to assist us,” she said.

A resident of the community simply identified as Kolawole, whose elderly father lost property to the rain, also called on the state government to assist them with relief materials.

Decrying the situation during his assessment of the damage, the chairman of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in the local government, Mr Tunde Fawoyi, called on both the state and federal lawmakers representing Ifedore to urgently come to the aid of the people.

Reacting to the incident, the traditional ruler of the community, the Adapogun of Ipogun, Oba Raphael Oluwadare Ojo, said it was the worst in recent years in the community.

He called on the relevant agencies of the state and federal governments for urgent assistance.

133 killed in 254 road crashes in Edo

From Usman A. Bello, Benin

The Edo State Sector Commander of the Federal Road Safety (FRSC), Paul Okpe, has said that 134 persons died in 255 road crashes that occurred in the state in 2022.

Okpe who disclosed this yesterday in Benin said 1,934 passengers were involved in the accidents but 133 died.

He attributed the accidents to traffic violations such as excessive

speeding, dangerous driving, route violation, driving under influence of alcohol, seatbelt violation and driving with worn out tires among others.

He explained that the command had increased its presence on the roads especially the corridors prone to accidents in the state.

Okpe cautioned motorists and other road users to always obey traffic rules and regulations while on the road in order to stay alive.

2 APC chieftains, policewoman killed in Imo

From Jude Aguguo Owuamanam, Owerri

The ward chairman of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in Umuchoke ward, Okwe in the Onuimo LGA of Imo State, Christian Ihim, was on Tuesday night killed by armed men.

Five other members of the party were kidnapped by the gunmen.

Our correspondent gathered on Wednesday that the attackers shot repeatedly all through the night thereby forcing the villagers to flee their homes.

Apart from killing

and kidnapping the APC chieftains, the gunmen also invaded Okwelle community in the same LGA and kidnapped a female member of the APC identified as Onyinyechi Egenti.

The late chairman is said to be a former aide of the immediate past national organising secretary of APC, Emma Ibediro.

It will be recalled that gunmen had on December 15 killed the Labour Party candidate for Onuimo in the state House of Assembly election, Christopher Elehu, after razing his country home in Okwe.

Also, gunmen have kidnapped two community leaders in Ogbaku in Mbaitoli LGA of the state, putting the community in confusion.

The victims were identified as Fidelis Nwaebela and Kelechi Iherizie.

In another development, gunmen have killed a female police officer during an attack on a checkpoint along the Aba-Owerri road where she, along with her colleagues, had mounted a guard.

The police spokesman in the state, Henry Okoye, promised to investigate and call back but had not done so as of the time of writing this report.



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INSIDE POLITICS

“As governor, I have not seen any new naira despite six days to the deadline. What will happen to the man in the village? I join the senate in calling for the extension of the change of the currency — Benue State governor, Samuel Ortom

Buhari has reneged on promises to Nigerians – Najatu Muhammad

Outspoken Kano based female politician, Hajiya Najatu Muhammad, resigned as the Director of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) of the APC Presidential Campaign Council, dumped the ruling party on Saturday. Hours after, Najatu who is a member of the Police Service Commission (PCC) threw her weight behind the candidature of the PDP candidate, Atiku Abubakar. But in his reaction, Tinubu said Najatu was a mole in the party, adding that she was sacked before she hurriedly resigned from her office. Featuring on Trust TV's Daily Politics, anchored by **Hamza Idris**, Najatu said President Muhammadu Buhari has reneged on the promises he made to Nigerians while seeking their mandates and believes Tinubu will be worse.

You took over the airspace on Saturday with your sudden resignation; what informed that decision?

So many things; first and foremost I want people to understand that I didn't want to take the position (director in Tinubu campaign organisation) in the first place.

Meaning the director of civil...

Yes and they pleaded with me to accept it and because I don't want to be arrogant when people and some Muslims say in the name of Allah accept.

Some people pleaded with you?

Yes and that was why I took it in the first place but I gave them a condition and my condition was that I had to sit with Asiwaju and know what he has for us, particularly northern Nigeria, because like I told him, I can no longer be a zombie. When we followed Buhari, we followed him without an agenda; we followed him blindfolded.

You are talking about you and your members?

Most of us; most of Buhari's supporters, you understand, that followed him for over a decade did so blindfolded. Well, we thought that Buhari would change the situation for us and that is why people say they regret what they have done. I don't regret it. I don't regret it.

Supporting him?

Yes, I don't regret supporting him.

And following him since 2003 ...

In 2002, I started the Buhari campaign; the day we gave him the card of APP then, he solicited my support the first day he came to our national secretariat here in Abuja and then from then I didn't stop but you know that is history.

However, what I am trying to say is this; I followed Buhari and millions of people followed Buhari because they thought he would change Nigeria for the better but we never gave him an agenda; we never gave him demands; we never made an agreement with Buhari as to what we want.

You only trusted him?



■ Najatu Bala Muhammad

We only trusted him, so this time around we have to learn from experience.

Has he betrayed that trust?

Yes, he has in every way because first and foremost, we are Muslims. I am a Muslim, I am first a Muslim before anything, before Nigeria, before anything I am a Muslim, I am accountable to my Creator to whom is the final return, I don't joke with that.

And I told Buhari after he was sworn in in 2015, I said sir, you cannot rule without your trusted followers. It is an injunction in the Quran in which Allah spoke to our prophet and directed our prophet that he should listen to the advice of his khalifas, the guided sahabas.

And why did Allah say that? For two reasons; one, it is only Allah that can rule alone without any advice, without an adviser, and two; his sahabas are those that have made the sacrifices, those that fought; they have sacrificed everything for the prophet to build a government in Medina, so Allah said he should listen to their advice.

But Buhari discarded all of his sahabas, all, 99 per cent.

You mean the followers?

You have followers and you have confidants, you have the steering; he discarded each and

every one of us, so none of us was taken to the villa, none of us after the swearing in.

You mean all the people working with him are aliens?

They are not aliens but they did not participate in the movement; they did not partake in the movement. Most of them were his blood relations; you don't do that. We know about the cabal; it is made up of his blood relations.

The presidency had dismissed the allegation that the government is being manipulated by cabals...

Well, there is a difference between the lie and the truth; we don't have to go into that. However, it is forbidden in Islam to take people just because they are your blood relations, you don't do that as Muslims.

So I am first and foremost a Muslim and that all the promises he made concerning corruption, concerning security, concerning agriculture, concerning giving Nigerians an enabling environment to conduct their businesses, he reneged on all the promises, he is serving in the most corrupt government Nigeria has ever had because at no time....

You mean his government is the most corrupt?

It's the most corrupt as at today.

Compared to both military and civilian rule?

Yes, it is the most corrupt.

But do you have some facts? Because he said he is fighting corruption more than any other government.

Who did he fight? Even recently he pardoned some of the biggest thieves we had in Nigeria.

You are referring to former governors?

Yes, of course. Why should he do that? You hear as billions stolen by a particular individual and the story goes under the carpet. Right now, we are hearing of trillions missing.

But Asiwaju has been preaching and saying that definitely he is going to build on what Buhari has done. So what is it about Buhari that he wants to build on?

Now, who convinced you to be part of the campaign?

He - Asiwaju convinced me.

What did he tell you and how were you convinced?

Well, you see, as a Muslim, I rejected the appointment ab-initio. When they called me for it, I said I didn't want.

But some are even bribing their way to get such appointments.

I don't need it, why should I? What is it, I am 66 years old, and at 66 what do I want? What do I need? All I need is the legacy I am leaving behind that will serve me in my grave.

When I rejected the appointment, he called me that they had given me the directorate of civil services and I told them I didn't want it, so he said please accept it, I said no. He said why are you not accepting it? I said because Asiwaju knows me, he knows where I am, he didn't call me to tell me. You are calling me today that my name will be out tomorrow, I don't want it.

So we agreed that I would see Asiwaju but let me allow them for the list that was coming up the next day because it can't wait. But if after sitting with Asiwaju, I feel that I am not satisfied, I can opt out. For that reason, if you'd noticed, in my name there were two names; a director and a co-director and

they were right to have done that.

So I went to London to see Asiwaju, the very next day and I sat with him and he first apologised that he didn't call me based on that and I said sir, I refused to accept your appointment because you haven't told me nor have you told Nigerians what you have for us up north.

You are now making reference to maybe the mistake "during Buhari".

Yes and he told me point blank. I said sir, what do you have in your blueprint for us up north? He said he doesn't have a blueprint.

What does that mean; he said he has maybe a Nigerian blueprint or what?

No, he said he doesn't. I said what do you have for us up north?

Since that is your constituency.

He said nothing. This is what Asiwaju told me. I said sir, then what are....

Were there some people when you were discussing this?

Yes, there was Baba Bisi Akande and then I felt very bad and I said how can you go and rule without a blueprint and this I am quoting him verbatim, he said "I will not have a blueprint until I win the election because I will be stepping on too many toes and they will try to destroy me." But then he said, "If you have anything for the north that you want me to put in my manifesto then I will take it and put it on my manifesto"

I felt bad but I had to be patient. So I went back and I sat with one of my leaders and we came up with a couple of things that include the almajiri problem, the question of agriculture, the question of out-of-school kids, the question of how to tackle our sea of youths, able-bodied men and women doing nothing in northern Nigeria; how to engage them. I wrote these things and it took me just about a week while I was still in London.

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Reps transmit 35 constitution amendment bills to Buhari for assent

● High legislative turnover too expensive for Nigeria's democracy – Lawan

By Itodo Daniel Sule & Abdullateef Salau

The House of Representatives on Wednesday directed the transmission of 35 of the 44 constitution amendment bills to President Muhammadu Buhari for assent.

The National Assembly had, in March 2022, transmitted 44 Constitution Review Bills to the 36 state houses of assembly for further legislative work.

The lawmakers at plenary directed the Clerk to the National Assembly to transmit the 35 bills that have so far met the requirement of Section 9(2) of the Constitution for presidential assent.

The 35 bills have been considered by 27 state houses of assembly and approved by at least 24 state assemblies, as required by law.

The 27 houses of assembly that forwarded their resolutions on the bills are Abia, Adamawa, Akwa Ibom, Anambra, Bauchi, Bayelsa, Benue, Borno, Cross River, Delta, Ebonyi, Edo, Ekiti, Enugu, Imo, Kaduna, Kano, Katsina, Kogi, Lagos, Nasarawa, Niger, Ogun, Ondo, Osun, Rivers and Yobe.



■ Lawan

The state assemblies, however, failed to vote on the two bills seeking financial and legislative autonomy for local governments.

The House also urged Gombe, Jigawa, Kebbi, Kwara, Oyo, Plateau, Sokoto, Taraba, and Zamfara assemblies, which have yet to forward their resolutions on the bills, to do so.

Daily Trust reports that the resolution to transmit the 35 bills followed the deliberation on a motion sponsored by the Deputy Speaker, Ahmed Idris Wase, and 70 other lawmakers.

The motion was moved by the chairman, House Committee on Rules and Business, Abubakar Fulata.



■ Gbajabiamila

High legislative turnover too expensive for Nigeria's democracy – Lawan

Meanwhile, Senate President Ahmad Lawan has urged the electorate to vote for experienced lawmakers with institutional memory of the federal legislature.

He said the high legislative turnover being witnessed in the federal parliament at every election circle was too expensive for Nigeria's democracy.

Lawan made the remark before the Senate adjourned plenary yesterday.

Legislative activities at the federal parliament were suspended to February 28 to enable the

lawmakers to participate in the campaigns for national election, slated for February 25.

Many members of the Ninth Senate would not be returning to the parliament. While some chose to contest other positions, the majority of them suffered defeat during party primaries. The Senate president also lost both presidential and senatorial tickets.

Lawan said, "It is our prayer and hope that, those of us who are going to participate in the National Assembly election, God Almighty would be on our side. This is because we need to have those who would provide institutional memory to be around."

One killed as thugs clash during Jigawa APC rally

From Ali Rabiu Ali, Dutse

One person was killed in Jigawa State on Tuesday at a campaign rally of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in Kazaure LGA of the state.

The police commissioner in the state, Emmanuel Ekot, told newsmen yesterday that the police were trailing the suspected killer, who was said to have fled to neighbouring Kano after committing the crime.

"The police are on top of the situation. The suspect has fled to Kano. It's a conflict within a party between those faithful to a particular candidate who disagreed among themselves.

"They are members of the same APC, not a conflict between two parties," the police commissioner said.

The Jigawa State governor, Mohammed

Badaru Abubakar, led the APC governorship campaign rally in Kazaure on Tuesday where the violent clash between rival youth groups of the APC led to the death of one person.

Daily Trust reports that the person killed was a supporter of the party's senatorial candidate for Jigawa North-West District, Babangida Husseini.

Residents identified the deceased as Halliru Lafka, a resident of Kazaure town.

The killing led to a protest by residents, who burnt the billboards of the senatorial candidate, Husseini, accusing him of allegedly harbouring political thugs, and destabilising the peace of the town.

However, Husseini could not be reached for comment on the matter as his phone was switched off.

Appeal court validates Gaya's victory in Kano

From Zahradeen Yakubu Shuaibu, Kano

The Kano division of the Court of Appeal, yesterday, affirmed the verdict of a Federal High Court which validated the All Progressives Congress (APC) primary election that produced Abdullahi Mahmoud Gaya as the party's candidate for Gaya/Ajingi/Albasu federal constituency in Kano.

The appellate court struck out the appeal

filed by Bashir Ahmad, who is the Special Assistant to President Muhammadu Buhari on Digital Communication, questioning the judgement of Justice Abdullahi of the Federal High Court in Kano.

Recall that Bashir Ahmad filed a suit challenging the victory of Mahmud Abdullahi Gaya as the APC flagbearer, who is a current House of Representatives member seeking reelection.

Again, APC postpones presidential campaign in Taraba

From Magaji Isa Hunkuyi, Jalingo

The All Progressives Congress (APC) has postponed its presidential campaign rally in Taraba State for the second time.

The rally, which was billed to hold in the state today in Jalingo, the state capital, was postponed yesterday indefinitely.

The state publicity secretary of the APC, Mr Aaron Artimas, told newsmen in Jalingo that a new date for the event would be announced soon.

He said, "The rally was shifted to facilitate a more comprehensive and participatory rally for all



■ Abdullahi Adamu

Tarabans," he said. But sources within the party in Jalingo, told our correspondent that the postponement was a result of a suit pending in the Supreme Court over the party's governorship primary in the state.

Bindow dumps APC, alleges lack of genuine reconciliation

By Amina Abdullahi & Kabiru R. Anwar, Yola

A former governor of Adamawa State, Muhammadu Jibrilla Bindow, has formally dumped the All Progressives Congress (APC) over an alleged lack of genuine reconciliation in the party.

In a letter addressed to the APC chairman in Kolere Ward, Mubi LGA, Bindow said he took the decision after due consultation with family, supporters and associates.

Part of the letter reads, "I wish to formally notify you of my decision to resign as a member of the All Progressives Congress (APC) effective from 20th January, 2023.

"This decision is not an easy one, but after prayers and wide consultations with my family, stakeholders and faithful followers across the state and country

● We'll win without him – Organising secretary



■ Bindow

at large, I decided to resign my membership.

"The decision is also a result of the lack of genuine reconciliation of aggrieved stakeholders within the party in Adamawa State since the unfortunate events of the 2019 elections and the 2022 primary elections."

Reacting, the Adamawa State Organising Secretary of the APC, Mustapha Atiku Ribadu, described the defection as a huge

loss to the party, but said the APC would win the February 25 and March 11 polls without him.

Speaking with newsmen yesterday in Yola, Ribadu said, "The defection of Bindow at the 11th hour into the general elections is shocking and a huge loss to us as a party.

"Despite Bindow's shortcomings, we remember the good tidings he brought into the state through unprecedented

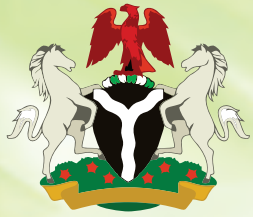
developmental strides.

"We will continue to accord him the respect he deserves as the first governor of APC in the state who did his best to transform our dear state but lost the general election gallantly by scoring over 300,000 votes.

"While wishing our former governor well in his future endeavours, I want to restate that we are putting in place strong mechanisms to absorb the shock of Bindow's departure.

"We will continue to work round the clock to emerge victorious in all the elections in Adamawa from top to bottom.

"Adamawa State is the birthplace of APC, and we cannot abandon our birthplace in the hands of strangers as we are working tirelessly to take back what rightfully belongs to us."



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His Excellency,
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His Excellency,
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The Katsina State Governor, Rt Hon. Aminu Bello Masari, CFR, on behalf of Government and the Good People of Katsina State welcomes His Excellency, the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria, Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, to a 2-day working visit to Katsina State scheduled for January 26 & 27, 2023.

While in the State, His Excellency the President will commission some selected projects executed across the three Senatorial Districts of the State as follows:

Day one, January 26:

1. Remodeled Katsina General Hospital
2. Kofar Kaura Underpass

3. Revenue House
4. Katsina Water Supply Booster Station
5. Kofar Kwaya Underpass
6. Metrological Institute of Nigeria, Katsina (Federal)
7. Darma Rice Mill (Private)

Day two, January 27:

1. General Hospital, Musawa
2. GDSS Musawa
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5. Gurjiya-Sandamu-Karkarku Road

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THE SECOND WIND

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Two stories and a third

I always wonder whether the third story will ever be told even though it is being lived. But then, the fact that it is being lived also means that it is being told. It only means that you are not in that audience. There is always going to be a competing demand by something else, and that is why you may never find out the truths you have not yet found. That is why you sink your teeth in wherever you find yourself, that is how and why you become blind, deaf and dumb to reason, to fact and to even the reality that does not conform to your own subjective vision of what is and isn't.

This explains why we all look at the otherness of the second person with so much contempt. It is all so clear to you, so obvious that anyone who sees things different is simply up to mischief, is being hateful, intellectually and morally leprous... you name it. The truth is just so clear even to your antagonist, and it is just so embittering that you are the only one who sees this material fact.

The thing is, the DNA of self-conscious humanity is itself programmed for metaphysical perfection, but then at the cellular organic level, the laws of nature take effect. To attain perfection, you must compete, you must best, you must outgun the external forces that are in the way. The rub is that each cell recognises itself as the only true existence, and does not recognise a second cell it competes with, as itself and the other cell it knows are the only two things that really exist and everything else is just the same forces of nature they must overcome, the obstacle course and gauntlets they must run through to freedom. This is the reason your own body can actually kill itself off. There have been documented case when an immune system goes on the offensive against a vital organ or function and takes it down. Each cell is only bound by its own existential programming, to keep certain things out, to maintain and sustain certain balances, natures and process at the expense of whatever. At the base level, you exist alone and that is why your predisposition to self-interest overrides a conscientious rectitude.

A conscience is a luxury, and when you divest and deconstruct the nature of man you happen on the primal base of humanity that - WILL shock you. It doesn't matter if the subject is Abubakar Shekau or Mother Theresa, Sultan Abdulmecid or Joseph Konny. This reminds me of chemistry class in secondary school, lessons in chemical bonding in particular. Given certain proportionalities, an outcome is determinate as long as two or more measurable variables remain constant. Same with human beings... as long as they remain human beings upon this earth and subjected to the same classics of Human Civilisation, they will remain textbook human beings that will shock.

Human consciousness is forged in a 3D reality, but is grandfathered in at the ignition of the human soul. This means that we have so far mastered only the zero-sum duality of quantity and quality in time. When you observe an externality, you have to translate it into your own language and down the road, a lot ends up lost in

translation... and that is the third story.

In the multidimensional reality a souls is meant to exist, two things or people can both be absolutely right even when they are diametrically opposed. You are dead wrong on an away pitch but solidly right on the home front - same with the second.

Then also, because no one really understands or is equipped to conceptually understand anything other than the extreme ends of a given spectrum of reality, we absolutely hate the middle ground. The middle is not an enemy of either or against the interest of either, it may even advocate for the interests of either faction but because it is neither black nor white, it will not be tolerated - not even grey areas are acceptable. As soon as any is detected, it will be swiftly eradicated.

Human nature is wound to resist and assault the third story much more violently than resisting the devil himself. We have sayings such as "the devil you know is better than the angel you do not" know to prove that.

Human nature is wound to resist and assault the third story much more violently than resisting the devil himself. We have sayings such as "the devil you know is better than the angel you do not" know to prove that. The first person is yourself - and that really is the only thing that exists, according to Descartes at least. The devil is the second person and the two of you make up the dual reality you were created from. You will gladly accept and suffer the devil - that is what you have been doing all your life, but will not tolerate or suffer or ever accept a third story, even if the protagonist is a literal angel. That is because you are unable to conceive the third dimension beyond this duality - and you have learnt the hard way to be hostile to everything, including that which looks and feels like gold. You know the devil, you have been at the receiving end of his evil all your life... but most likely you have never felt the warmth of an angel. Mechanically speaking, the angel should always be preferable to a devil but to the carnal complexities of humanity, the torture of the unknown - the third story - is preferable.

This is a demonstration of how we subliminally agonise and resist widening our horizons beyond the two stories we know, how restricted the agency to look beyond our comfort zones is, to think outside the box, to remember that the world is not just a binary reality made up of just you and then everything else. There is a whole world out there - that is what Prophet Mohammed (SAW) called "China" the third story. You should be in that audience.

OPINION

When politicians buy PVCs

By Nick Dazang

Whereas politicians in other climes and jurisdictions obsess themselves with how to add value to their societies and to bequeath ennobling legacies, ours, especially of the Fourth Republic, are simply geniuses of travesty. They excel in undoing their people or visiting untold destitution on them.

Consider an abridged catalogue of their many failings and chicanery: The Nigerian politician is bereft of self-enlightened interest. He does not understand that to sustain the democracy project, and by extension, his exalted position, he needs to justify the appurtenances of his office by delivering good governance and improving the weal of his people.

The Nigerian politician is so obtuse and narrow-minded that rather than improve on the electoral process which birthed him and put it on a solid keel in consonance with international best practices, he has to be harassed and hectored by the media and civil society.

In the perfidious and self-defeating manner of the examination cheat, who instead of swotting and reading his books, spends precious time contriving how to game the system, the Nigerian politician would rather rig than to court voters. He would rather undermine the process than explaining his agenda or delivering on projects that positively affect peoples' lives.

Apart from carrying on haughtily, he makes sure he superintends over the vicious pauperisation of his constituents. He corners employment slots due to his constituents. In some cases he sells these slots outright to further enrich himself. He is indifferent towards attracting projects that will either create jobs in his constituency or boost its economy. When elections are afoot, he sprinkles few goodies to his poor and hapless constituents who then return him to office.

Each time the Election Management Body (EMB) devices ways of improving the electoral process or plugging existing loopholes, the Nigerian politician is adept at creating ever more loopholes or finding ways of scuppering the EMB's onerous efforts. Imagine: after introducing sundry measures to improve the electoral process, our politicians found recourse in vote buying. This menace threatens to rubbish and imperil our democracy.

Following the introduction of the Permanent Voter Card (PVC) and the Smart Card Reader (SCR), the Nigerian politician soon exploited the challenges of the SCR as it began to age and to betray glitches. Advantage was taken of the use of the Incident Form wherever the SCR failed to authenticate voters. The use of the Incident Form was exploited and identity fraud was perpetrated to colour and influence election outcomes.

Enter the Bimodal Voter Identification System (BIVAS). This device has made the Incident Form history. It has also made toast identity fraud since the BIVAS authenticates the facials of the voter (in addition to verifying him) before he is accredited to vote. To circumvent this, the latest fad which the Nigerian politician has craftily contrived, particularly in the northern part of the country, is an alleged massive purchase of Permanent Voter Cards (PVCs) going on.

No less a person than the Director of Publicity and Education of the Northern Elders Forum (NEF), Dr Hakeem Baba-Ahmed, called attention to this sad and wicked phenomenon. According to Dr. Ahmed, the PVCs, in some cases, were being sold as little as N2,000. The Saturday

Tribune of January 14, 2023, reported how a video, which is trending in the social media, shows a politician in Borno State buying PVCs from Internally Displaced Persons (IDPS). He was allegedly buying the cards at the paltry sum of N500 each!

At first blush, some of us assumed the PVCs were being purchased and warehoused merely to perpetrate identity fraud which the BIVAS has since rendered impossible, especially with its twin capacities to verify and authenticate fingerprints and facials. Besides, the retirement of the SCR means the Incident Form will no longer be used. Alas, we are learning from those who raised the alarm that the massive purchase of these PVCs are being perpetrated in the putative or assumed strong holds of their (buyers) opponents so that voters in those enclaves are disenfranchised.

This novel, but wicked scheme, is certainly rigging by other means. If allowed to stand, or continue, it will endanger, if not make nonsense of our democracy. Its perpetrators must thus be apprehended, named, shamed and prosecuted. Rather than to merely raise roof top and shrill alarms, the Northern Elders Forum, the media and civil society organizations in the North must come out and deplore this ugly trend and massively educate voters about the dangers inherent in selling their PVCs for pittance.

It is true that not less than 133 million Nigerians, representing sixty per cent of the country's population are living in extreme poverty. It is also true that some of the dirt and desperately poor Nigerians are from the North. But these unhappy statistics do not excuse the readiness of some people to vend PVCs. Even in poverty there is dignity.

But beyond this tragedy is that most of the people who readily sell their PVCs for a pittance do not know either the value of these PVCs or the import of their selling them.

It is, therefore, the duty of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) and other stakeholders such as the media, civil society, traditional rulers, leaders of faith-based organisations, Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and the National Orientation Agency to educate the people, especially our rural folks, to appreciate the danger in which they are unwittingly putting themselves.

First, they should be told that a person who sells his PVC loses his right to vote and determine who governs him. Second, he is no longer in a position to hold his representatives, governor and president to account since he has lost the equivalent of his birthright or citizenship. Third, he cannot insist on good governance since he has been paid a niggardly sum in lieu. Fourth, and most importantly, it must be explained lucidly to him that whereas the N500 given - which cannot make a decent pot of soup even in the village - cannot pull him out of the throes of destitution. Neither can it translate into such enduring facilities as: a hospital, a tarred road, a bridge, a hospital or a school which his precious vote could have procured.

Even though the 2023 general elections are upon us, this is an enlightenment campaign that must begin in earnest. It can then be sustained after the elections. After all, even after these crucially important elections, bye and off cycle elections await. This new mendacity of purchasing PVCs must be halted in its tracks. Otherwise, it will become another monster that will imperil our democracy.

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EDITORIAL

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Road blockade by protesting truck drivers must stop

For almost four successive days, travellers on the ever-busy Zaria-Kano highway were subjected to a traumatic experience when protesting drivers of articulated trucks blocked the road over the alleged killing of one of their colleagues by a soldier. The action of the drivers led to a thick traffic gridlock on the road from Wednesday January 11 to Saturday January 14, 2023.

The unfortunate incident happened at Tashar Yari in Makarfi LGA of Kaduna State, when the victim, who was driving a cement truck, had an altercation with a soldier attached to a construction company on the road. Following an argument between the duo, which led to the shooting by the soldier that claimed the driver's life, drivers of articulated trucks in protest blocked the road completely. Motorists caught up in the gridlock spent long hours on the highway as they couldn't make a u-turn or take another route. Commercial drivers familiar with the geography of the area navigated through nearby villages into Makarfi township to escape from the heavy traffic holdup.

Aside from their insistence that the suspect must be punished, the truck drivers, it was gathered, blocked the highway in order to express their displeasure with the way security agencies treat them on Nigerian highways. This explains why all frantic efforts immediately made by the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) and representatives of the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW) to persuade the protesting drivers to reopen the road failed.

Granted that the extra-judicial killing of the unarmed truck driver by a soldier over an imprecise matter is unwarranted and deserve all condemnations in the strongest of terms, the road blockade by enraged drivers was a reaction taken too far. The decision of the truck drivers to use the blockade to demand the arrest of the suspect and justice for the victim was, indeed, an over-reaction.

The Tashar Yari incident was not the first either in Kaduna State or in other parts of the country. Security agencies have, in the past, been accused of shooting at or harassing truck drivers and other road users; exposing them to untold experiences on Nigerian highways. While the Police Public Relations Officer, Kaduna State Command, DSP Mohammed Jalige, confirmed the Tashar Yari incident and said the Commissioner of Police, Yekini Ayoku, had ordered an investigation into the matter; it is also in order that the suspected soldier involved in the killing of the driver is in military custody.

It would be recalled that in 2020, a bus driver was killed by a security agent along the Kaduna-Abuja highway, near Tafa town; a reason that prompted tanker drivers to block the road. A similar incident also happened about a year ago along the Nnamdi Azikiwe Bypass, near Amingo Junction, in Kaduna, when some security personnel chased a truck driver and shot at the vehicle's tyre, leading to another blockage of the busy road. The road was reopened only after the tyre was paid for. In December 2022, a security agent shot at the tyre of a truck carrying cement at Tureta village, about 50km from Sokoto town where other truck drivers, in solidarity again, blocked the highway and re-opened it only after the tyre was paid for.

While drivers of articulated trucks have since become notorious for blocking highways, students and labour unions sometimes also resort to the same mechanism to push for their demands. Road blockade as a means of protest is bad for the country's economy. Apart from the hardship, which many innocent travellers are subjected to each time the free flow of traffic on the highways is obstructed by protesting groups, including students and labour unions, many perishable goods worth millions of naira are destroyed during the hours or days of traffic blockade. Persons who need to use the road to access emergency medical attention at such times are at the risk of passing on. Travellers caught in the traffic gridlock are at a high risk of being attacked by criminal elements.

In place of road blockade, aggrieved road users should approach relevant law enforcement agencies or the courts to seek redress. It makes more sense for maltreated truck drivers to stop loading goods for a defined period in order, perhaps, to attract attention to their plight. While it is a right for a citizen to protest, it's also his responsibility not to infringe upon other citizens' rights. Traffic obstruction for whatever reason on the highways is equal in effect to taking laws into one's hands.

Security personnel involved in extra-judicial killings should be tried and if convicted, punished according to provisions of the law. Owners of articulated trucks used in blocking the highways should be fined heavily. Drivers of such vehicles should be denied the right to renew their driving licences at the expiration of the existing one. Unions that block highways should be de-registered.

Security personnel should know their bounds while on duty, and must therefore, desist from shooting at users of Nigerian highways. Most of the security agents who pulled the trigger at the slightest provocation lacked adequate training. The leadership of the police and military should train and educate their personnel on how to engage persons on the highways.

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The son of the governor is also the governor? LWKMD!

At the end of last week, I came across a video of one of Governor Ikpeazu's sons being transported like a governor, convoy and all to some event. He had women- his mother's age, if not his grandmother's- lining the dusty road, singing and dancing to welcome him. The MC (?) who breathlessly announced his arrival even referred to him as "His Excellency" because the "son of His Excellency is also His Excellency, yes" Kai! Na who do us this thing ooooo? See the level of stupidity? The son of the governor is also the governor? Governorship na inheritance to be passed down from father to son? Was Chinedu Ikpeazu and his siblings voted in to govern Abia State?

under fire when it was discovered - thanks to an Instagram post that she had used a government helicopter to take her 21-year-old son, Alexander, on a family vacation. Arguably, the scandal contributed to her resignation last week. It was at least one of the many missteps she made that resulted in her being forced to resign her post. Here in the US, a California National Guard top commander, Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Magram was fired after officials received reports that he asked his subordinates to run personal errands for him, including taking his mother grocery shopping and once, making an on-duty Guard member drive him to a dental appointment.

Perhaps if Lambrecht and Magram had had the 'good fortune' of being Naija rather than German and American respectively, they wouldn't have been forced to give up their jobs simply for exercising their rights as big ogas. Governor Ikpeazu isn't even being called to apologise. He is yet to acknowledge that he did anything wrong in sending his son to be the "governor's representative," with the governor's convoy. Mba. Instead, we have folks defending this nonsense behaviour, and it is business as usual. SMH. What I find ironic is that for a man who appears to talk about legacies a lot, Governor Ikpeazu seems unperturbed by the legacy he's leaving behind as the state's chief executive officer.

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As incredible as it seems, there are those who think that there is nothing wrong with the 21-year-old being treated like the governor. Some have said that he was representing his father and therefore deserved to be transported and welcomed like the governor would have. Absolute rubbish. First of all, he's not an elected official and shouldn't be representing the governor in any official capacity. Governorship no be birthright. Where was the deputy governor? The speaker of the house? The local government chairman? The majority leader of the house? The commissioner for whatever? And if Chinedu was standing in for his father in an unofficial capacity at a private event, then why all the police escorts and convoy and sirens and etc.? I even came across a post justifying the nonsense by saying that the said governor's son looked decent and modest and had a good haircut bla bla bla and after all, if you're the son of a governor, chances are that you're mixing with folks who can show you how to make money and the cars might be gifts the young man had been given and folks should stop hating on him for his good fortune. Such drivel. Tufiakwa!

You know how it works in serious countries? Government property no be private property and the son of a public official is simply that: the child of a public official. Last year, the now resigned German Minister of Defence, Christine Lambrecht came

Speaking as a concerned half Abia State indigene, let me ask: has Ikpeazu paid pensioners yet? Last I heard (in November, granted), Abia State workers hadn't been paid in thirty months and retired workers hadn't received their pensions (some since February of 2021), which led the NLC boss to warn that Abia State was fast becoming one of "Nigeria's most worker-unfriendly sub-national governments." What a shame! And don't even let me get started on the state of roads in Abia.

If the son of the governor is also the governor, perhaps, Abia State citizens should ask Chinedu Ikpeazu to fix the state instead of rolling out the red carpet for him. Abi, the miraculous transmutation from father to son only extends to enjoying the privileges of the office? Our mumu never do?

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LETTERS to the Editor

CARTOON by Mustapha Bulama



Time to tackle global warming is now

Global warming isn't a prediction; it is happening! A person denying it or unaware of it is in the most simple terms complicit. Do we have another planet to live on?

Unfortunately, we have been bestowed with this one planet only that can sustain life, yet over the years, we have turned a blind eye to the plight it is in. Global warming is not an abstract concept but a global phenomenon occurring ever so slowly even at this moment.

Global Warming is a phenomenon that is occurring every minute resulting in a gradual increase in the Earth's overall climate. Brought about by greenhouse gases that trap the solar radiation in the atmosphere, global warming can change the entire map of the earth, displacing areas, flooding many countries, and destroying

multiple life forms. Extreme weather is a direct consequence of global warming but it is not an exhaustive consequence. There are virtually limitless effects of global warming which are all harmful to life on earth.

The sea level is increasing by 0.12 inches per year worldwide. This is happening because of the melting of polar ice caps because of global warming. This has increased the frequency of floods in many lowland areas and has caused damage to coral reefs. The Arctic is one of the worst-hit areas affected by global warming. Air quality has been adversely affected and the acidity of the seawater has also increased, causing severe damage to marine life forms. Severe natural disasters are brought about by global warming which has had dire effects on life and property.

As long as mankind produces

greenhouse gases, global warming will continue to accelerate. The consequences are felt at a much smaller scale which will increase to become drastic shortly.

The power to save the day lies in the hands of human beings. There is the need to seize the day. Energy consumption should be reduced on an individual basis. Fuel-efficient cars and other electronics should be encouraged to reduce the wastage of energy sources. This will also improve air quality and reduce the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

Global warming is an evil that can only be defeated when fought together. It is better late than never. If we all take steps today, we will have a much brighter future tomorrow.

Global warming is the bane of our existence and

various policies have come up worldwide to fight it but that is not enough. The actual difference is made when we work at an individual level to fight it. Understanding its import now is crucial before it becomes an irrevocable mistake.

Exterminating global warming is of utmost importance and each one of us is as responsible for it as the next. Finding a solution to it is of immediate importance.

Global warming is a phenomenon that has to be fought together. Planting more trees can be the first step that can be taken towards warding off the severe consequences of global warming. Increasing the green cover will result in regulating the carbon cycle. There should be a shift from using nonrenewable energy to renewable energy such as wind or solar energy which causes less

pollution and thereby hinders the acceleration of global warming. Reducing energy needs at an individual level and not wasting energy in any form is the most important step to be taken against global warming.

The warning bells are tolling to awaken us from the deep slumber of complacency we have slipped into. Humans can fight against nature and it is high time we acknowledged that. With all our scientific progress and technological inventions, fighting off the negative effects of global warming is implausible. We have to remember that we do not inherit the earth from our ancestors but borrow it from our future generations and the responsibility lies on our shoulders to bequeath them a healthy planet for life to exist.

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Who has seen the new naira notes?

This is a hard time for Nigerians. We are not only grappling with worsening fuel scarcity but also the scarcity of the redesigned banknotes. Between the two economic crises, I can't say which is intolerable.

With less than ten days to the deadline given by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) for the use of the old series of N200, N500, and N1000 notes, it is distressing that the new notes seem to be relatively scarce. Worst, some commercial banks are still issuing the old

denominations over the counter and through Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) despite the CBN's threat to sanction banks over failure to issue the redesigned naira notes; and though most commercial banks have started issuing the new notes, the outflow remains largely insufficient.

From the foregoing, one might conclude that the CBN is rationing the distribution of the new naira notes. But this would be absurd as the CBN governor, Godwin Emefiele, has insisted that there will be no extension

after the January 31 deadline in the face of continuous debate on the appropriateness of the rigid timeline and pleas to either extend the deadline or allow for a flexible process that would allow the old naira notes to phase out over time. Given his insistence, Emefiele should intensify efforts to see to the mass production, distribution and circulation of the notes. Surely, rationing the distribution would only constrain circulation.

There are controversies as to whether the window given

by the apex bank is feasible. Though most Nigerians have expressed optimism that the new notes would be fully in circulation on or before next Tuesday, I dare say that such hope is bleak given the outcry in all parts of the country which speaks of frustration with the short time frame. January 31 is a very ambitious and unrealistic timeframe.

Whether the CBN is prepared for the transition from the old notes to the new ones within the stipulated period remains unclear. Though the CBN

governor has stated and restated the apex bank's readiness for the transition, the situation proves otherwise.

Have we entered 'one chance'? Most likely and most likely not. We still have five days to 31 January; let's keep our fingers crossed that the CBN will either extend the deadline or print and disburse a sufficient amount of the new notes to banks that will be enough to go around.

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Engineer Sule wants party, candidates to deliver APC

Nasarawa State Governor, Engineer Abdullahi Sule has warned party officials, chairmen of local government areas, overseers of development areas, as well as candidates of the party, against complacency but to deliver the All Progressives Congress (APC) during the February general elections.

Engineer Sule handed down the warning during a meeting involving state party executives, chairmen of local government areas, overseers of development areas, as well as candidates of the party, at the Government House.

The Governor called on those at the meeting to work for APC to emerge victorious, cautioning them not to be over confident.

The Governor further urged participants at the meeting to work together in unity of purpose and to jettison acts capable of causing disunity within the party.

Engineer Sule used the opportunity of the meeting to update the participants on the scheduled arrival of President Muhammadu Buhari to the state on February 4, as part of activities marking the nationwide campaign rally of the APC presidential candidate, Asiwaju Ahmed Bola Tinubu.

For this reason, the Governor charged the party, local government chairmen, overseers of development areas and candidates of the party, to work together towards ensuring the



■ L-R: Gov Abdullahi A. Sule, Sen Umaru Tanko Al-Makura and Dep Gov, Emmanuel Akabe at Nasarawa APC stakeholders meeting

success of the rally.

Engineer Sule explained that, it's even more imperative for the rally in Nasarawa State to succeed, being the home state of the National Chairman of the APC, Senator Abdullahi Adamu.

The Governor also used the opportunity to restate the commitment of his administration to remain law abiding, especially in honouring court judgements involving members of the party.

Engineer equally used the opportunity of the meeting to appreciate the party, campaign council, as well as flagbearers of the party, for their roles during the recently held statewide campaign rallies across the 13 local government areas of the state.

Earlier, in his welcome address, state Chairman of the APC, Chief John Mamman said the meeting was meant to strategise on how the APC will emerge victorious during next month's general elections.



■ R-L: Gov Abdullahi A. Sule, Sen. Umaru Tanko Al-Makura and Hon Mohammed Nuhu Sarki, Comm for Lands and Urban Devt when they condole with Hon. Yusuf Mada over the demise of his wife in Nasarawa Eggon

Engineer Sule visits AEDC to lodge complaint over power shortages, high tariff

Nasarawa State Governor, Engineer Abdullahi Sule, has visited the management of the Abuja Electricity Distribution Company (AEDC), to convey the complaint of consumers in Lafia, the state capital on shortage of power and high tariff being.

Engineer Sule visited the AEDC headquarters in Abuja.

According to the Governor, two major issues brought him to the AEDC head office in Abuja namely the shortage of power supply in Lafia, as well as the estimated billing system which is making consumers pay through their noses for power.

He described as really amazing that Lafia consumers now have the worst power supply even with the Akurba power substation is working, with some consumers having less than four hours power supply daily.

"We were thinking that with the Akurba substation and that we have been moved to Band A, we should be getting at least 20 hours daily. I'm a witness because I use the same power, there are some people in Lafia getting somewhere between two to three hours daily," he stated.

Engineer Sule traced the genesis of the complaints on high tariff being charged by consumers to the unavailability of meters, resulting in estimated billing.

"The problem is that because we don't have meters, we are now getting high rates. People who use to pay anywhere between 4 or 5 thousand, now pay twenty thousand. They have the worst power supply after we have the substation. They have nobody to blame than AEDC," he added.

The Governor decried a situation where consumers in Lafia could take to the streets in order to register their grudges over the power situation, stressing that his administration will do everything necessary in order to sustain the relative peace across the

state. "When the matter came to me first, I told them not to worry, that any time I am in Abuja, I will visit the AEDC. In Nasarawa so far, we have been lucky to have a peaceful state and I will do anything possible to maintain it that way. But when people become agitated and I am their servant, I will take the opportunity to go all the way to ensure that the matter is addressed," he stated.

The Governor used the opportunity of the visit to plead with the AEDC management to provide meters for consumers in the state, which will go a long way to address the issue of estimated billing.

"I want to plead with you on the meter, to see the possibility of people getting meters. That way people will pay what they consume. Which is fair in life. If you do that, the people are willing to pay for the power they consume," he said.

Engineer Sule informed the AEDC management that his administration bought over 200 transformers last year, while also spending another N500m to bring electricity to the area housing the newly constructed federal secretariat that will be commissioned next month by President Muhammadu Buhari.

He advised the company to see to the rehabilitation of the small power substation located along Shendam Road, which has been down for a long period, adding that, if rehabilitated, the substation will facilitate for the company to shed some of its load.

Managing Director/CEO of the AEDC, Engr. Adeoye Fadeyibi, immediately directed for the supply of meters to Nasarawa State starting from next week.

While thanking the Governor for the visit, he said the company will look into the issues raised during the visit.



■ President Muhammadu Buhari when he received Gov Abdullahi Sule in his office.

Engr Sule orders contractor Tilley Gyado Limited handling Gudi/Moroa road to return to site

Nasarawa State Governor, Engineer Abdullahi Sule, has ordered the contractor handling the 18km Gudi/Moroa road to return to the site in order to correct visible lapses in the execution of the project.

The contract was awarded to an indigenous contractor, Tilley Gyado & Co Nigeria Limited at an estimated cost of N1.9bn.

"They told me that it is completed.

That is the reason why I came to inspect it. But I am not happy with the quality of the finishing."

The Governor was concerned that, with the prevalence of potholes already along the road, once the rainy season sets in, sections of the road will sink, which will damage the road completely.

Engineer Sule equally expressed concern with the lack of proper

supervision by officials of the state Ministry of Works, who would have drawn the attention of the contractor on the shoddy work being executed.

He explained that, the contractor handling the project must return to site in order to repeat the second layer which has already begun to peel even before the job is handed over to the state government.

CITY & CRIME

Bandits reject 5.3m old naira notes in Kaduna, say deadline approaching

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

Some bandits have rejected a N5.3 million ransom which was paid to them with the old naira notes, saying the deadline for their usage was fast approaching.

City & Crime learnt that the leader of the bandits, who raided Azara, Janjala and Kadara communities in Kaduna State on December 12, 2022, and kidnapped 37 people, asked the relatives of the victims to

return the old naira notes when they brought them for ransom payment.

Instead, he ordered for foodstuff, drugs and wine before freeing two nursing mothers and three men among the abducted 11 people from Azara community in Kachia LGA.

A relative to one of the victims, Haruna Shuaibu, confirmed the release of the two women and three men through a telephone chat with

our reporter on Wednesday. He explained that family members and relatives of the victims raised N5.3m for the bandits, but that money was rejected by their leader when he discovered that it was in old naira notes.

He said, "Last week the families and relatives of the victims struggled to raise the ransom. And upon taking the ransom to them, their leader rejected it, saying it was in old naira notes which would soon

cease to be legal tender and ordered that the family should use the money to buy foodstuff and drugs for them."

He further said that the relatives returned with the money and bought foodstuff, hard drugs and cartons of wine before some of them were set free on Saturday.

Shuaibu added that the remaining victims were still in captivity as the bandits had insisted on collecting new naira notes from their family members.

There was no response from the spokesman of the Kaduna State Police Command over the development.

Patient, cyclist killed in crash on way to hospital

A commercial motorcycle conveying a sick passenger to the hospital crashed into a stationary truck which resulted in the death of the rider and the sick man on Wednesday in Akure, Ondo State.

The accident occurred around 6am on Airport Road opposite the residence of Chief Olu Falae at the Oba-Ile axis in Akure North LGA.

A source explained that, "The commercial motorcyclist who was coming from the Oba-Ile axis and going to Akure at full speed hit the stationary vehicle."

Another source said, "The commercial motorcyclist was one of our colleagues living in Akure. He came to pick up a brother who had been sick for some time to the hospital.

"The motorcycle did not have any light and the rider only used a torch to illuminate his vision before the accident happened,

"The commercial motorcyclist and his passenger died on the spot after hitting the truck despite the "C" caution sign and some blocks placed on the road."

SP Olufunmilayo Odunlami-Omisanya, the police command's spokesman, who confirmed the incident, said that the corpses had been deposited at the morgue of the Specialist Hospital, Akure. (NAN)

2-hour rainfall wreaks havoc in Ondo

Houses, churches, schools, hospital destroyed

From Tosin Tope, Akure

A torrential rainfall that lasted for two hours wreaked havoc in Ipogun community in Ifedore Local LGA of Ondo State where property worth millions of naira were destroyed.

The downpour, accompanied by a heavy wind, damaged several houses, shops, church buildings, electric poles and schools, including part of the community's health centre, leaving most of the residents homeless.

City & Crime gathered that a Deeper Life Bible Church in the community was worst hit as the storm destroyed the iron roofing sheet and ceiling of the building.

A victim, Ms Adeola Ajayi, said, "The rain destroyed my shop and goods. It was just too heavy as we

could not salvage anything while the pour lasted for two hours. Over 200 houses were destroyed by the rain. So, we are begging Mr Governor (Rotimi Akeredolu) and other philanthropists to assist us."

A resident, simply identified as Kolawole, said, "I was called by some residents that my father's house had been destroyed by the rain. It's painful because it blew off the rooftop; and the most annoying thing is that building materials are now expensive. I will appreciate it if the government can assist us."

The victims sent out messages to the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and the State Emergency Management (SEMA) to come to their aid.

Decrying the situation during

his assessment of the damage done, the Chairman of the All Progressives Congress (APC) in the LGA, Mr Tunde Fawoyi, called on both state and federal lawmakers representing Ifedore to urgently come to their rescue.

Reacting to the incident, the traditional ruler of the community, Adapogun of Ipogun, Oba Raphael Oluwadare Ojo, described it as the most pathetic in history and also called on relevant agencies of the state and federal governments for urgent assistance.

The incident came barely 24 hours after the Nigerian Meteorological Agency (NiMet) predicted that the country would witness normal rainfall earlier than the long-term average rainfall in 2023.



Residents outside their destroyed houses

Buhari approves boards for 3 FCTA agencies

By Hussein Yahaya

President Muhammadu Buhari has approved the constitution of the boards of three agencies in the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA).

The constituted boards, under the supervision of the FCT Minister of State, Dr Ramatu Tijjani Aliyu, are for FCT Universal Basic Education, FCT Area Council Service Commission and FCT Primary Healthcare Board.

A letter from the office of the Chief of Staff to the President indicates that the approval was sequel to a request made by Dr Ramatu in a letter dated December 21, 2022.

The 14 members appointed to oversee the activities of the FCT Universal Basic Education Board are Prof Abdullahi Mohammed as chairman and Alhassan Sule, Secretary. Others are Murtala Usman Karshi, Mohammed Angulu Loko, Adaji Usman, Hassan Musa Mohammed

and Hajija Binta Mohammed Mayana, Hajija Aisha Ibrahim Baiye, Dapo Olutekunbi, Comr Suleiman Ango, Hamidu Sarki, Hafsat Ismail, Adamu Mohammed Galadima and Ndatsu Mohammed.

Members appointed to manage the affairs of the FCT Area Council Service Commission are Audi Haruna Shekwolo as chairman and Musa Loko as administrative secretary. Others are Alhaji Usman Yahaya, Prince Suleiman Tanko Abubakar,

Yuda Pius Azana, Hajija Rakiya Ibrahim, Mrs Nike Abubakar, Malam Rajab Yabagi, Hajija Aisha Adamu, Abdullahi Galadima and Alhaji Shuaibu Umar.

While the 12 members appointed to oversee the activities of the FCT Primary Healthcare Board Sen Usman Jibril Wowo as chairman and Dr Isah Yahaya Vatsa as secretary. The others are Mrs Sarauuniya E. Erondu, Hajija Amina Idris and an FCDA director.

Panic as armed men invade Kogi community

By Tijani Labaran, Lokoja

There was fear and apprehension among the residents of Ika village in Ibaji LGA of Kogi State when strange men wielding weapons invaded the community.

City & Crime reports that Ika village shares border with Anambra West LGA, Anambra State, with its headquarters at Nzam.

A resident, Iboyi Uchola, said the strange men came into the town about two weeks ago on a Monday evening in a truck.

He said, "We saw them about two weeks ago; all carrying weapons. We don't know their mission. After a few days in our land, the group disappeared, only for them to return in the same way they entered the town earlier and disappear again."

"Since then, we have been living in fear because we don't know what their mission is."

Another source in the community said the strange men claimed they were there to checkmate herders using that flank to cross to their area in Anambra State.

But Ako Denis from Afam, a neighboring village in the area said, "the place where the group is camped is Iyugbo farm settlement

in Mmiata land of Anambra West LGA, Anambra State.

"The area is in Nzam, near Ika village. The Ika village is the one in Uje ward of Ibaji LGA.

"The Nzam people are alleged to have been told by the terrorists that they didn't come for them but for a community in Kogi State."

The president of Ibaji Youth Association, Comrade Kelvin Apeh, confirmed the invasion of the strange men, saying the youths were observing and investigating their activities.

He explained that, "The news came to us. We sent some of our members to the area to identify the true identity of the invaders and establish their mission on our land."

"Some said the invaders are members of IPOB, while others gave it to another group. We are monitoring the group and their next move."

The Kogi State Police Command confirmed the incident, saying that when they got wind of the matter they drafted their men to the area and that the situation had been brought under control.

Spokesman of the command, SP William Aya, said, "Our men have taken control of the area since last two weeks. Peace has been restored after elders and leaders of the areas were made to resolve the matter."

Uniben lecturer petitions IGP over unlawful detention

From Usman A. Bello, Benin

A lecturer with the University of Benin (Uniben), Ishaq S.D. Osagie-Eweka, has petitioned the Inspector General of Police, Usman Alkali Baba, urging him to investigate his unlawful arrest and detention by the Edo State Commissioner of Police, Muhammed Dankwara.

Osagie-Eweka, through his counsel, B. A. Iluobe, in a petition addressed to the Executive Secretary, National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), alleged that his client was arrested at a car wash in Benin City where he had gone to show a letter seeking a right for the lawful gathering of his friends.

Iluobe said that his client was invited by a friend, Osazuwa Osakpolor, to help them take a cursory look at some documents for onward transmission to the Commissioner of Police (CP), Edo State.

He said the content of the documents included a letter addressed to the CP seeking approval for lawful gathering, a copy of the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) registration document of their organisation, and a copy of the constitution of the

organisation; among others, for the CP's attention.

He further said that his client was arrested by the police on the alleged directive of the Commissioner of Police, taken to his house where they ransacked everywhere and later paraded him before the media.

He noted that the action of the Commissioner of Police violated the fundamental human rights of his client.

The petition reads in part: "If no element linking our client and others to criminality was recovered from our client's residence, what is the rationale for his arrest, unlawful detention; parade before the press and subsequent charge before the law court?"

"The Nigerian Police Force is by this petition given 48 hours from the date of the receipt of this petition to address the abusive and unprofessional conducts of CP Mohammed Adamu Dankwara on the person of our client or face legal action."

When contacted, the Edo state police command's spokesperson, said he was not aware of the petition but promised to get back to our reporter.

Court remands man over possession of 29 PVCs in Kano

From Salim Umar Ibrahim, Kano

A magistrates' court at the Gyadi-Gyadi area of Kano metropolis has remanded a 45-year-old man, Tasiu Abdullahi Hayin Hago, over illegal possession of 29 Permanent Voter's Cards (PVCs).

Hayin Hago was arrested by the police following a report from community members after he was sighted with PVCs last week.

The magistrate, Mustapha Datti Bail, remanded the suspect in a correctional facility and adjourned the case to January 31.

Murdered reverend father's aide invited kidnappers – Edo CP

From Usman A. Bello, Benin

The Edo State Commissioner of Police, Muhammed Dankwara, has disclosed that the command has arrested the killer of Rev Father Christopher Ordia who was kidnapped and killed by his abductors in June, last year in Ikabigbo community in Etsako West LGA.

The CP said the command

also arrested three suspects who participated in the kidnapping of 20 passengers waiting for a train at the Igbuen station.

The commissioner disclosed this yesterday in Benin while parading 134 suspects arrested for various crimes across the state.

He said, "We have arrested one of the killers of the reverend father who was

kidnapped in Edo last year. He happens to be one of his aides. The kidnappers planned with him; he is with us and we are on the trail of others.

"We have arrested high profile suspects and other suspects that are with us. Yesterday (Tuesday) we arrested additional three suspects that participated in the Igbuen train attack."



Scavengers at the scene of a burnt vehicle at Galadimawa roundabout in Abuja on Tuesday Photo: Onyekachukwu Obi

Man beats girlfriend to death in Bayelsa

From Bassey Willie, Yenagoa

A man said to be in his 30s identified as Arepanowei Koru in Ogobiri community in Sagbama LGA of Bayelsa State has beaten his 22-year-old girlfriend, Toma

Serve-God Angolo, to death.

The two lovers were said to be cohabiting in the man's community before the incident occurred on Tuesday.

Residents told City & Crime that two lovers had been staying together

without any quarrel before a minor disagreement on Tuesday that led to the fatal fight.

Police spokesman in Bayelsa State, SP Asininim Butswat, confirmed the incident, saying the suspect had been arrested.

Kano man sentenced to 20 years for attempted murder

From Salim Umar Ibrahim, Kano

A Kano High Court has sentenced a 20-year-old man, Bashir Yahaya, to 20 years in prison for attempted murder. Yahaya, resident of Kabuga Quarters in Kano, was convicted for gross indecency, causing grievous hurt and an attempt to commit culpable homicide.

Justice Suleiman Baba-Namallam held that the prosecution proved its case beyond reasonable doubt and therefore sentenced Yahaya to three years with an option of a fine of N20,000 for gross indecency; seven years with a fine option

of N30,000 for causing grievous hurt; and 10 years for attempted murder which will run concurrently.

Earlier, the prosecutor, Zahraddeen Kofar-Mata, told the court that the suspect committed the offences on May 12, 2019, at Tal'udu Quarters in Kano after he was sent by his employer to give his staff, Aisha Kabir, food for Iftar at Orbit Dental Clinic, Tal'udu Quarters, Kano.

He said, "After giving her the food, the victim begged the accused to switch on the generator set because there was

no electricity, but instead the accused grabbed the victim's breast, threatened her and held her hostage using a sharp knife. He inflicted a deep cut on her throat and collected her phone."

The prosecutor further said that the victim was later found by one Zayyanu Abdulhamid in the pool of her blood and was rushed to the Murtala Muhammed Specialist Hospital, Kano.

The defence counsel, I. I. Abubakar, told the court that the defendant was a first-time offender and prayed the court to temper justice with mercy.

Man arraigned over theft of 118 bags of cement

From Raphael Ogbonnaie, Ado-Ekiti

A 27-year-old man, Peter Hassan, has been arraigned before a magistrates' court in Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State, for stealing 118 bags of cement and iron rods.

The prosecutor, Inspector Caleb Leramo, told the court that the suspect stole 118 bags of cement worth N472,000; 12 iron rods worth N420,000 and eight

pieces of Y16 iron worth N64,000, property of one Ayodele Abe.

Counsel to the defendant, Olawumi Omolafe, urged the court to grant him bail in liberal terms, promising that he would not jump bail.

The Magistrate, Mr Saka Afunso, granted bail of N50,000 to the defendant with one surety in like sum and adjourned the case to February 21.

Guard jailed 3 months for stealing drums from church

An area court in Gwagwalada in the FCT has sentenced a 22-year-old security guard, Ibrahim Abdullahi, to three months in prison for stealing drums and other musical instruments from the House of Truth Church in Kuje Area Council.

The police charged Abdullahi with criminal trespass, mischief and theft, which he pleaded guilty to. The Judge, Malam Abdullahi Abdulkarim, convicted Abdullahi of criminal trespass and theft, while the offence of mischief was dismissed.

Abdulkarim gave him an option to pay a fine of N10,000 for the offence of criminal trespass or in

default should serve a jail term of one month. For the offence of theft he gave him an option to pay a fine of N20,000 or in default should serve a jail term of two months.

The judge also granted the application of the prosecutor, Abdullahi Tanko, that the convict should pay a compensation of N400,000 to the nominal complainant being the value of the property.

Earlier, Tanko, told the court that the defendant broke into the church and stole one speaker, six microphones, two microphone receivers, one drum seat, plugs and cables, all valued at N400,000. (NAN)

QUICK READ

10,000-capacity Kwara IDP camp lacks amenities – Coordinator

Hajia Jumai Ahmed, the North Central Zonal Coordinator of the National Commission for Refugees, Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons, has disclosed that the 10,000-capacity IDP camp in Kwara State lacks basic amenities.

NAN reports that the camp is located in Patigi, headquarters of Patigi LGA.

The official disclosed this on Wednesday in an interview.

She, therefore, called on the state government to equip the camp so that IDPs from Kwara could be well accommodated.

Fire guts bakery in Ibadan

Property worth millions of naira were destroyed on Wednesday in a fire incident that affected the stores of a bakery in Ibadan, Oyo State.

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that the fire started at about 2am, affecting the store of Yale 9 Foods Company in Oluwole Estate.

The Operational Manager of the Federal Fire Service, Oyo State, Mr Adeoye Nasir, told NAN that the fire was "massive" as firefighters battled to bring it under control.

IGP commissions new police division in Abuja

By Abubakar Sadiq Isah

The Inspector General of Police (IGP), Usman Alkali Baba, on Tuesday, commissioned the new Mabushi Divisional Police Headquarters in Abuja.

City & Crime learnt that the new station was built and donated by Stallion Property and Development Limited as part of the company's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).

Baba, who was represented by the Assistant Inspector General of Police (AIG) Zone 7, Kayode Egbetokun, appreciated the company for donating the edifice to the police.

The IG described the donation as a benevolent gesture, which he noted was highly worthy of emulation by all and sundry.

Also speaking, the FCT Commissioner of Police, Sadiq Idris Abubakar, enjoined the officers to put the building into proper use, especially in ensuring that crime and criminality were brought to the barest minimum in the area.

BUSINESS

CBN EXCHANGE RATES

	US DOLLAR	Pound STERLING	EURO	YUAN/ RENMINBI	RIYAL	CFA
Buying	446.13	540.04	473.34	63.94	118.5	0.70
Central NGN	446.63	540.64	473.87	64.01	118.7	0.71
Selling NGN	447.13	541.25	473.40	65.08	118.8	0.72

COMMODITIES PRICE (December 28, 2022)

CRUDE OIL BRENT	\$82.15/bbl
GOLD	\$1,799.07/ounce
SILVER	\$19.39/ounce
NATURAL GAS	\$4.63/MMBtu

BUREAU DE CHANGE RATES

	Dollar	Euro	Pound S.
BUYING	N733	N745	N915
SELLING	N743	N760	N930

By Philip Shimnom Clement

The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), in conjunction with the Nigeria Inter Bank Settlement Systems (NIBSS) Plc, the Bankers Committee and other financial ecosystem stakeholders, will today launch the National Domestic Card Scheme.

The scheme is tailored to address the specific requirements of Nigeria's payment industry and provide innovative offerings tailored to the Nigerian market and beyond.

The scheme, according to the CBN, will transform the domestic and African payment landscape through the promotion of innovation in the payment, enhancement of interoperability domestically and internationally and improvement in the suite of products and solutions offerings by banks and other financial institutions such as debit, credit, virtual, loyalty and tokenised cards.

The CBN said, "The National Domestic Card set to be delivered to over 200 million Nigerians offers unique value propositions through enhanced data sovereignty and transaction security, better pricing opportunities, reduced demand for FX, enhanced financial access and support of the growth of a robust and inclusive digital economy, amongst others."

The brand launch of the new Domestic Card Scheme will take place on Thursday, January 26, at a virtual event that will be graced by critical stakeholders in the financial ecosystem such as the Governor of the CBN, Deputy Governors of the CBN, the Director General, Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and Managing Director of the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation.

"The launch presents a new dawn in the Nigerian payment ecosystem and unveils the unique opportunities presented by the Nigerian retail landscape,

CBN, NIBSS to launch domestic card scheme today

● It will boost data sovereignty, financial inclusion – Expert



charting the future of the payment landscape as the first Domestic Card Scheme to be launched on the African continent," the CBN said in a statement.

Reacting to the development, an economist and CEO of Global Analytics Consulting, Dr Tope Fasua, said the domestic scheme would bring data sovereignty to Nigeria and also aid some monetary policies of the CBN.

He said, "Nigerians did about \$18.2 billion of card transactions in 2021. Most, if not all of the debit cards in our system today, are issued by the global behemoths, Mastercard and Visa. Procuring those cards costs customers quite some money and so does maintaining them.

"The first idea about the scheme is that it offers data sovereignty. Apart from data sovereignty being enhanced with a Nigerian card, we would not have to scramble all over the place searching for dollars to settle foreign card companies."

Fasua added that the card would also help some decisions of the monetary policy committee of the CBN and some policies of the federal government.

He further said, "This domestic card therefore will help with some of the current policies on monetary policy, such as the currency redesign and cashless policy. Our society must change, and we must lumber less and less cash around. We know that criminals, kidnappers, bandits, and corrupt folks in public and private sectors like to use only cash.

"These cards could also be issued for government schemes, for example if the government wants to help people financially they needn't chase people around with cash which is usually unaccounted for. It will be hard to convince the foreign companies that help issue cards here to modify cards for that purpose."

Citing examples on what other foreign countries have done with

the Domestic Card Scheme, Fasua notes that Nigeria can also tap from the potential to transform its financial services system.

He said, "China and India have successful domestic cards which are crowding out Visa and Mastercard

"The Rupay (India) which was started in the year 2012 now does over \$30 billion in yearly transaction turnover.

"UnionPay ranked first by number of cards in circulation worldwide as at the end of 2021 with 9.4bn, compared with Visa at 3.7bn and Mastercard 2.5bn. Though information is scarce around China, the UnionPay card did a transaction of \$7.5trn in 2015 alone. Transactions are propelled by the rising middle class in China,"

Fasua, therefore, urged the federal government and other stakeholders to support the initiative so as to achieve its target and compete globally.

Used vehicles import crashes 40% with customs' valuation scheme

From Eugene Agha, Lagos

Importation of used vehicles dropped by 40 per cent in 2022 following the implementation of the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) valuation system by the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS).

In February, 2022, there was a disruption in commercial activities at the Tin-Can Island Port, Lagos, as freight forwarders protested the implementation of the VIN by customs. The service then suspended the implementation of the scheme.

The importers were then given a grace period to clear the backlog of vehicles grounded during the protest.

Speaking at a press conference to review the activities of the Port and Terminal Multipurpose Limited (PTML), acting Assistant Comptroller General of Customs (ACG), Suleman Bomo, explained that importation of used vehicles through the terminal dropped by 40 per cent because of government trade policies such as VIN.

He said revenue of the command dropped especially from the PTML terminal where most vehicles were imported.

Bomo further said that despite this, the command was able to collect N229.5bn revenue from the importation of vehicles from January to December, 2022.

According to him, the achievement was made through dialogue and engagement with clearing agents and their importers.

He explained that, "The figure is a 96 per cent revenue target of N238.3bn set for the command in the review period. The revenue collected is N5bn higher than the N224.5bn revenue collected in the corresponding period of 2021."

He added that in the year under review, about 80 per cent of the cargo handled in the terminal were vehicles, noting that six suspects were arrested in connection with seizures and had been granted administrative bail.

Buhari welcomes \$538.05m agric intervention funds in Africa

By Muideen Olaniyi

President Muhammadu Buhari has welcomed the provision of \$538.05 million by the African Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development for the first phase of the Special Agro-Industrial Processing Zones (SAPZ) for Nigeria programme.

The President spoke on Wednesday in Dakar, Senegal, while delivering his goodwill message at the Feed Africa Summit of Heads of State and Government, according to a statement released by his

spokesman, Femi Adesina.

The President, who lauded the efforts of the African Development Bank (AfDB) to launch SAPZ, recalled that he had launched the scheme in Nigeria in October 2022.

"I am pleased with the partnership approach used for Nigeria by the multilateral financing institutions, with the AfDB providing \$210 million, the Islamic Development Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development providing \$310m, and the government of Nigeria providing \$18.05m.

"The Special Agro-Industrial

Processing Zones are game changers for the structural transformation of the agricultural sector."

Buhari called on African leaders to demonstrate political will and re-commit themselves to transformation of agriculture in the continent.

He said the Russia-Ukraine conflict that had driven up food prices, especially for basic staples such as wheat and maize.

"Feeding Africa is an imperative. We must ensure that we feed ourselves today, tomorrow, and well into the future. The starting point is to raise agricultural productivity.

This requires the access of farmers to quality farm inputs, especially improved seeds, fertilizers and mechanization.

"To succeed, we must strongly support farmers. There is no doubt that we need to subsidize our farmers, but we must do so in ways that are transparent, remove rent seeking behaviour and effectively deliver support to farmers.

"As leaders, let us decisively ensure that we meet the 10% allocation of our budgets to agriculture as agreed in the Malabo Declaration of the African Heads of State and Government," he said.

NEWS

FG vows to forestall strikes at airports

By Muideen Olaniyi & Abullateef Aliyu (Lagos)

● Operators seek more handlers

The federal government has said it will not allow a repeat of Monday's strike by aviation unions which grounded activities at key international airports in Abuja and Lagos.

The Minister of Aviation, Senator Hadi Sirika, said this on Wednesday while fielding questions after the Federal Executive Council (FEC) meeting presided over by Vice President Yemi Osinbajo.

The minister said such action was not permitted in the provisions of the

Federal Airport Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) Act.

Sirika said: "First, we apologise to them, our teeming passengers in this difficult moment. Secondly, this will not happen in the future by the grace of God. And the reason is simple, aviation is an essential service, the Act has been assented to by Mr. President, so strikes and riots around our airports are prohibited by the laws of the land."

On Monday, thousands of passengers were stranded nationwide especially at the the Murtala Muhammed International Airport (MMIA), Lagos and

the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (NAIA), Abuja, following the strike by aviation unions protesting poor remuneration by the Nigerian Aviation Handling Company (NAHCO).

NAHCO handles many foreign and local airlines including Virgin Nigeria, Ethiopian Airlines, Qatar Airways, Royal Air Maroc, among others and the local level, it handles Air Peace, Azman, United Nigeria, Dana Airlines, among others.

To forestall this also, the Managing Director of Aero Contractors, Captain Ado Sanusi, has called on the Nigerian

Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) to licence more ground handler businesses to break the seeming monopoly of the two handling companies.

Sanusi said: "If NAHCO is found guilty of not issuing a NOTAM telling the authorities there is an impending strike in five days there are ways to sanction them, fine them; make them pay for losses and even suspend their licences.

"You can equally identify the people responsible and make them accountable, we have to be accountable for our actions."

Sanusi insisted the two handling companies have become a monopoly and they should be broken.

Buhari to commission Darma rice mill in Katsina today

By Simon Echewofun Sunday

President Muhammad Buhari is expected to commission the Darma Rice Mill in Katsina on Thursday, a statement from the management of the new company said yesterday.

The company is owned by business mogul Alhaji Dahiru Barau Mangal. The mill which is ready for commissioning is fully automated with the most modern and advanced state of the art rice milling machineries that will produce highest grade quality rice of international standard.

Darma Rice Mill has the output capacity of producing 120 tonnes per day equivalent to 250,000 metric tonnes per annum.

The factory has among other things an inbuilt 3.2

megawatts captive power plant which is powered by rice husk with an electrostatic precipitator to provide the most minimal environmental impact which is first of its kind in the Nigerian rice mills.

It is also estimated that the project will create over 100,000 direct and indirect jobs which will help in alleviating unemployment, boost economic activities and above all contribute its quoter towards making Nigeria self-sufficient in rice production pursuant to President Buhari's mantra of "grow what we eat and eat what we grow"

It is believed that with the establishment of Darma Rice Mill in Katsina the factory will produce rice that will compete with any global rice mill in the in terms of quality and hygiene.



■ From left: Chairman, BUA Group, Abdul Samad Rabiu, and Regional Vice President for Africa, International Finance Corporation (IFC), Sérgio Pimenta, during a working visit of the IFC to BUA Cement headquarters in Lagos, yesterday

NARTO lauds Buhari's move on fuel scarcity, NNPC retail

By Linda Ifeachor

The National President of the Nigerian Association of Road Transport Owners (NARTO), Alhaji Yusuf Othman, has lauded President Muhammadu Buhari for chairing a 14-man committee to manage petroleum product supply.

Othman, who addressed journalists on Wednesday, also said NNPC Ltd. retail outlets are making crucial efforts

to address the scarcity of petrol.

Daily Trust reports that petrol scarcity has worsened in Abuja, Lagos and other states, with black marketers selling for N500/litre while the few stations operating sold for between N190/l and N350/l on Wednesday.

He said there was distortion in the reports on the shortfall of products by people who blamed NNPC Ltd retail outlets for the scarcity.

Othman, however, said

the NNPC outlets sold petrol at official rates.

"As far as we are concerned, the NNPC retailer is the largest retail outlet in the country. As of today, it is the only marketing company that sells fuel at the same price everywhere in the country.

"The same price in Lagos, same price in Abuja. So you will see some envy among other marketers, and from experience, personally my own company has

been working with NNPC retail in the last 15 years. I know their pedigree and their capacity," he said.

The NARTO head warned transporters to stop activities that could sabotage the federal government's efforts, especially illegal bunkering, smuggling and diversion of petroleum products.

He also lamented how the increased cost of diesel is affecting truck owners and the haulage of goods.

Cadbury's doubles profit to N946m in 2022

By Vincent Nwanma

Cadbury Nigeria Plc has reported a 110 per cent increase in net profit for the full year ended December 31, 2022, reaching N946.09 million.

In a statement released to the Nigeria Exchange Limited on Wednesday, the confectionary company said the profit rose from N44.71m in 2021 while profit before tax increased by 23% to N1.35bn, from N1.1bn.

The gross profit rose by 20% to N7.765bn, from N6.487bn as revenue rose by 30% to N55.21bn, up from N42.37bn.

Basic earnings per share rose to N50.37 from N23.94 in the previous year.

The full-year

performance was despite a Q4 comprehensive loss of N1.87b, more than double the loss of N682.87m in the same period in 2021.

This result is "impressive," said Chinenyem Anyanwu, Chief Executive Officer of Dependable Securities, a brokerage firm and Dealing Member of the NGX. Although the results are unaudited, he said investors who have eyes on dividends can buy the stock. "A company cannot declare a dividend on an unaudited result, but the company cannot pay less than the 50k per share it paid last year," he said.

Cadbury lost 25 kobo or 2.07% to close at N11.85 at the end of trading in Lagos on Wednesday.

NNPC commissions gas facility in Lagos

From Jide Olasunkanmi, Lagos

years and they remain one of our biggest partners."

The Managing Director, NNPC Gas Marketing Limited (NGML), Mr Justin Ezeala, has commissioned an operation facility at its gas distribution office in Ikeja, Lagos.

The facility was built on 460sqm out of the available 700sqm land of the distribution centre of the corporation on Monday.

Ezeala lauded the company for delivering. "Tilt Energy has exhibited giant efforts in construction and other areas of engagement. We have worked together for

Speaking on the project's execution, the Managing Director of Tilt Energy Company Limited, Mr Deji Awodiji, said the project was designed and constructed within a one-year time frame.

"We started in December 2021 and completed it in December 2022, while holding the commissioning today," he said.

The NIPCO Gas team led by its MD, Mr Najendra Verma, and other key stakeholders, witnessed the commissioning of the gas facility.

Chamber to host maiden solid mineral fair

By Faruk Shuaibu

The Nigeria-Israeli Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture has disclosed plans to hold the maiden solid minerals trade fair in the country.

In a statement yesterday, the chamber stated that the fair, with the theme "The Role of Organized Private

Sector In Achieving Sustainable And Inclusive Economic Growth and Development Through Solid Minerals," was organised to seek ways to develop all Nigeria's natural and human resources.

The statement said: "The event which will start from January 26 to 28, will have the presence of ALGON

with its members, on the understanding that all the mineral resources in the country are domiciled in one local government or the other.

"Nasarawa State, which is the Home of Solid Minerals, has got the blessing of the Executive Governor, Engr. Abdullahi Sule, that the state will be at the fair and all 36 governors and

FCT Abuja for the fair."

The statement, signed by the chamber's national president, Alhaji Sule Iddo, said the overall interest of the fair is to create an awareness of the abundant mineral resources in the country and "to put in place the necessary framework in line with international best practices to promote mining in Nigeria."

GOLDEN HARVEST

COMMODITY INDEX

Commodity	Kano (Dawanau mkt)	Yanbuhu Mkt, Jos	Dandum Mkt (Katsi)	Idah, Mkt, Kaduna	Bwari. Mkt, Abuja	Kumo Hatti Mkt (Gombe)
Maize (100kg)	₦22,000	₦22,000	₦21,500	₦18,000	₦22,500	₦21,000
Beans (100kg)	₦42,500	₦37,000	₦41,000	₦41,000	₦45,000	₦42,000
Sorghum (100kg)	₦20,000	₦35,000	₦21,000	₦22,000	₦25,500	₦23,000
Rice Paddy (100kg)	₦23,000	₦30,000	₦23,500	₦21,000	₦22,000	₦22,500
Millet (100kg)	₦22,500	₦26,000	₦23,000	₦25,000	₦27,000	₦23,500
Wheat (100kg)	₦43,000	₦68,000	₦45,000	₦44,000	₦48,000	₦44,000
Soybeans (100kg)	₦44,000	₦36,000	₦44,000	₦40,000	—	₦44,000

Quote

"When President Buhari started his government, he says Nigeria must grow what they eat and they should eat what they grow. We are happy that Lagos is the testament for that. With 2.8 million bags of 50kg rice per annum, Lagos is ready to support rice and food revolution in Nigeria"

— Governor Sanwo-Olu at the commissioning of Imota Rice Mills in Lagos

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From Ali Rabi Ali (Dutse) & Vincent A. Yusuf (Abuja)

Research cuts dates fruits maturity from 70 to 3 years

• More farmers go into production

If you want to set up a date palm plantation, you now have next to nothing to worry about as researchers have reduced the gestation period from 70 years to 36 months.

It used to take between 60 and 70 years for a farmer to harvest date fruits from a plantation.

This fueled the common myth that a person who plants date palm trees usually dies before they start producing fruits.

This myth had discouraged many farmers from undertaking any meaningful venture in the production of the fruit, despite the expanding global dates' economy.

With the increasing consumption of the fruit among Europeans, many production belts are stepping up its cultivation.

In Nigeria, the northern states have the potential for massive production, and for states like Jigawa and Bauchi, the fruits play key role in their socio-economic development.

On the date palm producing belt in the country, information from the Nigerian Institute of Oil Palm Research (NIFOR) indicates that double harvesting, and high yields of fruiting were also recorded in the country in Kano, Jigawa, Kaduna, Katsina, Sokoto, Kebbi, Zamfara, Gombe, Borno, Yobe, Bauchi, Adamawa and some parts of Taraba States.

Already, the varieties produced in Nigeria take the lead in the West African sub-regional market.

To boost domestic production, the federal government has mandated the NIFOR to embark on the genetic improvement of date palm.

Dr Abdul-Hamid Hamza Muhammad, who is the Head of NIFOR substation in Dutse, Jigawa State, said the institute had done good research on date palm breeding and its products including how to improve the agronomy of the crop, value addition and marketing.



■ Dr Muhammad explaining the current research effort

He stated that research helped to break the myth by reducing the gestation period from more than half a century down to less than 40 months before the trees start flowering for fruits.

How to set up a plantation

For anyone that wants to set up a plantation, Dr Abdul-Hamid Hamza advised that the date palm should be planted at the onset of the rainy season.

"A hectare can contain 204 seedlings planted at 7x7m triangular spacing. Each hybrid seedling will, however, cost the farmer an average of ₦400 at the institute."

The breeder said if all other best agronomic practices are properly

adopted, a farmer can reap or harvest up to nine metric tons per hectare.

The researcher explained that there was a need to step up the sensitization of farmers to properly handle modern date palm plantations, particularly with regard to fertiliser, watering, and other agronomic practices.

The good news for many intending dates' farmers is that, just like the achievement made in the oil palm research, the institute has recorded a milestone in date palm breeding that allows the dates to start fruiting three years after planting.

However, a farmer should expect optimum yield or production from seven years, the expert stated.

There are two seasons for dates' production in the northern belts. The rainy season starts flowering around September/October and becomes ready for harvesting around February/ March, while the second season starts flowering around January/February and becomes ready for harvesting around June/July.

With regard to diseases, Dr Abdul-Hamid said there are few date palm diseases, adding that in extreme cases, chemical spray will be needed to control such attack.

"In such situations, farmers can contact the institute for advice and guidance," he stated.

Sweet income

For most of the communities in the production area of Jigawa, date fruits play a significant role in their economic growth and development.

Dr Abdul-Hamid said some of the farmers around Dutse, the state capital, use date trees as their annual income source, adding that "if you have a tree of dates, you will surely get ₦30,000 to ₦40,000 during its harvest"

According to him, "if you have a hectare of date plantation, at least it will contain a hundred trees, which can potentially fetch a farmer over ₦2 million annually during harvest."

He said the dates business generates internal revenue for the Jigawa State government through tax, and improves the socio-economic standard of the people of the state.

Muhammad stated that the livelihood of the people is usually improved through date farming in the state.

As the dates fruit harvesting is already approaching, the farmers are excited in the hope that this year's harvest will double that of previous ones.



■ One variety of date palm

Malam Habibu Yunusa, from Hausawa community in Dutse LGA, said date trees have changed his status economically, adding that "every year, I sell date fruits of over ₦200,000 and use the money to do other business that sustains my income till another harvest period."

Another businessman, Garba Abdullahi, said dates business is what he has been into since adulthood.

"I made a lot of money; I built a house, married, had kids and, fed my family and other relatives," he said.

Most of the marketers in the areas used to supply dates fruits to the South West, South South and other parts of the country.

The dates farming and business has a history that is deeply rooted in religious importance across the globe.



■ Dates on sale



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Probe killing of Niger priest, Senate tells security agencies

By Abdullateef Salau & Abbas Jimoh

The Senate yesterday urged the police and other security agencies to carry out a comprehensive investigation into the killing of Rev. Father Isaac Achi, the Parish Priest of Saint Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Paikoro, Niger State.

This followed a motion by Senator Sani Musa (APC, Niger), who drew the attention of his colleagues to the gruesome

murder of the priest burnt to death by bandits in the early hours of January 15 at his residence.

The assailants burnt down the building when they could not access where the priest was and the second priest assigned to the parish was shot several times as he tried to escape and he is now hospitalised.

Achi had survived multiple attacks.

He was once abducted in Madalla, Niger State and spent days in captivity until his church members raised some ransom

before he regained his freedom.

In another attack in Madalla, the priest was shot when he went to bless a child during a naming ceremony.

He was also a victim of the Christmas Day bombing at Saint Theresa's Catholic Church Madalla that caught global attention where a Boko Haram bomber had struck around the church leading to the death of 44 persons.

"Achi's death comes with a spread of violence in Nigeria in which hundreds of innocent Nigerians had been killed or kidnapped by

Boko Haram and other terrorists," said Senator Musa.

Contributing, Sen. Istifanus Gyang (PDP-Plateau) said his killing invoked so much empathy and showed the consequences of the insecurity ravaging the country.

The lawmakers condoled the family of the deceased and observed a minute silence in his honour.

They also urged the National Emergency Management Agency to urgently carry out reconstruction work on the

residence of the late priest that was raised down.

Meanwhile, the Department of Church and Society (DCS) of the Catholic Secretariat of Nigeria (CSN) yesterday protested the killing of the cleric.

The Director, Department of Church and Society and Executive Director/CEO, Caritas Nigeria, Revd. Fr. Uchekukwu Obodochina, at a media briefing in Abuja, said the targeting of Christian priests had made Christians in Nigeria endangered species.

FEC okays N10bn for Hadejia airstrip, airport control tower, others

● Approves national child online protection policy

By Muideen Olaniyi

The Federal Executive Council yesterday approved over N10bn for projects in the aviation sector.

The Minister of Aviation, Hadi Sirika, said the projects included the contract awarded to Messrs CCECC for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the Hadejia airstrip in Jigawa State at the sum of N7,482,071,196.56 for a period of 18 months.

He said council also approved the construction of control tower and technical building in Enugu, awarded to Messrs Mascot Associates Limited at the sum of N1,973,606,141.75.

Sirika said the third contract approved for the aviation was the procurement of utility vehicles to Messrs Kaura Motors at N625,500,000.

The Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Isa Pantami, said the council approved three memos on National Duct One Policy, National Child Online Protection Policy and Strategy and Nigeria Data Protection Bill.

He said the National Duct One Policy was meant to institutionalise provision of ducts during construction in Nigeria at federal, state and local government.

He said with the approval, by implication, during road construction, bridges, rail lines, seaports, stadium and all other important buildings, "provision must be made for ducts, where at least any wire or any gadget for electricity or telecommunications or any service that is required will make use of that facility and lay their cables."

He said the National Child Online Protection

Policy and Strategy was meant to protect children from online content that could corrupt their innocence.

On the National Cybersecurity Policy 2021, Pantami said there was a provision in which the Nigerian Communications Commission had been mandated to come up with a policy to protect our children while online, adding that "This policy has also been approved."

Pantami said the Nigeria Data Protection Bill was meant to ensure the privacy and confidentiality of citizens data submitted to government and other private institutions.

The Minister of Information and Culture, Lai Mohammed, said the FEC approved the revised estimated total cost of contract of rehabilitation for the construction of Mayan, Nashungo, lizelle Katayo, SEC, Abule Egba, Oju Ajila road in Benue state.

He said the original contract put at N1,035,000,000 had now been augmented with an additional N1,063,000,000, taking the total sum to N2,099,708,1004.46.

Mohammed said the N2.72bn March 2019 contract awarded for the provision of a solar power to power the headquarters of the ministry of works and housing in Mabushi, Abuja had been augmented with N309 million to bring the total cost to N3 billion.

He said the review of the contract that took the ministry's headquarters away from national grid was necessitated by works not originally anticipated, adding that augmentation included maintenance contract of the installation.

90% of health research in Nigeria donor-funded, says NIMR

By Ojoma Akor

Almost 90 percent of medical research in Nigeria is funded by donors, Director-General, Nigerian Institute of Medical Research (NIMR), Babatunde Salako, has said.

He stated this yesterday in Abuja during a meeting organised by the organisation in collaboration with the

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

He said health research is still poorly funded in Nigeria, stressing the need to establish direct funding for health research in Nigeria via a dedicated Medical Research Council.

He called for an amendment to the NIMR Act back to its original vision as the Medical Research Council as it was called in 1958.

Chairman, Senate Committee on Healthcare Services, Yusuf Tanko Sununu, said the National Assembly was working towards improving funding for research in the country.

He said the research grant of NIMR had grown from less than \$200, 000 to \$6m as of last October following recommendations on need for improvement during oversight.



■ From left: Executive Vice Chairman, Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC), Prof. Umar Dambatta; Minister of State for Works and Housing, Mr Ibrahim Yakubu; Chairman/Founder, Mafab Communications, Dr Musbahu Bashir and Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Prof. Isa Pantami, at the launch of Mafab 5G Network, in Abuja

Photo: NAN

Nigeria inches towards full 5G coverage with Mafab network launch

By Zakariyya Adaramola

With the launch of Mafab Telecommunications network in Abuja on Tuesday and its launch in Lagos today, Nigeria is moving closer to full Fifth Generation (5G) telecom network coverage across the country.

Mafab joined MTN Nigeria which had earlier rolled out its 5G network in August 2022 with over 600 sites in the country. The South African telecom operator was the first

telecommunication provider in Nigeria to do so in the country.

Airtel Nigeria may launch its network later in the year as it had also secured a 5G spectrum licence.

President Muhammadu Buhari had, on January 25, 2022, launched the National 5G Policy for Nigeria's digital economy.

The 5G network provides a greater speed in the transmissions, a lower latency and therefore greater capacity of remote execution. It also serves a greater number of

connected devices and the possibility of implementing virtual networks (network slicing), providing more adjusted connectivity to concrete needs.

All this will enable telecom operators in the country to deliver the right level of effective digital solutions to power Nigeria's economic growth.

At the moment, less than 2% of mobile phone connections in Sub-Saharan Africa are on 5G, and some telecom experts said this number is not likely to grow this year. But a report by

Ericsson said it is likely to reach 7% in 2026.

With their 5G rollout, MTN and Mafab might have given Nigeria an edge over South Africa and Kenya in the 5G race in Africa. Both operators are expected to increase the number of their 5G sites to over 1000 this year.

This will make the latest telecom technology ubiquitous in the country. Their 5G network launch will also assist the Federal Government to achieve its 70% broadband internet penetration target by 2025.



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BRIEF PROJECTS DESCRIPTION:

- (1) Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plan (ARAP) for proposed Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Yola Town Municipal Water Supply Schemes
- (2) Proposed Drilling of Solar powered Boreholes in Yola South, Song, Shellenge, Numan, Mayo Belwa, Mubi South, Mubi North, Maiha, Michika, Hong, Guyuk, Gombi, Ganye, Madagali, LGAs
- (3) Proposed Construction & Rehabilitation of Hand pump Boreholes Yola South, Song, Shellenge, Numan, Mayo Belwa, Mubi South, Mubi North, Maiha, Michika, Hong, Guyuk, Gombi, Ganye, Madagali LGAs
- (4) Proposed Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Municipal Water Supply Schemes in Yola South, Shellenge, Numan, Ganye, Mubi South LGAs.

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#### **BRIEF PROJECTS DESCRIPTION:**

- (1) Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plan (ARAP) for proposed Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Ganye Small-Town Water Scheme
- (2) Proposed Rehabilitation of Primary Healthcare Centers in Numan, Mubi North, Gombi, Yola South, Song, Maiha, Michika, Gombi LGAs.
- (3) Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Bazza Small-Town Water Schemes
- (4) Proposed Construction of VIP Toilets in Maiha, Hong, Madagali, Fufore, Mubi North, Mubi South, Maiha, Michika, Gombi, Ganye LGAs.

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BRIEF PROJECTS DESCRIPTION:

- (1) Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plan (ARAP) for proposed Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Mubi Township Water Scheme
- (2) Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Hildi Small-Town Water Schemes in Hong LGA
- (3) Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Belel Small-Town Water Schemes in Maiha LGA.

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- (4) PROPOSED REHABILITATION 15 KM PALAM KOJITTI KAMALE ROAD IN MADAGALI LGA

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#### **ROADS**

- (2) PROPOSED REHABILITATION 13 KM GELLA-KWAJA-DUMO ROAD IN MUBI SOUTH LGA
- (3) PROPOSED REHABILITATION 17 KM MICHIKA- KUBI – LASSA ROAD IN MICHIKA LGA
- (4) PROPOSED REHABILITATION 12KM MADAGALI-SUKUR-MAKSI ROAD IN MADAGALI

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- (3) PROPOSED REHABILITATION OF 15KM MICHIKA-VILLEKWA-DZUROK ROAD IN MICHIKA LGA
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5. Hong, Local Government Council, Hong, Adamawa State;
6. Madagali Local Government Council, Gulak, Adamawa State;
7. Maiha Local Government Council, Maiha, Adamawa State;
8. Mayo-Belwa Local Government Council, Mayo-Belwa, Adamawa State;
9. Michika Local Government Council, Michika, Adamawa State;
10. Mubi North Local Government Council, Mubi, Adamawa State;
11. Mubi South Local Government Council, Gella, Adamawa State;
12. Numan Local Government Council, Numan, Adamawa State;
13. Shelleng Local Government Council, Shelleng, Adamawa State;
14. Song Local Government Council, Song, Adamawa State;
15. Yola North Local Government Council, Jimeta, Adamawa State;
16. Yola South Local Government Council, Yola, Adamawa State;
17. Adamawa State Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Development, Yola;
18. Federal Ministry of Environment Yola Office, Adamawa State;
19. Federal Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Department (Environment House), Independence Way South, Central Business District, Abuja-FCT.

BRIEF PROJECTS DESCRIPTION:

- (1) Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plan (ARAP) for proposed Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Numan Township Water Scheme
- ROADS**
- (2) PROPOSED REHABILITATION OF 13KM MARARRABAN – KONKOL – WURO-KURORE ROAD IN MAIHA LGA
- (3) PROPOSED REHABILITATION OF 13KM MARARRABAN – GARTA – KAMALE ROAD IN MICHIKA LGA
- (4) PROPOSED REHABILITATION OF 13KM MICHIKA–VI-RHURO ROAD IN MICHIKA LGA

DURATION OF DISCLOSURE:

DATE: 26th January - 23rd February, 2023.

TIME: 8:00am - 4:00pm Daily.

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## FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT PLANS (ESMPS) AND ABBREVIATED RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLANS (ARAPS) FOR THE MULTI-SECTORAL CRISIS RECOVERY PROJECT (MCRP) ACROSS SIXTEEN (16) LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS IN ADAMAWA STATE BY NORTH-EAST RECOVERY RECOVERY AND STABILITY PROGRAM (NERSP).

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 disclosure for information and comments on the Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPS) and Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plans (ARAPS) submitted by North East Recovery and Stability Program (NERSP). This display is to enable the public make input that shall facilitate informed decision taking by the ministry on the EIA of the projects in Adamawa State.

## THE DISCLOSURE CENTERS ARE:

1. Fufore Local Government Council, Fufore, Adamawa State;
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18. Federal Ministry of Environment Yola Office, Adamawa State;
19. Federal Ministry of Environment, Environmental Assessment Department (Environment House), Independence Way South, Central Business District, Abuja-FCT.

## BRIEF PROJECTS DESCRIPTION:

- (1) Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plan (ARAP) for proposed Rehabilitation & Upgrade of Shellenge Township Water Scheme.

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PROVISION OF MOBILE/FIELD OFFICER SERVICES ON THE BRAVE WOMEN NIGERIA PROJECT

Background

The Women Entrepreneurship Finance Initiative (We-Fi) is a multi-donor fund consisting of the G-20 countries (hereinafter referred to as the "Fund") currently being administered by the World Bank designated Islamic Development Bank Group (IsDBG) as one of the Implementing Partners (IPs) to support in the implementation of projects approved by the Fund. The Business Resilience Assistance for Value-Added Enterprises (BRAVE) Women Program (hereinafter referred to as the "Program") is a 5-year multi-donor fund implemented in Yemen, Nigeria and Burkina Faso.

The Program focuses on developing and increasing the economic opportunities for female entrepreneurs through skills training aimed at business viability (that is, profitability) in targeted country-specific value chains. It will enhance the bankability, entrepreneurial and market development skills of female owned/led Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) that are critical to sustainable local growth and job creation. Furthermore, it will promote pro-poor growth by targeting the value chain in the market segments and sectors where the majority of the poor earn their living, and tackle gender disparities in economic opportunities by targeting women entrepreneurs. The program would also increase access to finance through a matching-grant scheme.

Since April 2021 the program has been operating in Edo, Gombe and Kano and as at end of 2022, there have already been two rounds of applications and beneficiaries in these three states. We are now expanding and would be targeting an additional 500 beneficiaries, based in Lagos and the FCT, who will benefit from capacity-building support and a matching grant scheme.

In order to meet the Nigeria program goals for "Dedicated professionals and market recruits with developed capacity to allow national scaling beyond program boundaries", the services of Mobile/Field Officers in Lagos and the FCT as follows:

Role Title: Mobile/Field Officers, FCT and Lagos

Location: Abuja and Lagos State

Employment Type: Full time

Contract Period: Till April 2024

Reporting Requirements: Under the supervision of the Project Officer.

Terms of Reference:

<https://bravewomenng.com/tor-field-officer>

Mode of Application

1. All applicants must be resident in FCT and or Lagos State
2. Applications should be submitted at
<https://bravewomenng.com/vacancies>

Application closes at 5 pm, Thursday, February 9, 2023.

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FCTA bans PoS outlets in Abuja streets

By Hussein Yahaya

The Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) yesterday banned activities of Point of Sales (PoS) operators by roadside and unapproved places in the streets of Abuja.

Coordinator, Abuja Metropolitan Management Council, Umar Shuaibu, said the ban was to address insecurity associated with PoS operators' activities.

He noted that while the administration was not completely against the PoS business in Abuja, operating it indiscriminately was

creating nuisance and violating environmental rules.

The Senior Special Assistant to FCT Minister on Monitoring, Inspection and Enforcement, Ikharo Attah, explained the minister particularly frowned at those unlawfully citing their PoS outlets in areas that jeopardise security.

According to him,

the enforcement team will not be concerned with operators who limit their activities within commercial places, but will remove those who constitute nuisance and a security threat.

He said: "There are complaints by residents that strange people were indiscriminately operating PoS within their gates and streets."

MURIC wants census date shifted over Ramadan

By Abbas Jimoh

The Muslim Rights Concern (MURIC) yesterday pleaded with the Federal Government to shift the date earlier fixed for the conduct of this year's census as it falls within the month of Ramadan fasting.

MURIC Director, Prof. Ishaq Akintola, in a statement,

He noted that the National Population Commission had

announced March 29 to April 2 for the census which "may not be good dates for the exercise because those dates fall within the first and second weeks of Ramadan."

He stated, "Although nothing in our religion says working during the month of Ramadan is prohibited and millions of Muslims do their daily works during the month of Ramadan, the rigorous spiritual exercise in Ramadan cannot be easily

combined with the hazards of census for both the citizens who are to be counted and the enumerators too.

"Census ad hoc workers move from house to house and come back in the night to fill certain forms. They continue doing this for five consecutive days. It's obvious that Muslims among the ad-hoc staff who are fasting will certainly suffer hardship if the exercise is held in Ramadan."

Arase confirmed as police commission chair

By Abdullateef Salau

The Senate yesterday confirmed the appointment of a former Inspector-General of Police, Solomon Arase, as the chairman of the Police Service Commission.

This followed the consideration of a report by the Committee on Police Affairs which screened Arase.

The chairman of the committee, Senator Dauda Halliru Jika, said Arase performed well during the screening exercise and proved that he has capacity to lead the Police Service Commission as chairman.

He also said there was no petition against his appointment and therefore recommended his confirmation.

Reps want security beefed up in Jos North

By Balarabe Alkassim

The House of Representatives yesterday urged the Chief of Defence Staff, the Director-General of State Security Service and the Inspector-General of Police to increase security in Jos North Local Government Area and its environs in order to stop incessant kidnappings and killings in the area.

The call followed the adoption of a motion by the member representing Jos North/Bassa Federal Constituency of Plateau State, Muhammad Adam Alkali.

Alkali said there were reported cases of alleged extra-judicial killings by security operatives as well as other killings in Jos and environs over time.

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| <p>COLLINS: I, formerly known as OSAGIE COLLINS, now wish to be known and addressed as OSAGIE INGBENBHO COLLINS. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>CYNTHIA: I formerly known as NWAONU CYNTHIA UDOKA, now wish to be known and addressed as CYNTHIA UDOKA ADEYEMI. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as BAWA SYLVANUS EMMANUEL now wish to be known and addressed as EMMANUEL SYLVANUS. Date of birth: 27/12/1991. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.</p> | <p>I formerly known as AYUBA SWATYUM, now wish to be called AYUBA SWATYUM. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.</p> |
| <p>OKONKWO: I, formerly known as NWBUZE SCHOLASTICA OLUCHUKWU, now wish to be known and addressed as OKONKWO SCHOLASTICA OLUCHUKWU. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>HABIBA: I formerly known as YAHAYA HABIBA MOHAMMED, now wish to be known and addressed as MOHAMMED HABIBA ISLAM YAHAYA. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as PUSYA DAYEN APOLOS now wish to be known and addressed as DAYEN APOLOS. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.</p> | <p>I' formerly known and called as EKUMANKAMA NNANA UDE, Now wish to be known and called as EKUMANKAMA NNANNA STANLEY, All former documents remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.</p> |
| <p>CHIOMA: I, formerly known as EZENWELU CHIOMA CELESTINA, now wish to be known and addressed as UDEOGU CHIOMA CELESTINA. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known, called and addressed as OWOKA JULIANA OWOGKA, now wish to be known, called and addressed as MRS. OWOKA JULIANA OWOGKA based on Marital Ground. All former documents bearing my Maiden Name remains valid. General public please take note.</p> | <p>I was formerly known and addressed as SIAKA DANLAMI ADAMS I now want to be known and addressed as SIAKA DANLADI ADAMS. my D.O.B is 05-05-2001. All my former documents bearing my name remain valid. The Management of UBA Bank PLC, NIN and the general public should take note of this deposition.</p> | <p>I formerly known and called as DOMINIC OGBILOGWU. Now wish to be known and called as OGBILOGWU DOMINIC OKOH. DOB: 10/02/1988. All former documents remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note</p> |
| <p>MOTUNRAYO: I formerly known as RAFII MONSURAT, now wish to be known and addressed as OGUNYOMI MOTUNRAYO OLUWASEUN. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>Reconciliation Names on Valid Documents:- I, formerly known, called and addressed as OWOKA AGADA on my First School Leaving Certificate (FSLC) now wish to reconcile and maintain my full name as ONAH ISAAC OWOKA based on Family Ground. All other documents bearing my initial Name remains valid. General Public please take note.</p> | <p>CHANGE OF NAME: I am formerly known and addressed as BIBTU ABDU. That I now wish to be called and addressed as VIKY ABDU as it appeared on all my documents. That I want the National Identity management commission and to whom it may concern, to please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as ILIYA ABDULLAHI now wish to be known and addressed as ILIYA ABDULLAHI IBRAHIM. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note.</p> |
| <p>ANYANWU: I formerly known as CHERISH CHIEMEZIE ANYANWU now wish to be called and addressed as CHERISH JONATHAN ANYANWU. All former documents remain valid. The general public should please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as GUR COMFORT MSURSHIMA now wish to be known and addressed as TORTIV COMFORT MSURSHIMA. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.</p> | <p>CORRECT NAMES: ISHUGHUN: I, formerly known as JOY PEVER-GE now wish to be correctly called: ISHUGHUN JOY PEVER-GE. All former documents remain valid. Stanbic bank, Zenith bank, other authorities and the public to note.</p> | <p>TERSEER: I, FORMERLY KNOWN AND CALLED AS ADEBO MIMI MARTHA NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN, CALLED AND ADDRESSED AS TERSEER NGUMMI MARTHA. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMIND VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER AUTHORITIES CONCERNED SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.</p> |
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| <p>KUNYI: I formerly known as MUSA HASSAN, now wish to be known and addressed as MUSA HASSAN KUNYI. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>ELLAMS: This is to notified the general public that my name was wrongly capture as: YUSUF JIBIRIL ELLAMS. Instead of JIBIRIL YUSUF ELLAMS. Now wish to be known and addressed as: JIBIRIL YUSUF ELLAMS. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and public to take note.</p> | <p>OYISHOMA: I, FORMERLY KNOWN AND CALLED AS OYISHOMA ADAJE ONYEJEU NOW WISH TO BE KNOWN, CALLED AND ADDRESSED AS OYISHOMA ONYEJEU. ALL FORMER DOCUMENTS REMIND VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER AUTHORITIES CONCERNED SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.</p> | <p>JAMILU: I formerly known as Murtala Yahaya, now wish to be known as Jamilu Lawali. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public please take note.</p> |
| <p>BEATRICE: I formerly known as ITUNU BEATRICE ALAO, now wish to be known and addressed as ITUNU BEATRICE OLU-DECENT. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>OLA: I formerly known and addressed as OLAYEMI JAMES. Now wish to be known and addressed as EDOR JAMES OLA. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public to take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as KHALIFA ZUBAIRU ABUBAKAR now wish to be known and addressed as ABUBAKAR SADIQ ZUBAIRU my correct and proper date of birth is 10/01/1998 not 12/06/1990. All former documents remain valid. All authorities concern and General public should take note.</p> | <p>INNO: I formerly known as FATIMA AMINU, now wish to be known as INNO SANI. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public please take note.</p> |
| <p>HAWA: I formerly known as AMEDU HAWA PATIENCE, now wish to be known and addressed as OSADOLOR HAWA PATIENCE. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>BOSE: I formerly known and addressed as OSENI JENNIFER BOSE. Now wish to be known and addressed as ICHABA JENNIFER BOSE. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public to take note.</p> | <p>EFEZINO: I, formerly known and addressed as IMORU FOLAYEMI OLUWATOSIN, now wish to be known and addressed as EFEZINO FOLAYEMI OLUWATOSIN. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.</p> | <p>FRANCA: I formerly known and addressed as FRANCA CHUHWA but now wish to be known and addressed as FRANCA PATRICK OGAH All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> |
| <p>HUSSAINI: I formally known as USSAIN ISMAIL, now wish to be known and addressed as HUSSAINI ISMAIL. All my documents remain valid. General public should take note.</p> | <p>ELIZABETH: I formerly known and addressed as SUNDAY ELIZABETH. Now wish to be known and addressed as JOHN OCHUWA ELIZABETH. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public to take note.</p> | <p>VERONICA: I formerly known as MAIRO BABA ABBAS with date of birth 25/02/1990 now wish to be known and addressed as VERONICA BENJAMIN with date of birth 07/08/1998. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public should please take note.</p> | <p>MUHAMMAD : I formerly known and addressed as MUHAMMAD FAHD GUNGURA but now wish to be known and addressed as MUHAMMAD FAH'D SANI All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> |
| <p>I formerly known as KHADIJAH MUHAMMED, now wish to be known and addressed as KHADIJAH MUHAMMAD TAHIR and that my correct date of birth is 4/4/2004 not 4/4/1999. All my former documents remain valid. General public and all authorities concerned should please take note.</p> | <p>MARIAM: I formerly known and addressed as MOHAMMED IMORU MARIAM. Now wish to be known and addressed as KADIRI MARIAM. All former documents remain valid. Authority concerned and general public to take note.</p> | <p>GIRMA: I formerly known and addressed as GIRMA SAMAILA and D.O.B 1/1/1940 but now wish to be known and addressed as GIRMA ISMAILA And D.O.B 27/05/1945 All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> | <p>I, formerly known as IGBOKO HELEN HAMATUMA, now wish to be known and addressed as IGBOKO HELEN MAKAMA. All former documents remain valid. The general public should please take note</p> |
| <p>I, formerly known as SHAMSUDEEN MUSA, now wish to be known and addressed as SHAMSU MUSA. All my former documents to remain valid. General public, financial institutions and all authorities concerned should please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as SANI EKILIMATU DANJUMA now wish to be known and addressed as EKILIMATU SANI MUHAMMAD. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.</p> | <p>GORI: I formerly known and addressed as MAIKANO ATTAHIR but now wish to be known and addressed as ATTAHIR MAIKANO GORI All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> | <p>HAJARA: I formerly known as HAJARA ZAKARI now wish to be known and addressed as HAJARA SULAIMAN ABDULLAHI MOHAMMED. All former documents remain valid and general public should take note</p> |
| <p>I, formerly known as FATIMA MOHAMMED IBRAHIM, now wish to be called and addressed as FATIMA-KAFARATI MOHAMMED IBRAHIM. All former documents remain valid. Nigeria Immigration Service, all authorities concerned and the general public should take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and called as MUHAMMED ARAB YAHAYA, Now wish to be known and called as MOHAMMED ARAB YAHAYA. DOB: 10/may/1997, ALL former documents remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.</p> | <p>PRINCE: I formerly known and addressed as PRINCE SUNDAY but now wish to be known and addressed as PRINCE AKPAN SUNDAY All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> | <p>I'm formally known and addressed as AISHATU NURUDDDEEN DODO, now I wish to be called and addressed as AISHATU AMINU, all other documents remain the same and general public should take note.</p> |
| <p>HAUWA: I formerly known as YAHAYA HAUWA MOHAMMED, now wish to be known and addressed as MOHAMMED HAUWA IMAAN YAHAYA. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.</p> | <p>I, formerly known and addressed as EJEH FELICIA now wish to be known and addressed as EJEH FELICIA ENAYI, and DOB 07/08/2001. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.</p> | <p>DALBADAL: I formerly known and addressed as GAD VIDA FAVOUR but now wish to be known and addressed as DALBADAL VAIDA GAD All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> | <p>I am bearing the name of ZAINAB KABIR and ZAINAB ALIYU IDRIS now wish to be known as ZAINAB ALIYU IDRIS. All former documents remain valid. bank and general public should take note.</p> |
| <p>FATIMA: I formerly known as YAHAYA FATIMA MOHAMMED, now wish to be known and addressed as MOHAMMED FATIMA HUDA YAHAYA. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note</p> | <p>BELLO : I formerly known as UDUBO ANADU now wish to be known and addressed as BELLO UMAR AHMAD DOB 15-6-1989 not 30-1-1984 All former document remain valid authorities concerned and general public should please take note.</p> | <p>RAHAMAT: I formerly known and addressed as RAHAMAT MUKHTAR ABUBAKAR but now wish to be known and addressed as RAHAMAT ABDULLAHI ABUBAKAR All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned should take note, please.</p> | <p>I, formerly known as EBERE IKECHUKWU OBI, now wish to be known and addressed as EBERE ELIANA ODUBURU. All former documents remain valid. The general public should please take note</p> |
| <p>I formally known as VICTORIA TANKO now wish to be known and addressed as MARTINA TANKO. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.</p> | <p>I formally known as ZAINAB ABBA IBRAHIM, now wish to be known and addressed as ZAINAB IBRAHIM ABBA. All former documents remain valid general public take note.</p> | <p>I formerly known as Ibrahim Majidda now wish to be called and addressed as Musa Majidda Ibrahim. All former document remain valid Authority concern and general public to note Date of birth: 22-04-1999</p> | <p>MAHADI: I formerly known as MAHADI YUSUF UMAR now wish to be known and addressed as MAHADI YUSUF with DOB: 05-04-1999 not 01-01-1990. All former documents remain valid and general public should take note</p> |
| <p>KARIBULLAHI, I formerly known as MUSA SANI now wish to be called and addressed as KARIBULLAHI HUSSAINI . All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.</p> | <p>MARYAM, I formerly known as MARYAM MUSTAPHA MUHAMMAD now wish to be known and addressed as MARYAM MUSTAPHA HARISSU. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.</p> | <p>FATIMA, I formerly known as FATIMA ABUBAKAR TURAKI now wish to be called and addressed as FATIMA ABUBAKAR BASHIR. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.</p> | <p>JANET: I formally know JANETH ANGELINA DANJUMA, now wish to be known and addressed as JANET UMAR. All former documents remain valid, Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.</p> |
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- FATIMA**, I formerly known as **FATIMA BALARABE GAYA** now wish to be called and addressed as **FATIMA BINTA BALARABE GAYA**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- NURA**: I, formerly known as **HAMIDA MUHAMMAD DALHAT**, now wish to be known and addressed as **NURA HAMIDA DALHAT**. All former documents remain valid. NYSC, general public and any authority concerned to please take note
- RABIU**: I, formerly known and addressed as **MISS. BASHIRU MORIAMO OLUWASHOLA**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **MRS. RABIU MARIAM OLUWASHOLA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- ADAM**: I, formerly known and addressed as **SUFYANU SUFYANU ABUBAKAR**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **ADAM SUFYANU**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- MRS. NINA = I**, formerly known as **MISS. NINA KALU UMEH ANYA**, now wish to be addressed as **MRS. NINA URUM** . All former documents remain valid. General public take note
- I** formerly known as **ISMAILA ABUBAKAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **ISMAIL ABUBAKAR** DATE OF BIRTH IS 2-4-1998 . All former document remain valid Authority concern and general public to note
- MUSA**, I formerly known as **MUSA ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUSA ABDULLAHI IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- OBUH** : I formerly known as **Obuh Minziagbo Deborah** Now wish to be known, Called and addressed as **Egbuna Minziagbo Deborah**. Former documents remain valid. Public note
- RUFUS** : I, formerly known and addressed as **RAUFU AREMU ADEGBOLA**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **RUFUS AREMU ADEGBOLA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- CORRECTION OF NAME** **IFOLLUWAKEMI MARY** now wish to be called and addressed as **AKINKUNMI IFOLLUWAKEMI MARY**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- I**, Formerly known and addressed as **EGWIN PETER ONYEBUCHI**, Now wish to be known and addressed as **ANYANWU PETER ONYEBUCHI**. All documents bearing my former name still remain valid. General public please take note.
- I** formerly known as **HASIYA AHMAD** now wish to be called and addressed **HASIYA AHMAD HAMZA**. All former document remain valid Authority concern and general public to note
- ABDUL** I formerly known as **ABDUL ISSAN AYISATU** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDUL AISHATU IHSAN**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- SUKAINA**: I, formerly known as **SUKAINA ABDULQUDDUS**, now wish to be known and called **SUKAINA MOHAMMAD**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note
- EMMANUEL**: I, formerly known and addressed as **MISS. JOHN MFONOBONG EDET**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **Mrs. EMMANUEL MFONOBONG UKOBONG**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- I**, Formerly known and addressed as **MISS JOSEPH OBIAGERI**, now wish to be known and addressed as **MRS OKOMA FLORENCE OBIAGERI** , and my correct date of birth is 30 Aug 1987, and not 30 Aug 1988. All former documents remain valid, general public take note.
- I** formerly known and addressed as **ALKASIM DANBAKOJI MOHAMMED** , now wish to be known and addressed as **ALKASSIM SULAIMAN** all former documents remain valid, general public to take note
- ALI**, I formerly known as **ALI RABIU** now wish to be called and addressed as **ALI RABIU IDRIS**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- AGATA**: I, formerly known as **AGATA PAUL** now wish to be known and addressed as **AGATA MARKUS** . All former documents remain valid. unity Bank the general public and any authority concerned to please take note.
- ALANI**: I, formerly known and addressed as **OLAWALE KHADIJAT TEMITOPE**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **ALANI KHADIJAT TEMITOPE**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- I**, Formerly known and addressed as **ENWEREM IJEOMA DIVINE**, now wish to be known and addressed as **ENWEREM IJEOMA JOY**, All former documents remain valid, general public take note.
- LARABA**, I formerly known as **LARABA ABUBAKAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **LARABA ABUBAKAR IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- SULE**, I formerly known as **ALHAJI SULE** now wish to be called and addressed as **SULE YUSUF** . All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- RAKIYA**: I, formerly known as **RAKIYA ABUBAKAR MAIDEDE** now wish to be known and addressed as **RAKIYA ALI MAIDEDE**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.
- That I** was formerly called, known and addressed as **AKINGBADE ESTHER ABIDEMI**. That I now wish to be called, known and addressed as **DESHI ESTHER ABIDEMI** Due to marriage. That all my former documents remain valid. General public take note.
- I**, Formerly known and addressed as **MISS MADUBUKO OLUOMACHI MERCY**, now wish to be known and addressed as **MRS OKORO OLUOMACHI MERCY**. All former documents remain valid, general public take note.
- I** was formerly known as **RABI ATU ABDULLAHI** now wish to be known and called as **RABI ATU MUSA ADAMU**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note
- HARUNA**, I formerly known as **HARUNA AMINU** and date of birth: 07/01/1990 now wish to be called and addressed as **HARUNA AMINU MADUGU** and date of birth: 04/01/1990. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- FAUZIYA**: I, formerly known as **FAUZIYA USMAN YAKUBU** now wish to be known and addressed as **FAUZIYA YAKUBU SULEIMAN** . All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.
- CHANGE OF NAME DUE TO MARRIAGE** **OFORAH-BENJAMIN**: I, formerly known and addressed as **Miss ENANG EKA KONSIT**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **Mrs OFORAH-BENJAMIN EKA KONSIT**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- CORRECTION OF DATE OF BIRTH**: I am known and addressed as **KEZIAH SOLOMON**. My correct date of birth is 29th September, 2005. All documents remain valid. General public to take note.
- MRS. INETIMI**: I, formerly known and addressed as **MISS CHIOMA ROSELINE AJOKU**, now wish to be known and addressed as **MRS. CHIOMA ROSELINE INETIMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public take note
- I** formerly known as **MUKTAR**, I formerly known as **MUKTARI ALIYU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUKTAR ABUBAKAR ALIYU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- MUHAMMAD**: I, formerly known as **MUHAMMED NUHU** now wish to be known and addressed as **MUHAMMAD NUHU** . All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note.
- FALODE**: I, formerly known and addressed as **FALODE SUNDAY SOLA**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **FALODE OLUOSOLA SAMUEL**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- BATCHU**: I formerly known as **BACHU BULAMA** now wish to be known as the **BATCHU ABULA** . All former document remain valid. General public should take note
- OLUCHI**: I, formerly known and addressed as **OLUCHI ROSELYN OBIRIEZE**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **OLUCHI ROSELYN CHIBUEZE**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- BINTA** I, formerly known as **BINTA BUBA JAJERE** now wish to be known and called **BINTA ABDULLAHI JAJERE (MRS)**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and public to note.
- MRS. USIABULLU**: I, formerly known and addressed as **MISS BLESSING IBIFAA ANABRABA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **MRS BLESSING IBIFAA USIABULLU**. All former documents remain valid. General public take note
- I** formerly known as **ABDULJALAL BELLO MALAMI** , now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULJALAL BELLO** . All former documents remain valid. The Authority concern and the general public should please take note.
- MUKTAR**, I formerly known as **MUKTAR ALIYU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUKTAR ABUBAKAR ALIYU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- HAFSAT**: I, formerly known as **HAFSAT LAWAL**, now wish to be called and addressed as **HAFSAT SALISU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note.
- DAMKOR**: I formerly known as **DAMKOR SAMUEL TERUNGWA**, now wish to be called and addressed as **DAMKOR SAMUEL**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- I**, formerly known and addressed as **MISS. ADERONKE ABIMBOLA GBAYIMOLA**. Now wish to be known as **Mrs. ADERONKE ABIMBOLA MARQUIS**. All former documents remain valid. The general public should please take note.
- AJABADE**: I, formerly known and addressed as **JOLAYEMI OMOLARA SARAT**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **AJABADE OMOLARA SARAT**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- I**, formerly known and addressed as **MISS. ADEBOLA BURMI TURRAYO**, now wish to be known and addressed as **LATEEF BUNMI OMOLABAKE** . I was born on 26/09/1992 not 22/07/1981 . All former documents remain valid. General public to please take note.
- ALHAJI** : I formerly known as **ALHAJI BUKAR** now wish to be known as **ALHAJI MODU BUKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note.
- DEBORAH**: I formerly known as **ARCHIBONG DEBORAH**, now wish to be known and addressed as **ARCHIBONG DEBORAH EFFIOM**. All former documents remain valid general public should pls take note.
- JACKSON** : I, formerly known and addressed as **KING JOYCE SAVIOUR**, now wish to be known and addressed as **JACKSON JOYCE SAVIOUR**, due to change in marital status. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.
- I**, **ABUBAKAR ADAMU** do solemnly declare that the names **ABUBAKAR ADAMU** and **ABUBAKAR ADAM** are referred to me, as I used to answer either of the names. Now I wish to be known and called **ABUBAKAR ADAMU**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and public to note.
- SOYEMI** : I, formerly known and addressed as **IGHODOLO OMOZE GLADYS**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SOYEMI OMOZE GLADYS**, due to change in marital status. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.
- YAGANA** : I formerly known as **YAGANA MOHAMMED GIDI** now wish to be known as **YAGANA MOHAMMED MUSTAPHA**. All former documents remain valid . General public should take note.
- RE-ARRANGEMENT OF NAME** = That my BVN details was wrongly captured and arranged as **OLISE MONDAY OPIA**, now wish to be known, called and addressed as **OLISE MONDAY OPIA**. All documents bearing my former names remain valid. General public please take note
- TALATU**: I formerly known as **HASIYA SANI LABARAN**, now wish to be called and addressed as **TALATU SANI LABARAN**. All former documents remain valid. The Authority concern and the general public should please take note.
- GODIYA**: I formerly known as **CELENTINA NATHERNIEL** now wish to be known and addressed as **GODIYA EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid . **NIMC, ECO BANK AND** General Public Should please take note.
- MADGDALINE**: I Formerly known as **MADGDALINE BEGE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MADGDALINE DANIEL** All former documents remain valid Any Authority concern and the General public to please take note
- SHAMAKI**: I, formerly known as **SHAMAKI JOSEPHINE NANA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SHAMAKI JOSEPHINE DAUDA**. The general public, National Health Insurance Authority to please take note.
- YA'AKUBU**: I, formerly known as **UMMUHANI MUHAMMAD DALHAT**, now wish to be known and addressed as **YA'AKUBU UMMUHANU DALHAT**. All former documents remain valid. NYSC, general public and any authority concerned to please take note
- ELIZABETH**: I, formerly known as **ELIZABETH AGAH IBRAHIM**, now wish to be known and addressed as **ELIZABETH JACOB MAMMAN**. All former documents remain valid. The general public and any authority concerned to please take note
- SOYEMI** : I, formerly known and addressed as **IGHODOLO OMOZE GLADYS**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SOYEMI OMOZE GLADYS**, due to change in marital status. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.
- UVA** : I, formerly known and addressed as **DUMGBE LINDA AHENEM**, now wish to be known and addressed as **UYA DUMGBE LINDA**, due to marital status. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.
- YAGANA** : I formerly known as **YAGANA MOHAMMED GIDI** now wish to be known as **YAGANA MOHAMMED MUSTAPHA**. All former documents remain valid . General public should take note.
- MUSA** I formally known as **MUSA ABDULMUMINI BATURE** now wish to be known and Addressed as **MUSA ABDULMUMUNI**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.
- *CORRECTION OF NAME*** I, **MRS. FESTUS-JOHNSON IFEOMA GOODNESS**, wish to correct that my name was wrongly written as ***MRS. FESTUS-JOHNSON IFEOMA GO***. Instead of ***MRS. FESTUS-JOHNSON IFEOMA GOODNESS***. That my correct name is ***MRS. FESTUS-JOHNSON IFEOMA GOODNESS***. All documents bearing the above names remain valid. The general public should please take note.
- I** formerly known as **HALIMA AMINU ABDULLAHI** now wish to be known and addressed as **HALIMA ISYAKU ABDULLAHI** all former documents remain valid. General public and the authority concerned should take note
- ZAITUNA**: I formerly known as **ZAITUNA KWAIRANGA HUSSAINI** now wish to be known and addressed as **ZAITUNA KWAIRANGA**. All former documents remain valid. With **DOB 04/05/1980** General Public Should please take note.
- ZAINAB**: I, formerly known as **ZAINAB MUHAMMAD SUNUSI**, now wish to be known and addressed as **ZAINAB SUNUSI USMAN**. All former documents remain valid. NYSC, Authority concerned and the general Public should please take note.
- UYA** : I, formerly known and addressed as **DUMGBE LINDA AHENEM**, now wish to be known and addressed as **UYA DUMGBE LINDA**, due to marital status. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.
- MUSA** I formally known as **MUSA ABDULMUMINI BATURE** now wish to be known and Addressed as **MUSA ABDULMUMUNI**. All former documents remain valid general public should please take note.
- CHANGE OF NAME** That during my BVN enrollment, my name was registered as - **UYI ANTHONET UDEHI**. That henceforth, my correct name is **OJIE UYI ANTHONET**. That the reason for the change of name is due to personal reason. All former documents remain valid. General public and Authorities concerned should please take note.
- ADAMU**: I, formerly known and addressed as **ISHAYA SARAYA**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **ADAMU MATTHEW**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- WURANI**: I formerly known and addressed as **WURANI IJAMILIYA JOSHUA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **WURANI IJAMIS JOSHUA**. All former documents remained valid. With correct **DOB 28/02/1967 NOT 25/02/1967** general public should take note please.
- LAWYER**: I formerly known as **LAWYER DIMKPA ALLSWELL**, now wish to be known and addressed as **LAWYER ALLSWELL**. All former documents remain valid. With correct **DOB 27/12/2004 NOT 23/03/1998**. Authorities concerned and general public should take note
- YAHANASU**: I formerly known as **YAHANASU ALI**, now wish to be known and addressed as **YAHANASU BASHIR ALI**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should take note
- IBETO**: I, formerly known and addressed as **Miss IGWEGBE ONYINYE VANESSA**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **Mrs IBETO ONYINYE VANESSA**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- NWAMARA**: I, formerly known and addressed as **Miss EKEJI MERCY CHINEMEREM**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **Mrs NWAMARA MERCY CHINEMEREM**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
- ABUBAKAR**: I formally known as **Abubakar Abdullahi Ahmad** Date of birth 06-05-1992. Now wish to be call and address as **Abdullahi Abubakar** Date of birth **24-05-1993**. All former documents remain valid . General public should take note.
- RE-ARRANGEMENT OF NAME** * I, ***OPARA TINA NWEYE***, wish to state that my name was wrongly arranged as ***NWEYE OPARA TINA NWEYE***. That the correct arrangement of my name is ***OPARA TINA NWEYE***. The general public should please take note.
- I**, formerly known as **HAFSAH INUWA BASHIR** now wish to be known and called as **HAFSAH SHEHU AHMAD**. All my former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and general public should please take note
- HASSAN**: I, formerly known as **HASSAN FIRDAUSI IBRAHIM MUHAMMAD** now to be addressed as **HASSAN FIRDAUSI IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. General Public take note.
- ADAMU**: I, formerly known and addressed as **ISHAYA SARAYA**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **ADAMU MATTHEW**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
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- LAWAN**, I formerly known as **ABDULRASHED LAWAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **LAWAN ABDULRASHID**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- HASSAN**: I Formerly known as **BAKO MUHAMMED INUWA** Now wish to be called and addressed as **HASSAN ALIYU** All Former documents remain valid Any Authority concern and the General public to please take note
- DEBORAH**: I, formerly known as **DEBORAH JOEL** now wish to be known and addressed as **DEBORAH DANLAMI JOEL** all former documents remain valid. Any authority concern and general public should please take note.
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- *TEMPLE* UBAH .C.***. Now wish to be known called and addressed as ***TEMPLE NWOKEJI***. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The general public should please take note.
- NASIR**, I formerly known as **NASIR BILYA NASIR** now wish to be called and addressed as **NASIR BILYA**. All former documents remain valid. Authorities concerned and the general public should please take note.
- BINTA**: I Formerly known as **BINTA BALA MUHAMMAD** Now wish to be called and addressed as **BINTA MUHAMMED BALA** All former documents remain valid Any Authority concern and the General public to please take note
- DAUDA**: I, formerly known and addressed as **ABIBA ADAMU**. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **DAUDA AISHAT ABIBAT**. All former documents remain valid. Authority Concerned and general public take note.
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LEGAL NOTICE IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF NASARAWA STATE OF NIGERIA IN THE PROBATE DIVISION

WHEREAS the person whose name is set out in the first column hereunder died intestate on the date place stated in the said in the column.
AND WHEREAS the person(s) whose name (s) and address(s) and relation(s) to the deceased are set out in the second column hereto has/have applied to the High Court of Justice, Nasarawa State for the grant of letters of Administration of the Real and personal properties/estate of the said deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letter of Administration will be granted to such applicant/applicants unless a "NOTICE TO PROHIBIT" the grant is filed in this Registry within Twenty-One (21) days from the date hereof.

| SIN | NAME OF THE DECEASED | NAME(S) & ADDRESS (ES) OF APPLICANT(S) |
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| 1 | TSADO SHAIBU Late Of Abaji, Died on the 11 th day of April, 2022 at Abaji. | MUSA SALIHU OF ABAJI the lawful Brother of the said deceased. |
| 2 | WADAK BLESSING Late Of KARSHI-FCT, Died on the 3 rd day of November, 2017 at Abuja. | WADAK SOLOMON BABAJI of KARSHI the lawful Widower of the said deceased. |
| 3 | MRS LYDIA TIMBYEN BARANG Late Of Kurudu-FCT, Died on the 29 th day of September, 2022 at FMC KEFFI. | JUSTINA BARANG of KURUDU-FCT the lawful Sister of the said deceased. |
| 4 | IWUAGWU BERTRAM UZONWANNE Late Of IMO, Died on the 11 th day of January, 2013 at IMO. | IWUAGWU FRANK CHINENDU of NEW NYANYA the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 5 | AUDU ECHEBIOGO Late Of Benue, Died on the 13 th day of June, 2021 at Abuja. | AUDU ABU JOSEPH of Masaka the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 6 | IKANI OJU Late Of Enugu, Died on the 23 rd day of February, 2022 at DEKINA. | IKANI OJIMA JUDE & IKANI HAPPINESS OJOMA of Mararaba the lawful Son/Daughter of the said deceased. |
| 7 | SYLVESTER ABUNDAGA Late Of Keffi, Died on the 23 rd day of December, 2020 at FMC Keffi. | FRIDAY SYLVESTER ABUNDAGA of Keffi the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 8 | AUDI BELLO Late Of Gunduma, Died on the 28 th day of April, 2021 at Keffi. | UZAH DAVID RIJAH of Gunduma the lawful Widower of the said deceased. |
| 9 | MAIANGWA GAGA Late Of Nasarawa, Died on the 22 nd day of February, 2018 at Keffi. | MAIANGWA SUNDAY of Keffi the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 10 | AHMED UMAR BABARI Late Of Keffi, Died on the 31 st day of Oct., 2022 at Keffi. | HAMZA SAGIR of Keffi the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 11 | BELLO EMMANUEL FOLORUNSHO Late Of Lagos, Died on the 27 th day of December, 2021 at Lagos. | BELLO OLUFEMI AKOLADE of Abuja the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 12 | ONYEABOR CHRISTIAN ARINZE Late Of Enugu, Died on the 11 th day of December, 2022 at Nyanya. | CHRISTIAN JUSTINA of Keffi the lawful Daughter of the said deceased. |
| 13 | BUTER JACOB Late Of New Nyanya, Died on the 20 th day of February, 2022 at Abuja. | BUTER GRACE IVEREN of New Nyanya the lawful Widow of the said deceased. |
| 14 | BABANGIDA MUSA Late Of Masaka, Died on the 26 th day of September, 2021 at Mararaba. | AJUMA GRACE MUSA, SAMUEL E. MUSA & EUNICE E. MUSA of Masaka the lawful Widow, Son & Daughter of the said deceased. |
| 15 | DIDAM MAGDALINE Late Of Gitata, Died on the 24 th day of August, 2021 at Keffi. | DIDAM MARKUS of Zonkwa the lawful Brother of the said deceased. |
| 16 | ISA MALLAM Late Of Keffi, Died on the 25 th day of August, 2018 at Keffi. | ISA UBA of Keffi the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 17 | AJUJIE PETER NDUBUI UCHE Late Of Mararaba, Died on the 14 th day of April, 2021 at Abuja. | AJUJIE ESTHER ADERONKE of Mararaba the lawful Widow of the said deceased. |
| 18 | HEZEKIAH PRINCE NSE Late Of Mararaba, Died on the 18 th day of July, 2022 at Nyanya Gwandara. | HEZEKIAH RUTH JOY NSE of Mararaba the lawful Daughter of the said deceased. |
| 19 | OKPANACHI SIMON Late Of Jikwoyi, Died on the 21 st day of March, 2014 at Aba. | OKPANACHI QUEEN ENECHOJO of Jikwoyi the lawful Widow of the said deceased. |
| 20 | MUSA KURE Late Of Panda, Died on the 15 th day of August, 2021 at Kwoi. | KURE DANLAMI of Panda the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 21 | 04NA/55/0630L.CPL ALHASSAN ISMAIL Late Of Lagos, Died on the 15 th day of December, 2015 at Maiduguri. | MOHAMMED ALHASSAN of Mararaba the lawful Brother of the said deceased. |
| 22 | MUSA MUHAMMED Late Of Panshin, Died on the 6 th day of May, 2022 at Jos. | MUSA AHMED HAMIDU of Keffi the lawful Nephew of the said deceased. |
| 23 | ALKALI ADAMU Late Of Mararaba, Died on the 28 th day of August, 2022 at Mararaba. | ADAMU ALKALI of Mararaba the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 24 | JAMES OSANG EWAH Late Of KARU-FCT, Died on the 29 th day of August, 2022 at Lafia. | EWAH OTSEWECHI UNCHI of KARU the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 25 | IMORU PATRICK ADEKUNLE Late Of Kabayi, Died on the 16 th day of July, 2022 at Abuja. | UMORU BABATUNDE of Kabayi the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 26 | ALBERT FLORENCE Late Of New Karu, Died on the 1 st day of August, 2021 at Egbe. | OJU SUNDAY AGBOOLA of New Karu the lawful Son of the said deceased. |
| 27 | SUNDAY AMODU Late Of Nasarawa, Died on the 1 st day of August, 2022 at Mararaban Odege. | SUNDAY BLESSING & SUNDAY RACHAEL of Nasarawa the lawful Daughters of the said deceased. |
| 28 | SOLOMON MILLER LATE OF KURUDU DIED ON 12TH JULY, 2022 AT MARARABA. | NIMZE MILLER MIRI OF NEW KARU THE LAWFUL SON OF THE DECEASED. |

(Esther M. Ejeh Esq.)
PROBATE REGISTRAR,
NASARAWA STATE OF NIGERIA

PUBLIC NOTICE HEARTSPRING INITIATIVE FOR HEALTH CARE AND SUPPORT

This is to notify the general public that the above named organization has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission for registration under part 'C' of the Companies and Allied Matters, 1990.

TRUSTEES
(1) PETERS INEREPAMO RAYMOND - Chairman
(2) OGOH EREFAGHE - Secretary
(3) LOKOJA MARCUS- TRUSTEE

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES
1. We sensitize people on living a healthy life.
2. We provide clinical services to those infected with HIV Virus.
3. We provide free drugs to patients living with HIV Virus.
4. We educate the drugs addicted people on the effect of drugs in their kidney and liver.
5. We educate people on how to take care of their health.

Any objection to this registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420 Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja, before 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED
INEREPAMO RAYMOND PETERS
CHAIRMAN

PELLA MUSLIMS ASSOCIATION CAC/IT/NO: 103165

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED FOR THE CHANGE OF ITS NAME TO CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION UNDER PART C OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT NO. 1 OF 1990

THE OLD NAME IS
PELLA MUSLIMS ASSOCIATION

THE NEW NAME IS
PELLA MUSLIM ASSOCIATION.

Aims and Objectives remain the same.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS CHANGE SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUYI IRONSI STREET. PMB 198, MATIAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION
SIGNED : SECRETARY

LEGAL NOTICE:

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, JIGAWA STATE OF NIGERIA
IN THE HIGH COURT PROBATE REGISTRY WHEREAS the persons whose names are set out in the first column hereunder died intestate in the date and at the specified place in the said column.

AND WHEREAS the persons whose names and addresses appear below in the second column (Herein-after called the claimants) claim relationship to the deceased persons named opposite in the first column and have applied to High Court of Justice, Jigawa State for the grant of Letters of Administration of the personal properties of the said deceased.
NOW THEREFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That letters of administration will be granted to the claimants, UNLESS A NOTICE TO PROHIBIT the grant is filed in the probate Registry, High Court of Justice, Jigawa State within TWENTY ONE (21) DAYS of the publication of notice.

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| DECEASED
YAHAYA SALE OF M. O. F. DUTSE WHO DIED ON THE 15/12/2020 AT HOSPITAL | APPLICANTS
HAMZA YAHAYA OF YALWAN DAMAI, B/KUDU. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |
| HARUNA USMAN OF GWIWA L. E. A. WHO DIED ON THE 15/3/2018 AT HOME. | USMAN HARUNA OF KAZAURE TOWN. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |
| SAIBATU ISMAILA OF HADEJIA L. E. A. WHO DIED ON THE 11/7/2022 AT HADEJIA. | ABDULLAHI USAINI OF HADEJIA. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |
| DAHIRU HARUNA OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT BOARD, DUTSE WHO DIED ON THE 5/10/2019 AT HOSPITAL. | MUJITAFI DAHIRU OF KAZAURE. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |

DATED 25/1/2023

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE JIGAWA
(AISHA AHMAD BABURA ESQ.) PROBATE REGISTRAR

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| DECEASED
MUHAMMED ADAMU OF DUTSE L. E. A. WHO DIED ON THE 4/4/2021 AT HOME. | APPLICANTS
HARUNA MUHAMMED OF KANDI, DUTSE. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |
| SALAWU KADIRI IBRAHIM OF GIDA DUBU YADI, DUTSE WHO DIED ON THE 17/6/2022 AT G. H. DUTSE. | AHMAD IBRAHIM OF GIDA DUBU, DUTSE. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |
| ISYAKU GARBA OF HADEJIA L. E. A. WHO DIED ON THE 20/9/2022 AT HOSPITAL | ABUBAKAR MAITSA MIYYA OF HADEJIA TOWN. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |
| HAFSAT GARBA OF HADEJIA L. E. A. WHO DIED ON THE 24/9/2022 AT HADEJIA. | HASSAN ABBA MUSA OF HADEJIA. THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATOR. |

DATED 25/1/2023

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE JIGAWA
(AISHA AHMAD BABURA ESQ.) PROBATE REGISTRAR

PUBLIC NOTICE

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT F.B. IBRAHIM, MRS OF NDIC ABUJA, DIED ON 6TH APRIL, 2010, IN A MOTOR ACCIDENT ALONG KANO ZARIA EXPRESS WAY. ADMINISTRATORS OF HER ESTATE ARE, MOHAMMED IBRAHIM AND COLA.D. UMAR.

THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND ANY AUTHORITY CONCERNED TO PLEASE TAKE.

I, formerly known as **AMADU JIRGI GILBADI** now wish to be known and addressed as **AMADU MANI**. All former documents remain valid. General public and authorities concerned should please take note.

I, formerly known as **HADIZA UMAR FAROUK** now wish to be known and addressed as **HADIZA MUAWUYA FAROUK**. All former documents remain valid. General public and authorities concerned should please take note.

I, formerly known as **SIRAJO SAIDU** now wish to be known and addressed as **SURAJO SAIDU**. All former documents remain valid. General public and authorities concerned should please take note.

I, formerly known as **SANI RAFI** now wish to be known and addressed as **SANI ABUBAKAR** with D.O.B 01-01-1985. All former documents remain valid. General public and authorities concerned should please take note.

I, formerly known as **BELLO SALISU SAUNA** now wish to be known and addressed as **AMINU LAUWALI** with D.O.B 01-01-1975. All former documents remain valid. Zenith Bank PLC, BVN, National Identity Card, Voters Card, general public and authorities concerned should please take note.

I, formerly known as **KAKALE BALA** now wish to be known and addressed as **KAKALE SANI**. All former documents remain valid. General public and authorities concerned should please take note.

I, formerly known as **ISAH MOHAMMED** now wish to be known and addressed as **BUDA ISAH MAILEMU**. All former documents remain valid. General public and authorities concerned should please take note.

Requirement for Change of Name
Women: Marriage Certificate or Court Affidavit;
Men: Court Affidavit

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF KATSINA STATE OF NIGERIA PROBATE DIVISION

WHEREAS the person/persons whose names are set out in the first column hereunder died intestate on the date and at the place stated in the said column. AND WHERE AS the person/person (s) whose addresses claimed relationship to the said deceased is/are set out in the second column hereunder have applied to the High Court of Justice Katsina for a grant of "LETTER OF ADMINISTRATION" of the personal property of the said deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the "LETTER OF ADMINISTRATION" will be granted to such person/persons unless "NOTICE TO PROHIBIT" is filed in the Probate Registry, High Court of Justice Katsina within TWENTY-ONE DAYS from the date of publication of this notice.

NAME OF DECEASED PERSON
LATE: YAKUBU IBRAHIM YARUNCHI OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION BOARD KATSINA. DIED ON 13-10-2020. KATSINA.

APPLICANT
ZAINAB YAKUBU IBRAHIM OF DANDAGORO TOWN BATAGARAWA LGA. DAUGHTER THE SAID DECEASED THE SAID DECEASED

NAME OF DECEASED PERSON
LATE: ABDULMUTALLAB JANABU OF RIMI LGA. DIED ON 18-03-2019 AT KATSINA.

APPLICANT
BISHIR ABDULLAHI OF IYATAWA TOWN RIMI LGA. SON OF THE SAID DECEASED

DATED THIS 26-01-2023

AT THE PROBATE REGISTRY,
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE,
KATSINA.

(Nuraddeen El-Ladan Ahmed)
PROBATE REGISTRAR

LOSS OF ORIGINAL LAND DOCUMENTS

This is to inform the general public of the loss of Statutory Certificate of Occupancy belonging to HASSAN .A. TUKUR "M" of Plot No. 2564, Off Panama Street, Maitama, Abuja (Holder of Statutory Certificate of Occupancy with No. SLG/463 with it sales Agreement on his Farm/Grazing Land covering an Area of 25.35HA at Gembu, Taraba State). He discovered that the ORIGINALS of the above mentioned documents got missing sometime in June 2022. All efforts made to trace the said ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS proved abortive. If found should please be returned to the nearest police station. General public should please take note.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to notify the general public of the loss of original Exploration licence Certificate with No 25466 EL belongings to ALHAJI BUKAR BAKIK & SONS LIMITED issued by Nigeria Mining Cadesral Office Abuja, All efforts to trace the said documents proved futile, All Authorities concerned to please take note.

PELLA MUSLIMS ASSOCIATION CAC/IT/NO. 103165

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED ASSOCIATION HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR CHANGE OF ITS TRUSTEES UNDER PART 'C' OF COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, (CAMA) 2020

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| TRUSTEES | |
| 1) SALEH MAHMUD DAKSIRI | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 2) ALIYU ADU KAMA | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 3) FATI ABUBAKAR-BALLAH | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 4) ALI IBRAHIM | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 5) ISAH SULAIMAN | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 6) HAMIDU YA'U PELLA | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 7) IBRAHIM ALI | - RE-APPOINTED |
| 8) LADI ABUBAKAR | - APPOINTED |
| 9) ABBAS MOHAMMED ADAMU | - APPOINTED |
| 10) UMAR GARBA PELLA | - APPOINTED |
| 11) ALIYU MUSA MANPA'A | - APPOINTED |
| 12) SAMAILA ABDULLAH I KUSHU | - REMOVED |
| 13) ADAMU MOHAMMED YARIMA | - REMOVED |
| 14) HABSATU M. HAMIDU | - REMOVED |

Aims and objectives remain the same.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUYI IRONSI STREET, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION

SIGNED:
SECRETARY

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| Bank: First Bank Plc
Account No: 2002911690
Sort Code: 0111084060 | Bank: UBA Plc
Account No: 1007117397
Sort Code: 033080013 | Bank: GTBank Plc
Account No: 0024570856
Sort Code: 058083231 |
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SPORT



■ Chimezie Metu in action for D'Tigers against Cote d'Ivoire in the 2023 FIBA Basketball World Cup African Cup African Qualifiers in Abidjan

D'Tigers 2023 World Cup qualifiers threatened by paucity of funds

From Dotun Omisakin, Lagos

...As NBBF waits on sports ministry, sponsors

The chance of Nigeria's Men basketball team D'Tigers to participate in the final window of the 2023 FIBA Men's World Cup Qualifier in Luanda, Angola, is hanging in the balance as the Nigeria Basketball Federation (NBBF) is cash strapped and waiting on the Federal Ministry of Sports to come to the team's rescue.

The 2023 FIBA Men's World Cup is scheduled to be held from August 25- September 10 in Japan, Indonesia and Philippines while the final window for qualifiers is to be held from February 20-28, 2023.

Daily Trust investigation has

revealed that with less than 25 days to the dunk-off of the final window, the NBBF is yet to get funds from either the sports ministry or any of its sponsors for the national team.

Meanwhile, D'Tigers are expected to win all their remaining matches in Group E and hope other results go their way for them to stand a chance of picking one of the four tickets in Africa.

Already, Cote D'Ivoire has picked the first of the five tickets for the continent of Africa.

In Group E, Cote D'Ivoire are leading with 14 points, Angola 12, Cape Verde 11, Nigeria 10 while Guinea and Uganda are on 8 points

each.

In a chat with our correspondent, NBBF Vice-president, Mr. Babatunde Ogunade, confirmed that the federation is cash strapped and is unable to single-handedly fund D'Tigers' World Cup qualifiers.

"Yes it is true that the final window of the qualifiers is next month and it is also true that we have a problem with funding but we are reaching out to the Government because they own the team.

"D'Tigers are not representing the NBBF, they represent Nigeria. So, the team is meant to be funded

by the Government," he said.

However, Ogunade said the NBBF is not leaving the whole burden on the Government alone as he disclosed that the federation is discussing with its sponsors for support.

"We are aware that the Government alone cannot fund sports, so we are also reaching out to our sponsors to support us. That is what we are doing.

"The sports ministry is aware that the event must take place and we must participate. Therefore, we will keep pushing the Government and appealing to our sponsors," he assured.

Unstoppable Djokovic mows down Rublev to reach semis

Novak Djokovic delivered another masterclass at the Australian Open on Wednesday to thump fifth seed Andrey Rublev 6-1 6-2 6-4 and reach the semi-finals at Melbourne Park where he is bidding for a record-extending 10th crown and 22nd Grand Slam title.

It marked the 44th time that Djokovic reached the last four at the Grand Slams, leaving him six ahead of Rafa Nadal and only two behind his other great rival and 20-times major champion Roger Federer.

"I can't be happier with my tennis, I was solid from the back of the court. I love these conditions, this court, it's definitely special for me," Djokovic said.

Djokovic targeted Rublev's forehand and second serve with venomous returns in windy conditions on Rod Laver Arena and went ahead 3-1 in the first set after the Russian fifth seed double-faulted on breakpoint and the Serbian pulled away from there.

"You have to make adjustments and adapt," Djokovic said of playing in testing conditions. "It wasn't breezy at six in the evening and it started all of a sudden.

"People in the stands or watching on TV don't see it. But it makes a huge difference, as you have to pick and choose your shots and open up the court. The ball toss is a gamble."

Zenith Bank reiterates commitment to sports sponsorship

By David Ngobua

One of the frontline sponsors of sports in Nigeria, Zenith Bank has reiterated its commitment to sponsoring sports in the country.

Zenith Bank has been a big pillar behind many sports competitions like the National Female Basketball League, The Delta Principals Cup and the Delta Headmasters Cup.

The bank at some point was also staging the U-13, U-15 Future Eagles competition and served as the official bank of the Nigeria Football Federation (NFF) while footing the bill of the then foreign manager of the Super Eagles for about five years.

The Group Managing Director of Zenith Bank, Ebenezer Onyeagwu, in a statement said all the major events in the bank's sports calendar would be staged in 2023.



Onyeagwu said it was always a pleasure for the organization to stage sporting events in its calendar in support of Nigerian youths and sports in general.

"We have a budget for all our sporting events every year. COVID-19 was a threat two years ago but the past few months have been cases of natural causes (flooding) and federation crisis affecting our events.

"On our part, the commitment remains the same and we are always happy and ready to support sports. This year 2023, we can confirm that our major events - Women Basketball, Delta Principals' and Headmasters' Cup - are coming up. We almost staged basketball last year but time was so short after all was agreed."

According to him, the social club events at Ikoyi Club and Lagos Country Club are expected to be staged as well.

Remo Stars edge 3SC 2-0 to maintain unbeaten run

By David Ngobua

Remo Stars have maintained their unbeaten run in the ongoing Nigeria Premier Football League (NPFL) season with an emphatic 2-0 win over 3SC in the remaining Week Three fixture played yesterday in Ikenne.

One of the two privately owned clubs in the Nigerian topflight, Remo Stars have successfully carried on from where they left off last season having won their first two matches and keeping clean sheets on each occasion.

It will be recalled that in their opening match of the season, Remo Stars defeated visiting El-Kanemi Warriors 2-0 and moved up north to shock Gombe United 1-0 in the Week Two match played at the Pantami stadium in Gombe.



By their victory in the South-west derby, Remo Stars and Bendel Insurance are the two clubs that are yet to taste defeat in the current season.

Although the first half of yesterday's match was a cagey affair, in the second half, the hosts put more pressure on 3SC leading to the much desired breakthrough in the 60th minute when Alex Aghahowa scored an own goal to give Remo Stars the well deserved lead.

Ten minutes later, Godwin Odibo doubled Remo Stars lead to ensure 3SC had a mountain to climb.

Expectedly, the Gbenga Ogunbote tutored 'Oluyole Warriors' fought back to at least reduce the deficit but the defence of Remo Stars thwarted all their efforts.

The defeat at Ikenne has left 3SC without a win since the start of the 2023 NPFL season.

LINE OF SIGHT

with
Abubakar Adam Ibrahim
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The jollof wars: On UNESCO's 'arbitration' and the heritage potential of garau-garau

The snowball that has been the jollof rice debate reached dizzying dimensions this week when reports spread that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) had proclaimed the Senegalese variant as the one true one.

With one sweeping gesture, it would seem, UNESCO had effectively swatted aside the keen contestation between Nigeria and Ghana over whose jollof is the best.

This tussle for jollof supremacy has seen the always feisty football encounters between Nigeria and Ghana being renamed "the Jollof Derby." I like it. It is swanky, playful and original.

Regarding the so-called proclamation, my initial reaction is to ask who invited UNESCO into this debate. What was their business with it and why didn't Nigeria and Ghana properly document the history and evolution of their jollof rice and had to wait for UNESCO to come and tell them that the food they prepare and garnish in various local flavours—some spicier, or rather more peppery, than others—is to some extent inauthentic. You know, the typical knee-jerk reaction. Many Nigerians got excited about this and went to social media to write long epistles about what jollof rice, not only as a cuisine but as a cultural marker means to them as opposed to the UNESCO proclamation that means nothing to them. As did the Ghanaians. The Senegalese must have been having their conversation in French. It was all patriotic, sweet and quite funny. It was also a storm in a teacup.

Firstly, and this is the least important, there is the fact that I don't care much for jollof rice, which I think is overrated in any case (and I have eaten jollof rice in both Ghana and Nigeria—although one of my Ghanaian friend's protests that what I had wasn't the real Ghana jollof. The Senegalese one I had didn't knock my socks off as well.) I think the quality of every single jollof meal comes down to the skill of the cook.

Regardless, some people love it genuinely, while others will defend it to the death not because they love it that much but because winning the argument is a matter of national pride. To these patriots, I would say: stay the cause.

In dismissing this alleged intervention by UNESCO, the major issue is that the

proclamation, as reported, does not exist. It is disinformation. Fake News. A half-cooked jollof mischief conjured up by someone with questionable motives.

In a simple Google search, the news story of this proclamation popped up on several news sites, none of them reliable or well known, except perhaps for the online site of Tribune newspaper, which reshaped what it picked up from these blogs.

The second questionable point was that all the stories were similar. They had the same structure and the same diction and only varied in a few tonal flavours. Some attempted to inject humour and lightness—mostly in the first and last paragraphs, but the core of the story was always the same. They all mentioned that UNESCO recognised Senegalese jollof or Ceebu Jen, as it is known, as the most authentic and has recorded it as an intangible cultural heritage, ending the debate between Nigeria and Ghana. The biggest red flag here, however, is that none of these reports directly quoted UNESCO or any of its representatives. All of the reports made mention of a story published by The Conversation.com, titled 'Who invented jollof rice? Senegal beats Ghana and Nigeria to the title' by Fatima Fall Niang, whose book traces the origin of jollof to Senegal circa 1860 and 1940 when French colonisers "Replaced existing food crops with broken rice imported from Indochina."

There is a need to scrutinise these claims from two points of intervention. First, on the point of dates, rice and its cultivation on the continent and in West Africa in particular, predates colonial intervention. Some scholars claim that it might have gone as far back as 3000 years. But most definitively, African-American scholar, Edda L. Fields-Black in her book *Deep Roots: Rice Farmers in West Africa and the African Diaspora*, recounts a stranded slaver, Samuel Gamble, as far back as 1793 documenting sophisticated irrigated rice farming in West Africa. Before that, the famous traveller, Leo Africanus, documented rice cultivation in Sokoto in the 1500s.

Secondly, on closer scrutiny, however, one finds UNESCO's listing of the Senegalese variant, Ceebu Jen, as an intangible cultural heritage (ICH). The irony is that the listing is from 2021, which raises the question of why is it blowing up now. And how did that

translate to dismissing the Nigerian and Ghanaian variants?

Also, neither the reports published by Theconversation.com, (apart from the headline) nor on UNESCO's intangible heritage site refers to the Nigerian or Ghanaian variant.

The article in Theconversation.com, authored by Ms Niang, who is also the director of research and documentation of Senegal at the Université Gaston Berger de Saint-Louis, Senegal, only referenced Ghana and Nigeria in the headline but did not reference the history of their jollof variants as a comparative tool to establish the Senegalese variant as the original historically. Culinary-wise, I suppose we will never agree on which variant tastes better as each jollof, depending on the chef, the mix, the circumstances around the cooking and the person eating it tastes better. And please, I am not including the pepper-filled stuff you find in places like Lagos.

In any case, what I find most interesting about jollof is the naming. The report by theconversation.com makes a big deal of claiming that the word Jollof comes from an ancient Senegalese empire from the 12th century, long before the food was reportedly invented. But then again French fries are not originally from France even if the name suggests so. Speaking of the name of the dish, the Hausa name is not a fancy one but a practical one. It is called dafa duka—which simply translates as "cook it all." But contextually it means "mix it all up" because instead of steaming the rice and topping it with tomato sauce or stew, all the ingredients, condiments and spices are thrown into the pot along with the rice and cooked, all mixed up to achieve unity.

Practical, yes. It is something that could apply to people, in a diverse country like Nigeria. *Dafa duka*. Bring all the peoples, all the tribes and ethnicities, all the religions and regional idiosyncrasies, pour them in a pot and cook them up. Like various spices and condiments, each one brings something unique to the meal—a taste, a zing, some substance and flavour and together they unify into a dish that has got a whole continent talking. *Dafa duka*, a veritable philosophy for integration. It could be a philosophy and mantra for national unity if we could get the various entities in Nigeria to blend under the heat of being cooked by the oppression and exploitation of our various governments, dictators and politicians and the exploitation of foreign interests. Wouldn't that get tongues wagging?

As a matter of preference, I am more curious about garau-garau, that meal of steamed rice served with a dash of oil with minced onion, a sprinkle of spicy, feisty yaji and extra seasoning and in some instances with a side of vegetables. Tastier than the overrated jollof and as local as Dutsen Dala, I guess. Perhaps we should try to have this entered into UNESCO's intangible heritage list and have some peace to feast.

SPORT REPORT

Azarenka up for the challenge as Sabalenka seeks calm



Victoria Azarenka
An Australian Open women's draw that has defied prediction gets down to business in the semifinals on Thursday with Victoria Azarenka on the cusp of a remarkable revival and her compatriot Aryna Sabalenka the only remaining top-20 seed.

Although Sabalenka and Magda Linette of Poland will be playing in their first semifinals at Melbourne Park, Azarenka returns to final-four action after a decade away when she takes on Wimbledon champion Elena Rybakina.

Now a self-confessed "obnoxious" soccer mom, the 33-year-old Azarenka looked every inch the player who won back-to-back Australian Open titles in 2012 and 2013 when she took apart in-form third seed Jessica Pegula in the quarterfinals.

Rwanda probes verbal abuse of trailblazing female ref



Salima Mukansanga
Rwanda's football federation has launched an investigation after fans hurled insults at the woman who made history as one of the first female referees chosen for the men's World Cup.

Offensive slurs were repeatedly chanted at Salima Mukansanga by fans from Kiyovu Football Club as she refereed their 0-0 draw against Gasogi United on Friday evening in Nyamata south of Kigali.

On Wednesday, the club vowed to name and shame those responsible.

Rwanda's football federation condemned the abuse and announced late on Tuesday it had launched an investigation of its own.