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Businesses Groan As Diesel Price Hits N650 At Depot

BY CHIKA IZUORA and YUSUF BABALOLA, Lagos

Prices of locally manufactured products would rise following the sharp increase in the price of Automotive Gas Oil (AGO),

also known as diesel.

Experts had earlier warned that the escalating war between Russia and Ukraine may place a cost on energy demand in the country as Nigeria largely depends on imported petro-

leum products.

LEADERSHIP reports that following the deregulation of the pricing of diesel, as well as Low Pour Fuel Oil (LPFO) and other ancillary products by the federal government, the pric-

es of these products have continued to rise.

About two weeks ago retail cost of diesel at various filling stations jumped by about 24 per cent to N410 per litre but LEADERSHIP findings show

that the product is selling at N600 per litre at filling stations in Abuja and Lagos as of yesterday.

More alarmingly, a dealer who spoke under anonymity said that as of Tuesday the ex-

depot price of the product was N650 per litre, and that if depots retain the current price retailers would sell at between N700 to N800 a litre going forward.

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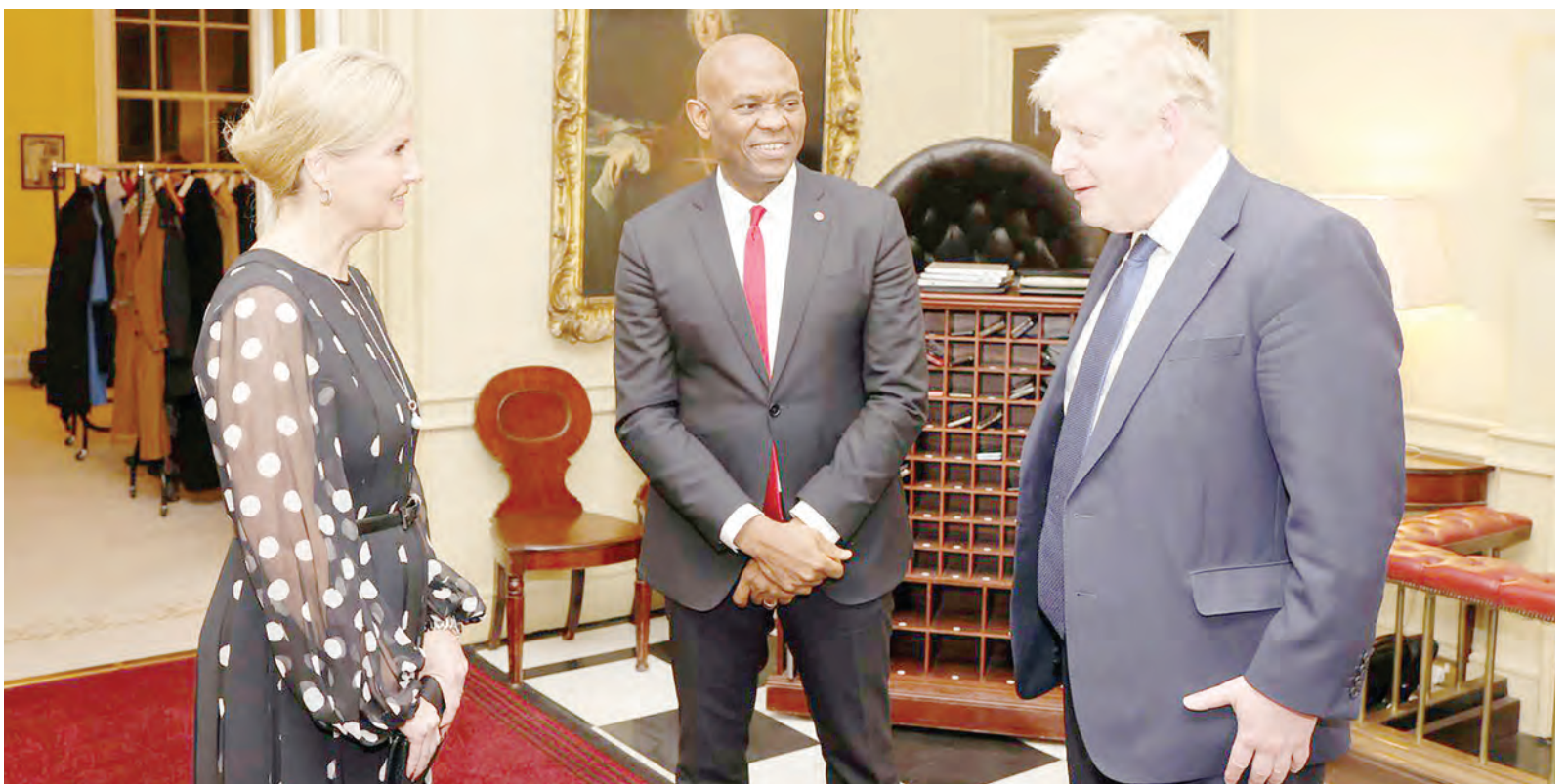
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Chairman, UBA Group, Tony Elumelu, with UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson and Countess of Wessex, HRH Sophie, at a private meeting to advance UK-Africa partnership to empower young women in Africa, at 10 Downing Street, London, yesterday

our stand

2023: Political Class In Disarray

In all democratic cultures, it is accepted as normal when political activities go into a frenzy a year or two before the election proper. Political actors, as part of efforts to ensure that their interests are secured, engage in realpolitik. Posturing and horse-trading become the order of the day as those involved seek to take control of the commanding heights of decision-making, power and influence. This would have been tolerable in an environment of normalcy and socio-economic certainty as obtains in advanced democracies and developed economies. But that is not the case in Nigeria, at least not at this moment in time, when it is buffeted on all sides by all manner of problems.

It is from this perspective that we feel inclined to assess what has been going on in the country since last year as the 2023 elections loom in the horizon. If happenings in and around the political space is anything to go by, the Nigerian electorate has every reason to be apprehensive. They are about to be taken for a jolly ride one more time as matters that affect their welfare receive scant attention if not total neglect by a political class in reprehensible disarray.

We make this assertion after a studied watch of the level to which the political class has placed their personal interests over and above that of the nation. It is a demonstration, in our view, of the absence of statesmen who, in moments like this, would have placed national interest over everything else. All the nation has, for now, is a bunch of political hustlers who are focused on the next election and what it has for them in terms of career progression or lack of it. We draw this conclusion with due sense of responsibility if only to call to question the politics of deceit that is going on.

In our worried state of mind, we think of no

other way to explain the insensitivity of the politically exposed persons, especially their rancorous disposition in the political arena, a tendency that has shifted attention from national concerns. Instead of telling the people what positive things to expect in the upcoming dispensation, such anticipations have been reduced to the level of self-serving propensities as individuals and groups equate their perception of what affects them with national interest.

As 2023 comes into view, the two dominant parties, the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) and the opposition Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), are literally in disarray as they find it difficult to manage the crisis they imposed on themselves. To compound the confusion, a group of political feather weights on the platform of what is described

as the National Movement or The Third Force is further complicating what is fast becoming a national tragedy. From the amendment of the Electoral Bill and the signing of it into law, national interest was not taken cognizance of. The entire process was pursued with one thing in mind, opportunity to control political party structures regardless of the harm it almost inflicted on the nation and its quest to consolidate the democratic benefits so far achieved.

The situation would have been comic if not that it affects the very essence of a country that prides itself as the biggest democracy in sub-Saharan Africa and the largest economy in the continent. While this cacophony of voices is dominating the media space, no one is paying attention to the real issues which ought to, under normal circumstances, dictate the

direction of political debate. The attempt by the powers that be to downplay it notwithstanding, it is still an inexorable fact that the nation has been at war for years with no end in sight. Terrorism, banditry, separatist activities of different hues, energy crisis, labour unrest and economic uncertainties, these are the issues that touch on the lives of the average Nigerian and which the people expect those angling for their attention and electoral support to put on the table of public discourse.

Instead, in the considered opinion of this newspaper, what the people are being served in the name of democracy is the inordinate quest for political power for its own sake, who occupies which office, who dictates orders and who gets what. These are the underpinning factors that are leading the politics of the nation to overdrive. These are the reasons why the politicians cannot agree on anything as they continue to view issues from the narrow prism of self-aggrandizement and influence-peddling.

A famous statesman was once quoted as saying that war was too important to be left to Generals. Juxtaposing that statement, we as a newspaper, canvass the viewpoint that politics is too important to be left to politicians alone. Nigerians, as a whole, must realize that there is no democracy without the people, the electorate who, at all times, hold all the aces.

It is, therefore, our considered opinion that it is about time the civil society organizations' (CSOs), the women groups and the youth challenged the shenanigans of the members of the political class who, in their warped minds, are beginning to assume that democracy begins and ends with their personal interests. We urge them to let the politicians know that the people are the real stakeholders in this whole democratic enterprise.

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Senate Ignores Court Ruling, Begins Amendment Of New Electoral Act

BY SUNDAY ISUWA AND ADEBIYI ADEDAPO, Abuja

The Senate yesterday shunned a Federal High Court ruling stopping them from reworking the 2022 electoral act amendment bill signed by President Muhammadu Buhari.

Senate President Ahmad Lawan declared that the court ruling would not stop the National Assembly from amending the Electoral Act.

LEADERSHIP reports that based on the Senate rules, if there is a court order on any matter, they senators would stay action on it.

In April 2021 when the Senate commenced investigation into the alleged harassment of a security guard by the chairman of the Code of Conduct Tribunal (CCT), Danladi Umar, he appeared before the lawmakers and begged for time to study the allegations before going to court to secure an injunction, an order the Senate obeyed. Nothing has been heard of the case since then.

However, the new twist followed a ruling delivered on Monday by Justice Inyang Ekwo on an ex-parte application by the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) barring President Muhammadu Buhari, the attorney general of the federation and the Senate president from tampering with the newly amended Electoral Act 2022.

The court ruled that the Electoral Act had become a valid law and could not be altered without following the due process of law.

President Buhari had, in a letter dated 28th February, 2022, requested the National Assembly to amend the Electoral Act.

He drew the attention of the lawmakers to the provisions of Section 84(12) which, according to him, conflicted with extant constitutional provisions.

Senate President Lawan, while reacting to the ruling by the Federal High Court after the Electoral Act Amendment Bill scaled first reading during plenary yesterday, said the same court violated the provisions of the 1999 Constitution (as amended) on separation of powers.

Lawan said, "I find it necessary to talk about this at this point, because our governance system is based on the presidential system of government where there is clear-cut separation and exercise of powers.

"The Judiciary cannot, under no circumstance, stop the National Assembly from performing its legislative duties.

"We know what our due processes are; just like we wouldn't venture into what the Judiciary does, it should also understand that we have our processes.

"If the president writes to the National Assembly to request an amendment; that is within his competence, and it is for the National Assembly to decide whether it agrees with the request of Mr. President or not.

"But to say that we cannot consider it is to ask for what is not there to be given. I believe that members of this National Assembly know their work and will do what is right. This is due process, we are not doing anything outside of the law; whether it is Mr. President or any Nigerian who feels very strongly about an amendment, this National Assembly is ready to consider it.

"It is within our exclusive right to consider whatever request we receive from Nigerians, whether through the Executive arm of government or through our colleagues - private members' bill."

Senator Gabriel Suswam, a PDP Senator, while rising under a point of order, faulted the ruling of the Federal Court.

"I agree with what you have said; the court cannot stop us from making laws. The problem with the letter sent to us by the president is that there is a part of it that interpreted the law we made.

"I think that is the only part that the court can act on, because he (President Buhari) said that the law we (National Assembly) made is ultra vires, which is not his responsibility, and I think, to that extent, the court can comment on that and not on the fact that we are making laws," he said.

But Senator Ike Ekweremadu, while citing Order 52(5) of the Senate Standing Order, called on the Senate to abide by the court ruling.

He said, "When we were waiting for the President to assent to the Electoral Act, some of us made a suggestion we believed would help, namely that the President would sign and then we would commit ourselves to amending that section.

"Mr. President, I also offered to help in redrafting it, now we have a situation where they've told us there's a judicial restriction on us to do that.

"Mr. President, I agree with you entirely, but the principle, as all the lawyers here know, is that if there is a court order, no matter how wrong it is, our responsibility as individuals and citizens is to respect it. The argument you have raised is what we are going to raise in response."

The Senate President, while giving his ruling to the order raised by Ekweremadu, said, "this has nothing to do with what happens in the court."

Ekweremadu, however, advised the National Assembly to discharge the court or-



Lawan

der.

"I think the argument you've raised is valid, but this point is what we have to present in court to discharge that order. We cannot sit and appeal on a matter that has already been given an order in court. I think we should exercise caution in sitting in judgment over a matter that an order has been given.

"What we should do is to brief our lawyers to go and discharge the order, instead of sitting here and disobeying court orders. It is not good for us and our system, that is calling for anarchy."

In his response, Lawan said, "My opinion about anarchy is when either arm of government decides to go into the exclusive preserve of the other. If the Judiciary wants to come into the Legislature to decide when we sit and when we don't, then that's anarchy.

"If the Judiciary would simply say we are not to consider this and that, and we obey those kinds of rulings, that is anarchy, because it is emasculating the legislature and that is not supposed to be.

"We will continue with what we are supposed to do because that is our calling. We are just advising that the Judiciary should please help us develop this democracy, because this arm of government is the least developed, and if we are allowed these kinds of rulings, we may end up going back 23 years ago.

Senators Directs INEC To Register Inmates To Vote In 2023

Meanwhile, the Senate yesterday urged the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to allow duly registered and eligible prison-electorate to exercise their franchise during all general elections in Nigeria.

This was even as it called on the electoral body to determine the status of the inmates that are constitutionally qualified to be registered as eligible voters and should vote at elections.

ceeds of Crimes (Recovery and Management) Bill, 2022.

The report was presented by the Joint Committee on Anti-Corruption and Financial Crimes; and Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters.

The Senate President, Ahmad Lawan, while calling for the report to be stepped down, said doing so would allow for robust contributions by lawmakers who were absent during the sitting.

He disclosed that the report would, nevertheless, be considered today during plenary.

...Constitutes 7-man Conference C'ttee On Sexual Harassment Bill

Also yesterday, Senator Lawan constituted a seven-man conference committee on the Sexual Harassment of Students in Tertiary Institutions Prohibition Bill.

The bill was passed by the upper chamber on 7th July, 2020.

The bill was sponsored by Deputy Senate President Ovie Omo-Agege, representing Delta Central District.

Lawan announced the membership of the conference committee at the start of plenary proceedings.

Senator Michael Opeyemi Bamidele (Ekiti Central) was named the chairman of the conference committee. Other members include Senators Betty Apiafi, Stella Oduah, Abubakar Kyari, Suleiman Umar, Suleiman Abdu Kwari, and Kola Balogun.

Members of the conference committee are expected to meet with their counterparts in the House of Representatives to harmonise the two versions of the bill passed by both chambers.

Reps Pass 56 Amendments, Reconsider On Rejected Gender Bills

In the House of Representatives, the lawmakers have resolved to rescind their decisions on three out of the four gender bills they rejected during last week's voting on constitution amendment.

Speaker of the House, Femi Gbajabimila, after a 15-minute executive session at the resumption of plenary yesterday, said the rescission was necessary given the mood of the nation and in commemoration of the 2022 International Women's Day.

The bills which will now be relisted and reconsidered within the coming weeks by the lawmakers include Expansion of the Scope of Citizenship by Registration, 35% Affirmative Action for Women in Political Party Administration, and Qualification to become an Indigene of a State in Nigeria.

Since last Wednesday, hundreds of women have besieged the National Assembly,

blocking the main entrance to the premises to protest the death of the bills.

The women vowed not to leave the protest ground until the National Assembly leadership addressed them.

Following Gbajabimila's address, chairman of the House Committee on Rules and Business, Abubakar Fulata, moved a motion to withdraw the rejected bills and was seconded by the deputy minority leader, Toby Okechukwu.

Speaking with journalists after the executive session, the chairman, House Committee on Defence, Babajimi Benson, said the decision of the Green Chamber was in solidarity with the female folks on the occasion of the International Women's Day.

Benson, however, explained that the House did not rescind the decision on the Bill to provide for Special Seats for Women in the National and State Houses of Assembly due to constitutional constraints, saying there is provision for the number of legislative seats for each state.

He said: "If you talk about creating extra seats, the Constitution itself states the maximum number. You must have a constituency that is available to run; you know what I'm saying.

"So, it's an ongoing conversation that we are also critically looking at. Nobody wants to leave the women behind. So, we will do our best to ensure that we try and give them the pride of a place they truly deserve."

The House has also passed 56 bills on the amendment of the 1999 Constitution.

The bills were passed during the plenary alongside a bill that seeks to repeal the Federal College of Dental Technology and Therapy (Establishment) Act, 2017, and enact the Federal University of Health Sciences and Technology, Enugu, to make comprehensive provisions for the management and administration of the university.

Some of the 56 bills are: Bills seeking to Abrogate the State Joint Local Government Account and Provide for a Special Account into which shall be paid all Allocations Due to Local Government Councils from the Federation Account and from the Government of the State; Establish Local Government as a Tier of Government and Guarantee their Democratic Existence, Tenure; Provide for the Financial Independence of State Houses of Assembly and State Judiciary; compel persons to obey or comply with Legislative Summons; Regulate the First Session and Inauguration of Members-elect of the National and State Houses of Assembly; and Institutionalise Legislative Bureaucracy in the Constitution.



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Borno Student Whose Throat Was Slit Undergoes N2.5m Surgery

BY FRANCIS OKOYE, Maiduguri

Reprieve has come for Jibrin Sadi Mato (Ramadan), the Elkanemi College of Islamic Theology Pre- JSS student whose throat was cut with a razor by his senior colleague in SS2 for refusing his errand.

After the feud between his family and the management of the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital (UMTH) over a referral letter, Mato on Monday underwent a second surgery that cost about N2.5 million at Nizamiye Hospital in Abuja.

The latest surgery came a month after he was discharged from UMTH.

The medical bill, according to Zarifa Mato, mother of Ramadan, was footed by the management of the Elkanemi College of Islamic Theology, which sent the money through an emissary.

While appreciating the school management for the gesture, she said the Abuja hospital recommended two surgeries, adding that the first surgery cost N2.5 million while the amount for the second surgery which the hospital said would depend on the outcome of the first surgery is not yet disclosed yet.

She called on the police and the government to prosecute the culprit who put her son in this condition for justice to prevail, adding the boy had been in serious pain.

A medical report from Nizamiye Hospital in Abuja obtained by LEADERSHIP and interpreted by a medical expert, indicated that Ramadan at present has vocal cord (voice box) paralysis arising from the poor healing of that injury he sustained in his throat.

This present problem, according to the medical expert, means that the boy would not be able to talk until the paralysis (weakness) of the voice box or opening of the windpipe is restored by the new surgery.

This is even as the management of UMTH has clarified the referral issue between them and the Ramadan's family, saying that the hospital would never refuse referral to any patient once procedure is followed.

LEADERSHIP recalls that on the night of 15th January this year when Ramadan was wounded by the senior colleague, the school management rushed him to the intensive care unit (ICU) of the UMTH where surgery was carried out.

The hospital discharged him on the 3rd February, but after some days, the family noticed some disorders on the boy which included swollen stomach and breathing difficulties, hence according to his cousin, Aisha Mato, the resolve for further treatment, which required the referral.

But when the family could not get the referral, they engaged their lawyer who wrote UMTH and when the letter was not immediately responded to, the lawyer felt that the hospital was withholding the referral and both the family and the lawyer cried out over the delayed response.

PMB Applauds Contributions Of Women To National Development

BY SUNDAY ISUWA, ADEBIYI ADEDAPO, EJIKE EJIKE, Abuja, AZA MSUE, Kaduna, PATRICK OCHOGA, Benin City and ABDULLAHI OLESIN, Ilorin

President Muhammadu Buhari yesterday extolled Nigerian women on the occasion of the International Women's Day.

The celebration, under the hashtag #Break the Bias, and the theme: Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow, the president said, was an opportunity to reflect on the vital roles women play in society, homes, governance, the profession, and other walks of life.

The president in a statement signed by his special adviser on media and publicity, Femi Adesina, said although women are not where they should be yet in different spheres of endeavour, he believes that they can no longer be deprived for too long, as they consistently prove that they can hold their own on all fronts and in all fields.

He applauded them for their contributions to the current administration as ministers, special advisers, senior special assistants, executive directors, executive secretaries and others, noting that they were pulling their weights and making it impossible for anyone to downplay their essence.

The president rejoiced with the women and mothers, around whom the tranquility of homes and societies revolves, praying to God to grant them peace, joy and satisfaction, as they celebrate today and always.

Also yesterday, Kaduna State Governor Nasir El-Rufai, flagged off the disbursement of N200 million to empower women entrepreneurs to commemorate the 2022 International Women's Day.

This is the third time the state government under the Kaduna State Women Empowerment Fund (KADSWEF) will empower women to grow their businesses.

Speaking at the event held in Kaduna, el-Rufai reiterated that the fund was meant to support small traders with capital to grow their businesses, stressing that women economic empowerment increases the quality of lives of their families and the society.

His Edo State counterpart, Mr. Godwin Obaseki, linked the crisis that rocked the state's House of Assembly to the lack of women representation in the House and pledged support for more women representation in elective positions.

Obaseki gave the assurance at an event at the Government House, Benin City, yesterday to mark this year's International Women's Day.

He said, "My only regret till date is that I didn't work hard enough during the last national elections that produced members of our State House of Assembly to bring women into the House. You all know the situation under which we conducted that election. And we can see the crisis that we had in the House. It was possible because we did not have a woman there."

Similarly, Kwara State Governor AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq congratulated women worldwide on the occasion of the International Women's Day.

AbdulRazaq in a statement signed by his chief press secretary, Radius Ajakaye, commended the women's grit, resilience and commitment to a world that works for all.

"Whether as a girl child, wife or mother, a woman is acknowledged for being hard working, kind, resilient, supportive, and generally committed to efforts to build a society that is conducive for all," the governor said.

And for Nigeria to make progress, the Muhammadu Buhari-led federal government and state governments must listen to women, the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) has said.

CAN president, Rev. Samson Ayokunle, said political leaders must listen to the women directly and not by proxy.

Court Verdict: PDP Names Replacements For Umahi, Deputy

BY CHIBUZO UKAIBE, KUNLE OLASANMI, Abuja AND OBINNA OGBONNAYA, Abakaliki

The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) has nominated Hon. Iduma Enwo Igariwey to replace David Umahi as governor of Ebonyi State. This followed the court judgement which sacked the governor for defecting from the PDP to the All Progressives Congress (APC).

The national chairman of PDP, Dr Iyorchia Ayu, who addressed a press conference in Abuja yesterday, also nominated Mr Fred Udeogu as deputy governor of the state.

Ayu asked the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to issue certificates of return to the party's nominees for the seats.

Replying to a question from newsmen, Ayu said as Umahi may decide to head to the Court of Appeal in an attempt to overturn the ruling, the PDP, he declared, won't concern itself with whether there would be an appeal or not. The party's business, he added, is to obey the directive of Justice Ekwo.

He said the nomination of Igariwey and Udogwu followed "the sacking from office of the Ebonyi State governor, His Excellency, Chief Dave Umahi, and his deputy, His Excellency, Chief Kelechi Igwe, by a Federal High Court for defecting to the ruling All Progressives Congress, APC."

Ayu said "in the same ruling, the court, headed by Justice Inyang Ekwo, also sacked the 17 members of the Ebonyi State House of Assembly who also defected with the governor and his deputy into the APC."

Umahi, his deputy and the 17 lawmakers were elected on the PDP platform in 2015 and again in 2019, but defected to the APC on November 17, 2020, citing "injustice done to the

South-East."

The PDP went to court and joined both the APC and INEC in the suit, praying for a declaration that by defecting from the PDP, on whose platform they were sponsored and elected, "Umahi, Igwe and the 17 lawmakers had resigned or deemed to have resigned from office on the day of their defections."

The court ruled that "the votes in any election in Nigeria are to political parties, and not candidates," and Justice Ekwo ordered all the affected persons to vacate office. He also ordered INEC to receive names of candidates from the PDP to replace Umahi and Igwe.

Justice Ekwo said the averments of the 3rd and 4th defendants did not address the issue of defection rightly and frontally but rather resorted to general denial to affidavit evidence.

Justice Ekwo said the depositions of the 3rd and 4th Defendants in their counter affidavit were "evasive and insufficient" to competently challenge the Plaintiff's originating process.

He said the "Immunity Clause" in section 308 of the Constitution is not absolute.

"Section 308 is a veritable constitutional shield" and not for political reasons.

The court said Umahi and Igwe did not contradict the deposition that total votes scored in an election belong to a political party.

Justice Ekwo said evidence abound that the 2nd defendant (APC) contested the state governorship election held in March 2019, with its own candidates.

"It can be noted that the constitution does not deal with the issue of defection lightly," the court stated.

"The 3rd and 4th defendants cannot transfer the votes and victory of



Umahi

the plaintiff on March 9, 2019, to the APC. The offices of the governor and deputy governor of Ebonyi State belong to the PDP. The option for Umahi and Igwe is to vacate office and wait for the next election to contest under the platform of its new party," the court declared.

The court said the act of the APC, Umahi and his deputy is aimed at dismantling the 1999 Constitution.

Consequently, the court declared that under the democratic system operated in Nigeria, the plaintiff won the majority of votes during the election and is entitled to enjoy the same till end of tenure of office for which the election was made.

Meanwhile, Umahi has insisted that he remains the governor of the state despite the court judgement delivered by Justice Ekwo of the Federal High Court, Abuja.

While reacting to the judgement, Umahi said it was obvious that the judge was on a mission to overturn all the rulings of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal.

He said before now, there had been rumours that Justice Ekwo was determined to give judgement against all known laws and constitution of the country, first to embarrass the APC and second to embarrass the federal government.



Moderna Signs MOU With Kenya For First mRNA Facility In Africa

Pharmaceutical giant Moderna has signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Kenya's government for its first mRNA vaccine manufacturing facility in Africa.

In a statement yesterday, the company said its goal is to produce up to 500 million doses of vaccines a year for the continent – with a focus on drug substance manufacturing, though the facility could be expanded to include fill-and-finish work.

"In parallel, Moderna is also working on plans to allow it to fill doses of its COVID-19 vaccine in Africa as early as 2023, subject to demand," the company said.

Currently, the continent – the least-vaccinated region in the world against the coronavirus – relies on imports for about 99 percent of its vaccine needs, according to the World Health Organization.

African leaders, frustrated by richer nations' vaccine hoarding, joined together to pursue the goal of bringing more vaccine manufacturing to the continent of 1.3 billion people.

In October, Senegal and Rwanda signed an agreement with BioNTech for the construction of its first start-to-finish factories to make mRNA vaccines in Africa.

UK Cruise Ship Turns Back After Pandemic Outbreak

A cruise ship travelling from the UK to the Caribbean has been forced to turn around because of positive COVID-19 cases on board.

The Spirit of Adventure set sail on 22 February for a 35-day cruise, but is returning to Southampton.

A Saga spokesperson refused to confirm the number of cases but said the ship was returning because of strict entry requirements in the Caribbean.

They said all customers on board would receive a full refund.

The over-50s only cruise, dubbed by Saga as "A Caribbean Spring", was set to visit Azores, Antigua, Anguilla, Tortola, Port Royal, Grand Turk and Bermuda.

However, the ship has turned around in the Atlantic Ocean after only visiting the Portuguese-controlled Azores due to a coronavirus outbreak on board.

A Saga spokesperson said a "limited number of guests" were asymptomatic or had mild symptoms.

They explained "strict COVID-19 entry requirements" in the Caribbean meant they had made the "difficult decision" to return to the UK.

The spokesperson added: "The safety of our guests and crew is our number one priority and we value the long-term relationship we have with them."

"We, like everyone else in the cruise industry, are learning to live with COVID-19."

Businesses Groan As Diesel Price Hits N650 At Depot

FROM COVER

Data obtained from Major Oil Marketers Association of Nigeria (MOMAN) indicate that AGO prices averaged N635 or \$1.539 per litre in Nigeria as of 8th March 2022.

While analyzing the situation, the chief executive officer, Centre for the Promotion of Private Enterprise (CPPE), Muda Yusuf, had sent a warning signal that Russian invasion of Ukraine would produce profound and multidimensional implications for the Nigerian economy, especially if it gets protracted.

These include the escalation of energy prices of diesel, aviation fuel, kerosene and gas, mounting petrol import and subsidy bill and the aggravation of petrol smuggling.

He had said, "There are also significant macroeconomic outcomes which include heightened fiscal deficit, growing debt levels, spike in debt service payments, money supply growth, exchange rate depreciation and more intense inflationary pressures.

Yusuf, a renowned economist and former director general of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry, LCCI, noted that Russia is the second largest producer of oil globally, even ahead of Saudi Arabia,

producing 10 million barrels per day.

He pointed out that in this case, there is a good chance that the conflict in the region would disrupt oil supplies, reduce output and trigger higher prices.

Already, oil price is above \$100 and the impact on energy prices is already being felt around the world.

In Nigeria, the deregulated components of petroleum products would witness sharp increases. These include diesel, aviation fuel and kerosene. Gas would suffer the same fate.

The escalation of these costs obviously has serious inflationary implications across sectors.

The geopolitical tension of the recent weeks had actually bolstered energy prices even before the current onslaught by Russia. The situation may get worse if the conflict escalates. This would affect cost of production, profit margins, purchasing power and may further worsen the poverty situation, said Yusuf.

Nigeria, he said, would likely see an upsurge in petrol import and subsidy bill in coming months as the landing cost of petrol and diesel increases on the back of the rise in crude oil price.

"Regrettably, we remain a major importer of petroleum

products and typically when oil prices increase, petrol import bill and subsidy payment also increase. Only recently the NNPC made a request of N3trillion for petrol subsidy. With the current turn of events, the subsidy bill would even be higher, creating a serious fiscal challenge for the government at all levels. These of course have serious implications for the budget and government finances," noted Yusuf.

This may equally scale up petroleum products smuggling because of the impact of the crude oil price hike on relative prices.

Meanwhile, some modular refinery operators could not offer better explanations if their output is hampered by rising crude prices.

Our correspondent who sought comments from a few operators could not get any affirmative answer.

LEADERSHIP reports that modular refineries are very small refineries with 1,000 barrels per day bpd to 2,000bpd.

In most cases they are so small that they do not have the catalytic cracking unit to crack the crude, so they do not produce the lighter ends like petrol. They produce mostly diesel and other heavier products and currently augment what mar-

keters import.

Air Fares May Rise Further As Aviation Fuel Hits 607

Meanwhile, the crisis rocking the aviation sector has hit another dimension as the price of aviation fuel has soared again.

It was gathered, yesterday, that aviation fuel hit N607 in Kano, N599 in Port Harcourt and Abuja and N580 per litre in Lagos, thereby creating fear of another price increase by domestic airline operators.

Aviation fuel, also known as Jet A1, accounts for between 30 to 40 per cent of operational costs in aviation. Being a deregulated product that is exclusively controlled by suppliers, the price has consistently been fluctuating along with Naira to Dollar exchange rate and the Russia-Ukraine crisis.

Domestic airline operators had met in Lagos, in February, where they resolved to increase airfares by 100 percent from N22,000 to N50,000. The increment which, according to them will be across board, had taken effect since March 1, 2022.

Investigation by our correspondent, yesterday, showed that a one-way ticket from Lagos to Abuja on Dana Air cost N50,000 while Abuja Port

Harcourt economy ticket for Thursday, March 10th, 2022, cost the same.

Also, a visit to Air Peace had shown that a one-way visit from Lagos to Abuja is N50,000 while Abuja to Calabar on Thursday, 10th March, is N50,000.

However, it was gathered that aviation fuel, last week, sold for N440 per litre. It sold for N426 two weeks ago across the airports in Nigeria and N340/litre in December.

Operators, however, say the rise in aviation fuel has made efficient air transport and affordable airfares unsustainable without either government's intervention or upward review in ticket prices.

They argued that if the increase in price continues, air travellers may have to pay more on the already expensive air ticket regime in the country.

Chairman of United Nigeria Airline, Dr. Obiora Okonkwo, said it was regrettable that the fuel that sold for N190/litre exactly a year ago when the airline began operations had increased more than 100 per cent.

According to him, the twin effects of the high rise in the price of aviation fuel coupled with the lackadaisical attitude

of the federal government towards fluctuation in the exchange rate are factors that can render aviation, which he explains contributes four per cent to Nigeria's Gross Domestic (GDP), irrelevant.

Okonkwo said it was difficult to find any aviation operator that can survive on such instability, a reason all operators are worried.

"Aviation fuel alone takes about 30 per cent of the entire revenue. Yet, for every ticket you sell, you have five per cent in Ticket Sales Charge (TSC) going directly to the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA). From the ticket, you also pay the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) and the Nigerian Airspace Management Agency (NAMA) among other charges. What remains?" he queried.

Speaking to LEADERSHIP, the secretary general, Aviation Round Table Initiative (ARTI), Capt. John Ojikutu (rtd), said, the repairs of Jet A1 pipelines that bring products to the airport will reduce the price by 20 per cent or more if truck transportation and demurrage are removed.

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APC Crisis: Drama As Akpanudoedehe Storms Out Of Committee Meeting

BY GEORGE AGBA, CHIBUZOR UKAIBE AND BODE GBADEBO, Abuja

There was drama yesterday at national secretariat of the All Progressives Congress (APC) as national secretary of the party's Caretaker Extraordinary Convention Planning Committee (CEPC), John James Akpanudoedehe, angrily stormed out of the committee meeting presided over by the party's acting national chairman and Niger State governor, Abubakar Sani Bello.

Sani-Bello has been presiding over the affairs of the party since Monday when he declared that he was now acting chairman of the party in the absence of the chairman, Mai Mala Buni, who is out of the country.

LEADERSHIP gathered that Akpanudoedehe who angrily left the meeting halfway following a disagreement with Governor Sani Bello drove out of the secretariat before returning to move some of his personal belongings from his office.

"The national secretary was visibly not happy when he left the meeting half way. It's like they had a disagreement with the acting chairman who asked him to leave. He drove out of the secretariat but returned not quite long to pick his belongings from the office," a source privy to what transpired at the caretaker committee meeting told our correspondent.

The development sparked media reports that Akpanudoedehe had resigned as national secretary of the party.

When asked to confirm the purported resignation of the party's secretary while briefing journalists after the meeting, Governor Bello simply said, "Ask him".

The governor who confirmed that the party's National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting will be held next week said yesterday's meeting was a continuation of Monday's meeting and said, "It is a continuation of yesterday's meeting. And just know you are not going to be asking me the same thing tomorrow because we are going to be meeting every day until convention so that we can put things together.

"Basically, today we looked at the convention sub-committee and we collected some of the reports from the committee hoping that tomorrow we will decide on the next step to take."

On the report of the zoning committee submitted by its chairman on Monday, Bello said, "The report of the zoning formula has been submitted and adopted and it will be released any moment from now. I mean the zoning formula."

Meanwhile, it became clearer that all is not well with the leadership of the APC when the party released a statement last night in reaction to

the court judgement sacking Chief David Umahi as governor of Ebonyi State.

The statement was signed by the party's director of publicity, Salisu Na'inna Dambata, instead of Akpanudoedehe who usually signs releases from the party in his capacity as national secretary.

We'll Leave If PMB Asks Us To Go - Akpanudoedehe

Meanwhile, the APC national secretary, Akpanudoedehe, quickly returned to the party's secretariat after reports of his resignation broke, saying it was only an official notification from President Muhammadu Buhari that could warrant his removal and that of the national chairman, Governor Mai Mala Buni.

Speaking with journalists at the party's national secretariat, he said, "I am waiting for the chairman (Buni). If we have a directive from the president that we should resign, we are not bigger than the president; we will do so if we hear from him. Somebody cannot say 'go and announce he is resigning'. Like MKO Abiola used to say, you don't shave someone's head in his absence. So, we have done so much."

Akpanudoedehe said if he had resigned, his resignation letter would have been in the public domain, adding that it was not the first time the APC is witnessing power play.

He said, "I have read in so-



Buni

cial media that I have resigned as Secretary of the APC. I want to state that it is not true that I resigned. If I had resigned, you would have seen my letter of resignation written by me. Someone cannot just say somebody is dead when he is alive.

"I am not bigger than the party, or bigger than the president who is a leader of the country. I am waiting for my national chairman to come back.

"We have done so much for this party. When we inherited this party, if you can recall, it was at its lowest ebb. We built the party and recovered a lot of grounds. We were able to register 41 million members. And we bought this secretariat of the party.

"We have been able to recover what we lost. We lost and brought in a lot of governors. All the states we lost, we brought in two weeks. We have been able to go round this country and the con-

stitution that was a difficult thing to do, we have done it in less than one year.

"We have done reconciliation, ward, local governments and state congresses and we are about to do the national convention. This is not the first time you are seeing a power play."

APC Senators Move To Save Party

Meanwhile, against the backdrop of the crisis rocking APC, Senators elected on the platform of the party met after Senate plenary yesterday in a move to save the party from imminent disarray.

Speaking with journalists after the meeting which lasted for about two hours at the National Assembly complex, the leader of the Senate and chairman of APC caucus, Senator Yahaya Abdullahi (APC, Kebbi North), said their immediate concern was to save the party from further degeneration into serious crisis at the national level.

"What we are concerned about is the seeming disarray in the party," Abdullahi said.

According to him, the Senators have resolved to serve as unifiers within the party in order to bring together all the various groups with vested interests.

He continued: "We are too worried about what is happening in our party and we expressed our concern over the

challenges facing the party. Very close to its national convention and we thought as very important stakeholders in the party, we want to draw the attention of everyone involved to come together and unite so that we can have a very successful convention in the party.

"What is happening is about the future of our party and government and also the capacity of our party to win elections in 2023. We cannot afford to come to the convention as a divided entity. Anywhere there are challenges that could cost the party its victory is a loss for everybody.

"So, we have resolved to meet again to articulate the major issues and then meet with the various stakeholders and aspirants of the party to advise and call for unity and sense of purpose in order to make sure that we unite every faction, every stakeholder of the party, so that the party can emerge victorious in 2023 elections," he said.

The APC caucus, however, commended the Buni-led caretaker committee for some of the gains made in the last two years.

"We have sat down as important stakeholders, as a caucus in this great party, to dissect all the issues that have been affecting our party since the formation of the caretaker and extraordinary convention planning committee.

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PMB Appoints Dumbari HYPREP Project Coordinator

BY TARKAA DAVID, Abuja

President Muhammadu Buhari has appointed Dr Giadom Ferdinand Dumbari as the Project Coordinator (PC) for Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project under the Federal Ministry of Environment.

The director press Federal Ministry of Environment, Saghir El Mohammed said the appointment is for a four year term and is with immediate effect.

Dr Dumbari holds a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Environmental Geology and Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology, both from the University of Port Harcourt, and Master of Philosophy Degree in Environmental Management from Rivers State University.

He said Dr Giadom has over 20 years experience in the conduct of impact assessment and baseline studies of Brownfields and Greenfields, with tested expertise in the development of Conceptual Sites Models of various environments.

FCTA Demolishes Illegal Structures At Karu Market

BY IGHO OYOYO, Abuja

To rid Abuja of nefarious acts especially those impeding traffic free flow, the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) administration has cleared illegal structures and roadside trading activities in Karu Market and environs.

Officials of the FCTA, accompanied by security operatives, in a joint clean-up operation, stormed the area with two bulldozers and ransacked makeshift structures built with woods and roofing sheets within and around the perimeter fencing of the market.

They also removed several umbrellas and attachments to the shops inside the market and set ablaze rubbles from the dismantled shanties.

Senior special assistant on monitoring, inspection, and enforcement to FCT Minister, Ikharo Attah, explaining the rationale behind the exercise, said they decided to remove shanties and roadside trading within and around the market, to free vehicular and human traffic in the area.

Attah, described the situation as very worrisome and disturbing, given the nightmarish experience motorists face daily, to pass through the Karu Market stretch of the Nyanya-Karu-Karshi road.

"It is very turbulent as people took half of the dual carriage road, to sell fresh fish, vegetables, and others.



Vice President Yemi Osinbajo flanked by some women while cutting his 65th birthday and to mark 2022 International Women Day celebration at the Presidential Villa in Abuja yesterday

2023: Tinubu, Ohuabunwa Meet NASS Members

BY ADEBIYI ADEDAO, Abuja

National leader of the All Progressives Congress (APC) Ashiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu, will next week meet with the National Assembly caucus of the party.

Tinubu, a former governor of Lagos State, in a letter addressed to the caucus, read by the speaker of the House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabimila requested to

meet with its members next week Wednesday to formally inform them of his presidential ambition.

This is just as presidential aspirant of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) Sam Ohuabunwa, scheduled a meeting with the joint PDP caucus of the Senate and the House of Representatives in Abuja today.

Gbajabimila, speaker of the House, read the notification of

the meeting signed by Ndudi Elumelu, the minority leader, at the commencement of plenary.

Tinubu in his letter stated that the meeting which will take place in Abuja, is an opportunity for him to share his vision for the nation with the caucus members and to hear likewise from them.

"After enlightening consultations with my family and traditional rulers, political

associates and ordinary Nigerians citizens, I believe it is appropriate that I contest for the Presidency of this country. Indeed, I see this as my duty and my own moral obligation.

"I am asking that you grant me the chance to address the honourable members of our party caucus and sympathisers in the House of Representatives on March 16, 2022 at Ladi Kwali Hall of Sheraton Hotel, Abuja.

Rising Spate Of Buildings Collapse, National Embarrassment – NIOB

BY TUNDE OGUNTOLA, Abuja

Nigerian Institute of Building (NIOB) has described the rising spate of building collapse across the country as a national embarrassment.

The association, however, stressed the need for regulatory frameworks for building development in the country.

The president of NIOB, Prof Yohana Izam who disclosed this yesterday in Abuja, during

an occasion to commemorate the Builders Day and its third anniversary, said the profession opt to provide the nation with skills, tested and proven technologies for the construction of building stock, which according to him remains critical to capital asset creation and welfare of citizens.

He particularly said that the Ita-Faaji five-storey residential building collapse in Lagos three years ago brought to the fore the

need to continually interrogate the invasion of the national building industry space by quacks.

He also decried the unacceptable levels of substandard materials and components in the country.

According to him, "This is so pervasive to the extent that a building collapse risk has gradually become synonymous with many building development initiatives across the length and breadth of the country.

"The theme for this year's annual commemoration: 'Building with Integrity' is deliberately orchestrated to initiate a paradigm shift from collapse to integrity.

"The objective is to create awareness on the need for stakeholders to sustain the development of frameworks and regulations for building process control and urban development practices as a sine-qua-non for building with integrity.

Terrorists Kill Scores Of Vigilantes In Kebbi

Terrorists have killed scores of members of vigilantes in Kebbi State.

While some unofficial reports put the casualty level at 57, others said it was high as 63.

The victims were reportedly killed during a clash between the local vigilante members with the bandits in the state.

A security source and local residents told Agence France Presse (AFP) yesterday that the attack was the latest involving bandits who raid and loot

villages, steal cattle and carry out mass kidnappings for ransom across the north west zone.

The police confirmed that the violence took place on Monday in the Zuru district of Kebbi State, without giving a casualty figure. But a security source said 57 bodies had been recovered while two local residents said 62 people were killed.

Local residents often form informal vigilante units, known as Yan Sakai to protect villages

from bandit raids, though some states banned them after they were accused of abuses and extra-judicial killings.

"There was an incident involving Yan Sakai and bandits which left several dead on both sides," Nafiu Abubakar, Kebbi State police spokesman, told AFP.

"We don't have a specific toll yet, we are still compiling fatality figures."

A resident Almu Sallami said vigilantes had mobilised from

different villages to take on a large convoy of heavily-armed bandits.

The bandits launch periodic attacks on villages in Kebbi near the border with Zamfara and Niger states and withdraw to their camps, according to police.

Security experts have warned bandit gangs who are driven by financial motives are increasingly forging alliances with jihadists from the northeast waging a 12-year-old Islamist insurgency.

Ukrainian War: Nigerian Students Get Romanian Study Offers

BY INNOCENT ODOH, Abuja

Nigerian students trapped for several days in Sumy in northeastern Ukraine by Russian troops may have heaved a sigh of relief as the Nigerian government has commenced their evacuation from the besieged Ukrainian city.

Also yesterday, the Romanian Ministry of

Education has offered the fleeing Nigerian students study opportunities in Romanian universities.

This followed a diplomatic arrangement between the Nigerian mission in Bucharest, the Romanian capital and some of the schools, a statement issued.

The statement further added, "Whoever wishes to benefit

from this opportunity should send a message to either of the following numbers: +40 749 335 927 or +40 786 091 964".

The Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Gabriel Aduda, also tweeted on this development.

Aduda tweeted, "Romanian Ministry of Education has offered to take

in Nigerian students fleeing Ukraine to study in their universities. We are also in talks with Poland, Hungary and Greece to do the same.

"We are discussing processes to seamlessly achieve this and have Nigerian students fixed up as soon as possible. Modalities will be announced shortly by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

Parties Must Give Women Access To Elective Offices – INEC

BY TUNDE OGUNTOLA, Abuja

Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has reiterated the need for all registered political parties in the country to promote greater access to women to attain elective offices.

INEC chairman Prof Mahmood Yakubu who disclosed this in a message to commemorate International Women's Day yesterday in Abuja, said the commission will continue to promote their interests and partner with them for free, fair, credible and inclusive elections.

Yakubu noted that this year's theme: "Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow", aligns with the commission's acknowledgment of the importance of inclusivity and the need to encourage active participation of women in the electoral process.

"It was for this reason that the Commission created a special Department of Gender and Inclusivity to pay adequate attention to the interests of women.

"The commission has also been impressing it on all registered political parties in Nigeria to promote greater access by women to elective offices," he said.

Why Nigerian Mini-grids Are Underutilised – Report

BY CHINELO CHIKELU, Abuja

A report initiated by Nextier Power and sponsored by Sustained Impact for Development Foundation (SIDf) and the Heinrich Boll Stiftung (HBS), Nigeria, has not only revealed that mini-grids (renewable power sources) in Nigeria are underutilised but further highlights the reasons for their underutilisation.

The report entitled, "Building the Case for a People Centered Electricity Sector Reform" was culled from a research on private sector owned mini-grids across eight states of the federation including Gbamu Gbamu (Ogun), Shimankar (Plateau), Akpabom (Akwa Ibom), Eka-Awoke (Ebonyi), Umon Island (Cross River), Obasore Community (Ondo), Egbeke Community (Rivers) and Magama (Niger) states. The research was targeted at determining the cause of the underutilisation of mini-grids, the opportunities for their greater utilisation and enhancement of service delivery.

According to the report, a major reason for the underutilisation of mini-grids is the lack of understanding of the demographics, and the demand requirement of sites where the mini-grids are located by developers.

Lulu-Briggs Wins Media Awards

It was double honour last weekend for the executive chairman of Moni Pulo Limited, Dr Seinye O.B. Lulu-Briggs, as she was awarded the Daily Independent Newspapers' "Personality of the Year Award" and the Silverbird Group's "Extraordinary Achievement Award".

The organisers said the awards were in recognition of Mrs Lulu-Briggs's work as a businesswoman and social investor, especially through her role as chairman of the globally respected O.B Lulu-Briggs Foundation which annually spends millions of naira on philanthropic projects across Nigeria.

In her remarks at the Daily Independent's event, she said, "This award, which is a recognition of my work and that of the staff of my companies and of the foundation, is a testimony to the fact that it is good to be good."

A celebrated daughter of the Kalabari Kingdom, Mrs Lulu-Briggs was born on the 21st of September, 1958 to a family of educators and community leaders - Mr and Mrs Ernest and Darling Briggs.

2023: Why Sowore Can't Seek Presidency Under AAC Platform - Nzenwa

National chairman of African Action Congress (AAC) Dr Leonard Nzenwa has disowned Omoyele Sowore who has declared to run for president in 2023 under the platform of the party.

AAC stated that Sowore was expelled from the party in 2019 and cannot by any stretch of imagination aspire to contest for any election on its platform, adding that the records are there and cannot be controverted.

This is contained in a statement by the national publicity secretary of the party Sylvester Cletus and made available to LEADERSHIP in Abuja, yesterday. The party said this clarification has become necessary following inquiries on the purported declaration for which the party was unaware and never gave consent to.

The statement reads in part, "The National Secretariat of the party in Abuja has cleared the air that Sowore's purported intention to contest for president on AAC platform when he knew he had long been expelled from the party shows it is a joke taken too far."

Palliative Works On Highways Paying Off – Fashola

BY MOSES ORJIME, Abuja

Minister of works and housing, Mr Babatunde Fashola has said the federal government's ember months palliative measures on Nigerian roads have produced results.

Fashola made the assertion in Abuja during a performance review meeting of stakeholders on the "2021 Ember Months and Post Rainy Season Palliative Works on Nigerian Roads."

The minister said the ministry and the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) yearly undertake routine palliative repairs of federal roads across the country during the ember months and post rainy season to facilitate easy movement of travellers, motorists, goods and services. He reiterated that different seasons bring different challenges and so the plan for every season is based on the report avail-

able and with such feedback things would be done better.

In a statement issued yesterday by the ministry's director of press and public relations, Mrs Boade Akinola, she quoted the minister as saying, "Seasons of the year bring different challenges, so what works for one season is not going to work for another season and we must remember this as public servants. It is with plan we can make things better. Things

don't happen by accident; we can control how they happen with good planning."

The minister said ember months are not a period to toy with. It is a period when most things begin to happen naturally and based on that the roads become so busy which compels the ministry and the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency to carry out palliative works on the roads to reduce accidents and other ugly incidents on the roads.



L R: Country director, Amnesty International & Member, BAOBAB's Board of Directors, Ms. Osai Ojigbo; director, research and programme development, NAPTIP, Olubiye Olusayo; executive director, BAOBAB, Ms. Bunmi Dipo-Salami and director, Nigeria Office, MacArthur foundation, Dr. Kole Shettima, during a workshop on leadership and gender-responsive reporting of sexual violence organised for journalist by BAOBAB for Woman's Human Rights in Abuja, yesterday. PHOTO BY IBRAHIM MOHAMMED

Women Begin 1 Week Protest Over NASS Rejection Of Gender Bills

BY SUNDAY ISUWA, Abuja

Women groups have protested at the gate of the National Assembly (NASS) over the rejection of all gender bills by the federal legislature.

According to them, the 9th Assembly had reinforced the discrimination and political bias against women as enshrined in the 1999 Constitution.

The women said by denying citizenship to a foreign-born

husband of a Nigerian woman and allowing Nigerian men's foreign-born wives to be awarded automatic citizenship, the National Assembly members had gone too far.

Speaking during the protest, the programme manager, Women's Rights Advancement and Protection Alternative (WRAPA), Yemisi Nathaniel, said Nigerian women were denied indigeneity through marriage.

"They denied us 35 percent

appointed positions for women and settling for 20 percent. They denied women affirmative action in party administration and leadership. They denied us specific seats for women in the National Assembly.

"In a bid to ensure that the National Assembly represents these bills as a matter of urgency and ensure their passage; Nigerian women will continue to protest, staying at the gates of National Assembly

throughout the week, to continue in a more formidable manner from today, 8th March, 2022 nationwide," she said.

Yemisi said they are mobilising all professionals and market women to continue with the protest.

"We need urgent reconvening, reconsideration, and immediate passage of the five women/gender-related bills: Bills number 35, 36, 37, 38, and 68.

Expedite Action On Women-friendly Bills, CUPP Tells Lawmakers

As the world marked International Women's Day yesterday, the Coalition of United Political Parties (CUPP) has charged lawmakers to favourably expedite work on all women-friendly bills before them.

The CUPP also charged the lawmakers to further enlarge the space for public participation of women in the economic and socio-political aspects of the nation's daily life.

Addressing newsmen in Abuja yesterday, the spokesman of CUPP, Ikenga Imo Ugochukwu expressed sadness over the decision of the All Progressives Congress (APC) led National Assembly leadership to slap women few days to international women day celebrations by rejecting bills that would have opened the political space for more women participation.

While congratulating women

- mothers, wives, daughters, and sisters and expressing solidarity with their aspirations and global expectations, Ugochukwu said that the leader of the opposition family Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) chairman, Iyorchia Ayu is pained by "this parliamentary decision and have since commenced action towards mobilising our lawmakers on how best to deal with the challenges posed by the

rejection of the bill."

He, however, said that the opposition is also working hard to create more participation platforms for women internationally.

He said, "International Women's Day is another opportunity to reflect on how far we have come as a people in giving our women the pride of place in our society, in conformity with relevant best practices.

BRT Murder: Adegboruwa Alleges Cover-up, Seeks IGP's Intervention

BY TUNDE OGUNTOLA, Abuja

Lagos lawyer, Ebun-Olu Adegboruwa (SAN), has accused the Lagos State government of cover-up in the murder of 22-year-old Bus Rapid Transit passenger, Oluwabamise Ayanwole.

He, therefore, urged the federal government and the Inspector-General of Police to take over the investigation immediately, before the case

is completely compromised.

The deceased, Ayanwola got missing while returning to Ota from Ajah on February 26 when she boarded a BRT bus with number 240257 going to Oshodi at about 7 pm at Chevron Bus-Stop.

The legal luminary in a statement made available to LEADERSHIP yesterday, titled: "Murder Inside BRT: IGP and Federal Govern-

ment Should Take Over the Investigation", said the events unfolding concerning the murder of Ayanwole are as intriguing as they are worrisome.

Following public outcry and media monitoring, he said the Lagos State government hurriedly packaged the Bus Rapid Transfer driver for a media interview, to give the impression that he was innocent of the crime.

Adegboruwa said some further revelations have thrown up very serious questions that the Lagos State government must answer if it is not covering up this dastardly act of daylight murder.

In a homicide matter of this magnitude, he said, "how can a prime suspect who was declared missing, be handed over to government by the security agencies?"

Engineering Institution, FUTA Plan Welding Academy

BY HENRY TYOHEMBA, Abuja

Nigeria Institution of Mechanical Engineering (NIMEchE) is to establish a standard Welding Academy in Ondo State in partnership with the Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA).

The welding academy is part of efforts to equip graduates with practical skills needed to compete in the industry and contribute to the national development of the country.

This was a part of the outcome of the working visit of the national chairman, Engr (Mrs) Funmilade Akingbagbohun to the vice chancellor, Professor Joseph Fuwape.

She said, "The situation that enables multinational firms to import welding experts for critical projects in a country where there are thousands who can be trained to handle the job must be checked through the development of local manpower and enhancement of their expertise.

"NIMEchE as an institution was established to, among others, contribute to the professional development of mechanical engineers both young and practicing.

APC Chieftain Urges NASS To Reconsider Gender Bills

BY DAVID ADUGE-ANI, Abuja

A member of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) caucus in Abia State, Chief Sam Nkire, has called on members of the National Assembly to reconsider the passage of the Gender Bill, which seeks special seats for women in the national and state assemblies.

Nkire, who was reacting to the fate of the bill, noted that Nigeria was too prominent on the global stage to play second fiddle in gender rights and parity issues.

He assured Nigerian women that the APC was sensitive and supportive to development issues affecting women, youth, girl-child and the vulnerable in the society.

Nkire added that the APC's manifesto and ideology favoured the International Affirmative Action as was enunciated in Beijing, China in 1995, adding that passing of the bill is just a matter of when and not if.

The APC stalwart advised champions of the bill, which include, Abia State-born Hon Nkiruka Onyejiocha, among others, not to be discouraged by the set-back, but to re-introduce the bill without delay.

Nkire also appealed to members of the National Assembly to put into consideration the overwhelming support the bill has among the Nigerian populace, when next it comes to the legislature.

Kwara Releases Funds For Completion Of KWASU Satellite Campuses

BY ABDULLAHI OLESIN, Ilorin

Kwara State governor AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq has released funds for the completion of the two satellite campuses of Kwara State University (KWASU), Malete.

The satellite campuses are located in Osi (Kwara south) and Ilesha-Baruba (Kwara north).

The vice chancellor of the university, Prof Muhammed Mustapha Akanbi (SAN) who disclosed to LEADERSHIP in Ilorin, said arrangements have been concluded to ensure the takeoff of the satellite campuses in the next academic session.

Akanbi commended Governor AbdulRazaq for approving the completion of the two campuses, describing the approval as a thing of joy to both staff and students of the institution.

He said the satellite campuses, when completed, would afford the university ample opportunity to expose students to another set of state-of-the-art facilities that will aid effective teaching and learning.

FCT PoS Agents Begin Members' Registration

BY ADEGWU JOHN, Abuja

Point of Sales (POS) agents in the FCT have commenced registration of its members in the effort to eliminate financial crimes through its operations.

This comes as the operators under the aegis of Consolidated Point of Sales Agents expressed displeasure that criminal elements have infiltrated the agency banking system, giving its members who are genuinely engaged in decent means of livelihood a negative image.

Addressing newsmen in Abuja, director of operations, Alhaji Hassan Hakilu frowned at the activities of criminals masquerading as POS agents, ripping unsuspecting customers off their funds through dubious means.

Hakilu said the exercise would help the association with reliable data on those who are the members and those who are in the business for sinister motives.

The registration which commenced on March 1, 2022 is expected to end April 1, 2022 after which a penalty fee will be charged.



L-R: Vice President Yemi Osinbajo with the senior technical assistant on Media to the President, Office of the Vice President, Louis Odion after a thanksgiving to mark Osinbajo's 65th birthday anniversary at the Presidential Villa in Abuja, yesterday.

LG Polls: Ortom Allocates 9 Chairmanship, 69 Councillorship Slots To Women

BY HEMBADOON ORSAR, Mākurdi

Ahead of the Benue State local government elections billed for May 7, 2022, the Benue State government has informed that there will be 69 elected women councillors in the 23 local government areas of the state.

Governor Samuel Ortom in a goodwill message to mark this year's International Women's Day (IWD) stated that in the forthcoming local

government elections, the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) has increased women participation by giving nine slots to women as council chairpersons. He stated this through his chief press secretary Nathaniel Ikyur.

Governor Ortom further maintained that apart from a certain percentage of women who will be appointed as secretaries of LG councils, there will be 69 elected women councillors in the 23 local government areas

across the state.

While enumerating the challenges militating against women's emancipation such as cultural practices, widowhood, and inability to aspire for certain positions in the society that needed to be addressed, the governor said what the state did is a good testimony of a government that prioritises the place of women for development.

Ortom commended the courage and resilience of Nigerian women to excel

even in the face of cultural and social-economic inhibitions.

He said his government is at the forefront of empowering Benue women politically and economically in line with the 35% Beijing Conference affirmative action.

He challenged the leadership of the APC-led National Assembly to borrow a leaf from the women development model of Benue State.

NASS Should Revisit FCT Mayoral Status Bill – Abuja Natives

BY IGHO OYOYO, Abuja

Natives of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Abuja have called on members of the National Assembly to have a rethink and ensure the passage of the Mayoral Status and Ministerial Bill, which was rejected by the Senate last week.

The natives who made this known at a strategic meeting of Abuja Original Inhabitants Communities organised by Abuja Original

Inhabitants Youths Empowerment Organisation (AOIYEO) and supported by CHRICED in Abuja yesterday appealed for an end to their marginalisation.

The president of AOIYEO, Commandant Isaac David, told journalists that original inhabitants have been praying for leaders who have passion for original inhabitants and political will to address the pressing issues bothering on their existence as natives of Abuja.

“There is still a chance for the legislators to repent and ensure that the mayoral status bill is passed because they are the people who can address the marginalisation of Abuja original inhabitants, so they should do the right thing,” he said.

The chief advocate of Abuja Grassroots Advocacy Projects (AGAP) Comrade Yunusa Yusuf, explained that part of the problems of FCT natives has always been the fact that they have not been able to get

the grassroots to understand their plights because the more their voices are loud, the more attention they will get.

“On the bill that was rejected by the Senate, the National Assembly should expect more citizen action from us. In as much as we have been civil in our plight, that does mean we are stupid. We know that we already have a court judgement mandating the president to give us a ministerial appointment at the federal executive council.

Kogi Commissioner Urges Respect For Women

Kogi State commissioner for Information and Communications, Mr Kingsley Fanwo has congratulated Nigerian women on the occasion of the International Women's Day, saying women are the treasures of the world.

The commissioner who made this known in a statement released yesterday also harped on the need for the society to respect the sacrifices of women and give

them their rightful place.

“Women are special beings. The only sacrifice that is greater than childbearing is death. They give birth and nurture us into greatness. They are bakers and moulders, relentlessly ensuring that the world is at peace.

“Women around the world and particularly in Nigeria have proven their mettle in various fields of human endeavors. They deserve to be celebrated and

honored by all of us”, he said.

He urged the National Assembly to revisit the Bill which seek to promote women inclusion, assuring that the more women we have on the corridors of power, the better for policy formulation.

“It is a shame that the Bill was defeated. Women deserve better. They deserve to be heard and seen. They are naturally equipped to make our society better and

more prosperous.

“However, what happened at the National Assembly that day called for a sober reflection and a change of strategy. Women should fight for their place in the scheme of things.

“We have more women voters in all our Polling Units. We have more women at campaign rallies. It is high time they made their numerical strength count”, he advised.

APC Chair: Group Drums Support For Abdullahi Adamu

BY DAVID ADUGE-ANI, Abuja

As the national convention of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) draws nearer, a group, Senator Abdullahi Adamu Campaign Organisation has declared support for the senator.

The national coordinator of the organisation, Hon Lawrence Onuchukwu, who made the declaration at a press briefing in Abuja, said Senator

Abdullahi Adamu is the man to pilot the affairs of the party to the next level, because of his vast experience in party politics and in resolving party's internal crises.

Onuchukwu noted that the APC is at a crossroads, and therefore needs a man with the best experience to pilot the affairs of the party.

He maintained that the party lost elections recently in some states because of

internal crisis in the party.

“What we are saying is that our great party, the APC, is at the crossroads. We cannot pretend about it. One of the reasons why the APC lost elections in some states recently is because of an internal crisis within the party.

“So, we need a man with the best experience at this material time to pilot the affairs of this great party and

Senator Abdullahi Adamu has the experience and capacity to resolve internal party issues,” he added.

He stated that Senator Adamu's previous role and stewardship in the party has further convinced members that the party would be great under his watch, the same way he carried out his assignment as chairman of the party's national reconciliation committee.

Security Operatives Hold 'Show Of Force' In Kwara

BY ABDULLAHI OLESIN, Ilorin

As part of its efforts to prevent criminal elements from gaining a foothold in the state, Kwara State Joint Security Task Force has begun a fresh round of operations in Kaiama and Baruten local government areas of the state to further beef up security in the state.

The Task Force comprises operatives from various security agencies, including the military, police, and other agencies.

The show of force, an initiative of the state government, has seen the security operatives combing communities in the local government to flush out criminal elements who may want to hibernate in the areas.

The security team has so far patrolled Kanikoko, Gegeji, Kokobigbe, Duse Dogo, Sabi Fili, Tunga Yakubu, Grichangi, Woro, and Venra. Other communities being patrolled are Gweria, Moshegada, Aboki, Gugiji, Nanu, Jonbiga, Karonji, Gwentte, Chikanda, the border town between Nigeria and Benin Republic, Yashikira, Gure, Shinatoko, Kuburufu, Yanri, and Kosubosu, among others.

The security team enjoined the people of the area not to allow strange people to hibernate in their communities, urging them to report any strange movement for the safety of lives and security in that axis of the state.

The security operatives also urged members of the vigilante and community folks not to accommodate any criminal elements in the area.

Minister Applauds Nasarawa Govt For Building Skills Acquisition Centre

BY RABIU OMAKU, Lafia

Minister of state for science and technology, Mr Mohammed Abdullahi, has described the building and equipping of some science schools across the state as an effort worthy of emulation.

Abdullahi said the establishment of the state of the art, Wing Commander Abdullahi Skills Acquisition Centre, Lafia, was meant to enhance technical education.

The minister disclosed this shortly after a closed-door meeting with the Nasarawa State deputy governor Dr Emmanuel Akabe in his office.

He lauded the state government for the establishment of a standard vocational and skills acquisition centre, describing the initiative as being in tandem with the federal government drive towards entrenching innovation driven economy.

While commenting on the technology village in Karu, the minister noted that the centre would create technology hub for the country.

COVID-19: Adamawa Records 13% Vaccination Coverage

BY HUSSAINI HAMMANGABDO, Yola

Adamawa State has improved on its COVID-19 vaccination coverage from seven per cent to 13.7 per cent (first dose), and 6 per cent (second dose) over the last 50 days, thereby placing the state on position 15 in the leadership board chart.

Director for immunisation, United States Centre For Disease Control and Prevention, US Embassy, Abuja, Dr Omotayo Bolu, made the disclosure in Yola, yesterday.

She also revealed that the state recorded 101 coverage in routine immunisation, and polio related activities following the first outbreak response in January.

During an interaction with Crowther Seth, chairman of the State Taskforce on Immunisation, she said more commitment by the government is needed to ramp up coverage and move up the leadership board through provision of counterpart funding for COVID-19 vaccination, and other supplemental immunisation activities.

Bauchi Woman Seeks End To 12-year-old

BY KAMAL IBRAHIM, Bauchi

A Bauchi State woman, Halimah Ahmadu, has filed a case before a Bauchi Shari'ah Court seeking a mutual divorce from her husband, Alhassan Habib Jibrin after spending 12 years in the marriage that produced three kids.

LEADERSHIP gathered that Halimah's latest attempt is the result of her dissatisfaction with an earlier judgement of a Kano State Sharia Court on her complaint in case No CV/216/20 on the argument of a lack of jurisdiction to entertain the matter. Later, Halimah challenged the decision of the court in case No SCA/KN/CV/151/2021 at the Kano Shari'ah Court of Appeal but withdrew the case.

She argued in a case no USCI/BH/CVF/66/2021 at the Bauchi State Upper Shari'a Court that continuous stay in the conjugation could lead her to commit sin, something that she abhors doing. Therefore, she seeks a judgement of the court allowing her to pay back the N420,000 dowry that her husband Alhassan Jibrin paid in 2009 when they were tied in the marriage in line with the provisions of section 21 rule 1(1)(2)(3) of Bauchi State civil shari'ah Rules Procedures.

The presiding judge, Hussaini A Turaki ordered the dissolution of the marriage and asked the plaintiff to pay the N420,000 dowry paid to them, and give 30 days to whoever is not satisfied to file an appeal in a judgement delivered on 28th February, 2022.



L-R: Emir of Kano, Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero; Kano state Governor Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, and minister of Industry, Trade & Investment, Dr. Adeneyi Adebayo, unveiling the logo of the Dala Dry Port & Kano Economic and Diaspora Investment Summit in Abuja

Terrorists Kill 2, Kidnap Catholic Priest, 4 Others In Kaduna

BY NONYE EKWENUGO, Kaduna

Terrorists in the early hours of yesterday invaded Kudenda community in Kaduna South local government area of Kaduna State and kidnapped the parish priest of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Rev. Fr. Joseph Aketeh and four others, killing the security guard and one other.

An eyewitness who spoke to our correspondent, Mr John said the terrorists invaded the

community at about 1:25 am on Tuesday.

John said the kidnapers killed the security guard at the Parish House and one other person during the attack.

"The kidnapers came around 1:25am and they started shooting sporadically for more than 30 minutes. I came to the Parish House around few minutes before 3am by then the bandits had already taken the Parish priest, I saw the corpse of the security man lying around the tap side of the Parish house.

"After they took the Parish priest away, the security guard came out to raise an alarm thinking that the bandits had already gone, not knowing that some of the bandits are still staying behind and that was how they shot him three times; one bullet at his chest and two at the stomach.

"The terrorists also attacked three houses around this area, a man was killed, they left with his brother, they also kidnapped a woman and her two children".

John said that the body

of Luka Philip was deposited at St. Gerald's Hospital Mortuary, while the other man will be buried later according to Islamic rites.

The dean of Romi Deanery, Catholic archdiocese of Kaduna, Very Rev. Fr. Andrew Dodo who also confirmed the incidents said that the terrorists have not demanded for ransom as at the time of filing this report.

Very Rev Fr. Dodo called on Nigerians to pray for the release of people who are in kidnapers' den.

Dolapo Marks Osinbajo's Birthday At North East Children's Centre

BY FRANCIS OKOYE, Maiduguri

Wife of the vice president, Mrs Dolapo Osinbajo, has marked his birthday in Maiduguri, capital of Borno State. As part of the birthday celebration, Dolapo was in Maiduguri on Monday to visit the North East Children's Learning Centre, which is a donor-funded school initiated by her husband on the 8th of March, 2017, during his 60th birthday.

The school is designed to provide accommodation, feeding, healthcare and education to about

1,500 children orphaned by Boko Haram across the six states in the North East.

Mrs Osinbajo was received at the Maiduguri International Airport, by Borno State deputy governor, Umar Usman Kadafur and Borno's first lady, Dr Falmata Babagana Zulum, alongside top government and APC officials, especially women.

The VP's wife visited the North East Children's Learning Centre and interacted with students most of whom were drawn from internally displaced persons

camps across the North East.

Mrs Osinbajo assessed the display of entrepreneurship skills by the children in different areas that included making of robots, tailoring and other facilities.

The vice president's wife was presented with a special birthday cake, celebrating the vice president's 65th birthday.

Supported by the wife of Borno State governor and the children, Mrs Osinbajo cut the cake with gratitude to the children.

Mrs Dolapo Osinbajo in her remarks during a gathering at

the centre, said the children are so special and precious to her husband and entire family.

Osinbajo also paid tribute to Borno State governor, Professor Babagana Umara Zulum, for his massive developmental efforts towards the state's restoration.

In her welcome address, Wife of Borno State governor, Dr Falmata Babagana Zulum, appreciated the vice president's wife for her visit and contributions to sustaining the objectives of the North East Children's Learning Centre in the last five years.

APC Won't Come Back In 2023, Says PDP Aspirant

BY ISIAH BENJAMIN, Kaduna

A chieftain of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and aspirant for the House of Representatives' seat for Misau/Dallas federal constituency, Bauchi State, Alhaji Abdul Ibrahim, has said it would be difficult for the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) to

make a comeback to power in 2023 general election.

While speaking with journalists on his political aspiration, Ibrahim said there are many factors, particularly insecurity and poverty militating against the return of APC to power coupled with internal wrangling.

He said PDP government

in Bauchi State has done very well in tackling infrastructural deficit, which will make its return to power in the state easy in 2023, adding that if he is elected, he would provide quality representation.

"The PDP has a very good chance to win the forthcoming general election in Bauchi State and the entire country because

APC has failed Nigerians.

"In Bauchi State, the governor has done very well for the party to retain the governorship seat, and at the Federal level PDP will win because APC has failed Nigerians in very bad ways. Is it security or what? You cannot sleep in most states in the country with your two eyes closed. It is too bad.

Tambuwal Applauds FG Over Ukraine Evacuation, Tackling Insecurity

BY ADENIYI OLUGBEMI, Sokoto

Governor of Sokoto State, Aminu Waziri Tambuwal has commended the federal government for its sustained efforts in rescuing and bringing back Nigerians, especially students trapped in Ukraine as a result of the invasion of the former by Russia.

Tambuwal, who gave the

commendation while receiving the minister of foreign affairs, Geoffrey Onyema, also applauded the government for its non-partisan support to the state in checkmating the spate of insecurity that has ravaged parts of it and the country.

Receiving Onyema and his team who were in Sokoto to commiserate with the government and people of

the state over the tragedies witnessed and suffered over time, Tambuwal said, "I commend the federal government for the ongoing efforts to evacuate trapped Nigerians from Ukraine.

"You are among the few foreign ministers we have had that speak every important language in the world. You are doing well and representing our country very well in every fora

internationally."

Praying to God to continue to strengthen President Muhammadu Buhari to confront all security challenges facing the country, Tambuwal appreciated the support of the federal government in tackling insecurity in the state, emphasizing that there is synergy among security agencies working in Sokoto.

NGO Trains Journalists On Disaster Management

BY ADENIYI OLUGBEMI, Sokoto

A non-governmental organisation (NGO), Christian Aid has trained journalists on the qualities and components of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).

At a two-day training held for selected journalists in Sokoto, with the theme "Media Capacity Strengthening on Disaster Risk and Social Safety (DRSS)," participants were taken through roles of the media before, during and after the occurrence of a disaster.

Declaring the training open, Christian Aid country director, Temitope Fashola, emphasised that journalists need to understand and disseminate critical information to save lives during disaster, hence the training.

He posited that many lives have been lost because people do not have the right information or take the right actions when disaster occurs.

Christian Aid senior programme coordinator - disaster management and peace building, Dr Fagbite Bamidele, remarked that, the organisation between 2018 and 2020, covered and recorded successes in disaster risk reduction across Kaduna, Plateau and Benue states.

Women's Political Participation Not Proportionate With Population - ActionAid

BY ABDULLAHI YAKUBU, Kano

It has been observed that in Nigeria women participation in politics is not proportionate to the over 45 percent of the nation's population which they represent.

The observation was made by the manager governance ActionAid, Mr Celestine Okwudiii Odo in an address he delivered yesterday, in Kano to mark the International Women's Day organised by ActionAid and Centre for Communication and Social Impact (CCSI) with the theme "Gender Equality Today for Sustainable Tomorrow."

The manager said that women and youth inclusion and participation mean equality in the representation of women and youth in both numbers and at the level of decision making.

He stated that "For our emerging democracy in Nigeria to be sustainable, all groups within the population must be actively involved in the governance process and their voices must be heard. And their experiences and expertise utilised for optimal growth and development of the country.

Commuters Groan Over Withdrawal Of BRT Buses In Lagos

BY ANDREW OJIEZEL, Lagos

Many commuters in Lagos metropolis on Tuesday stranded, unable to get to their destinations as management of Lagos Bus Rapid Transport (BRT) withdrew all their buses from their routes to forestall destruction of the buses by irate youths protesting the death of a 22-year-old passenger, Bamishe Ayanwola allegedly murdered after boarding the bus.

Lots of passengers, especially those that always ride on the buses to their various destinations on a daily basis, as many were seen struggling with any available bus or cabs to get to their places of work.

Our correspondent gathered that the withdrawal of the buses was based on the planned protest at Ojota by some groups over her death.

It would be recalled that Lagos State government lost huge sums of money when most of the BRT were burnt during #EndSARS protest.

LEADERSHIP observed that there were no buses at the Berger BRT terminal and other major terminals to convey stranded passengers to their various destinations.

Expert Advocates Inclusion Of Women, Youths In Bounce-back Programmes

BY OLUGBENGA SOYELE, Lagos

A medical researcher, Dr Olufunmilola Lola-Dare, has advised governments at all levels and private institutions to include women and young people in the bounce back programmes to cushion the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr Lola-Dare, who is the President of Chestrad Global, in a statement issued to celebrate this year's International Women's Day in Lagos on Tuesday, with the hashtag, 'BreakTheBias' said the focus must not be on the big corporations alone, but those at the lower rungs of the society, especially women and young people should be included in our COVID-19 bounce back investment.

She also pointed out that the COVID-19 pandemic has led to so much devastation in terms of job loss, business collapse and other disruption that the government needs to focus on the small, medium enterprises, especially on women and young people for them to bounce back. According to her, this would restore a progressive trajectory towards social transformation, human capital development and sustained economic impact, adding that, "Our economies depend on women and young people."

Investigation On Slain BRT Passenger Will Be Thorough, Says Sanwo-Olu

BY GEORGE OKOJIE AND SAMUEL ABULUDE, Lagos

Lagos State Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu yesterday said the circumstances surrounding the alleged disappearance and death of a 22-year-old lady, Miss Oluwabamishe Ayanwola, while in transit on a BRT bus, would be fully unravelled, saying stiff punishment awaits anyone found culpable in the dastardly act.

Sanwo-Olu who stated this while fielding questions from journalists during an

event held on Tuesday at the Mobolaji Johnson Arena in Onikan to commemorate International Women's Day said the state government remained determined to pursue the matter transparently and to a logical conclusion.

He cautioned those making attempts to twist the issue with unfounded insinuation and conjectures to desist from making comments that may preempt the outcome of investigation being conducted by security agencies.

The Governor said those raising allegations of cover-up against the state government were low-minded and had no conscience, stressing that there should be no reason for anyone to trivialise an incident that claimed the life of an innocent citizen.

Meantime, the family of the murdered 22-year-old Bamishe Ayanwola has lamented the pain meted on them by the killers of their sister, saying she was a hard-working and very beneficial young lady who was the pride of their

eighty-four year old father.

Speaking in a press conference held on Tuesday in Lagos, the victim's elder sister, Damilola Titilayo Ayanwola said "My sister was gruesomely murdered on Saturday February 26 and up till now her killers have not been found. This is so traumatic considering that as a fashion designer, she is hardworking and very beneficial to the family.

"We want justice and demand that Sanwo-Olu help us to find the killers because she must not die in vain."



L-R: Oyo State commissioner for Special Duties, Alhaja Fausat Sanni; secretary to Oyo State government, Mrs Olubanwo Adeosun; national president, Medical Women's Association of Nigeria (NWAN), Dr Adekemi Olorin; director, The Vale College, Funso Adegbola and former deputy vice chancellor, research and innovation, University of Ibadan, Prof Olanike Adeyemo at symposium marking International Women's Day celebration by NWAN at House of Chiefs Secretariat Ibadan, yesterday

Rejection Of Women Bill By NASS A Great Disincentive—Akeredolu

BY TOPE FAYEHUN, Akure

Ondo State Governor Oluwarotimi Akeredolu has described last week's rejection of the Bill by the Senate to create the required leverage for women as a great 'disincentive'.

Akeredolu said, without prejudice to the sense of judgement of the Senate, "we have, as a nation, embarked on an insidious self-denying trip."

According to the governor,

"It is a great setback because we have denied ourselves of an ample opportunity for progress and development. The World is watching!"

The governor in a statement he signed to congratulate women on International Women's Day urged women to be hopeful because the journey to the final berth of the most desirable moment shall remain undaunted.

While saying it is an admixture of hope and despair

that he identified with the Womenfolk, Akeredolu noted that, "Undoubtedly, a sting of despair that there are still, fundamental existential challenges confronting us all in this journey."

The governor said, "I am convinced, extraneous issues may have been allowed an uncanny space in deciding on that Bill. We have moved backwards in the most indiscernibly inexplicable manner. We have taken a

painful decision that seeks to insulate and detach wider, our dear nation from modernity."

"In unambiguous terms, our Women have come of age; their virtuous and indelible marks of honour as well as dexterous individual determinations, not only toward self-development but their displayed benevolence and compassion for humanity are huge narratives that cannot be discountenanced by society."

NURTW Protests Against Interference, Seeks Sanwo-Olu's Intervention

BY KINGSLEY OKOH, Lagos

Members of the National Union of Road Transport Workers, Lagos State council on Tuesday protested against interference of the union's national body in the Lagos council affairs, saying it could trigger bloody violence as witnessed recently in the state.

Members of the union, who stormed Marina, Lagos House

as early as 6:30am to protest the alleged interference by external forces, said Lagos NURTW doesn't want what they described as, "meddlesomeness", calling on the state governor, Mr Babajide Sanwo-Olu to do everything within his power to forestall a repeat of bloody crisis in Lagos.

They said the leadership of Alhaji Musiliu Akinsanya (aka MC Oluomo) doesn't

need external factors to avert mayhem.

The union members, who were received by the state Governor, Mr. Babajide Sanwo-Olu also called on the governor to discourage interference in the union's matter, saying management of the state tricycle operations is not within the powers of the national body of the union.

They insisted that the power

to control operation of the tricycle is strictly within the internal competence of the state executive council.

In a letter submitted to the Governor by a team led by the state Treasurer Alhajl Mustapha Adekunle also known as Sego, argued that the power to manage, create and recreate branches rest within the power of the state council of the union and not the national body.

Stakeholders Move To Halve Deaths From Malaria Scourge

BY ABIODUN SIVOWAKU, Lagos

Piqued by the prevalence of malaria scourge in Nigeria, stakeholders in the nation's healthcare delivery sector have rolled out initiatives to stem deaths from the disease in the country.

Available statistics show that Nigeria contributes about 29 per cent of the malaria cases and 26 per cent

of malaria deaths worldwide.

As a way out of the problem, WellaHealth, the nation's affordable healthcare platform has collaborated with Hon. Gbadebo Rhodes Vivour to provide health cover for one million Lagosians in commemoration of World Malaria Day slated for 25th of April 2022.

Speaking at a press conference held at the Lagos Office of WellaHealth,

Gbadebo Rhodes-Vivour stated that the initiative is propelled by his belief that every Lagosian deserves access to affordable and high-quality health care especially owing to the high level of stress and various health hazards that the city presents to its hardworking and resilient residents.

"It is time we use innovations and creativity to impact the lives of Lagosians.

According to him, the micro health plan provides beneficiaries with a 30 day cover for malaria test and treatment, typhoid cover when malaria is negative, treatment for Fever and pains, treatment for cough and cold, treatment for stomach upsets and allergies, blood pressure and blood sugar checks with access to talk to a Doctor 24/7 as long as the plan is active.

Lagos Student Wins 9mobile Future CEO Speech Competition

BY ABIODUN SIVOWAKU, Lagos

A 16-year-old female student, Jane-Frances Okorie from Lagos State Civil Service Senior Model College student, Igbogbo, Ikorodu, has won the maiden edition of the 9mobile FutureCEO speech competition.

She defeated nine other finalists in a keenly contested speech battle held at the Immaculate Heart Comprehensive Senior High School, Maryland, Lagos.

Over 50 students from secondary schools within the Lagos State Education District 2, comprising Ikorodu, Kosofe, and Shomolu local government councils, participated in the competition.

The 9mobile FutureCEO is an initiative aimed at inspiring future leaders by stirring up their interest in business and leadership. The initiative also affords promising future leaders an opportunity to walk in the shoes of senior business leaders.

Commending the finalists, the executive director, Regulatory and Corporate Affairs, 9mobile Abdulrahman Ado, represented by the PR Lead, 9mobile, Chinezee Amanfo, commended the participants for their courage, efforts, and hard work.

MMPN Advocates Capital Punishments For Rapists

BY ADEBAYO WAHEED, Ibadan

Muslim Media Practitioners of Nigeria, MMPN has advocated capital punishments for perpetrators of rape against both minor and adult females.

The practitioners in a communiqué issued in Ibadan by the Chairman, MMPN, Oyo State Chapter, Alhaji Ridwan Fasasi at the end of the monthly meeting of the association held in Ibadan, decried the rising cases of rape emphasising that capital punishment for the perpetrators would serve as deterrent to others.

It called for more vigilance on the part of parents and guardians as well as the general public considering the fact that perpetrators of rape are mostly family members and relatives.

The association lauded the approval of hijab as part of dress codes for female police officers, noting that the development will bring about religious diversity in the workplace for optimum output and professionalism.

It noted that the inclusion of hijab was in line with the international best practice being operated in countries like the United Kingdom, Canada, USA, Sweden, Turkey and Australia, calling on other security agencies and parastatals to join the train.



Protest Rocks Bayelsa Over Herdsmen's Killing Of Woman

BY OSA OKHOMINA, Yenagoa

Aggrieved youths of Opume community in Ogbia local government area of Bayelsa State have protested the alleged killing of a 39-year-old woman by suspected herdsmen.

The youths said the woman identified as Waadu Alfred was tied to a stake, raped and inflicted with machete cuts by her attackers.

LEADERSHIP gathered that after she was declared missing last weekend, a search party was organised by the community and her decomposing body was later discovered in a bush.

The youths, who blocked Nembe-Ogbia Road on Monday, threatened to retaliate the murder of the victim. It took the intervention of the police and elders of the community before normalcy was restored.

The state police command's spokesman, Asinim Butswat, who confirmed the development, said investigation had commenced on the matter.

Imo Assembly Promises Favourable Consideration Of Gender Bills

BY ANGELA NKWO-AKPOLU, Owerri

Speaker of the Imo State House of Assembly, Hon Kennedy Ibeh, has assured women in the state that the 9th Assembly headed by him would ensure that their interests are protected when the gender bills are transmitted to the state legislatures across the country.

Ibeh made the promise when some aggrieved women stormed the Assembly premises to protest the rejection of gender bills by the National Assembly last week.

He said women play a pivotal role in the development of the state and nation, stressing that it was time to include them in governance.

The speaker appealed to women not to shun the electoral system to elect their representatives adding that their input was critical.

Ibeh stated that the clerk of the Assembly is a woman adding that this was to show that the state has confidence in the contributions of women especially under Governor Hope Uzodimma.

Earlier, hundreds of Imo women stormed the State House of Assembly to demand a reconsideration of the gender bills, even as they lamented discrimination against women.

Women Indispensable In Nation-building, Says Uzodimma

BY EMMANUEL MGBEAHURIKE, Owerri

Imo State Governor Hope Uzodimma has described women's role in nation-building as unquantifiable and indispensable.

The governor made the assertion when he congratulated Nigerian women on the occasion of this year's International Women's Day.

Uzodimma admonished them not to despair in

their resolve to contribute towards the development of the country and globally.

He commended the women for all their labour of love for family and society at large through hard work, prayers, and other activities that assist in shaping the society.

His words, "As you mark another year to assess your role in our society, I love to commend you for all you do to make our complex society a better place for all

to live.

"I also join all people of goodwill in celebrating you for all your care and all you do to maintain the balance that human society requires".

The governor stressed that he appreciated and understood the multi-dimensional role of women in society, hence his appointment of women into elevated offices in the administration.

Uzodimma expressed

resolve to remain women-friendly and supportive in all their activities that would impact positively on society, acknowledging the truth in the saying that, "train a woman, you train a nation."

He however regretted that there were still some encumbrances on the way of the womenfolk realising their full potentials and advised them not be discouraged by such challenges.



Members of Nigerian Army Officers Wives Association (NAOWA) 16 Brigade Chapter, during a seminar to commemorate 2022 International Women's Day organized by NAOWA in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State yesterday.

Delta Govt Cautioned Against Using Crude Oil Theft Bill For Witch-hunt

BY FELIX IGBEKYOI, Asaba

Centre for Peace and Environmental Justice (CEPEJ) has charged Delta State government not to use the crude oil theft bill to witch-hunt individuals engaging in legal business.

The national coordinator, CEPEJ, Comrade Mulade Sheriff, stated this in Warri, Delta State after the second reading of a bill by the state House of Assembly (DSHA)

for the forfeiture of property confiscated from crude oil theft.

He charged the state government on the need to follow written and acceptable environmental best practices, be prudent and encompassing in implementation of proceedings in preserving the environment and ecosystem.

While warning against further degradation resulting from crude oil theft, pipeline vandalism and oil exploration

in Delta State, he said the methods employed by those in authority in the process of identifying and implementing such actions should follow laid down principles and directives of environmental best practices to avoid further degradation of the environment.

He warned that spilling of seized crude oil on the water, as well as burning of related materials used by offenders within the locations would

only further degrade the environment and ecosystem.

On procedures, he said proper environmental impact assessment by environmental experts with prerequisite knowledge and qualifications need to be carried out to ascertain the best procedures to employ in location identification, method of operations, specific type of items or materials used for operations, and other principles used by offenders.

4 Policemen Nabbed For Extorting N204,000 From Student In Rivers

BY ANAYO ONUKWUGHA, Port Harcourt

Rivers State Police Command has detained four police officers for allegedly extorting the sum of N204,000 from one Kingsley Dike, a 200-level student of Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni, Port Harcourt, Rivers State.

The affected police officers

were attached to "Operation Puff Adder", a special unit created to tackle banditry and kidnappings.

LEADERSHIP gathered that the arrest followed an order by the state commissioner of police, Friday Eboka, shortly after members of the Centre for Basic Rights Protection and Accountability Campaign led the student to the commissioner's office to

lodge a formal complaint on the matter.

Speaking on the development, a lawyer with the group, Charles Obiorah Edward commended Eboka for the step he took on the issue.

Edward urged the police to ensure a thorough investigation of the matter and if any of the officers is found culpable, he should be arraigned in court to serve as

a deterrent to others.

Narrating his ordeal, Dike said he was returning home last Friday at about 10:00pm in a Bolt car when the policemen stopped him and ordered him out of the vehicle.

Dike said after a search was conducted on him and his fellow student, the policemen took them to their post in Aluu despite the fact that nothing was found on them.

Life Expectancy In Niger Delta Has Dropped To 41 Years – Environmentalist

BY ANAYO ONUKWUGHA, Port Harcourt

An environmental right activist and executive director of Health of Mother Earth Foundation (HOMEF), Rev. Nnimmo Bassey, has declared that life expectancy in the Niger Delta region has reduced to 41 years.

Bassey made the

declaration yesterday in Bane community in Khana local government area of Rivers State at a workshop organised for youths on the need to use poetry as a tool for advocacy.

The workshop, which was organised in collaboration with the Ken Saro-Wiwa Foundation, attracted youths from various communities in

Ogoniland.

The HOMEF boss attributed the drop in life expectancy in the Niger Delta region, to the destruction of the environment through oil spills, pollution and gas flaring.

He said, "You know that Niger Delta is one of the most polluted places on the planet Earth. It is ranked among one

of the top 10 most polluted places. Here we have all the conditions that cut life short; oil spills, oil pollution, gas flare, oil well blow-out, FPSO blow-out.

"All these things we are saying are in the waters, continental shelves in the communities and they contribute to contaminating our environment.

Court Adjourns Ohanaeze Leadership Crisis Suit

BY RICHARD NDOMA, Calabar

A Calabar High Court has adjourned the case between the inspector general of police (IGP) and Ugorji Nwabueze over alleged forgery and impersonation of the position of Ohanaeze Ndigbo president.

The IGP Usman Alkali Baba had in suit No. HC/82C/2021 dragged Nwabueze to court over alleged impersonation as the president of Ohanaeze Ndigbo in Cross River State.

However, the trial judge, Justice Bassey Ebuta, stated that the court would not give ruling on the matter because the authorities cited by counsel to defendant, Prof. Jacob Dada, were not provided.

Justice Ebuta had earlier adjourned the case to March 8 to enable both parties present the authorities they cited to enable him rule on the matter.

While Mr Alex Ewa, counsel to the IGP complied, Dada's authority was not made available to court.

Consequently, the presiding judge ordered the defence and prosecution counsels to pick a fresh date for hearing to enable the court to make a ruling on the case.

State Varsities Usually Benefit From ASUU Strike – Nkemdirim

BY KALU EZIYI, Umuahia

Chairman, Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), Abia State University, Uturu branch, Dr Victor Nkemdirim has refuted claims that state universities do not benefit from the union's industrial action.

Nkemdirim reacted to the assertion while speaking to LEADERSHIP in Umuahia, the state capital against the background of the ongoing 30-day warning strike by the union, describing it as fallacious.

The union leader explained that the only area of difference between members in federal and state universities could be in earned academic allowance, which he said depends on the negotiating capacity of the branches.

Nkemdirim regretted that the proponents of the arguments pretend not to be aware that many of the infrastructure in the state universities were executed by the government.

Responding to whether at the end of the strike, the branch would not pull out, he said the period has windows of opportunities for negotiation between the nation executive committee of the union and the government.

Bad Fuel: Coalition Demands Compensation For Owners Of Damaged Vehicles

A coalition of aggrieved Nigerians yesterday demanded compensation for citizens whose vehicles were destroyed by the adulterated fuel recently imported into the country by some oil companies.

The group comprising the Movement for the Survival of Ethnic Nationalities in Niger Delta, Ex-Agitators for Good Governance and the Coalition of Civil Society Groups, decried the current hardship Nigerians

are passing through at filling stations to get petrol also known as Premium Motor Spirit (PMS).

It described as unfortunate that Nigerians had been subjected to source for fuel under torturous conditions as long queues have persisted and the product is being purchased at an unnecessarily exorbitant price, in some cases as much as N700 per litre despite sleeping at petrol stations.

The national coordinator of

Niger Delta Youth Council, Engr. Jator Abido, told reporters in Abuja yesterday that the losses and damage caused by the actions of the industry managers, especially the minister of state for petroleum resources Mr Timipre Sylva and the group managing director of the Nigerian National Petroleum Company Limited (NNPCL) Mr Mele kyari cannot be overlooked because they have also put lives and businesses of

Nigerians at risk.

Abido threatened to mobilise over 10,000 people from the Niger Delta region whose cars were damaged due to the bad product, to embark on a mass compensation collection at all NNPC outlets and facilities close to them within the Niger Delta as well as the cities of Abuja and Lagos.

He said, "As patriots, we have reviewed the situation and have

discovered that certain persons occupying positions of trust and authority in the PMS distribution ecosystem have failed in their responsibilities and duties to Nigerians.

"We cannot sit and continue to watch as Nigerians suffer from the incompetence and ineptitude of certain individuals occupying government offices, who have aided these acts of sabotage."

Police Foil Terrorist Attack On Katsina Village

Katsina State Police command said it had repelled a terrorists' attack on Barawa village of Batagarawa local government area.

In a press statement signed yesterday by the command's spokesman, Gambo Isah, he said the gallant combined team of police and military personnel

responded to a distress call that some terrorists were sighted on motorcycles armed with AK 47 rifles for a mission to the village.

He said the team engaged the hoodlums in a fierce gun duel and repelled them.

Isah said, "The operational strategy

and gallantry displayed by the combined team made the terrorists to abandon their heinous mission and fled from the scene. In the course of scanning the scene, five bandits' operational motorcycles were recovered and burnt down by the team. Subsequently, another bandits' motorcycle was

recovered by DPO Batagarawa which was abandoned in Barawa forest.

"Though many bandits escaped the scene with gunshot wounds. Members of the community are enjoined to report to the nearest security formation any person found with suspicious injuries," Isah said

He said the state commissioner of police, CP Idrisu Dauda Dabban, had commended the efforts of the personnel and urged members of the public to continue to cooperate with security agencies, especially in the ongoing onslaught against terrorism in the state.

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NORTHERN PROFESSIONALS *Series*

When LEADERSHIP Newspapers Group hatched the plan of coming out with a publication that celebrates professionals of the northern extraction, it was apparently to accentuate the notion that the universe is governed by two eternal masters: reward and punishment. The idea here is that whenever a man proves his mettle by his actions, he should be given due regard. This will add impetus to his momentum, thus sustaining the tempo to carry on with the arduous task which the complex art of his work demands.

This was the vision behind "Northern Professionals", a LEADERSHIP publication that tends to identify professionals from Northern Nigeria who have committed to contributing greatly to nation building – men and women who, abiding by their professional codes of ethics and conduct, have utilised their knowledge, skills and competencies in the collective approach and commitment to nation building.

The role of professionals in nation building cannot be overemphasised. The orientation and obligation in the pursuit of our respective professions go simultaneously with nation building. But in a competitive but unrewarding society like Nigeria, the job of a professional is a truly overwhelming task, not to talk of the additional burden of nation building. This is the main reason why some individuals would readily choose the option of dodging the moral obligation and worthy endeavour of building the nation, not just for themselves but, far more importantly, for future generations.

While the link between professionals and the government is still growing and expanding in developed nations of the world that are benefitting immensely from professionals, these countries are still importing professionals from other countries to take over and manage their strategic positions. This explains why, no matter the global challenges, developed countries remain

ahead of third world nations.

Sadly, Nigeria, like other developing countries, is yet to come to terms with the significance of empowering home-grown talent and their primary role in growing the economy. There are so many talented professionals with astonishing ideas on how to wriggle the country out of the social, political and economic morass it is enmeshed in, but due to the lack of incentive, coupled with little or no awareness of their existence, or what they are capable of doing, these erudite Nigerians are not in the limelight, and as such they are not properly engaged meaningfully in helping the country develop economically and politically.

It is against this backdrop that LEADERSHIP is compelled to recognise and celebrate professionals from the northern part of the country who have been, or are, contributing meaningfully to nation building by adding value with their professionalism.

Just like the maiden and second editions which were published in 2013 and 2014 respectively, this year's edition has identified some professionals of northern extraction in this special series.

For proper direction, the management of LEADERSHIP Newspapers Group has decided to make the publication of "Northern Professionals" a calendar event, entailing that after this edition the list would be subsequently published every four years.

As we present to you some of the outstanding professionals from Northern Nigeria, join us in celebrating these distinguished persons who have proved their mettle by contributing to nation building in all spheres of life, making a mark in the society and serving as role models to younger Nigerians.

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CAPT. JUNAID ABDULLAHI (EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BCDA) FLANKED BY MR. KABIRU IBRAHIM ARGUNGU, THE SURVEYOR GENERAL KEBBI STATE (RIGHT) & MR. SADIQ ABDULLAHI ISA (D.DIRECTOR, PUBLIC AFFAIRS & PROTOCOL, BCDA) ADDRESSING THE AUDIENCE DURING THE HANDING-OVER OF THE ABATTOIR AND MEAT MARKET STALLS WITH SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE CONSTRUCTED BY BCDA IN FANA BORDER COMMUNITY, DANDI L.G.A, KEBBI STATE.



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How A Single-Member Limited Liability Company Works

This article discusses how to start an SMLLC, how it's taxed, and the advantages for solo business owners.

One of the most common types of small businesses in the U.S. is a single-member limited liability company (SMLLC), an entity that has one owner registered in the state where it does business.

This article discusses how to start an SMLLC, how it's taxed, and the advantages for solo business owners.

How a Single-Member LLC Works

The term „single member“ is a recognition that the LLC has one owner, and that the owners of an LLC are termed „members.“ As a limited liability company, the single-member LLC has all the advantages of other LLCs.

How To Form a Single-Member LLC

To form a single-member LLC, you must file articles of organization (or a certificate of organization in a few states) with the state where you want to do business and pay a filing fee. After filing this state business registration, you should consider also preparing an operating agreement (similar to a partnership) to spell out how you will run this business.

You will also need to get an employer ID number (EIN) for your new business, even if you don't have any employees. In some states, you may need an EIN before you file your organization papers. You can apply online for the EIN, which is used for federal income tax and employment tax purposes.

Single Member LLC vs. Sole Proprietorship

Single-Member LLC

- * Limited liability
- * Registered with state
- * Seen as legitimate business

Sole Proprietorship

- * Full liability
- * Not registered
- * May not be seen as legitimate business



Advantages of Single-Member LLCs

While both the single-member LLC and the sole proprietorship are solo business entities, there are some advantages to the former:

* The SMLLC is now a separate business entity from its owner. It is no longer attached to and identified with the owner, and the owner's liability is limited to their investment in the business.

* The SMLLC is recognized as a legitimate business, separate from the owner, with the required „LLC“ included in the business name.

* The SMLLC is formed within a state and part of the approval process is a registration of the business name, so no other business in the state may use that name. A sole proprietor may also register a business name with a state, but it's a separate process.

SMLLCs require more paperwork than if you were running a sole proprietorship. In addition to the articles of organization, you need to file an annual report and pay a fee with the secretary of state's office.

How a Single-Member LLC Is Taxed

An LLC is not a specific tax entity for federal income tax purposes, and most single-member LLCs pay income taxes in the same way as sole proprietors, by filing Schedule C as part of their personal income tax returns. The business Schedule C net income (profit or loss) is then combined with other sources on the owner's personal tax return.

SMLLCs are confusing because the IRS calls this business type a disregarded entity, which means that the IRS ignores the business for tax purposes and instead collects taxes through the Schedule C portion of the business owner's personal income tax filing.

Other Income Tax Options for Single-Member LLCs

A single-member LLC has the option of paying income taxes as a corporation or S corporation. To change its tax status to a corporation, the LLC must file an election with the IRS on Form 8832. To change tax status to an S corporation, you must file Form 2553. The timing of these elections is complicated, so get help from a tax professional.

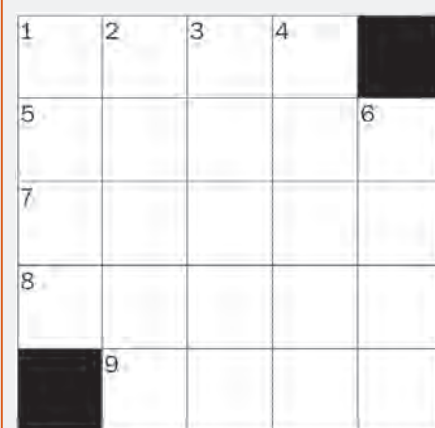
Self-Employment Taxes for Single-Member LLC Owners

Single-member LLC owners, like sole proprietors, are considered self-employed and are not employees of their business. As self-employed individuals, single-member LLC owners must pay self-employment taxes (Social Security and Medicare taxes) each year, based on their net income from the business.

By Jean Murray

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I, formerly known as **MISS PRECIOUS MODUPE CHRIS-EYO** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS PRECIOUS MODUPE OTU-ESIFA** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

VICTORIA

I, formerly known as **MISS VICTORIA MUSA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS VICTORIA MUSA PATRICK** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OSEYI

I, formerly known as **OSEYI JULIET** now wish to be called and addressed as **OSEYI JULIET AKAYI, MY DOB IS 20/09/1994. NOT 20/09/1989**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ARIGU

I, formerly known as **ARIGU JAMES JAGGU**. now wish to be called and addressed as **ARIGU JAMES LIKITA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

THLAMA

I, formerly known as **THLAMA ADO NDIRIZA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **THLAMA ADO YASIKA. MY DOB IS 01/01/1961**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DORCAS

I, formerly known as **DORCAS IDOKO** now wish to be called and addressed as **DORCAS OJO DIMEJI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

That my name was wrongly captured as **RABIU BAKIYA, DOB: 10/10/1989** instead of **RABIU BAIKYA, DOB: 01/10/1989**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EMEJE

I, formerly known as **MISS AMEH UNEKWUOJO DEBORAH** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS EMEJE UNEKWUOJO DEBORAH** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

KAKU

I, formerly known as **ROSE TWANIBE KAKU** now wish to be called and addressed as **KAKU ROSE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AROWOSAFE

I, formerly known as **AKINPELU TAIWO BUKOLA** now wish to be called and addressed as **AROWOSAFE TAIWO BUKOLA** All former documents and credentials remain valid. General public take note.

HAUWA

I, formerly known as **HAUWA IDRISUMAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAUWA YUSUF ABDULLAH**. All documents bearing former name remain valid. Concerned authorities and general public to take note.

EJUAMAH

I, formerly known as **MISS EJUAMAH STEPHANIE CHIMAMANDA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MISS EJUAMAH STEPHANIE CHIMAMANDA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

That my name was wrongly captured as **AIMOLA ROWLAND AND ROWLAND JEPHTHAH AIMOLA, WRONG DOB: 10/10/1976** instead of **ROWLAND AIMOLA JEPHTHAH, CORRECT DOB: 08/10/1976**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUSTAFA

I, formerly known as **MUSTAFA MAMMAN F** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUSTAFA MAMMAN FASKARI** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

JOSEPH

I, formerly known as **ISIAAH JOSEPH KIRIYA** now wish to be called and addressed as **JOSEPH ISIAAH RIKOTO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DAPPA

I, formerly known as **MISS NWANKWOALA ONYINYECHI MARY** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS DAPPA ONYINYECHI MARY** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKASE

I, formerly known as **MISS DOROUGH PATIENCE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS AKASE PATIENCE** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MAIMUNA

I, formerly known as **MAIMUNATU ADAMU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MAIMUNA ADAMU** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SOLOMON

I, formerly known as **BULUS ALHERI GRACE** now wish to be called and addressed as **SOLOMON ALHERI GRACE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BILKISU

I, formerly known as **BILKISU AHMED** now wish to be called and addressed as **BILKISU ABDULLAHI USMAN MARAFA** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

THOMPSON-JOHN

I, formerly known as **THOMPSON-JOHN ADE** now wish to be called and addressed as **THOMPSON-JOHN ADERINOLA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUKOSO

I, formerly known as **MUKOSO AUDREY OJI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUKOSO AUDREY ONYEUCHE** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKECHUKWU

I, formerly known as **EZUMA GIFT REJOICE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKECHUKWU GIFT REJOICE**. All former documents remain valid. General Public and Authorities concerned should please take note.

JOSEPHINE

I, formerly known as **JOSEPHINE AJE OCHEPA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS JOSEPHINE AJE OTUBU** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADIE

I, formerly known as **MISS. ATAMENWAN UWA RITA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. ADIE UWA RITA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKOLIE

I, formerly known as **OKOLIE JULIET UDEANI** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKOLIE CHIOMA JULIET**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKEEM

I, formerly known as **WALE DOLAKPO ALEX**. now wish to be called and addressed as **AKEEM DOLAKPO ALEX**. All former documents remain valid. Banks and General public should please take note.

BOATMAN

I, formerly known as **BEATRICE PERRY** now wish to be called and addressed as **BOATMAN EGBINABO** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ZAINAB

I, formerly known as **ZAINAB GARBA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ZAINAB ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OCHUBE

I, formerly known as **MISS. GABRIEL RUTH ALADI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. OCHUBE RUTH ALADI**. All former documents remain valid. First bank and the general public should take note please

JUMAI

I, formerly known as **HAUWA AYUBA** now wish to be called and addressed as **JUMAI AYUBA** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ZAINAB

I, formerly known as **ZAINAB HABIBU** now wish to be called and addressed as **ZAINAB HAMID ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OGOKE

I, formerly known as **EMERIBE SUSAN OGECHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **OGOKE SUSAN OGECHI**. All former documents remain valid. Banks and General public should please take note.

CHIDOZIE

I, formerly known as **MBAGWU GLORY NJIDEKA** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHIDOZIE GLORY NJIDEKA**. All former documents remain valid. Banks and General public should please take note.

NWOKE

I, formerly known as **UWOKE IZUCHI DAVID** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWOKE IZUCHI DAVID**. All former documents remain valid. Banks and General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

This is to confirm that I, **OBIOMA CHINWE** and **OBOMA CHINWE**, refers to one and the same person. Now wish to be known and addressed as **OBIOMA CHINWE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note.

NKEMDIRIM

I, formerly known as **NKEMDIRIM ONWUKA ONYEBUCHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **NKEMDIRIM NELSON ONWUKA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMIRU

I, formerly known as **ASHIRU AMIRU** now wish to be called and addressed as **AMIRU ASHIRU** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NDOKWU

I, formerly known as **MISS ANUNIKE STELLA CHIKA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS NDOKWU STELLA CHIKA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EMMANUEL

I, formerly known as **EMMANUEL GODWIN OZIOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **EMMANUEL GOODLUCK OZIOMA** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

REMOVAL OF FIRST NAME

I, formerly known as **IWUNZE LEMCHUKWU CYRIL** now wish to be called and addressed as **IWUNZE CYRIL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

REMOVAL OF NAME

I, formerly known as **MBACHU FAITH ONYINYECHI**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MBACHU FAITH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWACHUKWU

I, formerly known as **UDOCHUKWU STEPHEN LUCKY** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWACHUKWU UDOCHUKWU STEPHEN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ONYINYECHI

I, formerly known as **MISS NWAOZU ONYINYECHI** and **MRS NNADIEKWE ONYINYECHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS ONYINYECHI UCHENNA DAVID** All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

**UWUA**

I, formerly known as **UINUA GODWIN** now wish to be called and addressed as **UWUA ORYINA GODWIN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DEMENONGO

I, formerly known as **DEMENONGO RUTH IHYEN** now wish to be called and addressed as **DEMENONGO NGUAVESE MAGEDALINA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MYAAVE

I, formerly known as **ABAH MYAAVE DOOSHIMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MYAAVE DOOSHIMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UKPI

I, formerly known as **TERHEMBA UKPI** now wish to be called and addressed as **UKPI TERHEMBA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

INIOBONG

I, formerly known as **MISS INIOBONG SYLVESTER EKPENYONG** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS INIOBONG DANIEL EKPENYONG**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUHAMMED

I, formerly known as **MUHAMMED SHAIBU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUHAMMED AWWAL SHAIBU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMACHREE

I, formerly known as **BOYCE MACJAJ** now wish to be called and addressed as **AMACHREE BOYCE MACJAJ**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AGE DECLARATION

I, **PRINCE MENDY ARCHIBONG** hereby declare that my date of birth is **5TH NOVEMBER, 1975**. Concerned authorities and general public should please take note.

ADEBAYO

I, formerly known as **OYETUNDE NAFISAT OLAITAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADEBAYO NAFISAT OLAITAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NIMI

I, formerly known as **MISS NIMI URIAH DAVID WEST** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS NIMI AWOTARIBI JENEWARI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

This is to confirm that **NNACHI JOHNSON, ESTHER JACHIMA** and **ESTHER JOHNSON NWACHI** refers to one and same person but prefer to be called **NNACHI JOHNSON, ESTHER JACHIMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OBELE

I, formerly known as **OLAKA PRINCESS OBO** now wish to be called and addressed as **OBELE KINGSLEY AKARA PRINCESS OBO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHIEF OBELE

I, formerly known as **DEDEDE EBIRI CULTURAL GROUP** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHIEF OBELE OSAROKOTE JOSEPH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EMMANUEL

I, formerly known as **BETTER NFOR EMMANUEL** now wish to be called and addressed as **EMMANUEL BERTHA UDOH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKUEBIONWU

I, formerly known as **OGAZI MARY** now wish to be called and addressed as **AKUEBIONWU MARY IJEOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EKPEYE

I, formerly known as **EKPEYE GEORGE** now wish to be called and addressed as **EKPEYE GEORGE OGDIGA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWAMAKA

I, formerly known as **MISS NWAMAKA GRACE OGBONNA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS NWAMAKA GRACE CYRIL-EMEREOLE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UCHENNA

I, formerly known as **MISS OKAFOR PHILOMENA NNEKA**, now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. UCHENNA PHILOMENA NNEKA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IRENE

I, formerly known as **MISS. IRENE INNOCENT UDOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. IRENE ABASIAMA NORBERT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IKECHUKWU

I, formerly known as **MISS. ONWUFOR, UCHENNA DORATHY** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. IKECHUKWU, UCHENNA DORATHY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BONIFACE

I, formerly known as **UGOEZI, IKECHUKWU DAVID** now wish to be called and addressed as **BONIFACE, IKECHUKWU DAVID**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EGWU

I, formerly known as **EGWU UJUNWA LUCIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **EGWU OBIANUJU LUCIA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OSHO

I, formerly known as **MISS OMONIYI FOLASHADE CHRISTIANAH** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS OSHO FOLASHADE CHRISTIANAH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWEKE

I, formerly known as **NWANGA SOLOMON FRIDAY** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWEKE SOLOMON AFAMEFULA**. All documents with my former name remains valid, The public should pls take note

UCHE

I, formerly known as **NNENNA UCHE KALU** now wish to be called and addressed as **UCHE KALU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHANGE OF NAME / ADDITION OF NAME

This is to inform general public that my name was wrongly written in my bank details as **ANITA SYLVESTER**. Instead of **OKAVILE ANITA IJEOMA**. That both names are wish to be one and the same person. Now wish to be known, called and addressed as **OKAVILE ANITA IJEOMA**. General public / Bank should please take note.

NKECHI

I, formerly known as **MISS NKECHI ALICE MBAKA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. NKECHI ALICE PHICHOL BASSEY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BENSON

I, formerly known as **MISS OYOKO CLARA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. BENSON TARI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ESTHER

I, formerly known as **ESTHER UFIKOR MARK** now wish to be called and addressed as **ESTHER MARK IKECHUKWU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

YORGORO

I, formerly known as **TAMPLE WAAKORSA** now wish to be called and addressed as **YORGORO, TEMPLE WAAKORSA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ELIJAH

I, formerly known as **ELIJAH, NNANNA PETER**. now wish to be called and addressed as **ELIJAH, WISDOM NNANNA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME/DOB

That my Bank details was wrongly captured as **PETER BLESSING**, my correct name is **AKPAN AGNES PETER**. my correct DOB is **10TH JANUARY, 1993**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKERE

I, formerly known as **EKE STELLA CHIJOKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKERE STELLA CHIJOKE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PRECIOUS

I, formerly known as **MISS. PRECIOUS IBIANG OFEM** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. PRECIOUS ARINZE IHEANACHO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKPAN

I, formerly known as **AKPAN GLORY DOUGLAS** now wish to be called and addressed as **AKPAN GLORY EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

This is to state that my name was wrongly captured on some of my documents as **SAIDU INUSA NANGADA** instead of **SAIDU INUSA DANGADA** which is my correct name. General public should please take note of my correct name which is **SAIDU INUSA DANGADA**.

GEORGE

I, formerly known as **MISS UNONGO TERHEMBA VICTORIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. GEORGE SAMUEL VICTORIA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

I, **EMMANUEL EDET ETIM**, the father of **PRINCE ABASIAMA EMMANUEL**, whose details was captured as **PRINCE CHINEDUM EMMANUEL** in the FGC Entrance Examinations Ikot Ekpe. That is correct name is **PRINCE ABASIAMA EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid. FGC Ikot Ekpe and general public take note.

IME

I, formerly known as **DANIEL, PRECIOUS UDOFIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **IME, FAVOUR DAVID**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IKE

I, formerly known as **EJIKE ALOYSIUS IKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **IKE CHRISTIAN SUNDAY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OMOYEMI

I, formerly known as **MISS. OPARAJI AKUNNA EDITH** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. OMOYEMI AKUNNA EDITH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HAPPINESS

I, formerly known as **MISS. HAPPINESS OGECHI OLEDE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. HAPPINESS OGECHI OLEDE ERIC**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

THOMPSON

I, formerly known as **SOLOMON IYERE THOMPSON** now wish to be called and addressed as **THOMPSON SOLOMON**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

I, **ROBERT ESTHER UDUAK**. That during the registration of my (BVN) my name was wrongly written as **UDUAK ESTHER** instead of **ROBERT ESTHER UDUAK**. That my full and complete name is **ROBERT ESTHER UDUAK**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public should please take note.

JOSEPH

I, formerly known as **MISS. CLEOPAS CHIAMAKA MARY** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. JOSEPH CHIAMAKA MARY CLEOPAS**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHRISTIAN

I, formerly known as **NSO ORJI NDUKWE** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHRISTIAN ASO STELLA**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. General public should please take note.

VICTORIA

I, formerly known as **MISS. OGBONNA VICTORIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. VICTORIA AMARACHI KELECHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AWALAH

I, formerly known as **MISS. TOMO BLESSING LYNDA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. AWALAH NELSON BLESSING LYNDA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EZENWA

I, formerly known as **PAUL DAVID AND IGWURUBE IFEANYI CHUKWU PUALINUS** now wish to be called and addressed as **EZENWA IFEANYI PAUL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

That my name was wrongly captured as **UBI UCHECHI NOVENA** instead of **UBI UCHECHI LOVENAH**. That I am confirming that my correct name is **UBI UCHECHI LOVENAH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GANIU

I, formerly known as **MISS. AKPEJI, OZAVIZE KEZIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. GANIU, OZAVIZE KEZIA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

That my name is **CLEMENT IKECHUKWU TYNDALE**. That in some of my documents my name appeared as **CLEMENT IKECHUKWU KESTER** and **CLEMENT IKECHUKWU TYNDALE KESTER**. That all documents bearing the said names refers to one and same person. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADAMA

I, formerly known as **UFEDO BLESSING ADAMA** and **ADAMA UFEDO BLESSING** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADAMA BLESSING FEDOR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

That my name was wrongly captured on my BVN as **OTUEKONG FRANCIS UDO** instead of **IDEM FRANCIS UDOH**. That I am confirming my correct name is **IDEM FRANCIS UDOH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IFEZUE

I, formerly known as **MISS. IBEKWE, CHIJOKE OGOCHUKWU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. IFEZUE, CHIJOKE OGOCHUKWU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MICHAEL

I, formerly known as **ECHEFU, SUCCESS FAITHFUL** now wish to be called and addressed as **MICHAEL, SUCCESS FAITHFUL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GBARABE

I, formerly known as **BARIDAMON LEMEA** now wish to be called and addressed as **GBARABE, BARIDAMON LEMEA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SUNNY

I, formerly known as **SUNNY OLLUBE OBEY** now wish to be called and addressed as **SUNNY TII OGOSU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SUNDAY

I, formerly known as **SUNDAY HOPE CHIEMERIE**. now wish to be called and addressed as **SUNDAY, HOPE ELIJAH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IREGBULEM

I, formerly known as **MISS. OKERE, CYNTHIA CHIOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. IREGBULEM CYNTHIA CHIOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWACHUKWU

I, formerly known as **PAUL MADUABUCHI PAUL** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWACHUKWU MADUABUCHI PAUL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GLADYS

I, formerly known as **MISS. CHINAZA EZIUKA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. GLADYS ELVIS IKOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADIELE

I, formerly known as **HARRY GLORY JIM**. now wish to be called and addressed as **ADIELE GLORY PROMISE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IHUOMA

I, formerly known as **MISS. EBERE IHUOMA MICHELLE ELSIE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. IHUOMA ELSIE MICHELLE FITZGERALD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EMMANUEL

I, formerly known as **MISS. ABIGO RUTH IBIELLA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. EMMANUEL RUTH IBIELLA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

KALIO

I was formerly known called and addressed as **KALIO, GIFT DIEPRIYE** as appeared on my Bank Account and **KALIO, GIFT IGONI** as appeared on my Bank Verification Number (BVN), now wish to be known, called and addressed as **KALIO DIEPRIYE IGONI**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid general public should take note.

EJIMADU

I, formerly known as **MISS. ADANNA OKOROJI**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. EJIMADU ADANNA CHIWENDU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FAVOUR

I, formerly known as **MISS. ISIGUZO FAVOUR**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. FAVOUR THANKGOD OTAMIRI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LENEE

I, formerly known as **NWINEE MIRACLE ZORBARI**. now wish to be called and addressed as **LENEE MIRACLE ZORBARI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ORIAFO

I, formerly known as **MISS. OLADEJI ODUNAYO ABIODUN** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. ORIAFO ODUNAYO ABIODUN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DARLING

I, formerly known as **MISS. DARLING AMAKIRI**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. DARLING SCHECK-COBBAH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OBIKA

I, formerly known as **MISS. OKEKE NWANNEKA FRANCISCA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. OBIKA NWANNEKA FRANCISCA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKPALA

I, formerly known as **CHINEMEREM EZINWANNE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKPALA LOVELYN IFUNANYA ADA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

WISDOM

I, formerly known as **NDIFREKE PEACE** now wish to be called and addressed as **WISDOM MICHAEL NICHOLAS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHIDINMA

I, formerly known as **MISS. KALU CHIDINMA REBECCA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. CHIDINMA REBECCA MBA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BOMS

I, formerly known as **BOMS CONSTANCE POWERS**. now wish to be called and addressed as **BOMS POWERS CONSTANCE ONYINYECHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SUNDAY

I, formerly known as **MISS. DAKA TAMUNO-OMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. SUNDAY TAMUNO-OMI THERESA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADDITION OF NAME

That on my Bank Account Details I used the name **VICTOR AMACHI**, instead of **AMACHI VICTOR SUNDAY**. That I now wish to add **"AMACHI"** to my names. That my full and complete name is **AMACHI VICTOR SUNDAY**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid general public should take note.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

This is to inform general public that the said **AISHA LAWAN NUHU** got married to **MUSTPHA LAWAN NUHU** On the **23/6/2018** at **MASALLACIN JALLI, KANO, NIG.** under Islamic law. I therefore want the Authority of NYSC and general public to take note

JOHNAFRICA

I, formerly known as **OJARIGHO MICHEAL** now wish to be called and addressed as **JOHNAFRICA MICHEAL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME/DATE OF NAME BIRTH

That during the registration of my Bank Verification Number BVN, my name was wrongly written as **DAPPA OPUBO BROWN** instead of **DAPPA-BROWN OPUBO**. That my correct name and date of birth is **DAPPA-BROWN OPUBO** and **6th day of October, 1993**. All documents bearing my former name and date of birth remains valid general public should take note

CORRECTION OF NAME

That on my Pension with **IBTC PENSION MANAGERS LIMITED**, my name was wrongly written as **USMAN, OSENI OSEWI** instead of **USMAN, ABDULQUDDUS OSENI**. That my correct name is **USMAN, ABDULQUDDUS OSENI**. All documents bearing my former name remain valid general public should take note.

WEST

I, formerly known as **GLORY ALBERT** now wish to be called and addressed as **WEST IBISO ARERIYE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

APUAMAGA

I, formerly known as **OKOH CHIOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **APUAMAGA QUEEN CHIOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **SULEIMAN ABDULLAHI UMAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI SULEIMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADEDAYO

I, formerly known as **BADMUS OMOTUNDE ANIFAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADEDAYO ANIFAT BADMUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PUNEET

I, **PUNEET/SO SH, RAJENDER SHARMA R/O, H,NO344, JAIDEV NAGAR, HISAR** HEREBY DECLARE THAT I, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM, **PUNEET TO PUNEET SHARMA**, FOR ALL FUTURE PORPOISES. FORMER DOCUMENTS REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

ANOKAM

I, formerly known as **FALEMARA OLUWATOYIN SEUN** now wish to be called and addressed as **ANOKAM OLUWATOYIN SEUN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHUKWUEMEKA

I, formerly known as **CHINEDU PRAISE MAXWELL** now wish to be called and addressed as

NAPDUL

I, formerly known as **NAPDUL KAMDIP** now wish to be called and addressed as **NAPDUL KAMDIP TALI**. THAT MY CORRECT DATE OF BIRTH IS 11TH MARCH 1980. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

APEH

I, formerly known as **APEH VICTOR JAMES**. now wish to be called and addressed as **APEH VICTOR OMONU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GARBA

I, formerly known as **GARBA YUSUF**. now wish to be called and addressed as **GARBA YUSUF DANMAGARO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UDOKWU

I, formerly known as **UDOKWU OHIKWUOJO GODSWILL** now wish to be called and addressed as **UDOKWU OHIKWUOJO INEKE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PADA

I, formerly known as **PADA KWAMBONG LAFI** now wish to be called and addressed as **PADA KWAMBONG SAMANJA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HAUWA

I, formerly known as **HAUWA HARUNA USAKU**. now wish to be called and addressed as **HAUWA HARU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABOGUNDE

I, formerly known as **ABDULSALAM AISHAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABOGUNDE AISHAT**. THAT MY REAL DOB IS 21 MARCH, 1995 NOT 21 MARCH 1992. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IBRAHIM

I, formerly known as **HABIB HAUWA**. WITH DATE OF BIRTH AS 6TH FEBRUARY, 1983 now wish to be called and addressed as **IBRAHIM KULU HAWA**. WITH MY CORRECT DATE OF BIRTH 6TH FEBRUARY, 1989. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NGBEDE

I, formerly known as **ADEKA RUTH ESTHER** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS NGBEDE RUTH ESTHER**. All former documents remain valid. NYSC and General public should please take note.

REMOVAL OF NAME

I, formerly known as **RIFKATU DANJUMA RUKKY**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **RIFKATU DANJUMA**. That my real date of birth is; **24/March/1991**. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note please.

MAGAJI

I, formerly known as **JANET MARTHA WAKILI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MAGAJI MARTHA MADAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

JAJI

I, formerly known as **JAJI MARYAM ABEKE**. now wish to be called and addressed as **JAJI MARYAM MUHAMMAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OJOGBANE

I, formerly known as **OJOGBANE SUNDAY** now wish to be called and addressed as **OJOGBANE SUNDAY OCHIJENU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

TIJANI

I, formerly known as **YUSUF OHUNENE ROFIYAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **TIJANI OHUNENE ROFIYAT**. All former documents remain valid. NYSC Authority and general public should take note please.

IBRAHIM

I, formerly known as **IBRAHIM YUNUSA ONIMISI** now wish to be called and addressed as **IBRAHIM YUNUSA OTARU**. MY DATE OF BIRTH IS 12/5/1985 NOT 12/5/1980. All former documents remain valid. Authority concern and general public should take note please.

RUFAI

I, formerly known as **YUSUF JUMAI AISHAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **RUFAI JUMAI AISHAT**. All former documents remain valid. NYSC Authority and general public should take note please.

MOHAMMED

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED BABA**. Was wrongly captured on my B.V.N. with FCMB. Now wish to be called and addressed as **MOHAMMED BABA DANJUMA**. All former documents remain valid. FCMB and general public should take note please.

MUHAMMEDHADI

I, formerly known as **MUHAMMED OYIZA SULEIHAT**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MUHAMMEDHADI OYIZA ZULEIHAT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **MUSA ABDULLAHI, ABDULLAHI B.R. MUSA AND ABDULLAHI MUSA BELLO** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI BELLO RASHEED MUSA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LUCY

I, formerly known as **LUCY SHIGABA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **LUCY ABU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IDUH

I, formerly known as **IDUH YUNUSA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **IDUH ARAMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SALEH

I, formerly known as **SALIU ONUCHE EMMANUEL ON MY ACCOUNT/ BVN WITH FIRST BANK**. now wish to be called and addressed as **SALEH ONUCHE EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME AND D O B

I, formerly known as **AGASOKOA VICTOR NASARA** with date of birth **29/12/2002**. Now wish to be known and addressed as **AGA-SOKOA VICTOR NASARA** with my correct DOB as **14/06/2001**. All former documents remain valid. General public should take note please.

EMMAIKWU

I, formerly known as **NICODEMUS EMMAIKWU** now wish to be called and addressed as **EMMAIKWU NICODEMUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

REUBEN

I, formerly known as **MISS. AKOR FAVOUR UKPEJO** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. REUBEN FAVOUR AKOR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GEORGINA

I, formerly known as **MISS. GEORGINA EMILOMO IKHILE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS - GEORGINA EMILOMO JOSHUA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAFIYA

I, formerly known as **SAFIYA SULEIMAN**. now wish to be called and addressed as **SAFIYA SULEIMAN IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SHILOBA

I, formerly known as **JOHN JOSEPH** now wish to be called and addressed as **SHILOBA JOHN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SHAFATU

I, formerly known as **SHAFU MUAZU ABUBAKAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **SHAFATU ABUBAKAR MUAZU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AISHA

I, formerly known as **AISHA ABUBAKAR ADO** now wish to be called and addressed as **AISHA ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UBAH

I, formerly known as **IBEBUCHI ONYINYECHI VICTORIA AND IBEABUCHI ONYINYECHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **UBAH ONYINYECHI VICTORIA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HAFSAT

I, formerly known as **HAFSAT HARUNA TONG** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAFSAT HARUNA YAKUBU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MOHAMMED

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED TIJANI ALI, OLD DATE OF BIRTH: 31/12/1977** now wish to be called and addressed as **MOHAMMED TIJANI, NEW DATE OF BIRTH: 02/02/1985**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABUBAKAR

I, formerly known as **YAHAYA RABI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABUBAKAR MARYAM**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ZAINAB

I, formerly known as **ZAINAB ABDULFATAH** now wish to be called and addressed as **ZAINAB ABDULFATAH ABDULLAHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAFIYA

I, formerly known as **SAFIYA SABO YAKUBU** now wish to be called and addressed as **SAFIYA SANI SULAIMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

KINGSLEY

I, formerly known as **KINGSLEY CHIKE NWAHAIAJUZIE** now wish to be called and addressed as **KINGSLEY CHIKE ANDREW**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADDITION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **NWODO ECHEZONA** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWODO ECHEZONA IGNATIUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME.

This is to certify that **OKAFOR HENRY ODERA** (Correct Name and **OKAFOR HENRY CHIDERA** (Wrongly written); refers to one and same person; Now wish to be known as **OKAFOR HENRY ODERA**. All former documents remain valid. Banks and General public take note.

NNAMANI

I, formerly known as **EBERE MERCY AGWU** now wish to be called and addressed as **NNAMANI EBERE MERCY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

QUEENELIZABETH

I, formerly known as **MISS.QUEENELIZABETH IGBARAGBONYEMIRINI EPELLE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. QUEENELIZABETH IGBARAGBONYE EPELLE OMEGO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EUGENE

I, formerly known as **OKEKE JULIET CHINWENDU** now wish to be called and addressed as **EUGENE JULIET CHINWENDU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IKECHUKWU

I, formerly known as **OBIAJUNWA NGOZIKA MIRACLE** now wish to be called and addressed as **IKECHUKWU NGOZIKA MIRACLE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UBAJEKWE

I, formerly known as **UBAJEKWE NZUBECHI SILAS** now wish to be called and addressed as **UBAJEKWE SILAS NZUBECHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADDITION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **OBIKA CHUKWUDUBEM** now wish to be called and addressed as **OBIKA CHUKWUDUBEM JUDE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UDENWA

I, formerly known as **IHEANACHO NDIAMAKA QUEEN** now wish to be called and addressed as **UDENWA NDIAMAKA ABIGAIL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

JOHN

I, formerly known as **MBEONINYECHI OKO** now wish to be called and addressed as **JOHN ONYINYECHI IMMACULATE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAMUEL

I, formerly known as **MISS. EGWU IJEOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. SAMUEL IJEOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADDITION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **UBAH NCHEKWUBE** now wish to be called and addressed as **UBAH BENARDETTE NCHEKWUBE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHINEDUM

I, formerly known as **IHESIULO SCHOLARSTICA OZICHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHINEDUM SCHOLARSTICA OZICHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IHEUKWUMERE

I, formerly known as **CHRISTIAN VIRGINIA CHIOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **IHEUKWUMERE VIRGINIA CHIOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LAZARUS-NDUKA

I, formerly known as **NWACHUKWU ULOMA GLORY** now wish to be called and addressed as **LAZARUS-NDUKA ULOMA GLORY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UGWUMADU

I, formerly known as **NDIMKORA CHIAMAKA MODESTA** now wish to be called and addressed as **UGWUMADU CHIAMAKA MODESTA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ENI

I, formerly known as **ENI ADA UCHECHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ENI ADA UCHENDU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAME.

This is to certify that **GEORGE NGOZI JULIET** (Correct Name); **JULIET BLESSING GEORGE** and **GEORGE IMO JULIET** (Wrongly written); refers to one and same person; Now wish to be known as **GEORGE NGOZI JULIET**. All former documents remain valid. Banks and General Public take note.

CHUKWU

I, formerly known as **CHUKWU ONYINYECHI SUCCESS** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHUKWU ONYELA ONYEDIKACHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHIJOKE

I, formerly known as **MISS.IKEADAZIE LILIAN NONYE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS.CHIJOKE LILIAN NONYE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FIDELIS

I, formerly known as **AMALUNWAEZE CHIKWUBE PAUL** now wish to be called and addressed as **FIDELIS CHEKWUBECHUKWU PAUL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWUJU

I, formerly known as **NWUJU COMFORT BERTHA** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWUJU DAVID**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ONWE

I, formerly known as **OKEKE CHRISTIAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **ONWE OKECHUKWU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADDITION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **EJIMOFOR ARIUIKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **EJIMOFOR PROSPER ARIUIKE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OBI

I, formerly known as **NWAFOR NGOZI BLESSING** now wish to be called and addressed as **OBI NGOZI BLESSING**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKACHI

I, formerly known as **AKACHUKWU SAMUEL EKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **AKACHI OGWO EKE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EZEOKI

I, formerly known as **DONATUS BLESSING CHIOMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **EZEOKI BLESSING CHIOMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UDUKA

I, formerly known as **UDOKA RITA NWANNE** now wish to be called and addressed as **UDUKA RITA IFEANYI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DOMINIC

I, formerly known as **NNAJI CHINONSO JOSHUA** now wish to be called and addressed as **DOMINIC CHINONSO JOSHUA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EZINKWO

I, formerly known as **UDEOKOLI MUKOSOLU AMANDA** now wish to be called and addressed as **EZINKWO MUKOSOLU AMANDA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OJERINDE

I, formerly known as **AMUKUNRA VERONICA VERONICA** now wish to be called and addressed as **OJERINDE TOYIN BUKOLA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUBARAO

I, formerly known as **MUBARAO OLAMILAKEEM** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUBARAO ABDULAKEEM OLAMILKAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EMMANUEL

I, formerly known as **EMMANUEL ASH DOMINIC** now wish to be called and addressed as **EMMANUEL DOMINIC**. MY CORRECT DATE OF BIRTH IS 20TH AUGUST, 1992 NOT 20TH AUGUST, 1984. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GLORIA

I, formerly known as **MISS GLORIA NAKOP YOHANNA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS GLORIA NAKOP NYAM**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADDITION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **EWUZIEM STEPHEN** now wish to be called and addressed as **EWUZIEM STEPHEN CHIBUEZE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKONKWO

I, formerly known as **CHIMA VICTOR NKWACHUKWU** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKONKWO VICTOR NKWACHUKWU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LOKOGOMA

I, formerly known as **BASHIR ABDULMALIK AMAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **LOKOGOMA ABDLMALIK BASHIR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EKELE

I, formerly known as **OGBO JOHN EKELE** now wish to be called and addressed as **EKELE JOHN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHRISTIANA

I, formerly known as **CHRISTIANA PIUSMUSA** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHRISTIANA PIUS LABARAN ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. authority concerned and general public places take note.

MOHAMMED

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED MUSA MARCIOR** now wish to be called and addressed as **MOHAMMED MUSA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHANGE AND CORRECTION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **BASHAR SALIHU RUFAI** now wish to be called and addressed as **BASHAR SALIHU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SERAH

I, formerly known as **SERAH KABILA** now wish to be called and addressed as **SERAH KABILA HONGLACK**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OLOYEDE

I, formerly known as **OLOYEDE AGNES JOKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OLOYEDE MUTIATU JOKE**. All former documents remain valid. NIMC and All authorities concerned please take note

DAUDA

I, formerly known as **DAUDA HARUNA D O B 12.8.1985** now wish to be called and addressed as **DAUDA OMEIZA D O B 5.7.1994**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OROMA

I, formerly known as **OROMA NWENENDAH-MPI** now wish to be called and addressed as **OROMA HILLARY NWENENDAH-MPI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

TERTSUA

I, formerly known as **TERTSUA FANEN SHEDRACK** now wish to be called and addressed as **TERTSUA FANEN ROBERT, DATE OF BIRTH JULY 30TH 2002**. All former documents remain valid. NECO and General public should please take note.

ABDUSALAM

I, formerly known as **ABDULRAUF YAKUBU** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDUSALAM ABDULRAUF YAKUBU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ETAWA

I, formerly known as **MISS. ETAWA YUSUF SANDA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. ETAWA ALHERI BULUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

VOTO

I, formerly known as **HANATU BARNABAS**. now wish to be called and addressed as **VOTO HANATU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

STEPHEN

I, formerly known as **STEPHEN BARAYA** now wish to be called and addressed as **STEPHEN BARAYA MIL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SANI

I, formerly known as **MALLAM ISA SANI** now wish to be called and addressed as **SANI ISA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDURRAHAMAN

I, formerly known as **ABDURRAHMAN ABUBAKAR ABDULLAHI, DOB:3/12/1993** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDURRAHAMAN ABUBAKAR ABDULLAHI DOB 3/12/1990**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ELIAS

I, formerly known as **JACOB UMAR ELIAS**. now wish to be called and addressed as **ELIAS JACOB UMAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

**IRMIYA**

I, formerly known as **IRIMIYA LEVITICUS**, now wish to be called and addressed as **IRMIYA MANIYUNDA LEVITICUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NAOMI

I, formerly known as **NAOMI DANLAMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **NAOMI ANDA ABOKI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

YAKUBU

I, formerly known as **YAKUBU RINDA** and **JACOB ANGIBI** now wish to be called and addressed as **YAKUBU DINKA**. MY CORRECT DATE OF BIRTH IS 16/12/1980 NOT 13/8/1990. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BASSEY

I, formerly known as **EMMANUEL BASSEY HUDSON** now wish to be called and addressed as **BASSEY EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMEH

I, formerly known as **AUDU PATIENCE** now wish to be called and addressed as **AMEH PATIENCE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKAA

I, formerly known as **AGBANDE TERKIMBI FREDRICK** now wish to be called and addressed as **AKAA TERKIMBI FREDRICK**. DATE OF BIRTH FROM 2 /01/1982 TO 28/12/1982 All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ERHINYORE

I, formerly known as **ADOH NWAKEGO FLORA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ERHINYORE NWAKEGO FLORA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PIUS

I, formerly known as **PIUS FRIDAY MATTHEW** now wish to be called and addressed as **PIUS FRIDAY GARBA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MBANO

I, formerly known as **IBANO JOHN OGAZE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MBANO JOHN OGAZIE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHIA

I, formerly known as **MISS ASAWA NGUPASEN FAITH** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS CHIA NGUPASEN FAITH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

TERHEMBA

I, formerly known as **VISHIGH MBAKORUN ANNA** now wish to be called and addressed as **TERHEMBA MBAKORUN ANNA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OLANIYO-ODUSOLA

I, formerly known as **ODUSOLA OMOTOYOSI ADEBISI** now wish to be called and addressed as **OLANIYO-ODUSOLA OMOTOYOSI ADEBISI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MARYAM

I, formerly known as **MARYAM ABDURRAHMAN SALIHU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS MARYAM GAMBO SALIHU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUJTABA

I, formerly known as **MUJTABA KAMISU DAUDA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUJTABA MALAM KHAMISU**, AND MY ACTUAL DATE OF BIRTH IS 25/05/1984 NOT 21/5/1984. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BLESSING

I, formerly known as **BLESSING RUTH BISON** now wish to be called and addressed as **BLESSING RUTH OKOKHUELE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHRISTOPHER

I, formerly known as **NYAWENG CHRISTOPHER YIBE**, now wish to be called and addressed as **CHRISTOPHER NYAWENG**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OGBONNA

I, formerly known as **OGBONNA EDNA NWANYISUNDAY** and **OGBONNA NGOZI EDAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **OGBONNA NWANYISUNDAY EDNER**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OJABO

I, formerly known as **OJABO BLESSING EMUNNE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OJABO BLESSING ONYIMOWO AND MY ACTUAL DATE OF BIRTH IS 22-05-2003, AND NOT 05-05-1994**. All former documents remain valid. Concerned authority and general public take note.

GAZAGANA

I, formerly known as **EMMANUEL ANGORO**, now wish to be called and addressed as **GAZAGANA EMMANUEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKEKE

I, formerly known as **UKAMAKA LYDIA OKEKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKEKE UKAMAKA LYDIA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

VINCENT

I, formerly known as **DAVID KASHAMBA** now wish to be called and addressed as **VINCENT CHORI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IBRAHIM

I, formerly known as **LAWAL KHADIJA** now wish to be called and addressed as **IBRAHIM HADIZA ABBARE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABUH

I, formerly known as **ABUH MARY JULIE** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABUH OJONUMI MARY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AZIZ

I, formerly known as **DOVONOU AZIZI LAISSI** now wish to be called and addressed as **AZIZ LAISSI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAMOH

I, formerly known as **SAMOH DOOFAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **SAMOH NANCY DOOFAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

TOV

I, formerly known as **AGBENDE COMFORT MSURSHIMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **TOV COMFORT MSURSHIMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ORFEGA

I, formerly known as **SAMUEL ORFEGA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ORFEGA SAMUEL AONDOAVER**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

KATE

I, formerly known as **KATE ATTACHE OMOJO**, now wish to be called and addressed as **KATE MAZINHO ATTAH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Affidavit as to next of kin to **LATE, MOHAMMED ALIYU ANKANI**, died on the 20/08/2021. THE next of kin is **USMAN ALIYU**. General public should please take note.

YAKUBU

I, formerly known as **YAKUBU UMMULKHAIRI** now wish to be called and addressed as **YAKUBU UMMULKHAIRI UMAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EGEMBA

I, formerly known as **MISS OKEZIE ONYINYECHI GIFT** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS EGEMBA ONYINYECHI GIFT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OLAJESU

I, formerly known as **OLAJESU FERANMI MERCY** now wish to be called and addressed as **OLAJESU GRACE OLUWAFERANMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAMSON

I, formerly known as **SAMSON STEPHEN INALEGWU** now wish to be called and addressed as **SAMSON JULIUS INALEGWU AND MY ACTUAL DATE OF BIRTH IS 10-10-1995, AND NOT 10-10-1985**. All former documents remain valid. Concerned authority and general public take note.

JOSEPH

I, formerly known as **JOSEPH AYUBA** now wish to be called and addressed as **JOSEPH KARSHI GAMBO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HAMZA

I, formerly known as **HAMZA ABUBAKAR**, now wish to be called and addressed as **HAMZA ABUBAKAR MUSA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MERIAM

I, formerly known as **MERIAM OTARU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MERIAM OTARU YAKUBU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ARRANGEMENT OF NAME

My name was wrongly Captured and arranged as **OKORIE ERIC NWAZE** Instead of **OKORIE OKORIE NWAZE**. Henceforth my Correct Name is **ERIC OKORIE NWAZE**. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.

OGENE

I, formerly known as **CHRISTIANA ETITA FELIX** now wish to be called and addressed as **OGENE CHRISTIANA FELIX**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MATTHEW

I, formerly known as **MATHEW ROSE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MATTHEW ROSE GUCHE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IORHEMEN

I, formerly known as **ANJA IORHEMEN DOOM** now wish to be called and addressed as **IORHEMEN DOOM ROSE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

WAYA

I, formerly known as **WAYA TERZUNGWE** now wish to be called and addressed as **WAYA EMMANUEL TERZUNGWE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **BUKAR HASSAN ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI ABUBAKAR HASSAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

I, **MUHAMMED HAMID BELLO** WISH TO STATE THAT MY NAMES WERE WRONGLY CAPTURED DURING THE BANK VERIFICATION EXERCISE AS **MUHAMMED HAMID BELLO**. MY CORRECT NAMES ARE: **MUHAMMED HAMID BELLO**. GENERAL PUBLIC AND CONCERNED AUTHORITIES SHOULD PLS TAKE NOTE.

MICHAEL

I, formerly known as **MICHAEL MARY LUCHWZ** now wish to be called and addressed as **MICHAEL MARY BALA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RUPHINA

I, formerly known as **RUPHINA SEWUESE ZAM** now wish to be called and addressed as **RUPHINA SEWUESE RUSSEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

STANLEY

I, formerly known as **STANLEY IMANI** now wish to be called and addressed as **STANLEY IMANI BINGBENG**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NUHU

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED MANI** now wish to be called and addressed as **NUHU USMAN D.O.B 10/03/1985**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

YUNUSA

I, formerly known as **YUNUSA MOHAMMED ZAYAD** now wish to be called and addressed as **YUNUSA ZAYYAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MZAHAN

I, formerly known as **MZAHAN TIMOTHY** now wish to be called and addressed as **MZAHAN AONDOAVER TIMOTHY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

WILLIAMS

I, formerly known as **UKAEGBU UCHECHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **WILLIAMS UCHECHI JENNIFER**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAWYER

I, formerly known as **SAWYER BLESSING EBIERE** now wish to be called and addressed as **SAWYER BLESSING EBI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IBRAHIM

I, formerly known as **IBRAHIM NMAYAWO ABDULRAHMAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **IBRAHIM ABDULRAHMAN MUHAMMAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADESANMI

I, formerly known as **ADESANMI BLESSING OLOBUNMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADESANMI BLESSING OLUWABUNMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EKPO

I, formerly known as **JULIET EKPO** now wish to be called and addressed as **EKPO JULIET IYAISE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ORALU

I, formerly known as **ORALU BLESSING** now wish to be called and addressed as **ORALU NGUAMO BLESSING DOB: 12-4-1966**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AONDOVER

I, formerly known as **AONDOVER ORLU WISDOM** now wish to be called and addressed as **AONDOVER ORLU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ANN

I, formerly known as **BINTA ENYE OJOBI** now wish to be called and address as **ANN AKUM OGBUJA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UKAGA

I, formerly known as **MISS ANYAEGBU JULIET AKUDO** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS UKAGA JULIET AKUDO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LOVINA

I, formerly known as **LOVINA AHIJO OBI** now wish to be called and addressed as **LOVINA JATAU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

I **ONOJA QUEEN ELIZABETH** WISH TO STATE THAT MY DAUGHTER BEARS **ONOJA PAULA PATRICK** AND **ONOJA PAULA NGBEDEJO** REFERRING TO THIS SAME PERSON. ALL OF HER DOCUMENTS BEARING EITHER OF THIS NAMES REMAINS VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

OBADIAH

I, formerly known as **OBADIAH GEOFFREY** now wish to be called and addressed as **OBADIAH GEOFFREY USMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PETER

I, formerly known as **PETER EMMANUEL**, now wish to be called and addressed as **PETER EMMANUEL OMEDE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

JAMES

I, formerly known as **OLORUNBOLA SAMUEL** now wish to be called and addressed as **JAMES SAMUEL MONDAY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ESEMUN- AGBIDI

I, formerly known as **ESEMUN SAMUEL OSEHOJIE AGBIDI TALIOUS** now wish to be called and addressed as **ESEMUN- AGBIDI SAMUEL OSEHOJIE TALIOUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DANTANI

I, formerly known as **CHEGYL SHEKWOYEMI RACHEAL** now wish to be called and addressed as **DANTANI YEMI RAHILA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MOHAMMED

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED NASIR** now wish to be called and addressed as **MOHAMMED NASIR MUSA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FRANCIS

I, formerly known as **FRANCIS BITRUS** now wish to be called and addressed as **FRANCIS ZAKI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LAWAL

I, formerly known as **LAWAL SHITU SALISU** now wish to be called and addressed as **LAWAL SHITU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

USULOR

I, formerly known as **USUIOR STEPHEN** now wish to be called and addressed as **USULOR STEPHEN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

EDWARD

I, formerly known as **YANDEV VICTORIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **EDWARD KUKIGH VICTORIA**. All former documents remain valid. banks general public and concerned authorities should please take note.

TYO

I, formerly known as **TYO MSEHAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **TYO DORCAS MSEHAN**. All former documents remain valid. banks general public and concerned authorities should please take note.

NJOKU

I, formerly known as **ANOSIKE LILIAN UGOMMA** now wish to be called and address as **NJOKU LILIAN UGOMMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LAMDE

I, formerly known as **LAMDE PAUL** now wish to be called and addressed as **LAMDE NAPZING**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

YOHANNA

I, formerly known as **ELAYO JUSTINA JUMMAI** now wish to be called and addressed as **YOHANNA JUSTINA JUMMAI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ALIYU

I, formerly known as **BABA ALIYU ISHAQ** now wish to be called and addressed as **ALIYU NURADDEEN ISYAKU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BASSEY

I, formerly known as **BASSEY FELIX TABIA**, now wish to be called and addressed as **BASSEY TABIA PRECIOUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLHADI

I, formerly known as **ABDULHADI ALHAJI IBRAHIM** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLHADI BELLO IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHRISTIANA

I, formerly known as **CHRISTIANA ONYINYECHI OKPOKWU** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHRISTIANA ONYINYECHI MAKATA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULJELIL

I, formerly known as **ISAH OYIZA RASHIDAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULJELIL ISAH OYIZA RASHIDAT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

My name was wrongly Captured on my Polaris Bank Account as **SALISU MUHAMMADU** instead of **MUHAMMAD SALISU MAIANGUWA**. My Correct Name is **MUHAMMAD SALISU MAIANGUWA**. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.

ALIKOTE

I, **FARIDA ABUBAKAR IMAM**, Biological Mother of a Minor, formerly **ISAH ALIKOTE ABUBAKAR FAREED** as captured in NIN, now I wish to Change it to **ALIKOTE FAREED ISA**. All former documents remain valid. General public to take note.

PHILIP

I, formerly known as **DENIS GAMBO AUDU** now wish to be called and addressed as **PHILIP DENIS PATRICK**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SHERIFFDEEN

I, formerly known as **SHERIFFDEEN FALLILAT KEMI** and **SHERIFFDEEN FALLILAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **SHERIFFDEEN FALLILAT OYENIKE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FATIMA

I, formerly known as **FATIMAH DAUDA WAKILI** now wish to be called and addressed as **FATIMA DAUDA WAKILI**. All former documents remain valid. First Bank plc and General public to take note.

IERVE

I, formerly known as **IERVE NGUYILAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **IERVE NGUYILAN EDNA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UZOIGWE

I, formerly known as **UZOIGWE CHINYERE** now wish to be called and addressed as **UZOIGWE CHINYERE GIFT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWACHUKWU

I, formerly known as **NWACHUKWU OKECHI JANE** now wish to be called and address as **NWACHUKWU OGECHI JANE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **ABDULLAH LAWALI LAWALI**, WRONG DOB: 01-01-1992, now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI AUWAL**, CORRECT DOB: 01-12-1993. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RASHIDA

I, formerly known as **RASHIDA ABDULLAHI ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **RASHIDA YUSUF ABDULLAHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUHAMMAD

I, formerly known as **MUHAMMAD IBRAHIM AMINU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUHAMMAD AMINU LUKOME**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **ABDUSALAM ADAMU ABDULLAHI**, OLD DATE OF BIRTH: 01-OCT-1996 now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI ADAMU ABDUSALAM** NEW DATE OF BIRTH: 05-OCT-1998. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OLABIMPE

I, formerly known as **OLABIMPE TEMITOPE OLAWALE, OLABIMPE TEMITOPE A. OLAWALE, TEMITOPE OLABIMPE OLAWALE, OLABIMPE OLAWALE AND OLABIMPE TEMITOPE OLAWALE ADEFUNKE WALTER-CHUKU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS. OLABIMPE TEMITOPE WALTER-CHUKU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ONAJI

I, formerly known as **ICHE FELIX FRIDAY**, now wish to be called and addressed as **ONAJI FELIX ECHE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OYINLOLA

I, formerly known as **BAMIGBOYE ALIMOT OYINDAMOLA** now wish to be called and addressed as **OYINLOLA ALIMOT OYINDAMOLA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BEGE

I, formerly known as **BEGE DAUDA YAKUBU** now wish to be called and addressed as **BEGE AUGUSTINE ADAMU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FATEEMA

I, formerly known as **FATEEMA SUNUSI** now wish to be called and addressed as **FATEEMA SUNUSI DANTATA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AHMAD

I, formerly known as **AHMAD ABDULLAHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **AHMAD ABDULHADJI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MAAJI

I, formerly known as **FATIMA MOHAMMAD** now wish to be called and addressed as **MAAJI MOHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDUSALAM

I, formerly known as **ABDUSALAM ZAHARADDEEN MUSA** and **ZAHARADDEEN ABDUSALAM** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDUSALAM ZAHARADDEEN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HASSAN

I, formerly known as **HASSAN MUHD BAJUWA** now wish to be called and addressed as **HASSAN MUHAMMAD BAJUWA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMARACHI

I, formerly known as **ORJI AMARACHI**, now wish to be called and addressed as **AMARACHI ORJI FESTUS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUSA

I, formerly known as **MOSES NAOMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUSA NAOMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HAJARA

I, formerly known as **INUWA HAJARA ZANGON GABAS** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAJARA ABDULRAZAK**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **SHAAIBU LAURE** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI LAURE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AFURE

I, formerly known as **AFURE KEVIN** now wish to be called and addressed as **AFURE KELVIN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

KADAURA

I, formerly known as **KADAURA HENRIETTA EKWOK** now wish to be called and addressed as **KADAURA HENRIETTA SENA'AN, DOB:3RD MAY,1991**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DEBORAH

I, formerly known as **DEBORAH SUNDAY IBUONEYE**, now wish to be called and addressed as **DEBORAH AMARACHI OLODUDE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ZULAIHA

I, formerly known as **ZULAIHA TAMASI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ZULAIHA ALI TAMASI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDUSALAM

I, formerly known as **ABDUSALAM MURTALA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDUSALAM TUNDE MURTALA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AUGUSTINA

I, formerly known as **AUGUSTINA AMAECHI OSUNKWO** now wish to be called and addressed as **AUGUSTINA AMAECHI OSUNKWO AGBASI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ANTHONY

I, formerly known as **ANTHONY GONI BAKO**, now wish to be called and addressed as **ANTHONY BAKO GONI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RABIYATU

I, formerly known as **RABIYATU HARUNA** now wish to be called and addressed as **RABIYATU HARUNA YAHAYA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HASSANA

I, formerly known as **HAIYA ZULAI IBRAHIM** now wish to be called and addressed as **HASSANA HUSSAINI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ELIZABETH

I, formerly known as **ELIZABETH ARCHIBONG** now wish to be called and addressed as **ELIZABETH EYO ARCHIBONG**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

YAKUBU

I, formerly known as **YAKUBU BLESSING** now wish to be called and addressed as **YAKUBU EJURA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DIBIE

I, formerly known as **DIBIE DANIEL CHINEDU** now wish to be called and addressed as **DIBIE DANIEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DANJUMA

I, formerly known as **DANJUMA SULAIMAN ALIU**, now wish to be called and addressed as **DANJUMA SULEIMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HADIZA

I, formerly known as **SALEH HADIZA** now wish to be called and addressed as **HADIZA MUSA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MARYAM

I, formerly known as **MARYAM SUNUSI ABDURRAHMAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **MARYAM ABDURRAHMAN SALISU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

My name is **AMINA USMAN** but was wrongly captured as **AMINA ALIYU**. Henceforth, I wish to be known and addressed as **AMINA USMAN** as written in my Bank account. My correct date of birth is **01/01/1980 NOT 01/01/1991**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RUKAYYA

I, formerly known as **RUKAYYA AHMAD ONYEMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **RUKAYYA AHMAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SA'ADATU

I, formerly known as **MISS SA'ADATU YUSUF LADAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS SA'ADATU YUSUF LADAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADEDO

I, formerly known as **MISS MARIAM ABDULGAFAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS ADEDO MARIAM ABDULGAFAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ASMAU

I, formerly known as **ASMAU MUHAMMED** now wish to be called and addressed as **ASMAU MOHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AISHA

I, formerly known as **AISHA ALIYU** and **AISHATU MOHAMMAD** now wish to be called and addressed as **AISHA MUHAMMAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ISIYA

I, formerly known as **ISIAKU AUDI ABUBAKAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **ISIYA AUDI ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SANI

I, formerly known as **YAKUBU SANI (2/20/1983)** now wish to be called and addressed as **SANI YAKUBU ADAMU (02/05/1984)**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **ABDULLAHI IDRIS, DOB: 29-JAN-1984** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI SHERA IDRIS, DOB: 28-01-1993**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HABIB

I, formerly known as **ABIBU SUNDAY** now wish to be called and addressed as **HABIB OGOHI SUNDAY**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SALIHU

I, formerly known as **ADAMU SALAMATU AND DOB 5/4/1998** now wish to be called and addressed as **SALIHU SALAMATU AND DOB 8/2/1999**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

My name was wrongly captured in my NECO and WAEC as **OBUSEH JOY**. My correct name is **OBUSEH JOYCE BOSE**. General public should take

LATEEFAH

I, formerly known as **LATEEFAH OMOAKA** now wish to be called and addressed as **LATEEFAH MUHAMMAD-RABIU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

VICTORIA

I, formerly known as **VICTORIA IMEH ETUK** now wish to be called and addressed as **VICTORIA GBENGA WILLIAMS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ISUHU

I, formerly known as **SAAD YUSIF** now wish to be called and addressed as **ISUHU USMAN SAADU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SOLOMON

I, formerly known as **VICTORIA SOLOMON** now wish to be called and addressed as **SOLOMON VICTORY, THAT MY CORRECT DATE OF BIRTH IS 02/04/2002 AND NOT 14/04/2004**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AJI

I, formerly known as **BUKAR ALH.GONI** now wish to be called and addressed as **AJI ALI BUKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HAMISU

I, formerly known as **HAMISU SALISU** now wish to be called and addressed as **HAMISU MUHAMMAD ABDULLAHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUSA

I, formerly known as **ARDO SHARO CLINI**, now wish to be called and addressed as **MUSA MOHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

USMAN

I, formerly known as **USMAN I USMAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **USMAN USMAN IBRAHIM**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

This is to inform the general public that my name was wrongly captured as **TANKO DAVID IBRAHIM** instead of **TANKO DAVID ABRAHAM**. All FORMER DOCUMENT REMAIN VALID. GENERAL PUBLIC PLEASE take note.

KOREDE

I, formerly known as **KOREDE OLAJIDE VICTORIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **KOREDE VICTORIA OLADUNNI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ELISHA

I, formerly known as **ZEJE WANANJE SARAH** now wish to be called and addressed as **ELISHA SARAH WANANJE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHARITY

I, formerly known as **CHARITY ANTHONY** now wish to be called and addressed as **CHARITY SABO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MARYAM

I, formerly known as **MARYAM MUSA DANJUMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MARYAM SULAIMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SARAH

I, formerly known as **SARAH CHRIS HYAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **SARAH HYAT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SHEHU

I, formerly known as **SHEU BALA UMAR WITH OLD DATE OF BIRTH 22/08/1981** now wish to be called and addressed as **SHEHU UMAR WITH NEW DATE OF BIRTH 20/03/1994**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OBINNA

I, formerly known as **SURNAME: ONWUAMAKE, FIRSTNAME: CHIAMAKA, MIDDLE NAME: ESTHER** now wish to be called and addressed as **SURNAME: OBINNA, FIRST NAME: CHIAMAKA, MIDDLE NAME: ESTHER**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMINA

I, formerly known as **AMINA S. BELLO MAHMUD** now wish to be called and addressed as **AMINA SAIDU NAMASKA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SALMA

I, formerly known as **SALMA M. ABBA** now wish to be called and addressed as **SALMA YUSIF**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

USMAN

I, formerly known as **USMAN HAUWAKULU** now wish to be called and addressed as **USMAN HAUWAKULU SHAFU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UMAR

I, formerly known as **ALI ALI** now wish to be called and addressed as **UMAR ALI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MOHAMMED

I, formerly known as **BALA IBRAHIM** now wish to be called and addressed as **MOHAMMED ALI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

This is to inform the general public that **APPEYAK NUNGRIMAM GLORIA ANDEYABA SAMSON NUNGRIMAM GLORIA** and **NURIMAN GLORIA SAMSON** refers to one and same person but prefer **APPEYAK NUNGRIMAM GLORIA** general public and Afif please take note.

LEWECHI

I, formerly known as **EDE MARY NGOZI**, now wish to be called and addressed as **LEWECHI MARY NGOZI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

GAIYA

I, formerly known as **GAIYA JONATHAN PAUL** now wish to be called and addressed as **GAIYA JONATHAN DANJUMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DAHIR

I, formerly known as **DAHIRU SALMATU** now wish to be called and addressed as **DAHIR SALMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

TANKO

I, formerly known as **MAIGWA MANASSEH TANKO** now wish to be called and addressed as **TANKO MANASEH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HANNATU

I, formerly known as **HANNATU AMINU** now wish to be called and addressed as **HANNATU MUHAMMAD SABON LAYI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

YAHAYA

I, formerly known as **YAHAYA YUNUSA** now wish to be called and addressed as **YAHAYA YUNUSA ABUTU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RECONCILIATION OF NAMES

In my UNIVERSITY RESULT: NAME **SULEIMAN MUHAMMAD ISAH**. IN MY NYSC NAME: **SULAIMAN MUHAMMAD ISA**. IN MY NCE NAME: **SULAIMAN ISAH MUHAMMAD**. IN MY SIS RESULT NAME: **SULAIMAN MUHAMMAD ISA**. I WISH TO STATE THAT THIS IS THE CORRECT SPELLINGS OF MY NAMES. **SULEIMAN MUHAMMAD ISA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UGBOMHE

I, formerly known as **PATRICIA OKPOKPA** now wish to be called and addressed as **UGBOMHE SARAH EBIKE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

KASALI

I, formerly known as **HAMMED KASALI**, now wish to be called and addressed as **KASALI HAMMED OLWADANILARE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BASHIR

I, formerly known as **IBRAHIM SHUAIBU** now wish to be called and addressed as **BASHIR SAIDU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NAFISA

I, formerly known as **UMAR NAFISA MALAM** now wish to be called and addressed as **NAFISA UMAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MIKAILU

I, formerly known as **KADIRI MAIKAILU TAIRU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MIKAILU TAIRU KADIRI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RABI'U

I, formerly known as **IBRAHIM MUJI** now wish to be called and addressed as **RABI'U YAHAYA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **ABDULLAHI KABIRU BABANLE** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI IBRAHIM KABIRU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABUBAKAR

I, formerly known as **ABUBAKAR ALIYU**, now wish to be called and addressed as **ABUBAKAR SIDDEEQ ABDULLAHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULMUMINI

I, formerly known as **UMAR AISHA AHMED** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULMUMINI AISHA AHMADU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NAZIRU

I, formerly known as **NAZIRU MALAMI SALISU** now wish to be called and addressed as **NAZIRU MUHAMMAD SALISU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SALISU

I, formerly known as **SALIHU BARIRA** now wish to be called and addressed as **SALISU BARIRA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HARUNA

I, formerly known as **HARUNA ALI** now wish to be called and addressed as **HARUNA ALI MOHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ALIYU

I, formerly known as **HASHIMU SAUKI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ALIYU IBRAHIM GARU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HUSAINA

I, formerly known as **HASAINA SARKI** now wish to be called and addressed as **HUSAINA SARKI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ZAID

I, formerly known as **ZAYED SAIDU** now wish to be called and addressed as **ZAID BABA SAIDU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ELEORA

I, formerly known as **LINDA OBIAGELI NWOKEDI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ELEORA OBIAGELI NWOKEDI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAKINA

I, formerly known as **SAKINA ABUBAKAR, OLD DATE OF BIRTH: 09/08/1980**, now wish to be called and addressed as **SAKINA ABUBAKAR SALE, NEW DATE OF BIRTH: 19/08/1980**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ITODO

I, formerly known as **ITODO OCHEME** now wish to be called and addressed as **ITODO OCHEME CHRISTIAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

TAHIR

I, formerly known as **TAHIR ALHASSAN ALIYU**, now wish to be called and addressed as **TAHIR ALHASSAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SHEHU

I, formerly known as **SADIYA MUKTARI**, now wish to be called and addressed as **SHEHU RABIETU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

**MASAUDU**

I, formerly known as **ATTAH G. JOHN** now wish to be called and addressed as **MASAUDU ILIYASU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

USMAN

I, formerly known as **ILIYASU SHEHU** now wish to be called and addressed as **USMAN ILIYASU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SHEMA'U

I, formerly known as **MISS SHEMA'U YAKUBU INUWA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS SHEMA'U YAKUBU INUWA**. All former documents remain valid. All authority concern, NYSC and the general public should please take note.

ONYIA

I, formerly known as **ASIEGBU INI WENEKA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ONYIA INI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BILYAMINU

I, formerly known as **BILYAMINU MUSA WITH THE DATE OF BIRTH AS 2ND MARCH.1973** now wish to be called and addressed as **BILYAMINU CHINDO MUSA WITH THE ACTUAL DATE OF BIRTH AS 20TH JUNE.1983**. All former documents remain valid. authority concern and general public take note.

NWODO

I, formerly known as **UGWUOKE JEREMIAH** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWODO EJIOFOR JUDE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UGWU

I, formerly known as **MBAH CYNTHIA UJUNWA** now wish to be called and addressed as **UGWU CYNTHIA UJUNWA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CYNTHIA

I, formerly known as **CYNTHIA JB AMUDA** now wish to be called and addressed as **CYNTHIA AMUDA**. All former documents remain valid. ALL AUTHORITY CONCERNED and General public should please take note.

MOHAMMED

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED NA ADAMU** now wish to be called and addressed as **MOHAMMED ADAMU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHRISTY

I, formerly known as **CHRISTIANA KANKANI**. now wish to be called and addressed as **CHRISTY KANKANI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BITRUS

I, formerly known as **NEHEMIAH BITRUS HASSAN** now wish to be called and addressed as **BITRUS NEHEMIAH HASSAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

RAKIYA

I, formerly known as **RUKAYAT MUHAMMED, OLD DATE OF BIRTH: 15-06-1992** now wish to be called and addressed as **RAKIYA DIGA, NEW DATE OF BIRTH: 16-10-1995**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ANKELI

I, formerly known as **ACHEME ZIPPORAH ENE** now wish to be called and addressed as **ANKELI ZIPPORAH ENE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

WILLIAMS

I, formerly known as **ISHOLA CHARLES** now wish to be called and addressed as **WILLIAMS OLUWAGBEMILEKE CHARLES**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ENIKANOSAYE

I, formerly known as **OGAH UCHE ESTHER** now wish to be called and addressed as **ENIKANOSAYE UCHE ESTHER**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

HADIZA

I, formerly known as **HADIZA MOHAMMED** now wish to be called and addressed as **HADIZA LAWAL MOHAMMED**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

I, formerly known as **SALAUDEEN MEDINAT AYANTOLA**, now wish to be known and addressed as **SALAUDEEN MEDINAT**. All former documents remain valid. National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) and general public take note.

IDRIS

I, formerly known as **IDRIS ADAMU** now wish to be called and addressed as **IDRIS ADAMU OJONUGWA**. All former documents remain valid. Stanbic IBTC Bank Plc and the general public to note.

FATAI

I, formerly known as **ABDRAUF KAOTHARA OMOWUMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **FATAI KAOTHARA OMOWUMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

ORYA PRISCILLA NGUYILAN and **ROSE IGYUSE** refer to one and the same person, now: **ORYA PRISCILLA NGUYILAN**. Authorities concerned and General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

IGYUSE AMOS SAMINU and **SAMUEL IGYUSE** refer to one and the same person, now: **IGYUSE AMOS SAMINU**. Authorities concerned and General public should please take note.

EFADI

I, formerly known as **ODOK CLARISE DITIEM** now wish to be called and addressed as **EFADI CLARISE DITIEM**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FOLORUNSHO

I, formerly known as **CHIBUZO VIVIAN BLESSING** now wish to be called and addressed as **FOLORUNSHO VIVIAN BLESSING**. All former documents remain valid. FIRST BANK PLC, The general public, and to whom it may concern to take note.

NGORNGOR

I, formerly known as **MISS AKORTSAHA WANDOO VICTORIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MISS NGORNGOR, WANDOO VICTORIA**. All former documents remain valid. NKST Secondary School, Naka Road, Makurdi, Benue State University, Makurdi and the general public to note.

ANTHONY

I, formerly known as **ADIKWU ENANYA SARAH, DOB ON PASSPORT 06/10/1991** now wish to be called and addressed as **ANTHONY ADIKWU, SARAH OMANIBE, TO: DOB 06/10/1984**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OKWO

I, formerly known as **OKWO ABRAHAM IDAH** now wish to be called and addressed as **OKWO ABRAHAM WILLIAMS**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

WILLIAMS

I, formerly known as **IGWE MARY ERIMA** now wish to be called and addressed as **WILLIAMS CHRISTABEL ERIMA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMEH

I, formerly known as **ADAH REGINA ENE** now wish to be called and addressed as **AMEH REGINA ENE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

I formerly known as **LABARAN KABIRU** now wish to be called and addressed as **LABARAN KEBIRU**. All former documents remain valid. General public take note.

EJIOFOR

I, formerly known as **OBIANUJU-NWA** now wish to be called and addressed as **EJIOFOR VIVIAN UJUNWA**. All former documents remain valid. ACCESS BANK PLC. All former documents remains valid. The general public, and to whom it may concern to take note.

GRACIOUS

I, formerly known as **GRACIOUS CHIMDALU ALO** now wish to be called and addressed as **GRACIOUS CHIMDALU UZOUCHUKWU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ODION

I, formerly known as **ATAKPU JOSEPHINE** now wish to be called and addressed as **ODION ATAKPU JOSPHINE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ABDULLAHI

I, formerly known as **OLUKOJU WASFIYAH SAFIYA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ABDULLAHI WASFIYAH SAFIYA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DANGIWA

I, formerly known as **DANGIWA WALCOTT, DATE OF BIRTH 11/11/92** now wish to be called and addressed as **DANGIWA BULUS, DATE OF BIRTH 11/11/1995**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CHANGE/CORRECTION OF NAME.

I, Formerly Known And Addressed As **ADEYEMO ALIMAT OMOLABAKE** Now Wish To Be Known As **OLADOSU ALIMAT-ADEYEMO**. All Documents Bearing My Former Name Remain Valid. Any Other Concerned Authorities And The General Public Should Please Take Note..

CORRECTION DATE OF BIRTH

I, **HARUNA SUNUSI GARBA** Wish To Inform The General Public That My Date Of Birth Was Wrongly Written As **01 August 1996**, INSTEAD OF **27th June 1996**. I Also Wish To State That My Phone Number Is **07065327751**. All Documents Bearing My Former Date Of Birth Remain Valid. Any Other Concerned Authority And The General Public Should Take Note

OGUNDARI

I, formerly known as **OLOJABI OLUWATOYIN VICTORIA** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS OGUNDARI OLUWATOYIN VICTORIA**. All former documents remain valid. ALL AUTHORITIES CONCERNED and General public should please take note.

JAMES

I, formerly known as **OKOLI IFEANYI JAMES** now wish to be called and addressed as **JAMES CHIGOZIE OWA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAME.

OBIORU WEYINMI OLUMEWO EWORITSEMUGH, OBIORU EWORITSEMUGH OLUMEWO and **OBIORU EWORITSEMUGH WEYINMI OLUMEWO** is one and same person. Henceforth, I wish to be known and addressed as **OBIORU WEYINMI OLUMEWO EWORITSEMUGH** as shown in my Birth certificate. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OBIJURU

I, formerly known as **OBIJURU NNEKA ANGELA** now wish to be called and addressed as **OBIJURU NNEKA SMART**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BUKI

I, formerly known as **CHINEDU ELIJAH OYEBUCHI**, now wish to be called and addressed as **BUKI ELIJAH OYEBUCHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AMINU

I, formerly known as **FARUK IBE IBRAHIM, WRONG D.O.B 08/08/1999**, now wish to be called and addressed as **AMINU FARUK IBE, 08/12/2001**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OGWUCHE

I, formerly known as **OGWUCHE IGOCHE, WRONG D.O.B 20/11/1988** now wish to be called and addressed as **OGWUCHE DOUGLAS IGOCHE, CORRECT D.O.B 04/04/1996**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ALI

I, formerly known as **ALIYU SARA, WRONG D.O.B 03/01/1982** now wish to be called and addressed as **ALI ZARA, CORRECT ALI ZARA, 01/01/1980**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MANI

I, formerly known as **MANI USMAN ABUBAKAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **MANI USMAN**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LAWRENCE

I, formerly known as **NORBERT SAMUEL, WRONG D.O.B 30/04/1996**, now wish to be called and addressed as **LAWRENCE NOBERT, CORRECT D.O.B 11/01/2000**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MARY

I, formerly known as **MARY CHIBUZOR IHE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MARY CHIBUZOR INNOCENT**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IBRAHIM

I, formerly known as **IBRAHIM AMINA** now wish to be called and addressed as **IBRAHIM AMINA PAUL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UZOMAH

I, formerly known as **UZOMA FAVOUR** now wish to be called and addressed as **UZOMAH AMARACHI**. The reason why am changing my name is because of i want to bear **AMARACHI** my native name, instead of **FAVOUR, UZOMAH** is my father's name to be replace in my B.v.n/account. That all documents bearing my former name(s) invalid and authentic general public should take note.

OBIALOR

I, formerly known as **MARTINS CONFIDENCE NZUBECHI**. now wish to be called and addressed as **OBIALOR CONFIDENCE NZUBECHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AGBOWADAN

I, formerly known as **AGBO THEOPHILOUS** now wish to be called and addressed as **AGBOWADAN THEOPHILUS ENIOLA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BALI

I, formerly known as **NANSEL HAPPY** now wish to be called and addressed as **BALI HAPPINESS NANSEL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SALOME

I, formerly known as **SALOME CHIBUZOR OGBUEHI** now wish to be called and addressed as **SALOME CHIBUZOR MADUABUCHI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ASENETU

I, formerly known as **HUSSAINA DANJUMA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **ASENETU ATABOR HD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

DICKSON

I, formerly known as **MR JOHN, DICKSON** now wish to be called and addressed as **MR DICKSON OMENKA OKPE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAME.

JEMIMA MAGOSE OLUFUYE, OLUFUYE EBUNOLUWA JEMIMA, OLUFUYE EBUNOLUWA MAGHOSE, JEMIMA OLUFUYE JEMIMAR EBUNOLA, OLUFUYE EBUNOLUWA JEMIMAR OLUFUYE JEMIMAR BLESSING and OLUFUYE EBUNOLUWA JEMIMA MAGHOSE is one and same person; but wish to be known as: **JEMIMA MAGOSE OLUFUYE, JEMIMA MAGOSE OLUFUYE, OLU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CONFIRMATION OF NAMES

AHMAD ZIKHRULLAH, AHMED ZIKHRULLAH and ZIKHRULLAH ADEBAYO AHMED is one and same person. Henceforth, I wish to be known and addressed as: **AHMAD ZIKHRULLAH** as captured on my NIMC. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

WISDOM

I, formerly known as **ALEXANDRA OLIWE**. now wish to be called and addressed as **WISDOM ALEXANDRA OLIWE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OLANIYI

I, formerly known as **ADEKUNLE OLOLADE SEWA**. now wish to be called and addressed as **OLANIYI OLOLADE SEWA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

MUHAMMAD

I, formerly known as **MOHAMMED SANI MANSIR** now wish to be called and addressed as **MUHAMMAD SANI HARUNA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

BANKOLE

I, formerly known as **MR. OYEWOLE BANKOLE OYEWOLE** now wish to be called and addressed as **MR. BANKOLE OYEWOLE FABUSORO**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

FATAI

I, formerly known as **MR FATAI UORI RAZAK** now wish to be called and addressed as **MR FATAI ILORI RAZAK**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADELAKIN

I, formerly known as **AKINPELU ITUNU CHRISTIANA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADELAKIN ITUNU CHRISTIANA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADELAKIN

I, formerly known as **OGUNLADE PETER OPEYEMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADELAKIN PETER OPEYEMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OHIOZOJE

I, formerly known as **ATOBATELE HOPE BOSE** now wish to be called and addressed as **OHIOZOJE HOPE BOSE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

IBRAHIM

I, formerly known as **ABDULLAHI MOHAMMED** now wish to be called and addressed as **IBRAHIM ADAMU**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

UTOO

I, formerly known as **JAME ATAMBE 02-MARCH -1992** now wish to be called and addressed as **UTOO, DOMINIC (9-NOV-1991)**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

PERPETUAL

I, formerly known as **PERPETUAL UKAMAKA OGEH** now wish to be called and addressed as **PERPETUAL UKAMAKA ONYEBIGUWA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

JOHN-ADENIJI

I, formerly known as **MOSES RACHEAL** now wish to be called and addressed as **JOHN-ADENIJI RACHEAL**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ADANNA

I, formerly known as **ADANNA CHIOMA CHUKWUEZI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADANNA CHIOMA AGULANNA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ANYIMODE

I, formerly known as **AUDU MOMOHJIMH ADEIZA** now wish to be called and addressed as **ANYIMODE MOMOH JIMOH**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

NWACHUKWU

I, formerly known as **ONOH CHINAZA GLAD** now wish to be called and addressed as **NWACHUKWU CHINAZA GLAD**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SAADATU

I, formerly known as **SAADATU ABUBAKAR** now wish to be called and addressed as **SAADATU ABUBAKAR**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AKINODE

I, formerly known as **AKINODE MORENIKEJI OLAJUMOKE** now wish to be called and addressed as **AKINODE TAWAKALITU MORENIKEJI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

AJAYI

I, formerly known as **MISS OLABODE AYOMIDE NAIMAT** now wish to be called and addressed as **MRS AJAYI AYOMIDE NAIMAT**, Henceforth, Due to marriage, All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

OSIKOYA

I, formerly known as **LAMINA MARIAM KIKELOMO** now wish to be called and addressed as **OSIKOYA MARIAM**, Due to marriage, All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

ONWUAGANA

I, formerly known as **VICTORIA SAMUEL** now wish to be called and addressed as **ONWUAGANA NKIRUKA VICTORIA**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

CORRECTION OF NAME

That my name was wrongly captured as **OKUNADE IDRIS ADELEYE** and not **OKUNADE IDRIS-ADELEYE**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

LATEEF

I, formerly known as **OGUNLANA MUYIWA OJO** now wish to be called and addressed as **LATEEF AZEEZ TEMITOPE**. That **OGUNLANA MUYIWA OJO** and **LATEEF AZEEZ TEMITOPE** is same as one person. The authority concerned and general public should please take note.

ADEOYE

I, formerly known as **OSEGHALE CYNTHIA KEMI** now wish to be called and addressed as **ADEOYE CYNTHIA KEMI**. All former documents remain valid. General public should please take note.

SPACE FOR SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE**WORD OF PEACE CHAPEL INTERNATIONAL**

THIS IS TO NOTIFY THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED CHURCH HAS APPLIED FOR REGISTRATION TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION UNDER THE PART OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:
1. OKOYE UCHECHUKWU CHARLES - CHAIRMAN
2. PETRA TAMARA-EBI CHARLES - SECRETARY
3. SAIDEL SOLOGIDI - MEMBER
4. ANNA YEKE SOLOGIDI - MEMBER

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:
1. PRESERVE AND SECURE THE PRINCIPLES OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH.
2. PRESERVE THE LIBERTIES OF EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF THE CHURCH.
3. ENSURE FREEDOM OF ACTION OF INDEPENDENCE FROM ANY RELIGIOUS BODY OR ORGANIZATION.
4. PROVIDE FOR ORDERLY CONDUCT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS, IN DEALING WITH OTHERS, AND OF GOVERNING CHURCH MEMBERS.

ANY OBJECTION TO THE REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC) PLOT 420 TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, MAITANA ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: TRUSTEES



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Loss Of Document

LOSS OF DOCUMENTS

This is to inform the general public of the loss of original documents FCDA right of occupancy for plot **312**, Cadastral Zone **09-07, FCT/ABU/MISC 14740**, Karu Extension Allocated to **HASKE TRADING COMPANY**, file number **AN 10163** belonging to **MR. CHRIS ARUBALEZE** issued by FCDA got missing. All efforts made to trace the said documents proved abortive. If found please return to the nearest police station. General public take note.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

THIS IS TO NOTIFY THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF LOSS OF ORIGINAL RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY (R OF O) IN RESPECT OF PLOT NO: **4411**, CADASTRAL ZONE: **A09**, GUZAPE DISTRICT, ABUJA WITH FILE NO: **MISC 128232**, MEASURING **2.46HA**. BELONGING TO **NEXTDORA NIG LTD**. ALL EFFORT MADE TO TRACE THE SAID MISSING DOCUMENT PROVED ABORTIVE. IF FOUND KINDLY RETURN TO THE NEAREST POLICE STATION. FCTA LANDS DEPARTMENT/AGIS AND GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

LOSS OF LAND DOCUMENT

On **4/3/2022** at about **1400hrs**, one **BOLAJI DAVID OLUMIDE (FORMERLY OGUNMODEDE)** 'M' of mountain of fire & miracles ministries international Headquarter (Annex), wuse Abuja, came to Utako police Division and reported that sometimes in **March 2015**, while on transit from Utako to Berger Roundabout Abuja, he discovered the loss of his original Title documents in respect of Block 1 flat 3 LSDPC Estate, Ebute-Metta Lagos State. He further stated that all effort made to recover it proved abortive. if found kindly return to the nearest police station. the general public should please take note.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE LOST OF ORIGINAL SHOPS DOCUMENTS BELONGING TO ONE **ABBA FORI TIJJANI** 'M' OF OLD G.R.A MAIDUGURI BORNO STATE WITH THE FOLLOWING DETAILS : ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS OF SHOPS NO.14 AND 15 THE SHOPS WERE SITUATED AT BAGA ROAD MAIDUGURI BORNO STATE, ISSUED BY THE DEFUNCT BORNO STATE MINISTRY OF LAND AND SURVEY MAIDUGURI NOW (BOGIS).

ALL EFFORTS MADE TO TRACE THE SAID DOCUMENTS PROVED ABORTIVE, IF FOUND OR ANY INFORMATION CONTACT BORNO GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SERVICE. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE LOST OF ORIGINAL GRANT RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY BELONGING TO ONE **KAKA ALI ALIMAMI** 'M' OF GAMBORU MILLIONAIRE QUARTERS MAIDUGURI BORNO STATE WITH THE FOLLOWING DETAILS : SOMETIMES IN THE **YEAR 2001** HE BOUGHT A SHOPS NO.**59/60** WITH GRANT RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY BEARING THE NAME OF **FAMI NIGERIA LIMITED** REG.NO.**BO/37077** AND REG.NO.**BO/36612** BEARING THE NAME OF **HADIZA ABUBAKAR**.THE PLOT IS SITUATED AT OPEN AIR THEATER MAIDUGURI BORNO STATE. THE PLOT IS ISSUED BY THE DEFUNCT BORNO STATE MINISTRY OF LAND AND SURVEY MAIDUGURI NOW (BOGIS).

ALL EFFORTS MADE TO TRACE THE SAID DOCUMENTS PROVED ABORTIVE, IF FOUND OR ANY INFORMATION CONTACT BORNO GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SERVICE. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public of the Loss of the Original Title Document of Plot No 2,Block 1, at No 1 Ogui Road, Enugu North LGA. Registration No 61 at page 61 in Volume 640 belonging to **JOHN EGELE OHABUIKE**. All efforts to recover the same has proved abortive. If found, please report to the nearest Police station.

General Public take note.

LOSS OF DOCUMENTS

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF LOSS OF THE FOLLOWING ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS:

1. ORIGINAL LETTER OF CONVEYANCE OF PROVISIONAL APPROVAL NO: **KWAC/RLAC/MISC-4465**
2. ORIGINAL RECEIPTS OF PAYMENT
3. SITE PLAN SHOWING BEACONS AND THEIR COORDINATES
4. EVIDENCE OF PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO THE CHIEF OF CHECHEYI AND ALL THE FARMERS ON THE SAID PARCEL OF LAND IN RESPECT OF PLOT NO: **283** CHECHEYI FARM LAND EXTENSION LAYOUT OF ABOUT **119610.80 SQ MTRS. (11.960HA)** SITUATED AT KWALI ABUJA. BEARING **VERALYN M. VENDA ESQ.** ALL EFFORT MADE TO TRACE THE SAID MISSING DOCUMENTS PROVED ABORTIVE. IF FOUND KINDLY RETURN TO THE NEAREST POLICE STATION. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE LOSS OF ORIGINAL OFFER OF GRANT/REGRANT OF STATUTORY RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY OF PLOT NO C4 BLOCK "AA" ON **T.P.O 833A** REVISED KADUNA MILLENNIUM CITY MIXED DENSITY LAYOUT MEASURED ABOUT **1880M2** BEARING THE NAME OF **HON. PETER ADAMU** BUT BELONGING TO **MUHAMMAD BABA HASSAN**, WHICH WAS ISSUED BY KADUNA STATE MINISTRY OF LANDS SURVEY AND COUNTRY PLANNING WITH FILE NO **KDL 100407** DATED **18/MAY/2015** AND GOT MISSING SOMETIMES IN **JUNE 2021** ALONG UNGUWAN RIMI KADUNA ALL EFFORTS MADE TO TRACE THE SAID DOCUMENT HAVE PROVED ABORTIVE PLEASE IF FOUND RETURN TO THE NEAREST POLICE STATION GENERAL PUBLIC PLEASE TAKE NOTE.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF THE LOST OF ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY BELONGING TO ONE **HAJJA GANA IBRAHIM** 'F' OF NO.44 SIR KASHIM IBRAHIM ROAD MAIDUGURI BORNO STATE WITH THE FOLLOWING DETAILS : ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY NO.**BO/5440** WITH PLOT NO.19 ON **BOTP 73** BEARING THE NAME OF **NGARE ZANNA** 'M', ISSUED BY THE DEFUNCT BORNO STATE MINISTRY OF LAND AND SURVEY MAIDUGURI NOW (BOGIS).

ALL EFFORTS MADE TO TRACE THE SAID DOCUMENTS PROVED ABORTIVE, IF FOUND OR ANY INFORMATION CONTACT BORNO GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SERVICE. GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD PLEASE TAKE NOTE

PUBLIC NOTICE

HEARTY HUMANITARIAN FOUNDATION

THIS IS TO NOTIFY THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED FOUNDATION HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART "C" OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT 2020.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. JOY IKPEMINOGENA MANUS-AKPANKE
2. MANUS USHIE AKPANKE
3. UKINEBO OMORUWA DARE
4. EMMANUEL OLAOLUWA ABIMBOLA
5. DAVID OSIGBEME ISABEMOI

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

1. TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE AND WELLNESS OF CHILDREN
2. TO PROMOTE SKILLS ACQUISITION AND EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHS

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

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

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OGUN STATE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT BLOCK B NEW SECRETARIAT COMPLEX, OKE - MOSAN . P.M.B 2114 SAPON, ABEOKUTA , OGUN STATE.

AUCTION ! AUCTION !! AUCTION !!!

THERE WILL BE PUBLIC AUCTION OF UNSERVICEABLE VEHICLES, PLANTS AND SCRAPS ITEMS OF OGUN STATE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, ABEOKUTA, OGUN STATE

LISTS OF ITEMS ARE FOLLOWS :

- 5 BURNT CARS, 1 BURNT SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE, 5 MOTORCYCLES AND 1 BURNT PETROL TANKER.

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1. THE HIGHEST BIDDER SHALL BE THE PURCHASER
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4. REMOVAL OF VEHICLES AND PLANTS IN TWO WORK DAYS

VENUE > STATE JUNKYARD AT MECHANIC VILLAGE, KOBAPÉ.

DATE OF INSPECTION > WEDNESDAY, 9TH OF MARCH TO MONDAY, 14TH OF MARCH, 2022.

DATE OF SALES > TUESDAY, 15TH OF MARCH, 2022.

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FOCUS ON GOMBE

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International Women's Day: Governor Inuwa Vows To Create More Opportunities For Women

Gombe State governor, Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya, yesterday said his administration subscribes to gender mainstreaming and is committed to ensuring ease of access to resources and opportunities to women, including economic participation and decision-making.

The governor stated this in a message to mark the 2022 International Women's Day.

He noted that the occasion is not just a day to celebrate women but to also reflect on the challenges they face and implement workable solutions towards addressing them and removing barriers that impede their success.

In the message made available to journalists by his director general, Press Affairs, Ismaila Uba Misilli, the governor who described women as wonderful

partners in the onerous task of nation-building, said in Gombe State, women hold key cabinet positions which is one of the steps towards demonstrating that indeed, "we subscribe to gender mainstreaming and women empowerment".

He encouraged them to continue to remain positive and be focused as well as use their talents and motherly disposition in contributing to societal growth

and development.

He assured of his administration's commitment to continue to ensure the promotion of policies and programmes that will address their needs and challenges.

Governor Inuwa commended the theme of this year's celebration, "Break The Bias" which seeks to promote an equitable world free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination.

Governor Inuwa Formally Receives PDP Lawmaker, Musa, Supporters To APC

Gombe State Governor Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya yesterday formally received the member representing Nafada South Constituency, Hon Adamu Musa and his teeming supporters into the All Progressives Congress (APC).

At a ceremony organised to mark the formal defection of the lawmaker from the opposition PDP to the governing APC in Gombe State at Birin Fulani West Ward of Nafada local government area, Governor Inuwa acknowledged Hon Musa as a grassroots politician who will add value to the ruling party.

Represented by his chief of staff, Alhaji Abubakar Inuwa Kari, the governor expressed delight with the warm reception accorded him and his entourage by the people of Biri in particular and Nafada local government area as a whole, assuring the mammoth crowd that they will never regret the decision to join the APC.

"When we came to power in 2019, we pledged to carry everybody along irrespective of any differences, and we are delivering on that.

"The developmental projects our government is executing in Nafada South Constituency and Nafada Local Government in general is, but just a tip of the iceberg - many more are coming insha Allah", he added.

In his address during the event, Speaker of Gombe State House of Assembly, Hon Mohammed Abubakar Luggere, described Hon Musa as a selfless representative and politician who dances to the tune of his people.

"I work closely with this gentleman and I have found him to be very passionate about serving his people, this puts him on the same page with Governor Inuwa Yahaya who always works in the interest of his people", he stated.

Musa, after receiving his membership card of the APC, explained that he was attracted to the ruling party by the achievements recorded by Governor Inuwa, not only within his constituency, but the state at large.

"I was moved by the giant strides and unprecedented achievements made by Governor Inuwa Yahaya-led administration in less than three years. Within this short period, Gombe has witnessed tremendous development, and I will not want to be left out of this success story," he said.

He praised the non-discriminatory leadership style of Governor Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya, just as he said, "Even when I was in the opposition, I forwarded so many requests that have to do with the yearnings and aspirations of my constituents, the requests that were never turned down by His Excellency.



We Must Celebrate Women Achievers, Says Gombe First Lady

"In joining women the world over to celebrate this year's international women's day, with the theme, 'Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow', I must commend and acknowledge the resourcefulness of Gombe women for standing tall against all adversities, to overcome the roadblocks through their hard work and passion of becoming economically empowered. This is gratifying."

Marking this year's International Women's Day to support and encourage women to acquire the training, skills and requisite knowledge to be able to develop themselves, build a strong family that makes a great impact in national growth and development.

The governor's wife further stated that the Gombe State government has done considerably well in addressing the compounding challenges women are facing by appointing female commissioners, special advisers/assistants, heads of

agencies as well as supporting the elections of female chairman and councilors.

A statement by senior special assistant to the governor on media and publicity in the office of the first lady, Bintu Aliyu Sunmonu, quoted the first lady as saying: "More so, my husband, Governor Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya, has been supporting me in providing empowerment/educational opportunities/grants/tools to women and the girl-child across the eleven LGAs in the state, especially in collaboration with development partners.

"As we gather together to celebrate women in their diversities, acknowledge their roles in climate change and strive harder for equality and access to opportunities to redress many abuses, the world will indeed witness a turnaround in women's achievements as great assets for sustainable growth and national development.

#Happy IWD Celebrations!"



Governor Inuwa Hails VP Osinbajo At 65



Gombe State governor, Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya has felicitated the Vice President Yemi Osinbajo, on his 65th birthday, describing him as a committed leader.

In a message, Governor Inuwa described Osinbajo as a committed leader and dependable ally with outstanding humility and exceptional competence.

He said, "On this auspicious occasion of your 65th Birthday, we in Gombe State are happy to join your family, associates and well-wishers in celebrating your exemplary leadership, uncommon commitment, exceptional humility and outstanding competence. Indeed

you are a rare gem, a source of inspiration to upcoming leaders.

"Indeed, your commitment to nation building, uncommon loyalty and support to Mr President in the resolve to tackle the country's numerous challenges and move the nation to the next level of prosperity and development are pragmatic".

Governor Inuwa also noted, with admiration, how the number two citizen of Nigeria always demonstrates experience and patriotism in handling matters of national interest.

He prayed Almighty God to continue to bless the vice president with more wisdom, good health and long life to keep serving the nation and humanity.

Chief Mrs. Rita Lori Ogbebor

THE IGBA OF WARRI
(Irojowo)

P. O. Box 3518, Surulere - Lagos

2nd February, 2022

SENATOR GOODSWILL AKPABIO

The Honourable Minister
Ministry of Niger Delta Affairs,
Abuja.

Honourable Minister Sir,

RE: THE MATTERS OF THE NDDC AND THE POOR PEOPLE OF THE NIGER DELTA

My name is Chief (Mrs) Rita Lori Ogbebor, the Igba of Warri Kingdom and the Proprietor of the Rita Lori Hotels Group. I am an octogenarian, mother, grandmother and a prominent community leader. I have also been a major voice and stakeholder in the developmental affairs of Nigeria, the Niger Delta and the Itsekiri people in particular, for over four decades. It will be recalled you were sworn-in as the Supervising Minister of the Federal Ministry of Niger Delta Affairs (MNDA) on the 21st of August, 2019 and subsequently took charge of the affairs of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) following the formal transfer of the latter from the Presidency to the MNDA, in September 2019.

I also recalled that in your inaugural speech on resumption of office, beyond promising to ensure prudent and effective management of the Ministry, you also re-echoed your belief "in the Niger Delta and its people, who are looking forward to the alleviation of poverty in their lives and transformation of infrastructure" in the region. This is also my minimum performance expectation from any interventionist agency like the NDDC in the Niger Delta Region.

Before the transfer of NDDC to the MNDA a list purporting to represent a "new board" with Mr Pius Odubu as Chairman and Bernard Okumagba as MD, among others was sent to the Senate for confirmation. The composition of this "Board" took me and many key stakeholders by surprise and left a sour taste in my mouth. There was also loud outcry against the composition across the States of the Niger Delta with the Governors at the forefront.

The appointment to this phantom Board was a clear violation of the extant NDDC Act and I instituted a suit in November, 2019, at the Federal High Court, Abuja to stop the "Board" from being confirmed by the Senate and from being inaugurated by the President. There were several similar suits by other aggrieved parties at the Federal High Court (FHC), Abuja. My suit at the FHC, Abuja is still pending.

I heaved a sigh of relief when apparently heeding to my cry and those of other aggrieved stakeholders, the President withdrew the list and nullified the purported "appointment" to the "Board".

Following the nullification of the "Board" the President through the MNDA appointed an Interim Board and instituted a forensic audit exercise whose main objective was to clean the very obvious mess with regards to contract execution and resource allocation in the NDDC. A new substantive Board was promised by yourself and the President, to be constituted upon completion of the forensic audit.

While I frowned at the appointment of the Interim Board, I nevertheless, welcomed the Forensic Audit exercise, following your assurances that the duration of the Audit will be very brief.

The institution of my suit at the FHC and my open support for the Forensic Audit have led to accusations by some stakeholders, that I am working for you and by extension the Presidency. While this is laughable, it is important to set the record straight for posterity. You know and can confirm that apart from seeing you on the pages of newspapers, I have never met you in person. Those who know me can also testify that I can never be "bought over" or induced in the course of my advocacy, no matter who is involved.

I went to court to seek justice for my people (Itsekiri) in Delta State who have been pauperized, shortchanged and are dying of hunger, abject poverty and environmental degradation, despite their huge contribution in oil and gas resource to the national pot. Honourable Minister, you are not unfamiliar with these deplorable conditions.

It is sad but interesting to note that many who started the court journey with me have withdrawn or given up, but I remain resolute in my pursuit of justice through the courts, with regards to the appointment of persons to the Board of the NDDC.

I posit without fear of contradiction that according to the NDDC Act, it is the turn of Delta State to Produce the Chairman and MD. With regards to the MD, he must be from the Itsekiri nationality, the Itsekiri being the largest oil production quantum (not less than 50%) nationality in Delta State. The Itsekiris despite their huge contribution to the nation's

revenue pot, have been perennially shortchanged by the Nigerian Government in both allocations of resources for its development as well as appointment into key positions at both federal and state government levels. We say enough is enough and we can no longer tolerate this very obvious and deliberate injustice.

The golden geese – the Itsekiris - that have been laying the proverbial golden egg for Nigeria is at the point of death. Our villages are deserted with no basic infrastructure to support human existence. I was born and raised in the village before oil was discovered. We enjoyed life in the village as most of what we needed to live comfortably were readily sourced from the land and surrounding waters. This is no longer the case as the land and waters have been rendered unproductive due to severe pollution from oil and gas exploitation. This is the same story across most areas of the Niger Delta. Honourable Minister, as a Niger Delta indigene, I am sure you can relate well with the tale of woes picture being painted.

The NDDC as an interventionist agency was created to address the developmental and environmental challenges in the Niger Delta region. Can we honestly say this has been the case? Instead, the agency like most of its counterparts (like DESOPADEC) has allegedly enriched a few people while shortchanging the majority of the people of the Niger Delta. Faceless contractors have embezzled money from phantom projects that were never meant to be executed. It will not be out of place to say that NDDC has been a cesspool of corruption and bad corporate governance. We were told that the forensic audit was meant to address this. However, almost a year after the conclusion and the submission of the audit report and findings, nothing has been heard of the follow up actions which are supposed to precede the formal inauguration of a new substantive Board. This delay is unacceptable and discomfoting. This prolonged wait must come to an end, if we must be assured that there is no ulterior (political) motive behind it and that the Government means well for the people of the Niger Delta region.

With regards to the appointment to the position of the MD of NDDC we must endeavor and ensure we put a square peg in the square hole. It should be devoid of solely political sentiments or considerations. The MD must be a seasoned oil and gas industry persona, preferably an Engineer who is very conversant with the operating environment in the Niger Delta region. By law he must be an indigene of an oil producing community. I am aware some Itsekiri politicians without the requisite pedigree or qualifications are already lobbying and applying pressure to be appointed. We will not accept any candidate who does not command acceptability by the Itsekiri nation.

Honourable Minister, I am not threatening you or bragging, but if you throw up a wrong/unqualified candidate at us, we will fight you back.

Honourable Minister, I am talking as one of those who stood and worked side-by-side with then President Olusegun Obasanjo during the Niger Delta crises to fashion out measures to engender peace in the region one of which was the creation of the NDDC in 2000. In all my sojourns, I have NEVER asked for anything or contract from NDDC or Government. All I have been fighting for is the judicious use of funds accrued, for the beneficial development of the region and its people. No more, no less. I believe, Honourable Minister, this is what you stand for as well.

Finally, I hereby call for the following;

- immediate release of the findings of the forensic audit as well as the implementation of the associated recommendations with all those who are found wanting brought to book without fear or favour.
- Without further delay, constitute and inaugurate a substantive board for the NDDC

May God save the Niger Delta region, and may God save the Federal Republic of Nigeria.



CHIEF (MRS) RITA LORI OGBEBOR.
Igba of Warri (Irojowo)



IWD: Women That Will Influence 2023 Elections (2)

As the global community celebrates the women-folk and their contributions to our world today, LEADERSHIP features some prominent women that are tipped to impact the forthcoming 2023 general elections in Nigeria.

Continued from yesterday

Stella Okotete

The national women representative of the APC, Hon Stella Okotete, is a thoughtbred politician, a steadfast advocate for the rights of the girl-child and women and an ardent supporter of good governance.

Upon assumption of office as the national women representative of the APC Caretaker Extra-ordinary Convention Planning Committee (CEPC) in June 2020, Hon. Stella Okotete has initiated schemes to upscale equal women representation and participation in politics, gender mainstreaming, women visibility and inclusivity in governance, business and politics.

Consequently, Hon Stella Okotete embarked on a myriad of groundbreaking policy initiatives and schemes, including the Progressives Young Women Forum (PYWF), a platform upon which critical deliberations of the progressive young women from all facets can be conversed to amplify their collective concerns for women's political participation and visibility as an immediate process. She also initiated the APC Women Lobby Group which was created to lobby for constitutional reforms that would encapsulate women's inclusion in the party's processes, as well as to clamour for the eradication of violence against women in politics and lobby for professional female bodies and businesswomen to join the party.

Professor Stella Effah-Attoe

Professor Stella Effah-Attoe is the serving national women leader of the major opposition party, the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP). There is, however, more to this dynamic lady. She has successfully traversed through the academic world. With a Ph.D. she started lecturing in 1986 in the University of Calabar as Lecturer 11 and rose to a professor in 2010. A professor of African History and Gender Studies, she served in numerous positions, including head of Department, History and International Studies and dean, Faculty of Arts.

She has over the years been able to blend her robust academic credentials with politics, having joined the PDP in December 1998. She has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the party since 2001. Prof. Effah-Attoe hails from Biase LGA of Cross River State. She served as commissioner for education and of information and culture in her state. She won election into the State House of Assembly, but was not sworn in follow-

ing General Abacha's death. She served in high positions at the national level: member, National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS); member, Board of Directors, Federal Housing Authority (FHA); chairman, Board of Directors, Voice of Nigeria (VON), member, Governing Council, National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), amongst others. She is the executive director of Centre for Gender Empowerment, an NGO which sensitises and mobilises women in Nigeria towards nation building.

Senator Grace Bent

Senator Grace Folashade Bent is a rare political activist, who openly savours the tough thrust of party politics.

She is the first female Senator from Adamawa State, the first female Senator from the North-East geo-political zone in Nigeria, and the first female Senator based on marital affiliation from Northern Nigeria, a rare feat recorded in Nigeria despite the so-called glass ceilings against Nigerian women. She was the chairperson of the Senate Committee on Environment and Ecology, and also a passionate advocate for the Global Climate Change sweeping across the world.

Bent is widely known as a 'political workhorse'. She commands the respect and adulation of many who have known her for decades. She was awarded the African Legislator of the Year, Paris, 2010; and was also the Saradauna Senator of the Year 2009.

In 2011, she received the national honour of the Commander of the Order of the Niger (CON) for her contributions to national bridge-building. She is no doubt one of the power brokers in Adamawa State today. She was one of the forces who unseated a sitting governor of the state and installed the current one in 2019 general election.

Born on October 25, 1960, Senator Grace Bent is certainly one of the influential women to watch in the forthcoming 2023 general election and beyond.

Gbemisola Saraki

Gbemisola Ruqayyah Saraki is the minister of state for transportation since August 21, 2019.

Gbemi Saraki was a two-term senator for Kwara Central Senatorial District from 2003 to 2011. In 2011, she contested in the gubernatorial election of Kwara State under the ACPN party, losing election to PDP's Abdul Fatah Ahmed.

Before becoming a senator, Gbemi Saraki was elected into the House of Representatives in 1999, representing Asa/Il-



Effah-Attoe

orin West Federal Constituency, Kwara State.

Saraki defected to the APC in 2015. In February 2016, Saraki was appointed by President Muhammed Buhari as the Pro Chancellor and Chairperson of the Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa State. Gbemi Saraki attended the University of Sussex in the UK and earned a bachelor's degree in Economics. She worked at the Societe Generale Bank holding the senior executive posts.

Ipalibo Harry-Banigo

Born on December 20, 1952, into the Harry's family of Obuama in Degema local government area of Rivers State, Dr Ipalibo Harry-Banigo made history as the first female deputy governor of Rivers State on May 29, 2015.

She enrolled in Harvard University School of Public Health and obtained a Master of Public Health degree in June 1981. In 1990, she got a post-graduate diploma in tropical hygiene from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. In July 1992, she obtained a Diploma in Dermatology from University of London.

She later took up an appointment as the Senior Medical Officer In-charge, Port Harcourt Health Services, Rivers State, from 1st July 1981 - December 1984. She became Honorary Consultant Dermatologist, University of Port Harcourt Teaching Hospital. She was appointed principal, Rivers State School of Health Technology, Port Harcourt, from 2nd January 1985 - 11th February 1994.

Harry-Banigo became the director, Public Health, Rivers State Ministry of Health and Social Welfare in February 1994 - December 1995. Due to her outstanding performance, she was appointed acting commissioner for Health and Social Welfare in December 1996 to June 1997. She was a director in the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and eventually became the permanent sec-



Grace Bent

retary in the ministry in April 1998.

Thereafter, she was appointed as Head of Service and subsequently secretary to the Rivers State Government from May 1995 to July 1999.

She was appointed Public Health Advisor to Shell Petroleum Development Company (East) in 2000. She was also appointed executive director of National Primary Health Care Development Agency, and later became secretary to the board of the agency.

She was a member of the Governing Council, University of Calabar, and the Governing Board, University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital. She was also a member of the reference board (DFID) and member, Rivers State Food and Nutrition committee.

She was also a project director, United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA). She was chairman, Rivers State Relief committee; member, Rivers State Hospital Management Board, and project director of UNICEF, among others.

Muheeba Farida Dankaka

Dr Muheeba Farida Dankaka is the current executive chairman of the Federal Character Commission (FCC) since June 2020. Born in Sabon Gari, Zaria, Kaduna State, Dankaka obtained a degree in Business Administration from Bayero University, Kano, in 1986 and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, in 1989.

Dr Dankaka started her working career with a stint at the Unic Insurance Plc, Kano, before venturing into the banking sector with Continental Merchant Bank (formerly Chase Merchant Bank) at the Bank's Kano Branch.

Her entrepreneurial zeal and business acumen propelled her to venture into active business with the setting up of the Farida Business Ventures. With her doggedness as an astute entrepreneur, she grew steadily to

become the biggest national distributor of Dangote Group Products, receiving several awards and recognitions.

Dankaka is also the founder of Ijeha Oil Nigeria Ltd, Danfa Rice Mill, Kaduna State and Heeba Airline. Her successes in business thrust her to hold several positions of authority, influence and control, amongst which are president of the Kaduna State Chamber of Commerce, Industry Mines and Agriculture (KADCCIMMA)

She holds the traditional royal title of King's mother, and is also a recipient of several national awards, prominent amongst which is the National Honor of the Order of the Niger (OON) IN 2012, Honorary Award of the Doctor of Philosophy by the Pacific Western University, USA and the National Productivity Order of Merit Award (NPOM).

Dankaka is an accomplished Investment Banker, Business Magnate, Philanthropist, Traditional Title Holder and now a Public Servant upon her appointment and inauguration in July 2020 as the Executive Chairman, Federal Character Commission.

Dr Ramatu Aliyu Tijjani

Minister of State for FCT, Dr Ramatu Tijjani Aliyu is a foremost grassroots mobiliser and politician from Kogi State who rose from being a banker and philanthropist to founder of an NGO, Global Women and Youth Empowerment Strategy (GLOWYES).

Born on June 12, 1970, at Wuse area of Abuja, she is the daughter of the late Alhaji Mamman Sidi Ali, who was the Bawan Allah of Lokoja in Kogi State, Ramatu is popularly called the Ony'ize of Ebiraland. In 1995, she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree (B.Sc) in Urban and Regional Planning from the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, after which she proceeded to Nasarawa State University, Keffi, for her Master's Degree in Public Administration.

She was conferred with honorary doctorate degree in Public Administration by the Commonwealth University, London, and has also earned a certificate in Leadership Skills from the Abbey College, London, and also has a Ph.D. from the Nasarawa state University, Keffi.

In 2004, Aliyu was appointed special adviser on Women Affairs, Youth and Social Development to the chairman of the Gwagwalada Area Council, FCT, Abuja.

In 2007, she ran for political office to represent Kwali/Abaji federal constituency in the National Assembly

but her bid was unsuccessful; a year later in 2008, she was appointed national vice chairman of her party, which was the major opposition political party in Nigeria at the time, All Nigeria Peoples Party (ANPP) which she served as the overseer North Central Zone.

In 2010, she was given the national women leader of the party and concurrently served as the president of the Council of African Political Parties (CAPP) after she successfully contested and won the election which took place in Khartoum, Sudan.

In 2014, after three opposition political parties in Nigeria merged into one, including her own party ANPP, she was appointed the women leader of the new party All Progressives Congress (APC), where she served until 2018.

Dr Aliyu was in August 2019 appointed by President Muhammadu Buhari as the minister of state for the FCT.

She holds the prestigious traditional title of the Ony'ize (Custodian of Blessings and Goodwill) of Ebiraland and is a member of the "College of Daudus" at the Azad Royal Palace of His Majesty, Dr Ado Ibrahim CON, the Ohinoyi of Ebiraland.

Mulikat Akande-Adeola

The first female majority leader of the House of Representatives, Mulikat Adeola Akande-Adeola is a consummate lawyer and astute politician. Akande-Adeola graduated from the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, in 1982 with a degree in Law. She was called to the Nigerian Bar in 1983. She attended the University of Lagos between 1984 and 1985 from where she obtained her Master's in Law (LL.M).

She joined the political fray in the advent of the Fourth Republic in 1999 through the platform of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), and by 2007 she was elected into the House of Representatives, representing Ogbomosh North, South and Orire federal constituency. She was a member of the ECOWAS Parliament from 2007 to 2011.

Akande-Adeola is a member of the Nigerian Bar Association, International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA), and International Bar Association. She joined the board of Pilot Finance Limited in December 2015.

In 2019, she contested the Oyo North senatorial seat and was narrowly defeated by candidate of the All Progressives Congress (APC). She is currently warming up to contest the same Senate seat on the platform of the PDP.



L-R: Former secretary general of Commonwealth, Chief Emeka Anyaoku; former President Olusegun Obasanjo and former governor of Anambra, Peter Obi during a symposium for Emeka Anyaoku Institute for International Studies And Diplomacy at Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, yesterday

2 Candidates Emerge At Osun PDP Gubernatorial Primary Election

BY JOSHUA DADA, Osogbo

Two governorship candidates have emerged at the Osun State Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) primary election held yesterday in Osogbo, the state capital.

Two factions within the party held their primaries at different locations to pick their candidates in the exercise.

The Sunday Bisi led faction where an aspirant, Ademola Adeleke, belongs to held its own primary elec-

tion at the stadium, while Barrister Wale Ojo faction where an aspirant, Dr Dotun Babayemi, belongs to held its own at the WOCDIF event center in the town.

At the end of the exercise at the Wale Ojo faction, Omooba Dotun Babayemi who polled 1,781 votes emerged as the factional candidate of the party.

While announcing the result, Returning officer Hon. Adelani Ajanaku and electoral officer, Hon. Abioye Musibau said the total votes

casted stood at 1907, void votes, 27, valid votes 1880, saying Omirin, got 6 votes, Ogunbiyi 23, Fatai Akinbade 28, Dele Adeleke 32 and Dotun Babayemi polled 1781 and was declared the winner.

While announcing the result of Sunday's Bisi camp where Ademola Adeleke belongs, the returning officer, Bayelsa Deputy Governor, Senator Lawrence Ewurujakpo who is the chairman governorship primary committee of the party, announced Ademola Adeleke as winner

in the election.

He also gave the breakdown of the result as Ademola Adeleke (1887), Dele Adeleke (1), Fatai Akinbade (Nil), Dotun Babayemi (Nil), Akin Ogunbiyi (Nil), Sanya Omirin (4), invalid votes (24) and he puts total number of accredited voters at 1916.

The two candidates who accepted the result declared at their respective centers pledged to work assiduously for the success of the election slated for July 6.

2023: Only Party Will Decide Presidential Candidate – Ex-PDP Governors

BY SUNDAY ISUWA, Abuja

Ahead of the 2023 presidential election, former governors on the platform of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) yesterday urged party members to be calm over how the 2023 presidential candidate will emerge.

The former governors while asking party members to work in harmony to ensure a successful outing for the party in 2023, said the party will decide how the presidential ticket will be zoned.

They stated this in a communique issued after a meeting at the party's annex national headquarters popularly called Legacy House in Abuja. It was signed by the chairman of the forum and former Governor of Niger State, Dr Babangida Aliyu.

"On the choice of presidential candidate for the party ahead of the party's primary, the forum sued for calm and maturity amongst members so as not to give in to sentiments and primordial loyalties as the new leadership of the

party was handling the matter headlong," the forum said.

The forum further commended the decision of the Federal High Court in Abuja on the judgment on the Governor of Ebonyi state and his deputy as well as the state's legislators following their defection from the PDP to the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC). It noted that the decision of the court has lent credence to true democracy, justice and fairness.

"The meeting called on all citizens never to consider the

APC for any subsequent elections as the party has proven not to understand administration, governance and how to address security issues or how to improve the lots of the citizenry.

"It noted that the Nigerian 1999 constitution as amended is specific on the fundamental responsibilities of government which is the provisions of security to lives and properties of all citizens without let just as it noted that the APC led administration has totally ignored and failed to address.

Ugwuanyi, Nigeria's Most Peaceful Governor—Mbaka

BY NNAMDI MBAWIKE, Enugu

Spiritual director of Adoration Ministry Enugu Nigeria (AMEN), Rev. Fr. Ejike Mbaka, yesterday described Enugu State Governor Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi as the most peaceful governor in Nigeria.

Mbaka said Ugwuanyi is a father to all and a very friendly governor who cannot do without making peace, stressing that "his name should be peace."

He spoke when he led a del-

egation of Red Star Belgrade Football Club, Serbia and Antalyaspor Football Club, Turkey, to the Government House, Enugu, on a courtesy visit to Ugwuanyi.

The clergyman maintained that peace is in the governor's nature and "peace is in his integrity."

The cleric informed the governor that the delegation from Serbia and Turkey were "football scouts who decided to use Enugu State for their scouting activity," adding

that they came to Enugu on behalf of the Adoration Football Club.

Mbaka disclosed that the youth of the Adoration ministry who can play football are engaged in the sporting activity and stand the chance of being picked to play international football in their clubs in Serbia and Turkey.

The chief executive officer (CEO) of UDE Sports Management Limited, Uche Dominic Egbukwu, who was appointed as the sporting di-

rector of Adoration Football Club, Enugu State (South East), commended Ugwuanyi for his peaceful disposition and uncommon leadership qualities.

He said, "Among all the eastern governors, you (Ugwuanyi) are number one who don't have any controversy. We respect you and respect the Enugu State government. Here is a peaceful place, there is no problem of security here and the people of Enugu State love you."

2023: Southern Group Canvasses Jonathan's Return

BY TUNDE OGUNTOLA, Abuja

A political pressure group, Southern Network for Good Governance, has canvassed for a return of former President Goodluck Jonathan in 2023, dismissing concerns in some quarters that he will be vengeful if he get re-elected into office.

The group in a statement made available to LEADERSHIP in Abuja yesterday and signed by its national coordinator, Emmanuel Chukwuemeka, said Jonathan's candidature comes in handy amid the political expediency of the moment to balance the interests of all sections of the country.

The group while noting that Jonathan remains the beacon of hope for the con-

solidation of democracy in Nigeria, said "he has proven not to be vengeful or hateful but selfless and favorably disposed to all regardless of political, social or religious creed."

Describing the former president as the national consensus, the group said Jonathan, having served as the president of Nigeria, has the experience and in-depth knowledge about Nigeria and its people far and beyond other contenders for the office of the president.

The group recalled that he displayed a rare quality of mobilising all sections of the country to pursue a common course for development while he served as president.

APC Chairmanship: I Will Expand Women's Political Fortunes – Al-Makura

BY CHIBUZO UKAIBE, Abuja

An aspirant for the position of national chairman of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Senator Tanko Al-Makura, has promised better days for Nigerian women if elected at the March 26 national convention of the party.

Al-Makura regretted that despite women's demographic strength, voting power, and the credible manner most of them, who occupied high positions in the public and private sector had distinguished themselves, Nigerian women were yet to get opportunities in governance commensurate with their contributions to the nation's development.

Recalling how his administration, as governor of Nasarawa State, put women on

the political and governance map of the state, Al-Makura, however, said the mainstreaming of Nigerian women, especially the APC women party faithful, in all both party and governance was a key part of his agenda for the party if elected as the National Chairman.

Al-Makura stated these in his goodwill message to Nigerian women on the occasion of the 2022 International Women's Day celebration.

He said: "I felicitate with the APC and Nigerian women on this year's occasion of the International Women's Day.

"It is a fact that no party, no people, and no nation can attain its goals without giving women their deserved place as a key demography and agents of change.

National Chairman: APC Muslim Forum Rejects Adamu's Endorsement

BY GEORGE AGBA, Abuja

An interest group in the All Progressives Congress (APC) known as APC Muslim Integrity Forum (APCMIF) has rejected the endorsement of former governor of Nasarawa State, Senator Abdullahi Adamu, as the next national chairman of the party.

Speaking at a press conference in Abuja on Tuesday, the forum's national coordinator, Hon Abubakar Yusuf, urged President Buhari and other party leaders to critically examine the person of Adamu and his past activities, his integrity and commitment, age and physical fitness.

Specifically, the forum noted that Adamu's role as the arrow head of former President Olusegun Obasanjo's third agenda should be taken into consideration by

President Buhari and governors who are said to have endorsed Adamu ahead of the APC national convention.

It warned that APC as a party whose ideology is based on anti-corruption, integrity and good governance cannot afford to present Adamu as the party's national chairman of because it will be used against the party during electioneering campaign.

"They will laugh at us and rubbish the integrity of our party", Yusuf stated.

The forum said, "We appeal to President Muhammadu Buhari to critically examine the person of Abdullahi Adamu and his past activities, his integrity and commitment, age and physical fitness and his role as the arrow head of former President Olusegun Obasanjo's third agenda.



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NIJERIYA**

9:00am

**INSIDE
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2:00pm

**EVERYDAY
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3:00pm

**NIGERIAN
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30"	3,000	2500
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STOCK INDEX (AS AT MARCH 7)	
ASI (Points)	47,262.61
DEALS (Numbers)	4,792
VOLUME (Numbers million)	291.882
VALUE (Nbillion)	N2.855
CAP (Ntrm)	N25.472

INFLATION RATE (%)	2021	2020
OCT	15.99	14.23
NOV	15.4	14.89
DEC	15.63	15.75

INTER BANK LENDING RATE (AS AT TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2022)	RATE	CHANGE%
0/N	12.7500	2.75
1M	10.1200	0.52
3M	11.0000	0.50
6M	11.3500	0.52

COMMODITY INDEX (N/KG) (AS AT MARCH 4)		
Commodity	Price	%change
Cocoa	1,300.00	0.00%
Soyabean	401.94	-0.08%
Cashew	1,185.20	9.80%
Sorghum	226.96	0.00%
Paddy rice	235.64	-0.00%

IWD: UK Partners UBA Foundation, 10 Global Organisations

BY BUKOLA IDOWU, Lagos

As part of activities to mark this year's edition of the International Women's Day (IWD), the United Kingdom Prime Minister, Boris Johnson has launched a new global partnership with UBA Foundation and 10 other organisations, to improve girls' access to education and employment in developing countries.

To this end, the UBA Foundation, together with 10 other global businesses have come together with the UK government who will be working in partnership with UNICEF's Generation Unlimited (GenU) to fund this very crucial programme that aims to provide high quality skills training to around one million girls around the world.

The UBA Foundation, other private sector players and global businesses who are partnering to fund and resource the initiative to tune of £9m are Accenture, Standard Chartered, Unilever, Microsoft, Pearson, PwC, Coursera, Vodafone, BP and Cognizant. The UK government has contributed an initial £9m to the initiative called the Girls' Education Skills Partnership programme.

Explaining its drive to undertake this project which is expected to have far-reaching positive effects for the girl-child across the world, the UK Government pointed out that, even before the Covid pandemic, millions of children did not have any access to school - and girls from disadvantaged families are particularly vulnerable to missing out on education, whether through poverty or prejudice.



Representative of the vice president, special adviser to president on social investment, Maryam Uwais (7th right), besides her are (right), special assistant to the president on community engagement & civil intervention, Olatoyosi Onaolapo (8th left), acting managing director/ CEO Abuja Enterprise Agency (AEA), Shehu Abdulkadir (6th right), with other dignitaries, during the formal launch of the Fashion Incubation Centers to commemorate the International Women's Day held at AEA Entrepreneurial complex Abuja, yesterday.

Foreign Currency Tax Liabilities: FIRS Grants Taxpayers Concession To Pay In Naira

BY MARK ITSIBOR, Abuja

The Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS) has give a one-month window to taxpayers who have outstanding foreign currency tax liabilities settle liabilities in Naira.

The incentive takes effect from the 1st of March, 2022, to 31st March, 2022, this is according to a Public Notice released by the Service and signed by the Executive Chairman, Muhammad Nami.

The FIRS stated that it had received requests and enquiries from taxpayers on challenges being encountered in sourcing for foreign currencies to offset their outstanding tax liabilities.

"In view of the number of requests, enquiries and the challenges encountered by the taxpaying

public in sourcing for foreign currencies to offset outstanding tax liabilities, the Federal Inland Revenue Service ("the service") wishes to inform our esteemed taxpayers that a one-month window has now been opened for this category of taxpayers to settle their foreign currency tax liabilities in Naira with effect from the 1st of March, 2022 to 31st of March, 2022," the Notice read.

The service explained that this concession was a one-off window as the law has stated that the currency a taxpayer transacts in is the currency with which the tax is to be paid.

"The extant provision is that the currency of the transaction should be the currency with which the tax is paid. However, this is a one-off window/concession, and the Service would no longer entertain any such

request from the taxpaying public."

The notice further stated that: "The applicable rate shall be the Investors and Exporters (I&E) Foreign Exchange Rate of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) prevailing on the date of the transaction and or when the tax obligation falls due.

The Notice explained that the this window covers all such liabilities that have falling due for payment on or before 31st December, 2021, and for all taxes except the Petroleum Profit Tax.

"This concession is available to all taxpayers, covers all tax types, and all foreign currency tax liabilities falling due on or before 31st December 2021, except for companies in the Upstream (Oil & Gas) Sector, and the Petroleum Profits Tax."

IOCs' Divestment: Nigeria Seeks Onshore Investments From Turkey

BY NSE ANTHONY-UKO, Abuja

The federal government said it was opened to onshore and natural gas investments in Nigeria by the Turkish government.

Speaking during a bilateral meeting with the Turkish deputy minister of Energy and Natural Resources Alpersen Bayraktar, on the sideline of the ongoing Ceraweek, in Houston, Texas, minister of state, Petroleum Resources Chief Timipre Sylva, said Nigeria was opened to more Turkish invest-

ments in the hydrocarbon sector, especially with the planned divestments of some International Oil Companies (IOC) from the onshore sectors in the country.

"We are looking at the possibilities of Turkey taking interests in more investments in Nigeria" Sylva told the Turkish minister adding that "now that IOC like Shell, Exxon Mobil and others are planning to divest from onshore assets, more investments in that sector would be a great opportunity for Turkey to expand its invest-

ments interest in Nigeria", he said in a statement.

According to him, "cooperation between Nigeria and Turkey is very significant and we can extend our relationship in energy and other areas of trade".

The minister added that with the new Petroleum Industry Act (PIA) Nigeria has further streamlined its laws in the oil and gas investment environment and thus making investments in the oil and gas sector of the economy more attractive to potential investors.

Vitafoam Shareholders Approve N1.9bn Dividend

BY OLSUHOLA BELLO, Lagos

Shareholders of Vitafoam Nigeria Plc, has approved dividend payment of N1.9 billion for the year ended September 30, 2021.

The dividend, which translated into N1.50 per share was approved by the shareholders at the company's 60th Annual General Meeting (AGM) held in Lagos.

Speaking to shareholders at the AGM, chairman of Vitafoam, Dr Bamidele Makanjuola explained that the company achieved strong performance through flexible financing strategy and excellent customer service.

"This impressive performance was driven by improved operational efficiency, excellent customer service, a business-friendly funding window and steadfast implementation of our strategic initiatives. During the financial year, the company facilitated programmes that enhanced the quality and aesthetics of our products, enlarged the customer base, boosted technology investments to spur retail sales, and strengthened our distribution channels.

"The success achieved was due to the implementation of a flexible financing strategy aided by the Bank of Industry loan, as well as cost maximisation through internal efficiency gains.

QUOTE OF THE DAY



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Investors' Capital Gains In Stocks Rise To N3.2trn In 2 Months

BY OLUSHOLA BELLO, Lagos

With the second month of the year rounded up, the Nigerian stock market recorded a total of N3.246 trillion capital appreciation on investors' investment in the first two months of the year, 2022.

Analysts attributed the development to the impressive earnings by major bellwethers and positive corporate actions. Also, market participants found significant value in small-cap stocks, some of which outperformed the market with significantly outsized gains.

Reviewing stock market activities in January and February, the basic indicators of the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE), All-Share Index gained 10.95 per cent to close on February 28, 2022 at 47,394.53 basis points, from 42,716.44 points at which it opened for the year. Market capitalisation rose by N3.246 trillion to close on February 28, 2022 at N25.543 trillion from N22.297 trillion at which it opened for the year.

Performance across sectors was bullish as at February 25, 2022. The NGX's

Oil & Gas index recorded the highest gain during the month, with a gain of 23.26 per cent. The Banking index up by 11.07 per cent, while NSE Industrial Goods appreciated by 6.12 per cent. Others are NGX Pension, NGX Premium, NGX 30 and NGX Lotus II indices recorded a year-to-date gain as at February 25, 2022 of 6.02 per cent, 5.89 per cent, 5.51 per cent and 1.12 per cent. On the other side, NGX Insurance declined by 4.51 per cent, while NGX Consumer Goods down by 0.51 per cent in the first two months of the year, 2022.

Nigeria Gets \$394.03bn Revenues From Crude Oil In 10 Years – NEITI

BY NSE ANTHONY-UKO, Abuja

The Nigeria Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (NEITI) has revealed that in 10 years the total aggregate financial flows from the oil and gas sector to the Nigerian government's account was \$394.029 billion.

NEITI revealed this in its latest annual report published on its website on Monday.

According to the report the remittance to the government account occurred from 2011 to 2020.

In 2020 alone, NEITI revealed \$14.65 billion was remitted to the account by oil companies, representing 71.17 per cent of the total earnings in 2020.

However, the NEITI report also noted that revenue in the year under review dipped by 40 percent compared to the \$34.22 billion realised from the sector in 2019.

The report also revealed that 51 oil and gas companies are owing the federal government \$3.17 billion.

Speaking on the report,

the executive secretary of the NEITI, Dr Orji Ogbonnaya Orji, explained that companies' liabilities to the Federation as at 'December 31st 2020 was N1.32 trillion or \$3.17 billion compared to the N2.6 trillion owed in 2019.'

He described the current debts as collectable revenues that are due to the Federation by the Department of Petroleum Resources and the Federal Inland Revenue Service.

The report also outlined the specific revenue streams that accounted for the liabilities in question.

UK Govt, Foundation Equip 2,400 Nigerian Women With Digital Skills

BY ABIODUN SIVOWAKU, Lagos

The United Kingdom's Foreign Development and Commonwealth Office (FCDO) and Cybersafe Foundation, a non-governmental organisation, have graduated 2,400 Nigerians at the Digi-Girls programme designed to empower women and girls for the digital economy.

Speaking at the Digi-Girls graduation and stakeholders' workshop on closing the digital gender divide in Nigeria, the British High Commissioner to Nigeria, Catriona Laing, said the UK supports

Nigeria in its bold ambition to create 100 million jobs in 10 years and believes that the digital economy can play a major part in unlocking this.

Laing stressed that improving girls' access to education is a key part of the UK's G7 Presidency and is at the heart of global efforts to build back better from the pandemic and that is why her country is pleased to be here today at the graduation of the first cohort of 2,400 women and girls who benefited from the Digi-Girls project.

She said as announced last month by the UK's Minister

for Africa, during her visit to Nigeria, "we can expand this project to directly benefit an additional 4,000 women, and reach a further 10,000 women through the train-the-trainer approach.

"We believe that programmes will help in addressing the digital inequality in Nigeria that currently holds a 15 per cent gender gap against women, with much at stake we are tireless in our determination to continue to promote women and girls' rights and help unleash the potential they have, wherever they live," she said.

Google To Fund African Women Entrepreneurs With \$1m Grant

BY CHIMA AKWAJA, Lagos

Google yesterday said its philanthropic arm, Google.org, is committing \$1 million in charitable funding to support programmes helping women entrepreneurs to grow their businesses, as part of a series of new initiatives aimed at supporting women-owned businesses.

The head, Brand and Reputation, Google Africa, Mojolaoluwa Aderemi-Makinde, said "Research shows that 58 per cent of small and medium-sized business (SMB) entrepreneurs in Africa are women. Despite this, women-run businesses show, on average, 34 per cent lower profits than those run by their male counterparts.

"They are also less likely to receive funding and investment. This is why we are announcing a series of initiatives today, aimed at providing the support women need to grow their businesses," she added.

Huawei Re-commits To Supporting Nigeria's Energy Sector, Lauded By Partners

Telecommunication giant, Huawei Technologies Company Limited has reiterated its commitment to the continuous support and collaboration with stakeholders in the Nigeria Energy industry.

This is as partners of the company commended the company for its impact on the Nigerian oil and gas industry and their businesses on the heels of the just concluded fifth Nigerian International Energy Summit, NIES 2022 in Abuja.

Huawei IP product Manager, Mr Chinedu Emekekukwu maintained that the company will continue to provide cutting-edge technology to aid the development of Nigeria's energy sector.

"We will continue to revolutionize the industry with cutting-edge technology innovations that promote safety, Productivity, value and nature," he said. One of its partners, executive director,

In addition to the funding announcement, Google has also announced #LookMeUp, a campaign to showcase women entrepreneurs and tell their stories. These stories feature women like Vivian Nwakah in Nigeria, who launched Medaf, a pharma supply chain solution to help Nigerians get access to quality pharmaceutical health care services.

Others are: Mary Mwangi, CEO and founder of Data Integrated who is driving innovation in the mobile payments sector in Nairobi, Kenya, and Mosa Mkhize in South Africa, who launched Origins Publishers to provide her children - and others like them - with books in their home languages. "Google is also providing free tools to support women entrepreneurs to grow their businesses and has launched an intensive program to drive the discovery of women-owned businesses through Google Business Profiles," Makinde said.

Emecom Technology and Consulting Limited, Mr Ayodele Afenifero said in a media chat during the energy summit, said said the firm's technology solutions were not just the best for his organization but also for other organisations in the oil and gas sector. Huawei had received an award for Best Technology provider in the Offshore Oil and Gas category during the event. "Huawei has been a wonderful opportunity for my organization based on the nature of their technology, product and solution portfolio that it has which speak directly to my customer needs from different industrial verticals; the online gas, FSI, public sector and also manufacturing,

"You can see that in the area of oil and gas - which is the reason we all came for this event - quite a number of customers have been going to the Huawei stand just to see what Huawei is offering to the industry.

Flour Mills Women's Network To Inspire, Empower Girls

BY KINGSLEY OKOH, Lagos

The Flour Mills Women Network strategy has established a substantial and impactful outreach programme to inspire and empower young girls and women to create and hinge critical support for them through the United Nations SDG 4&5 goals.

The company, in a statement to LEADERSHIP, hinted that despite the growing awareness about gender diversity and inclusion, women's rights are still not respected or protected in many parts of the world.

The company mentioned that women have continued to be disproportionately affected by poverty, discrimination, and exploitation, as well as other monumental barriers that prevent them from reaching their full potential.

While addressing the issue with the theme of this year's International Women's Day, 'break the bias,' it explained that, it would seek to highlight the benefits of a world free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination against girls and women.

This is even as the FMN Women's Network visited Apapa Senior High School as part of an outreach programme designed specifically for senior class girls to mark the international women's day.

Gender Equality Key To Sustainable Future – SEC

BY OLUSHOLA BELLO, Lagos

The year 2022 has been described as pivotal for achieving gender equality in the context of climate change and environmental and disaster risk reduction, which are some of the greatest global challenges of the twenty-first century as without gender equality today, a sustainable future, and an equal future remains beyond reach.

The director-general of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Mr. Lamido Yuguda stated this during the celebration of International Women's Day with the theme 'Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow' by the Commission in Abuja, yesterday.

According to Yuguda, this year's IWD observance is in recognition and celebration of the women and girls who are leading the charge on climate change adaptation and response, and to honour their leadership and contribution towards a sustainable future,

The SEC boss also thanked female members of staff of the commission for their contributions in different ways to the success of SEC and the capital market as a whole and wished them happiness, health, success and prosperity in the years ahead.

In a presentation, Dr Theresa Uzundu of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital Gwagwalada, urged women to take care of their health by engaging in activities that aid stress reduction.

NIRSAL Extends N73bn Credit Risk Guarantee To Agro-processing Firms

BY MARK ITSIBOR, Abuja

In carrying out its mandate of creating a stronger linkage between segments of Nigeria's Agricultural Value Chain (AVC) and subsequent AVC-linkage to commercial bank finance, the Nigeria Incentive-Based Risk Sharing System for Agricultural Lending (NIRSAL) Plc has facilitated the flow of over N73 billion into Nigeria's agro processing industry to date from various sources, including deposit money banks, development financiers, private equity investment firms and other

financial institutions.

NIRSAL Plc's strategic support to agro processors, which operate within the midstream segment of the AVC creates a profit-driven ecosystem in which farmers in the upstream AVC segment have a reliable market in the form of agro processors who offtake farmers' produce.

NIRSAL Plc's support comes at a time in which developing economies are increasingly shifting from only producing raw materials to both production and value addition for increased economic activity, bolstering foreign

exchange earnings and widespread social development.

Other beneficiaries of NIRSAL Plc's finance-facilitation include pre-upstream, upstream and downstream AVC operators involved in inputs production and supply, mechanization service provision, primary production and logistics.

This feat, which has made a notable contribution to the federal government's agric promotion drive, was achieved through NIRSAL Plc's effective deployment of its credit risk guarantee instrument.

Aisha Buhari Canvasses Legislation To Economically Empower Women

BY CHIKA IZUORA, Lagos

Nigeria's first lady, Aisha Muhammadu Buhari, has criticised actions and inactions that have created bias and practically relegated Nigerian women both socially and economically.

Mrs. Buhari, observed that in most parts of Nigeria, women are considered subordinates to their male counterparts and it is generally believed that women are best suited as home keepers..

In her address at the Society of Petroleum Engineers, SPE, Women Leadership Lec-

ture Series 2022, in Lagos yesterday, themed, Breaking The Bias: Accelerating Business and Economic Growth Through Inclusion' she said this is evident even in the law making and policy formulation processes.

Represented by her senior special adviser on legal matters, Aisha Rimi, the first lady therefore urged stakeholders to sustain the struggle by promoting the rights of women and girls to enable them develop fundamental skills and gain invaluable knowledge that allows them to thrive in their careers and simply make deci-

sions that will improve their lives.

"On the occasion of the International Women's Day 2022, I call on all stakeholders in the gender agenda to support processes that help women gain power and economic success; through this, the interests and values of the female gender will be better represented.

"We need to also end violence and sexual assault against women by strengthening laws against domestic violence and sexual assaults to protect women and girls who are often vulnerable."

FirstBank Customers To Win N50m In Verve Card Promo

BY BUKOLA IDOWU, Lagos

As the eight week long Verve Card campaign of First Bank Nigeria Limited comes to an end, the bank has said it will be rewarding 2,061 customers for their continued usage of the Verve debit Card, by the end of the promo.

A statement by the bank noted that the promo ends on Wednesday, 30 March 2022 will see 2,601 customers win various prizes. These prizes

include: N20,000 Cash Prize, N10,000 Cash Prize, N10,000 worth of airtime; power generating sets, refrigerator, cooking gas and the grand prize of a brand-new car.

The promo has been rewarding customers on a weekly and monthly basis. In every week of the promo, 200 customers who carry out a minimum of two transactions with their Verve debit card stand a chance to win N10,000.00 worth of airtime, cash prizes

of N10,000 and N20,000.

Furthermore, 100 customers who perform a minimum of eight transactions within four weeks with their Verve debit card will be rewarded with either a Generator set, Refrigerator, Gas Cooker or N50,000 cash prize every four weeks.

A Grand prize of a brand-new car will also be won by a lucky customer who performs a minimum of 16 transactions during the campaign period.

FCMB: Business Leaders, Experts Rally Entrepreneurs On Productivity

BY OLUSHOLA BELLO, Lagos

Entrepreneurs, particularly startups, have been charged to acquire knowledge and the right competencies if they must succeed and stand the test of time in a rapidly changing business environment.

Twelve celebrated business leaders and entrepreneurs made this call in Season 2 of the First City Monument Bank (FCMB) knowledge sharing and capacity building series, Top-5-In-5. The series was designed to give Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs) practical insight into different business areas to inspire them to achieve op-

timal results.

Offering tips on a wide range of topics, the business leaders noted that no entrepreneur could stand the test of time without the right competencies and offerings aligned with market needs. They added that businesses must have a broad view and offer solutions that exceed expectations to achieve optimum performance and sustainable growth.

Speaking on "How to Grow a Local Startup with Global Appeal", Mitchell Elegbe, CEO of Interswitch Limited, said entrepreneurs must have a unique business model and be clear on the products

or services they are offering to the public.

According to him, "customers patronise you because they have a challenge, and you have created a solution to fix that challenge. A clear idea of the problem you solve translates directly to the success of your business. Particularly when it comes to monetising your solutions to hit the bottom line".

On her part, Nkechi Wigwe, Business Manager, Africa Development Centre, said given the challenges posed by COVID-19, which has led to remote working by employees, entrepreneurs should provide the necessary tools for their staff to work effectively.

ARDOVA PLC UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Group		Company	
	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Assets				
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	31,231,745	15,220,348	14,469,797	10,166,350
Right of use assets	5,605,791	1,325,861	1,232,720	1,325,861
Investment property	1,484,743	1,481,097	1,484,748	1,481,097
Intangible assets	1,243,911	43,567	116,525	37,707
Deposit for property, plant and equipment	193,686	-	-	-
Trucks on Hire purchase receivables	-	4,591	-	4,591
Loan receivable	-	-	18,307,059	-
Investment in Mobile Power	-	50,090	-	50,090
Investment in Subsidiaries	-	-	4,000	1,000
Investment in joint venture	3,593,206	-	3,593,206	-
Deferred tax assets	708,783	639,181	620,549	551,290
Total non-current assets	44,067,765	18,765,535	40,109,200	13,612,786
Current assets				
Inventories	22,887,741	14,553,608	19,164,005	14,535,716
Trade and other receivables	34,197,812	28,490,908	32,110,972	31,270,585
Derivatives financial assets	240,147	-	-	-
Restricted cash	707,908	30,127	366,247	30,127
Cash and cash equivalents	19,234,006	3,006,283	3,089,215	2,993,487
Total current assets	79,967,614	46,080,926	55,524,429	48,829,915
Total assets	121,035,379	64,846,461	95,633,629	62,442,701
Equity				
Share capital	655,314	655,314	655,314	655,314
Share premium	8,071,943	8,071,943	8,071,943	8,071,943
Other reserves	(5,041)	(5,041)	(5,041)	(5,041)
Retained earnings	8,789,886	10,687,652	11,983,305	10,893,117
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company	17,512,103	19,409,868	20,705,522	19,615,333
Treasury stock	(1,388,574)	(1,388,574)	(1,388,574)	-
Total equity	16,123,529	18,021,294	19,316,948	18,226,759
Liabilities				
Non-current liabilities				
Deferred tax liabilities	1,054,197	1,211,164	1,054,197	1,211,506
Borrowings - Bonds	21,443,023	-	21,443,023	-
Borrowings - Bank loan	13,909,869	-	13,909,869	-
Total non-current liabilities	36,407,089	1,211,164	36,407,089	1,211,506
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	42,980,829	35,481,426	42,652,524	35,434,508
Interest payable	760,597	-	467,255	-
Current income tax liabilities	949,811	1,175,592	949,811	1,175,592
Borrowings - Bonds	3,341,564	2,847,762	3,341,564	2,847,762
Borrowings - Bank loan	14,026,730	2,289,627	-	-
Bank overdraft	6,445,231	3,819,595	6,408,317	3,546,574
Total current liabilities	68,504,762	45,614,002	53,819,471	43,004,436
Total liabilities	104,911,851	46,825,166	76,316,560	44,215,942
Total equity and liabilities	121,035,379	64,846,461	95,633,629	62,442,701

The Interim Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 28 February 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Olumide Adesun
Chief Executive Officer
FR/2020/003/00000020356

Hoshood Olajide
Executive Director, Finance
FR/2016/MULTI/00000017818

ARDOVA PLC SUMMARY OF INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Group		Company	
	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Revenue	200,596,486	181,938,678	151,709,613	181,664,468
Cost of sales	(187,411,883)	(169,808,131)	(178,934,833)	(169,557,838)
Gross profit	13,184,603	12,130,547	12,774,780	12,106,630
Profit before income tax	(947,759)	2,905,488	2,040,195	3,199,188
Income tax (expense)/credit	(700,987)	(1,047,520)	(700,987)	(1,135,254)
Profit after tax	(1,648,746)	1,857,968	1,339,208	2,063,934
Total other comprehensive income net of taxes	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	(1,648,746)	1,857,968	1,339,208	2,063,934
Earnings per share				
Basic and diluted in (N)	(1.25)	1.44	1.03	1.58

ARDOVA PLC SUMMARY OF INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Group		Company	
	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Net cash flows generated from operating activities	(6,924,666)	3,247,120	5,093,115	732,712
Net cash flows generated from investing activities	(19,483,624)	(4,985,143)	(20,081,975)	79,116
Net cash flows (used in) from financing activities	34,637,753	(932,357)	21,302,557	(3,221,984)
Net decrease/(increase) in cash and cash equivalents	14,229,463	(2,670,380)	(1,686,303)	(2,410,154)
Effect of foreign exchange rate on cash & cash equivalents	50,407	(10,420)	50,407	(10,420)
Movement in the restricted cash	(877,781)	(10,420)	(536,120)	(10,420)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	(812,313)	1,867,487	(553,087)	1,867,487
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	12,788,775	(813,313)	(2,725,103)	(553,087)

Notice to Reader:

The summarised interim financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". Reading these summarised unaudited interim financial statements is not a substitute for reading the unaudited interim financial statements of the Company. Readers who are interested in the full interim financial statements should please visit www.ardovapl.com to see the full statements.



Massive Generation Shortfall Causes Nationwide Blackouts—TCN

BY NSE ANTHONY-UKO, Abuja
AND CHIKA IZUORA, Lagos

Large scale electricity generation shortfall is currently causing massive load shedding and resulting in frequent blackouts across the country.

The Transmission Company of Nigeria, (TCN) disclosed that presently the cumulative generation nationwide is low and generation companies have attributed this to several factors.

Some of these factors include poor gas supply, fault in generating units of generating companies, scheduled and unscheduled maintenance, all of which have caused most pow-

er generating companies to limit their generation, and sometimes not generate at all, said the TCN general manager, Public Affairs, Mrs Ndi-di Mbah in a statement yesterday.

Giving a breakdown of generation shortfall, Mbah informed that between 1st and 4th of March, 2022, there was generation shortfall due to water management in Shiro-ro and Jebba hydro with the loss of 307MW and 125MW respectively from both stations.

Within the same period, there were fault and technical problems in Egbin, causing 514MW shortfall and in Ger-

egu causing 230MW shortfall, while reported fault at Alaoji NIPP reduced generation from the substation by 263MW.

She stated that gas constraint alone in Olorunso-go gas generating plant reduced generation from the station by 104MW, in the same vein, Omotosho gas lost 102MW and Sapele NIPP lost 263MW. In Omotosho NIPP, there was generation shortfall of 233MW and in Omoku a shortfall of 112MW.

Two units in Okpai have limited generation due to technical problems causing a 204MW drop in generation and in Afam VI 511MW drop in generation.

'Ghana, Togo, Others Understudying Nigeria's Maritime Offences Act'

BY YUSUF BABALOLA, Lagos

The Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA), on Tuesday, said the Suppression of Piracy and Other Maritime Offences (SPOMO) Act, has become a model in Admiralty matter among countries in the Gulf of Guinea (GOG).

This was disclosed by the director general of the agency, Dr Bashir Jamoh, at the 2nd Nigerian Admiralty Law Colloquium, organised by the agency.

The NIMASA DG, however, stated that victories in courts have helped reduce piracy to a 27-year low on Nigeria territorial waters.

Dr Jamoh said, "in 2019, the SPOMO Act came into law. This act provides the legal teeth for the war against piracy in the Nigerian maritime environment. The further zeal to keep our maritime space secured, promote socio-economic development and leaving no stone unturned, led to the launch of the Integrated National Security and Waterways

Protection Infrastructure popularly referred to as the Deep Blue Project."

"The unprecedented support NIMASA has received in enacting the SPOMO Act. The recorded convictions of criminals and their sentencing between 2021 and today has sent a clear message to all would-be practitioners of piracy and sea criminality that Nigerian waters will never again be a safe haven for them. They now know that if they do the crime they will serve the time.

"These victories in the

New Study Uncovers Factors To Drive Employment In Nigeria

BY MARK ITSIBOR, Abuja

A new research work that was released by the Economic Summit Group (NESG) and the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) yesterday, has indicated that gender, among other critical factors, influences youth employment in Nigeria.

According to the distribution of youth employment by economic sectors in Nigeria, the service sector, which comprises ICT, financial, public service, hospitality and tourism, trade, and entertainment, is the highest employer of youths in rural and urban

areas, the report has shown.

Titled: Sectoral Development: Assessing the Conditions That Drive Youth Employment in Key Sectors of the Nigerian Economy, the study used a sectoral approach to investigating the issue of youth employment in Nigeria.

Full-time employment for youth between ages 15 to 34 years has declined since 2010. The youth unemployment rate has increased from 23 percent in 2017 to 30 percent in 2018, according to the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS).

Chief executive officer of

the NESG, Mr 'Laoye Jaiyeola said Nigeria would have to prioritise infrastructure funding, focus more attention on sectors such as the financial services, transport services, business services, construction, real estate to find a sustainable solution to the issue of unemployment in Nigeria.

"To address the youth unemployment in Nigeria, we must not give up on critical reforms that promote productivity, competitiveness and value creation in these sectors," Mr Jaiyeola said yesterday at the presentation of the report in Abuja.

Nigeria, Senegal To Sign MoU On Local Content Devt

BY CHIKA IZUORA, LAGOS

The Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB) and the authorities of the Senegalese Petroleum Industry agreed on Tuesday to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to guide Nigeria's support for the development of Local Content in Senegal.

This agreement was reached during a meeting in Lagos between the executive secretary, Engr. Simbi Kesiye Wabote and key officials of the Senegalese Petroleum Industry.

This is part of Nigeria's stra-

tegic support to the development of Local Content across the African continent, which has already been extended to Ghana, Niger Republic, Uganda, Kenya, Gabon, Ugandan, and Congo Brazzaville.

Speaking after the meeting, the executive secretary stated that the MoU will provide the pathway for the details of the collaboration, stressing the need for cooperation amongst African countries for the sustainable development of the oil and gas industry in the continent.

He added that Nigeria has acquired a lot of experience in

Local Content development and is well-positioned to support other African nations that had discovered hydrocarbon resources recently. The Senegalese team was led by Mr. Alpha Sy, the technical secretary of the National Committee for Local Content in Senegal stated that their nation is a new entrant to the oil industry and is keen to build local capacities and domesticate key operations in the sector in-country. He added that, they decided to learn best practices in Local Content from Nigeria to make the implementation in their jurisdiction a reality.



EXCITING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE NIGERIA SOVEREIGN INVESTMENT AUTHORITY (NSIA)

The NSIA is in the process of strengthening its operations and enhancing overall capacity towards delivering on its mandate. In this regard, the Authority is seeking to recruit a suitably qualified, result-oriented, and exceptional professional to fill the vacant position below:

Executive Director, Operations & Corporate Services NSEDOCS22/01

The staff in this role shall be responsible for the design and improvement of various systems within the organization and the implementation of company policies and procedures. She/he shall be responsible for overseeing the day-to-day administrative and operational functions of the NSIA and will report directly to the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO):

Responsibilities:

- Contribute to the development of the NSIA's corporate strategy and lead strategy development in all organisational operations to ensure that the Authority achieves its short, medium, and long-term objectives.
- Work closely with the Board of Directors to develop and maintain NSIA overall Operations and Corporate Services strategy, policies, and procedures to facilitate management control.
- Collaborate with senior management to create, implement, and roll out plans for operational processes, internal infrastructure, and reporting systems that would foster growth and operational efficiencies within the Authority.
- Work with the Chief Financial Officer in developing the annual budget and forecast business requirements in support of NSIA's strategy and monitor implementation to ensure effective management and utilisation of the Authority's financial resources in line with its corporate objectives.
- Oversee the asset and liability position to ensure adequate liquidity and profitability of the Authority.
- Supervise the timely execution of the group's audited financial statement.
- Drive Authority's results from an operational perspective working closely with the Chief Financial Officer, MD & CEO, and other members of the Executive Management team.
- Ensure that the risk management function in the Authority is directed, managed, and operated in accordance with best practices and corporate governance procedures and/or codes, in compliance with subsisting laws in all jurisdictions within which NSIA operates.
- Lead the development, roll out and maintenance of effective and efficient standard operating model for the operations functions in line with needs of the Authority.
- Manage relationships with key outsource partners to facilitate operational efficiency and customer service excellence.
- Oversee the day-to-day activities of the Operations and Corporate Services Group comprising units across Finance, Risk Management, Treasury, Subsidiary Operations, Investment Operations, Procurement, Administration, and IT.
- Promote a culture of accountability, efficient resource management and cost optimization across all operations.
- Design effective measurement tools to gauge the efficiency and effectiveness of internal and external processes.
- Reporting directly to the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD/CEO) of the Authority.

Qualifications, Experience and Attributes:

- A Bachelor's degree in any discipline from a university.
- MBA and/or Charter from ICAN/ACCA/CFA is mandatory.
- Minimum of 10 years relevant senior management experience and exposure in the global financial services industry.
- Demonstrated competency in strategic planning and business development.
- Demonstrated budget development and oversight experience.
- Excellent leadership and organisational management skills.
- Excellent interpersonal, verbal, written communication and influencing skills.
- Analytical and planning skills, problem solving and quick decision-making ability.
- Demonstrated commitment to ethical standards and high level of personal and professional integrity.
- Appreciable understanding of the NSIA's mandate.
- Organized, and able to handle multiple tasks and deliver to deadlines.

The position is based in Abuja, Nigeria. The role is open to Nigerians within and outside the country, who have completed the **National Youth Service Programme**. Women are strongly encouraged to apply for the position on offer.

To apply, please quote the role and appropriate reference number as the subject of your e-mail and send your curriculum vitae (prepared as a Microsoft Word or Pdf document, and saved with your full names) not later than **Thursday, 14th April 2022** to the following email address: findtalent@talentmanagementng.com, by clicking on this link to **APPLY** or by scanning the QR code below.

For enquiries, please contact findtalent@talentmanagementng.com

APPLICATION INSTRUCTION:

All applications will be treated in strict confidence. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. The NSIA Act can be viewed on <http://nsia.com.ng/>.

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Dangote Cement Records Strong Sales Growth In 2021

BY OLUSHOLA BELLO, Lagos

Dangote Cement Plc, in its audited financials for the year ended December 31, 2021, has showed, among others, that it remains the most profitable company listed on the Nigerian Exchange Limited.

The company's result is on the back of an inflationary year, as most businesses and their consumers have had to deal with rising cost of goods and services.

A cursory view of the result reveals the company's profit was driven by a significant rise in the domestic and export sales in Nigeria, and its Pan Africa segment. Both segments delivered a revenue of N1.38 trillion in the full-year period compared to N1.03 trillion same period last year.

Details of the result showed that Dangote Cement's group revenue rose by 34 per cent from N1.034 trillion in the corresponding period of 2020, to N1.384 trillion, with the Nigerian operations accounting for the lion's share of N993.399 billion, from N719.945 billion; while the pan African business stood at N397.329 billion from N318.681 billion.

The production cost of sales increased from N437.97 billion to N551.019 billion, while the gross profit stood at N832.618 billion, compared to the previous N596.226 billion. Administrative expenses rose to N64.349 billion from N60.339 billion, while profit from operating activities soared from N386.734 billion to N582.491 billion.

Profit before tax climbed to N538.366 billion from N373.31 billion; even as income tax expense increased by N76.685 billion, or 78.85 per cent. Net profit from Nigeria stood at N439.16 billion from N370.317 billion; The net profit, therefore, amounted to Earnings Per Share of N21.24, compared to N16.14, out of which the directors have recommended a N20 dividend per share, up by 25 per cent from the prior year's N16.14 per share.

The register of shareholders will be closed on May 31, 2022, while dividend will be paid electronically on June 15, 2022, to those who remain shareholders of the company as at May 30, 2022, after approval at the annual general meeting on the previous day in Lagos.

On the company's performance, Cordros Securities Limited "We are impressed that Dangote Cement exerted its pricing power in the Nigerian cement market. This, alongside gains



from operational efficiencies, enabled the company to achieve a record EBITDA of N683.25 billion in 2021 full year, the highest delivered since inception.

"We also like the increase in Dividends Per Share (DPS) during the review period, more so that the company recently completed tranche II of the share buyback programme in January 2022. However, we expect the momentum in private sector demand for cement to moderate in 2022 full year, given the substantial hike in cement prices. In addition, we believe electioneering activities will also weigh on public sector demand, particularly in second half, 2022."

The chairman of Dangote Cement, Alhaji Aliko Dangote at the 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company, said that "Our sustainability agenda remained firmly on track. In line with "The Dangote Way" principles of continually fostering best practices in environmental, social and governance performance. We maintained strong board administration on sustainability issues, leveraging the wealth and diversity of experience, and strong commitment of members of our Board Technical and Sustainability Committee."

He stated that "As Africa's largest cement manufacturer, we understand our corporate sustainability responsibilities. We are focused on continually improving our social and environmental stewardship, socio-economic well-being, and health and safety of key stakeholders. We are dedicated to ensuring progress in the communities and economies where we carry out our business.

"We are also committed to

fulfilling the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and are taking very concrete steps to own and drive these Global Goals in our business operations and across our value chain."

Dangote added that "In 2020, we commissioned our Apapa and Onne export terminals in Nigeria, and commenced clinker exports to West and Central Africa. The vision for our export strategy is to make West and Central Africa cement and clinker self-sufficient, with Nigeria as the main supplier and exporter.

"We also remain focused on meeting the demand in Nigeria and as such, we increased our capacity by three Mt in Obajana and we commissioned our gas fired power plant in Tanzania."

He said "We are building an enduring brand that is Dangote Cement and we recognise that a strong commitment to sustainable business practices will enable us to achieve this long-term vision."

He also said "We will continue to improve our efforts in sustainability by applying "The Dangote Way" to the seven Sustainability Pillars of our business culture and operations. Dangote Cement has transformed into an exporter of this basic but vital commodity, thanks to the support of our shareholders. Dangote Cement is well positioned to capture demand driven by the economic recovery, as the region recovers from the impact of the pandemic and all our countries of operation return to growth."

Speaking on the financial result, GMD/chief executive officer of Dangote Cement, Michel Puchercos, said that the company started 2021 on a positive note and recorded increases in revenue

and profitability.

According to him, we took the strategic decision to pause our clinker exports to ensure we meet the rapid volume growth in the Nigerian domestic market. We are improving the output of our existing and new assets and aim to recommence clinker exports in the second quarter.

Puchercos stated that "Dangote Cement is constantly exploring ways of creating value for its shareholders. In addition to our consistent dividend, we have also been pursuing several options such as the share buyback programme to return cash to our shareholders. Our strategy is to make the company more attractive to investors in the near-term and for future long-term growth."

Dangote Cement has achieved excellent financial performance and growth over the last decade. Its volumes have grown by a compound annual rate of 13 per cent over the last decade, while its EBITDA has increased by a compound annual growth rate of 15 per cent over the same period. The Company continue to prioritise distributing high returns through dividends. Dangote Cement has paid over N1.3 trillion to shareholders over the past 10 years.

Dangote Cement has production capacity of 48.6 million tonnes per year across 10 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. The Group has integrated factories in seven countries, a clinker grinding plant in Cameroon, and import and distribution facilities for bulk cement in Ghana and Sierra Leone. Together, these operations make Dangote Cement, the largest cement producer in Sub-Saharan Africa.



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LEADERSHIP

Company Trustees

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY, ABUJA.

Whereas the person/persons whose name is set out in the first column hereunder died intestate on the date and place in the said column. And whereas the person(s) whose name and address is set out in the second column hereunder claimed the relationship of the said deceased and has applied to above named court for grant letters of administration of the personal property.

Notice is hereby given that the said letters of administration be granted to such person(s) unless "NOTICE TO PROHIBIT" the grant thereof is filed in the probate registry of the above named court within twenty one (21) days from the date of publication

SCHEDULE

NAME AND ADDRESS OF DECEASED.	APPLICANTS FOR GRANT
ABDULMALIK MOMOH WHO DIED ON THE 17TH DAY OF JANUARY 2014 WAS WORKING UNDER NIGERIAN MINING CORPORATION	JATTO, ADEIZA ADAMS AND ATURETA, AJIMOH OREWA OF 13 A SENATOR MUSA STREET, APAPA LAGOS AND 13 A SENATOR MUSA STREET, APAPA LAGOS
DATED AT ABUJA THIS 30TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021	SIGNED: HADIZA MOHAMMED DODO (MRS) CHIEF REGISTRAR

INCORPORATED TRUSTEES OF ABU LAW CLASS OF 1990

This is to inform the General Public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for Registration under Part C of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Simon Bako Lalong (Chairman).
2. Rakiya Lamido Sanusi.
3. Chike Okorie.
4. Julie Emiekedo Donli.
5. Moshood Shehu.
6. Monica Alphonse.
7. Justin Chuwang (Secretary).

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

1. The Cooperative shall promote the welfare of its members.
2. It shall also carry out other objectives as contained in the Constitution of the Cooperative.

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar-General of the Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B. 198, Maitama, Abuja, Federal Capital Territory within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **JUSTIN CHUWANG – SECRETARY.**

HIKIMA COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for change of its trustees and alter of its constitution under part 'C' of Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.

REMOVED:

1. Umaru Nagwari Tambuwal
2. Ahmad Abdullahi Tsoho
3. Bello Goronyo
4. Bello Tambuwal
5. Abdulkadir U. Junaid
6. Tukur Labbo Yabo
7. Hauwa Barade

RE-ELECTED:

1. Ubaida Bello Muh'd
2. Kabiru Aliyu

NEWLY ELECTED:

1. Hussaina Salihu Iya-sokoto
2. Junaidu Umar Jabo
3. Aminu Umar Gada

AIM AND OBJECTIVE REMAIN THE SAME

Any objection to this Change should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

ONYICHRIS FOUNDATION FOR THE DISABLED

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for Registration under part 'C' of Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Emmanuel Veronica
2. Sunday Ikechukwu Isaac
3. Emmanuel Juliet Ginika
4. Okonkwo Blessing Chinenye
5. Ugwuonah Chinyere Hellen

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. To help the parents of the disabled and guide them to solve their problems through medical intervention, education and training of their handicapped children.
2. To integrate the mentally handicapped children with normal children.

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

OGOBO 2000 AGE GROUP ASSOCIATION ANEGBETTE

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for Registration under part 'C' of Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Musa Victor Rabi - Chairman
2. Obhione Samuel Edward - Secretary
3. Amagbor John Oshiodode
4. Sadoh Oshomah Graham
5. Kadiri Karim Erumiseli
6. Ichaba Augustine Asenokhai
7. Nusa Sani Gabriel
8. Jude Macauley

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. To take care of the welfare of its members.
2. To provide help both financial and otherwise to the needy and ogobo 2000 age group association anegbette in the society..

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

GOD'S DEMONSTRATION OF LOVE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for Registration under part 'C' of Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Ifechukwude Destiny Tobechukwu - Chairman
2. Okhibamen Faith - Secretary
3. Osaruwense Daniel
4. Ifechukwude Chinoyelum Jessica
5. Ifechukwude Gideon Ozioma
6. Ifechukwude Onyeka Jennifer
7. Onyejeoseh Elizabeth Nkemakolam

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. To serve God and humanity
2. To propagate the gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ round the world.

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

EZI UKWU-EWA WELFARE ASSOCIATION AMANKWO NKPOGHORO AFIKPO

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART 'C' OF COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. EKUMA IBIAM FRANCIS - CHAIRMAN
2. OBIAHU CHARLES OTI - SECRETARY
3. OTTAH STEPHEN IKECHUKWU
4. EGWU IKECHUKWU GABRIEL
5. OBIAHU EWA RICHARD
6. AJA INYA JOSEPH
7. OBILA HYACINTH AGHA
8. EGWU OBILA
9. UKA CLIFFORD NNACHI
10. EWA EGWU FESTUS

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. TO CATER FOR THE WELFARE OF THE MEMBERS OF EZI UKWU-EWA WELFARE ASSOCIATION.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

YAHWEH REALITY GLOBAL MINISTRY

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE NAMED ABOVE HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART 'C' OF COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. JIRNUYA MARVEL NAPNORO JOSEPH - CHAIRMAN
2. JIRNUYA JOSEPH ADIEL - SECRETARY

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

1. TO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST
2. TO ESTABLISH CHURCHES AND CHRISTIAN CENTRES
3. TO ENGAGE IN EVANGELISM AND WIN SOULS FOR CHRIST
4. TO ESTABLISH BIBLE SCHOOLS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS FOR THE TRAINING OF MINISTERS AND EVANGELISTS.
5. TO DO SUCH OTHER LAWFUL THINGS THAT ARE INCIDENTAL TO THE ATTAINMENT OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CHURCH.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

PREKEAZU FOUNDATION

This is to inform the general public that the above named Foundation has applied to the corporate affairs commission for Registration under part 'c' of the companies and allied matters act 2020.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Precious Peter
2. Wheanyichukwu Kelvin Peters
3. Oluebube Christopher Offor

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. To promote education
2. To promote health
3. To promote youth engagement

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 within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

ABUNDANT MERCIES ENDOWMENT NETWORK

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for Registration under part 'C' of Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Uwota Jonathan Robinson
2. Abodunrin Peter Kayode
3. Onyugo Samuel Henry
4. Olayinka Oluyinka Ayoola
5. Egbunu Zaccharias Nda

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. To provide care and support for the less privileged in the society.
2. To improve the lives of the less privileged people through provision of free qualitative education, healthcare and human capacity building.
3. To canvas and promote healthy living among the youths and less privileged.
4. To provide psychosocial and educational supplies among the less privileged..

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **OMEGA REIGNS CHAMBERS**
3RD FLOOR STANDARD PLAZA
OFF AMINU KANO CRESCENT
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KALAKALA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART 'C' OF COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. ISAH HASSAN
2. GARBA ABDULHAMEED
3. MUHAMMAD UMAR UMAR.

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. TO ASSIST IN PROMOTING EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH ENHANCING QUALITY EDUCATION AT THE GRASSROOTS,
2. TO ASSIST LESS PRIVILEGE,
3. TO PROMOTE ENTREPRENEURSHIP AMONG ORPHANS WIDOWS AND PHYSICALLY CHALLENGE PERSONS THROUGH TRAINING ON SKILLS ACQUISITION, AND PROMOTE AWARENESS AMONG THE KALAKALA COMMUNITY ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT,
4. TO COOPERATE AND UNITED TOGETHER FOR THE BETTERMENT OF OUR SOCIOECONOMIC WELL BEING AS WELL AS TO SEE HOW BEST WE CAN DEVELOP AND PROGRESS OF KALAKALA.
5. TO PROMOTE THE SPIRIT OF TOGETHERNESS AND UNITY TOWARDS DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF KALAKALA COMMUNITY.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE

C.C.R.N. DAILY STRENGTH DEVOTIONAL LIMITED

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), ABUJA, for the Striking off of the name under part B of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020.

The company details are as follows

NAME: C.C.R.N. DAILY STRENGTH DEVOTIONAL LIMITED
RC NO: 1827585

Any objection to this striking off should be forwarded to the Registrar-General, Corporate Affairs Commission, 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street. PMB 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days from the date of publication

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUCCESS PATH EMPOWERMENT CENTRE CAC/IT/NO. 88233

The general public is hereby notify that the above named has applied to the corporate affairs commission CAC Abuja for addition and retained of trustees name under part "F" of company and Allied matter act 2020

NEW TRUSTEES:

1. OLAOLUWA AYOBAMI OLADAPO
2. DAVID DAMILARE ABIDEMI

RETAINED TRUSTEES ARE:

1. OLAGUNJU MARGARET BUKOLA
2. AKINOLA SEUN TOSIN
3. POPOOLA BUSAYO ELIZABETH

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 maitama Abuja within 28 days off the publication

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

HEPHZIBAH CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD

This is to inform the general public that the above named body has applied for Registration to the Corporate Affairs Commission under Part "C" of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Ogundiran Emmanuel Olumide
2. Ogundiran Tawakalitu Abiodun
3. Ademola Olusola Alimot
4. Ajagunna Olumayowa Olusogo
5. Etemu Leonard Eloho
6. Ashefon Olusegun John
7. Olaniyan Esther Temitope
8. Jolasun Rihanot Olabisi
9. Ojekunle Olufunmilayo Adetola

THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

1. To propagate the gospel of Jesus Christ to every tribe and language in the face of the earth.
2. To make converts to Jesus Christ, training the converts to Christ like life and preparing them for service in god's house and mission in the world.
3. Leading the people of god in a spirit-filled worship

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

SIGNED: **OSALOPE OLAITAN IDOWU - SECRETARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE

MUSLIM AID INITIATIVE CAC/IT/NO. 22158

The general public is hereby notified that the above named Society has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission, Abuja for Amendment of Constitution under part "F" of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| a. Alih. Inuwa Ali (Turakin Jos) | - Removed |
| b. Dr. Mijinyawa Bashir Bello | - Appointed (Chairman) |
| c. Malam Sodangi Chindo Adam | - Appointed (Secretary) |
| d. Dr. Habiba Muda Lawal | - Retained |
| e. Dr. Zubairu Dagona | - Retained |
| f. Engr. Hassan Othman | - Retained |
| g. Mallam Sulaiman Muhammad | - Retained |
| h. Barr. Aliyu Sange | - Retained |

AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION

- Board of Trustees hereby agreed to alter and amend all the special clauses of the constitution and replace all the aims and objectives with the following:
1. To Promote awareness on reproductive health and behavioral change and related Health challenges
 2. To promote and contribute to interventions that will transform maternal mortality and morbidity responses in Nigeria
 3. To collaborate with government and other development agencies in the health and Education sectors interventions
 4. To strengthen responses on Aids, Tuberculosis, Malaria (ATM) among vulnerable citizens at the grassroots.
 5. To promote quality mass education, vocational skills acquisition and poverty alleviation among women, Adolescents Youth
 6. To promote and support initiatives on good governance, Peaceful co-existence and gender equity/ social inclusion
 7. To carry out other lawful relevant activities that will enhance the objectives of the Organization
 8. VISION: A society free of diseases and poverty
 9. MISSION: To improve quality of life among communities through innovative, integrated social services.

Any objection to the Application should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE****CHANGE OF IT NAME****LAGOS STATE POLYTECHNIC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. CAC/ IT/ NO.68544**

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION FOR CHANGE OF IT'S NAME UNDER "PART F" OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT 2020.

**LAGOS STATE POLYTECHNIC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.
CAC/IT/NO.68544**

**NEW NAME:
LAGOS STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES REMAIN THE SAME

TRUSTEES REMAIN THE SAME

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

SIGNED:- **SECRETARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE**CHANGE OF TRUSTEES****CHRIST APOSTOLIC MISSION CHURCH OF NIGERIA, OKE-IGBALA IT NO. 639**

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION FOR CHANGE OF TRUSTEES UNDER "PART F" OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT 2020.

OLD TRUSTEES:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| a. PASTOR AJAYI SIMEON ADESOJI | (removed) |
| b. PASTOR AKINDE OLADOTUN JONES | (retained) |
| c. PASTOR KUTI OLANREWaju MOSES | (retained) |
| d. PASTOR OLATUNDE JAMES OLU | (retained) |
| e. PASTOR OYEJOBI SUNDAY AKINLOLU | (retained) |
| f. PASTOR TAIWO JOHN BABATUNDE | (retained) |
| g. ELDER AKINSULIRE MICHAEL TAIWO | (retained) |

NEW TRUSTEE:

KUTTI OLANREWaju MOSES.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES REMAIN THE SAME

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

SIGNED:- **SECRETARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE**BIBLE BELIEVERS HOLINESS ARMY GOSPEL MINISTRY**

This is to inform the general public that the above named association has applied for registration to the Corporate Affairs Commission under Part "C" of the companies and allied matters acts NO. 1 of 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| 1. ETENG, WILLIAMS BASSEY | - President |
| 2. ETENG, BOSEDE ORIYOMI | - Secretary |

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

- To preach the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Preaching and teaching of God's word to save mankind
- For repentance and salvation of souls.

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, 420 Tigris Crescent, Off Aguyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198 Maitama, Abuja within 28 days from the date of this publication.

SIGNED: **BARR. AYUK EGAR (LEGAL ADVISER) - 07034924662**

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that **ENGR LABARAN ABUBAKAR** who died on the **21/04/2006** was working under **ALUMINUM SMELTER COMPANY OF NIGERIA (ALSCON)** IKOT ABASI AKWA IBOM STATE.

Name of Applicant's **CHRISTIANA PIUS LABARAN ABUBAKAR** of FCDA Area 11 GArki-Abuja wife of Deceased person.

General public should please take note.

NAME RECONCILIATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT I **NICODEMUS ALI IKIZENDEN** WISH TO RECONCILE MY NAMES AND AFFIRM THAT ALI **NICODEMUS IKIZENDEN, IKIZENDEN NICODEMUS ALI, ALI IKIZENDEN NICODEMUS AND NICODEMUS IKIZENDEN ALI** IS ONE AND THE SAME PERSON. ALL MY DOCUMENTS WITH ANY OF THIS NAME REMAIN VALID.

THE GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD TAKE NOTE.

FIVE WOMEN AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT FOUNDATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED ORGANIZATION HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC) FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART C OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT (CAMA) DECREE NO. 1 OF 1990.

NAME OF TRUSTEES:

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|-----------------------------|-------------|
| 1. UBIMAGO WILLIAMS SUNDAY | - CHAIRMAN |
| 2. UBIMAGO BENEDICTA OMECHE | - SECRETARY |
| 3. KODUN FADA ABIAH | - MEMBER |
| 4. STEPHEN EMMANUEL GUYUK | - MEMBER |
| 5. GOJE ADAMU AHMED | - MEMBER |

AIM AND OBJECTIVES:

- BUILD SOCIALLY COHESIVE COMMUNITIES THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND ACTION;
- FACILITATE THE PROVISION OF AID TO CONFLICT AND DISASTER AFFECTED COMMUNITIES;
- RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGES OF CLIMATE CHANGE BY EMPLOYING SUSTAINABLE DURABLE SOLUTIONS;
- COUNTER VIOLENT EXTREMISM THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT;
- MOBILIZE YOUTH AND WOMEN FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT;
- SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

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 WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

RURAL WOMEN & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CAC/IT/19182

THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC) ABUJA FOR ADDITION OF NEW TRUSTEES, REMOVAL OF TRUSTEE, RETAINED OF TRUSTEES AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHAIRMAN (CHANGE OF TRUSTEES) UNDER PART "F" OF COMPANY AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT 2020.

NEW TRUSTEES:

1. AISHA ABDULLAHI
2. BALASATU IBRAHIM
3. HABIBU MUHAMMAD HARISU
4. ABUDU YUSUFU
5. HALIMA S.A. YUSUF
6. HALIMA MUHAMMAD
7. MOHAMMAD MAINASARA AHMAD

THE NEW CHAIRMAN IS: MOHAMMAD MAINASARA AHMAD

RETAINED TRUSTEES ARE:

1. HAJIA (MRS) LUBABATU LAWAL AMANI
2. FERDINAND OKOTETE
3. HAJIYA (MRS) YARDADA MAI KANO BICHI

REMOVED TRUSTEE IS:

DR. MUSA ABDULLAHI

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 MAITAMA ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION

SIGNED: **SECRETARY.**

IFELAJULO ARABLE FARMERS ASSOCIATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA, FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART "F" OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 2020

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

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| 1. OYESORO MICHAEL | - CHAIRMAN |
| 2. BASAU SAMUEL | - SECRETARY |

AIMS/OBJECTIVES:

- TO PROMOTE HARMONY AND CO-OPERATION AMONG FARMERS IN SAMO VILLAGE AND ENVIRONS, VIA IJIO, IWAJOWA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF OYO STATE.
- TO FOSTER GROWTH AND SERVE AS A CHANNEL FOR THE CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT AND UPLIFTMENT OF FARMERS IN SAMO VILLAGE AND ENVIRONS, VIA IJIO, IWAJOWA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA OF OYO STATE.
- TO LIAISE AND COLLABORATE WITH RELEVANT GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES AND DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES IN ORDER TO BETTER THE WELL BEING OF ITS MEMBERS.
- TO DO ALL SUCH OTHER LAWFUL THINGS AS MAY BE CONSIDERED TO BE INCIDENTAL OR CONDUCIVE TO THE ATTAINMENT OF THE ABOVE OBJECTIVES OR ANY OF THEM.

ANY OBJECTION(S) TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED BY- **CHIAMAKA BLESSING UMENZE, ESQ.**

DEATH NOTIFICATION

This is to inform the general public that, **BAKUT DAVID** of Police Barracks, Dei Dei, Abuja died on **07/10/2020**. He died at the age of 46. General public should take.

GODSON IBE EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED ORGANIZATION HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART "C" OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 2020.

TRUSTEES ARE:

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| 1. GODSON CHIJOKE IBE. | (PRESIDENT) |
| 2. ESTHER IHUOMA IBE | (SECRETARY) |

AIMS/OBJECTIVES:

- PROPAGATION AND DISPENSATION OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST/WORD OF GOD
- PLANTING CHURCHES, PARA-CHURCH MINISTRIES, EVANGELISM AND SOUL WINNING
- CHARITY, GIVING, POVERTY ALLEVIATION, EDUCATIONAL/ MEDICAL AND OTHER RELIEF SERVICES

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION..

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

ALL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COLLEGE ENUGU EX- STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART "C" OF COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

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| 1. AGBIM IKECHUKWU | - CHAIRMAN |
| 2. OLISAEMEKA AMAECHI | - SECRETARY |

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

- TO PROVIDE A PLATFORM FOR ALL ALUMNI OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COLLEGE ENUGU TO AND ENGAGE CONSTRUCTIVELY IN ORDER TO CONTRIBUTE POSITIVELY TOWARDS THE COLLECTIVE PROGRESS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COLLEGE ENUGU, THE NIGERIAN EDUCATION SECTOR AND NIGERIA IN GENERAL
- TO ESTABLISH AND ENCOURAGE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CLASS, STATE AND INTERNATIONAL CHAPTERS/PLATFORMS FOR ALL OLD STUDENTS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COLLEGE ENUGU AND TO PROCURE OR FACILITATE THEIR MEMBERSHIP OF THE INCORPORATED TRUSTEES OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COLLEGE ENUGU OLD STUDENTS ASSOCIATION.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

YOUNG HEARTS ALIVE FOUNDATION

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED HAS APPLIED TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION (CAC), ABUJA FOR REGISTRATION UNDER PART "C" OF COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

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| 1. FATUYI OLUWAFEMI MATTEW |
| 2. FATUYI AYODELE MATTEW |
| 3. FATUYI -AYENI MORENIKE ANIKE |
| 4. OGUNSULIRE TIMILEHIN EMMANUEL |

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

TO BUILD AND SUPPORT THE YOUNG ONES TO LIVE IN A WORLD OF ABUNDANT RESOURCES AND TO REGAIN HOPE TO ERADICATE AND EMPOWER THE YOUNG ONES IN OUR SOCIETY AND ACROSS BOARD IN ORDER TO ENABLE THEM COMPETE FAVOURABLY IN THE SOCIETY.

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **FATUYI OLUWAFEMI MATTEW**

DARAL HALAL FOUNDATION

This is to inform the general public that the above named has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), Abuja for Registration under part 'C' of Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Iadan Muhammadu Dikko
2. Aminu Abdulkadir

AIM AND OBJECTIVE:

1. To give charity support to the less privilege.

Any objection to this Registration should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguyi Ironsi Street, P.M.B 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

NEBOCHI WOMEN EMPOWERMENT AND WELFARE INITIATIVE

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE ABOVE NAMED INITIATIVE HAS APPLIED FOR REGISTRATION TO THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION UNDER PART "C" OF THE COMPANIES AND ALLIED MATTERS ACT 2020.

NAMES OF TRUSTEES:

1. NEBOH CHINWE JEOVITA CHAIRMAN
2. NEBOH CHUKWUEBUKA NELSON
3. MADU IFEANYI PETRUS SECRETARY

OBJECTIVE:

- TO CATER FOR THE WELFARE OF THE WOMEN IN THE SOCIETY.
- TO EMBARK ON VIABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND STIMULATE PROGRESS AMONG WOMEN IN THE SOCIETY AT LARGE.
- TO PROMOTE, FOSTER UNITY AND COOPERATION AMONG ALL WOMEN IN THE SOCIETY

ANY OBJECTION TO THIS REGISTRATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, PLOT 420, TIGRIS CRESCENT, OFF AGUIYI IRONSI STREET, P.M.B 198, MAITAMA, ABUJA WITHIN 28 DAYS OF THIS PUBLICATION.

SIGNED: **SECRETARY**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that **AP/NO, 205389 INSP ABNEL NUHU** from Jigawa State Police Command, who died on **05/11/2021** as a result of brief illness at Gumel general hospital Jidawa State, and he has since been buried according to Christian rites, Next of kin **EZEKIEL ABNIEL SON** to the deceased, authorities concerned and general public to take note.

The highly celebrated Chinua Achebe, it was who put the inevitability of death in the most succinct manner in his book, "Things Fall Apart, when he wrote: "A man who does not surrender to anything will one day surrender to the death mat". So, it was with my father, Chief Samuel Oladipo Oyebo, who heeded the final call on December 19, 2021 when the angelic host arrived at his bedside in the wee hours of the day he took a ride with them in their chariot.

My mother, Esther Anike Oyebo, confirmed daddy's exit through a phone call at exactly 5.30am that day. "Daddy has gone home. It is well", she said and hung up before I could ask further questions. Her call, though not unexpected because daddy was already showing some signs that the end was near some weeks earlier. Rather, the call ended months of anxiety for me and my siblings as age had taken its toll on our dad. My anxiety was about losing a father I have known and treasured for over fifty years, anxiety about losing my number one cheerleader, teacher, critic, friend, adviser and advocate -all rolled into one.

Relating with my father through the years has helped shaped my world view, especially about time and season of life. The Book of Ecclesiastes in chapter three dwells much about time and season: "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven...". Because of the gift of longevity that he enjoyed, I was able to experience different phases of my father's life. I grew up knowing him as a no-nonsense Teacher, a disciplinarian, a loving father and an excellent family man, who devoted his time, talent and treasure to the service of God, community and humanity as a whole. Later, he was slowed down by age and his activities and strictness reduced. At the latter years and bent by age, he opted out of all social activities and retained only the church activities and regular reading of his bible -which he



By Yinka Oyebo

Mayegun Is Thy Name, S.O. Oyebo, My Father, My Mentor

did with so much joy and gusto he could muster. Eventually, he retired from every activity, had his bible passages read to him, but retained his trademark smiles, glowing eyeballs and some bits of wittiness and strictness.

Mayegun, as I love to hail him, meant so many things to so many people. But integrity, firmness, fairness, love and generosity are five of the virtues that defined his ninety-five years sojourn on the surface of the earth. These were the virtues that made him a father in a million to his children and father to millions of other children.

For me, I can't be more proud of my heritage of having been fathered by such a man of immense goodwill. Mayegun's actions, like John Quincy Adams wrote, inspired people to dream more, learn more, do more and become more. The avalanche of goodwill that his name confers on his children and the volume that has trailed his demise are eloquent testimony of his greatness. While he constantly reminded us of the need to preserve the good name he has built and take it even further, I am daily showered with love and affection by some of his old students, boys' scouts and former teachers. I was registering my name as one of the journalists covering one of Chief Adegunle Ajasin Foundation event some years ago when one of the officials singled out my name and sought to know if I had anything to do with his former teacher who was a scout master. And when I answered in the affirmative the man spent over one hour telling me stories of my dad's uniqueness as

a teacher, scout master and moulder of young people's lives. Till date, the man who is in his mid seventies calls me regularly to ask about his beloved "Baba scout".

For me, daddy's greatness lies in the life of service he lived. What he lacked in financial muscle, he made up for with his huge social capital and the concomitant goodwill. I can't talk about Mayegun without mentioning his impact on my life. I drew a lot of lessons from dad, including the beauty of delayed gratification, the dignity of labour, honour in service and giving without necessarily expecting anything in return. These are the lessons I learnt by observing his ways and actions, not by virtue of his cane, which he applied generously while we were growing up.

On marriage, he repeatedly told me to look for a godly woman who is a trained professional. He also told me the secret of a good home - be a good man, a good husband and an excellent son-in-law. He told me all these to prepare my mind for marriage, and after he had waited for some years and I didn't introduce any female friend to him he set up a heart to heart talk with me on marriage. Never a man to stampede or mount undue pressure on his children, he dealt with the marital issue in the most diplomatic manner and in a jovial manner, he "tutored" me on how to woo a lady. We both laughed it off, but I got the message - I was ripe for marriage and the fact that he and my mum had no clue about my marital plans had caused them some anxieties. When I eventually told him a couple of months later that I had

met a lady I would like to marry and would be introducing her to them, he said rather excitedly, "I told you there is nothing difficult about this thing" (wooing a lady). And when I finally introduced my fiancée to him, he took an instant liking for her apparently because he was convinced the union was a product of his 'tutoring', moreso when my "testimony" of how I met my wife had some similarities with the tips he gave me on how to woo a lady.

Mayegun was a lover of education and he ensured all his children got the necessary support to get good education. I recall how he rebuked me when he learnt of my withdrawal from a master's degree programme at half way because I could not afford the school fees. My explanation that I took the decision because I didn't want to bother him or anybody with a postgraduate school fees, when he still had my younger ones in school only succeeded in infuriating him the more. He told me that his retirement notwithstanding, he was duty bound to pay my school fees to any level. He later demonstrated that few years later by paying for the post graduate studies of two of my younger ones.

Interestingly, the seed of my love for journalism was sown by my dad, howbeit, unknowingly. While other siblings of mine had other daily chores, it was my lot to pick up dad's newspaper daily from the news agency office in the neighbourhood. I started doing that before my ninth birthday. And it conferred on me the right to glance through the headlines and some of the stories before anyone else. When eventually I opted for

journalism as a profession after my national service, he had no qualms with my decision. And when a few years into my journalism practice my mother raised some concerns about how the then military regime was hounding journalists, insisting that I should opt out and look for another job, it was my dad that convinced my mother on the need to allow me continue with the job I seem to have passion for.

And when I was about joining the public service, it was another round of tutelage on how to serve without soiling the family name. For him the emphasis should be on service and value addition above every other consideration. And he kept checking with me to ensure I uphold those core values.

A lover of his community, Ido Ile which he served as the national Secretary of its Development Union for 26 years. My dad was so excited when in 2019, I was named Chairman of the planning committee for the Ido Ile Day celebration, an annual event involving all sons and daughters of the town. As usual he demonstrated his support by giving a lengthy lesson on how to organise community people. I served out my tenure with the hosting of the 2021 edition last October. A few days to the event, he presented me an envelope which he described as his personal support to augment my spending. and when I said it wasn't necessary, he insisted and with a smile he asked if I was turning it down because it was not a 'brown envelope'. I got the message and we both had a loud laugh.

This weekend, the remains of Chief S.O Oyebo, my father, mentor, friend and cheerleader would be interred in Ido Ile, marking the end of a generation of leaders that laid the foundation for the development of the town. But he lives on in the hearts of millions of his children.

Adieu Daddy. Mayegun is indeed your name, and not just a title

Firstly, I am flabbergasted by the rejection of the Gender Equality Bill by the Nigerian National Assembly which occurred in Tuesday March 1 2022.

The rejection of the Gender Equality Bill by the Nigerian National Assembly is an astronomical apolitical stance and aberration against, as well as a separation of Nigerian women participating in politics of which is academically, Legislatively, Constitutionally, Statutorily and Actorally reprehensible to say the least. Because, it stagnates both the unification and building of very strong and viable Nigerian for Nigerians, it is postulated.

And, it restricts as well as depicts the invaluable contributions by Nigerian women being fairly represented in political constructive and productive political leadership positions in Nigerian.

The Nigerian National Assembly rejecting the *Gender Equality Bill* is indicative of archaic primitive and inhibitive prohibitive acceptance of Nigerian women fully freely, fairly, justly and equitably participating in Nigerian politics on a platter



Rejection Of Gender Balance Through Constitutional Amendment Disservice To Women

By Princess Grace Adejoh

of _equality_ with our male - political - counterparts. This is very unacceptable seeing what is good for the Goose is also good for the Gander.

May I be quick to draw to the attention of our male political counterparts and Nigerians in general that women are the Mothers of whatever Nation and Country they belong to, and Nigerian women are no different. And, as we know, no family is complete without a Mother or Mother figure. Likewise no Nation or Country is complete without women in political leadership positions seeing women have a very beautiful well balanced Motherly touch, experience

and expertise to bring to the political table for the better of Nigeria and Nigerians.

Long gone are the dark ages and stages when - some male - Nigerian politicians believe that women belong to the kitchen, and the other room; whatever the other rooms means in their concept.

Our male political counterparts will do well in remembering that Nigerian women are some of the most viable and powerful, educated, economically vibrant and politically sound and astute on Earth, as pedagogically evidenced Locally, Nationally and Internationally.

And, that women, through out

history, have always brought a very balanced political diet to the political table the World over.

As such, the Nigerian National Assembly rejecting the Gender Equality Bill is indeed a very unhealthy dark political dispensation seeing it allows for the unfair, unjust and inequitable disregard and treatment of Nigerian women in Nigerian and International politics. This is very un-Legislative, un-Constitutional, un-Statutory and un-Actoral politically and otherwise.

Thus, the Nigerian National Assembly rejecting the Gender Equality Bill can and ought to be construed as a clarion call to Nigerian

women to stand up and be counted in politics Locally, Nationally and Internationally, if we are to bring about a much healthier, wealthier, richer and economical balanced Nigeria for Nigerians now and into the future.

The aforementioned National imbalance which outrightly unfairly, unjustly and inequitably and unacceptably excludes Nigerian women having a free and fair Legislative, Constitutional, Statutory and Actorally balanced representation in politics Locally, Nationally and Internationally very much unaccepted, unwelcome and untenable in 21st Century Nigeria.

Nigerian female politicians, and, Nigerian women in general, are not phased by the offensive retrogressive openly and arguably regrettable male chauvinistic postulatingly un-Legislative, un-Constitutional, un-Statutory and un-Actoral unabusive anti women political stance by our male political counterparts in the Nigerian National Assembly.

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Nigeria And The Burden Of Improving Maternal, Infant Health

BY ROYAL IBEH, Lagos

Prior to the outbreak of COVID-19, the health sector in Nigeria was reeling under challenges like high burden of maternal mortality, high infant mortality rate, poor health financing, poor access and application of novel technology and interrupted quality-assured services.

However, since the outbreak of the virus, the Nigerian health system is faced with acute pressure from the COVID-19 pandemic, especially in the area of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health and Nutrition (RMNCH+N).

The director, Department of Family Health, Ministry of Health, Dr. Salma Anas-Kolo, fittingly puts it, when she said, "COVID-19 is an indirect cause of Maternal, New Born and Child morbidity and mortality in Nigeria."

Citing an example, Anas-Kolo said between January and April 2020, the proportion of facilities providing Family Planning (FP) for instance, dropped by seven per cent while those providing Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) dropped by twice (14 per cent). "The decreasing 2020 numbers could be attributed to several factors including; patients' reluctance to visit health facilities during the COVID-19 pandemic or the challenges with full commodity supply experienced across multiple states also owing to the pandemic delaying commodity replenishment at the state stores," she added.

Similarly, consumption of key commodities like condom, injectable, implant Intra-Uterine Contraceptive Device (IUCD) and oral pills which were on an upward trajectory between September and December 2019 are seen to have decreased between January and April 2020, the director said, adding that of these five commodities, injectable recorded the highest percentage decline at 29 per cent, closely followed by oral pills at 24 per cent and implants at 20 per cent.

"New FP acceptors which were on an upward trajectory between September and December 2019 appear to be on the decline between January and April 2020. New FP Acceptors and Current users of FP increased between September and December 2019 by five per cent and three per cent respectively and decreased by 31 per cent and 29 per cent respectively between January and April 2020," she explained.

With these challenges however, it is near impossible to achieve the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) global target of reducing the global Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) to less than 70 per 100,000 live births by 2030.

Nevertheless, family planning experts are optimistic that if government can upscale FP activities, it will help to address the high infant and mortality rates in Nigeria.

The director, reproductive health, Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH),



Dr Kayode Afolabi, at a media workshop, organised by Rotary International, said through effective communication and expansion of young persons' access to information by leveraging on new media, the low demand and high unmet need for modern family planning, would have been tackled.

Afolabi said developing and rolling out national FP training plan, integrating FP into primary healthcare center opportunities, strengthen strategy for introduction of new contraceptives, expand access to rights-based youth friendly FP services and engage federal and state governments to mobilize for procurement, warehousing and distribution of commodities, would help to improve service delivery and supply chain management.

He said there is need for government to develop policy to increase indigenous private sector investment for FP in Nigeria, advocate for policy implementation at state level, increase FP financing through fulfilling the old and creating new financial commitments to FP beyond 2020, improve accountability and tracking of FP, improve the quality and performance of FP programs at sub-national and facility level and strengthen national structures for coordination of FP activities.

These strategies will definitely improve the uptake of family planning that can translate to the realization of SDGs in Nigeria, if well harnessed, Afolabi said, adding that government cannot do it alone, hence the need for more partnership and collaboration to enable sustainable domestic financing for family planning, including leveraging private sector networks to deliver FP services and companies that have not traditionally been involved in health.

Anas-Kolo also joined her voice when she said, "Attitudes of health workers to patients in public health facilities be improved and RMNCAH+N activities should be implemented without restriction by providing mitigations. I plead with journalists to support more in creating awareness on RMNCH+N activities at all levels of healthcare. There is need to put in place mitigations to avoid prolong interruption to health facility services to prevent very poor health indices especially RMNCAH+N activities."

Health Trend

Nutrition: CS-SUNN Engages Stakeholders

BY PATIENCE IVIE IHEJIRIKA, Abuja

The Civil Society Scaling-Up Nutrition in Nigeria (CS-SUNN) has engaged stakeholders for the domestication of the National Committee of Food and Nutrition (NCFN) in the States.

The NCFN is to serve as the policy body for all efforts geared towards ensuring food and nutrition security for all Nigerians. The Committee assist the Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning (MFB&NP) to assess and enhance the various policies on food and nutrition and to plan national programmes on food and nutrition.

Speaking during a 2-day meeting to domesticate the NCFN terms of reference for the SCFN, in Abuja, the senior monitoring and accountability learning officer for Scaling-up Nutrition in Nigeria, CS-SUNN, Jayne Arinze Egemonye, said the CS-SUNN was supporting state policy makers and members of the state committee on food and nutrition to remind them of their roles and responsibility in improving nutrition in the country and specifically in their states.

Stressing that addressing malnutrition requires multi-sectoral approach, Egemonye said „We have three states with us today, that is Nasarawa, Niger and Kaduna, so we are taking them through and reminding them of their roles and responsibilities in their states.

"I think it is important that states know that they have a multi-sectorial plan for food and nutrition that needs to be implemented, for this to be done successfully, all the Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) that are working around food and nutrition need to come together to implement the multi-sectorial plan and part of the implementing that is plan is that funds are set aside annually to implement all the activities in the multi-sectorial plan, so if they come together to fulfill their roles and responsibilities, then we are sure that we would have improved the lives of the most vulnerable in the society which is women and children, as it relates to food and security.

"We want to ensure that aside the three state, all the 36 states plus FCT are also doing the same thing. So we need all the states to develop their plans. We are hoping that other states key into this, we need more partners to support the process. We want to create awareness around this.

Representatives from the three states spoke on impact of the implementation and challenges in the States.

The permanent secretary, Niger State Planning Commission, and chairperson, State Committee on Food and Nutrition, Niger State, Mrs. Ramatu Musa, said the state was making progress and recording improvement in the implementation.

Health Tips

Caring for Parents, Keeping Them Healthy

When caring for an older adult, it's important not to overlook routine care -- stuff that seems obvious but that may not be on your radar. Here is a rundown of what to keep in mind.

Everyone needs regular checkups. But some older adults (and young ones, too) reason that since they just saw the doctor last month about that sinus problem, they don't need to go again. A visit to the doctor for a specific problem, however, doesn't take the place of a complete checkup.

Know your mother's baseline -- what's "normal" for them. Some older adults have a lower normal body temperature than 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit, and others have had chronic problems throughout their lives. Be familiar with Mom's "default setting."

Your Health



Omotosho

Hepatitis: Know Your Status, Reduce Your Risk

BY PATIENCE IVIE IHEJIRIKA, Abuja

Hepatitis is an inflammation of the liver. The liver is a vital organ that processes nutrients, filters the blood, and fights infections. When the liver is inflamed or damaged, its function can be affected.

Hepatitis can be caused by at least five viruses but the most common ones are hepatitis A, B, and C. Each type has different characteristics, and are transmitted in different ways.

Also, recreational drugs and prescription medications can cause hepatitis.

Symptoms

Infectious forms of hepatitis that are chronic, like hepatitis B and C may not show symptoms until the damage affects liver function.

For acute hepatitis, the signs symptoms appear quickly and they include fatigue, flu-like symptoms, dark urine, pale stool, abdominal pain, loss of appetite, unexplained weight loss, yellow skin and eyes.

Treatment

Hepatitis A usually does not require treatment because it's a short-term illness. The vaccine is available for children between 12 and 18 months. Vaccination for hepatitis A is also available for adults and it can be combined with the hepatitis B vaccine.

For acute hepatitis B, there is no specific treatment. However, chronic hepatitis B is treated with antiviral medications. The good news is that hepatitis B can be prevented with vaccination.

For Hepatitis C, antiviral medications are used to treat both acute and chronic forms.

The president, Hepatitis Zero Nigeria Commission, Dr. Mike Omotosho, has therefore stressed the need for people to know their status, saying that majority of the 18 million Nigerians estimated to be living with viral hepatitis do not know that they are infected, thereby placing them at greater risk for severe, even fatal complications from the disease and increasing the likelihood that they will spread the virus to others.

He said viral hepatitis is a major cause of liver cirrhosis and liver cancer in Nigeria.

"In Nigeria, there is a strong relationship between (HBV) infection and various forms of Chronic Liver Disease (CLD), including chronic hepatitis, liver cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma," said Omotosho.

The overall risk factors in the country include local circumcision, and scarification on the body, tribal marks, surgical procedures, body piercing, delivery at home and receiving blood transfusion, said Omotosho.

He said eliminating hepatitis by 2030 as contained in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs,) will require enduring innovation, better access to medicines, and improved health services.

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YSFON's Hammer Dangles On Non-Performing State Executives

BY SALIFU USMAN, Abuja

The national president of the Youth Sports Federation of Nigeria (YSFON), Dr Nasiru Gawuna has sent a strong warning signal to the states executive members in 36 states of the country and Federal Capital Territory (FCT) who have not been alive to their responsibilities these past years to sit up or get dissolved.

In a release signed by the national secretary of YSFON, Mr Patrick Okpavuerhe, and made available to media on Tuesday, Gawuna said the foremost youth Sports body can no longer fold its arms to see non-performing states executives deprive Nigerian youths the opportunity of reaping the benefits of sports development

He said the central working committee (CWC) under the lead-

ership of the met during the just concluded Ramat Cup U-16 boys Tournament in Kano and decided that all state executive members must forward the names and designations of their members to the national secretariat within two weeks.

Failure to comply, the State body will be deemed to be non-existent and will be dissolved accordingly.

YSFON says the move is in line with its aims and objectives and

with the intention to reposition the entire body for effective performance.

Reports say the CWC is frowning seriously at the carefree attitude of some States Executive members who have been idle and not participated in any national sports events or programmes for over five years, this YSFON feels is a great disservice to the youths and the nation at large.



Gawuna



L-R: President, Lagos Polo Club, Ayo Olashoju; managing director of PoloLuxury Group, John Obayuwana and tournament manager, Lagos Polo Club, Seyi Oyinola, during the recently concluded Lagos International Polo Tournament 2022 sponsored by the Polo Luxury Group in Lagos.

Pololuxury Partners Lagos Polo As Official Timekeeper

With the return of the prestigious Lagos International Polo Tournament, PoloLuxury is bringing to the iconic game over three decades of experience in delivering precise and reliable results as the Official Timekeeper.

PoloLuxury, Nigeria's foremost connoisseurs of luxury yesterday signed a sponsorship agreement as the Official Timekeeper for the Lagos International Tournament, 2022. With a wealth of experience in sports timekeeping, Polo will enjoy extraordinary visibility at the tournament as it records the dreams of athletes who have travelled from far and wide to compete for glory.

The 'Game of Kings' as it is popularly called, the Lagos International Polo Tournament has become the flagship of polo competition from Nigeria and across the world. Received into Lagos,

Nigeria with great passion, the game has continued to attract the country's royalty, elites, politicians and other highly influential dignitaries. Through numerous sponsorships, the game has developed tremendously over the years with expansions into the northern and southern parts of the country.

John Obayuwana, Polo Limited said, "PoloLuxury is proud to celebrate and honour our longstanding relationship with Polo, the King of Sports. The core values of the game; integrity, quality, teamwork, and commitment resonate with the values of PoloLuxury."

PoloLuxury is the official and authorized retailer for some of the most prestigious Swiss watch brands in the world which include Rolex, Cartier, Piaget, Chopard, Longines, IWC, among others.

'Onus On Sports Ministry To End NBBF Crisis'

BY SALIFU USMAN, Abuja

Former board member of the Nigeria Basketball Federation (NBBF), Alhaji Mustapha Liman, has stated that the responsibility for resolving the lingering leadership crisis in Nigeria's basketball lies on the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development.

He applauded the neutrality position of the Sports Ministry in the crisis, describing such a stand of the Ministry as the only panacea toward resolving the protracted leadership tussle.

Liman, who spoke to journalists in Abuja on Tuesday, said the leadership problem in the NBBF is local and hence local solutions should be employed in resolving the issue.

The former basketball player and coach however believed that some selfish Nigerians are using FIBA as a pawn in escalating the crisis.

He noted that those entrusted to

administer basketball in the country killed the game and that fresh and young minds should come on board to salvage the sport.

"What is happening in Nigeria's basketball is so sad, but I am happy that the Ministry is taking the right decision. From all indications; the ministry has shown that they are neutral.

"The best thing to do now is that the Ministry should organize a fresh election using their guidelines as applicable to other federations; and not the satanic document they are calling the constitution.

"Engr Musa Kida has been on the board of NBBF since 1997, he is the longest serving board member but unfortunately with nothing to show. It was very sad for what happened five years ago when the game was hijacked. They killed the league and they started depending on foreign players," Liman stated.

The former Niger Potter coach also queried why Kida has not settled the allowances and bonuses owed the D'Tigress, despite interventions from the Sports Ministry and the National Assembly after the international embarrassment his action brought to the country.

Akhigbe Eulogises Ojeagbase, Says He Was A Brave Man

Tony Akhigbe, the Editor-In-Chief of Nigeria Golf People, a fortnightly golf magazine, has eulogised late Emmanuel Sunny Ojeagbase, describing him as an achingly sweet and polite man that he ought to have been canonized by the Pope.

Akhigbe said the late founder and executive chairman of Complete Communications Limited, publishers of Complete Sports newspapers, was equally brave in turning sports writing from one

boring literature to an art of uncommon prose laced with savvy and panache.

"I was still studying Mass Communication at the Auchi Polytechnic when feats of SO's bravery were already filtering in from the village. This was a man who had the audacity to walk away from the Army and pitched tents with the nation's sports journalism without batting an eyelid. Not just this but he turned sports writing from one boring literature to an art of uncommon prose laced with savvy and panache," Akhigbe said.

He said late Ojeagbase exercised prudence and he was simplistic to the point of absurdity. "He hated it when you were hell bent on doing what others were doing. He got easily influ-

riated when your 'story hunting' had to do with Press Conferences where free foods and booze and 'keske' were shared. 'Keske' took the place of 'brown envelope' at the time... you really want me to spell this out?

"SO was always telling us, his reporters then ... just four of us... myself, late Dave Enechukwu, Frank Ilaboya and Phil, that we were a weekly paper and that our stories should reflect exclusivity.

"Above everything, SO respected the power of faith. Interestingly, coincidence was a concept he did not entirely trust. He believed true success was the experience of the miraculous. He always mentioned that if you lacked guts, glory could be far from you. He wanted you to apply guts so you could do new things."

16 Players Go Into Camping As KIFA Unveils Arewa Youth Cup

BY ISIAH BENJAMIN, KADUNA

The Kanu International Football Academy (KIFA) has unveiled the Arewa Youth Cup to be competed for by no fewer than 100 teams

across the northern region.

The immediate past chairman of the Sunshine Stars and director general KIFA, Prince Dapo Ajibade, said the academy has over 120 centers across the coun-

try with over 3000 players in those centers doing well.

He said some of the players have left the shores of the country playing professional football abroad.

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BEING IN A SHIP IS LIKE BEING IN A JAIL, WITH THE OPTION OF DROWNING.

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Gender, Injustice And Legislative 'Just Us!'

Growing up in Nigeria, I have seen and read stories of women across the country who, against all odds, proved that they can hold their own against the men folk. Despite our largely patriarchal society, which is clearly sprinkled with misogyny here and there, some women have been able to surmount the several challenges society has erected before them. Age-long held patriarchal narratives such as "a woman's place is in the kitchen" designed to subjugate women to a single role have consistently been challenged by generations of women across Nigeria.

One of Nigeria's famed Matriarchs is Amina, Queen of Zazzau. She was the archetypal Nigerian female Matriarch. Born in the 16th century, she ascended the throne after the death of her brother Karami in 1576. When her brother was King, she distinguished herself as a leading warrior in his cavalry, gaining notoriety in the process for her military skills. It is a fact that under her reign, Zazzau controlled more territory than ever before.

To mark and protect her domain, she had her cities surrounded by earthen walls known as "ganuwar Amina" (Amina's walls) which are still visible to this day. In testament of her heroism, she is still celebrated today in traditional Hausa praise songs as "Amina daughter of Nikatau, a woman as capable as a man that was able to lead men to war." While she led men to victories in battles, conquered and expanded their territories, in death, patriarchy vultures swooped in.

As the British historian Michael Crowder has noted, after her death "... ruling class Hausa women experienced a steady diminution in their influence and were systematically deprived of their authority and autonomy. The traditional titles and offices relating to authority over women and redress of their grievances have now become nominal or may have been discarded all together."

"The Lioness of Lisabi" is another notable modern Nigerian woman that was revered and said "NO" to patriarchy. During the 1940s, Funmilayo Ransome-Kuti established the Abeokuta Women's Union and advocated for women's rights, demanding better representation of women in local governing bodies and an end to unfair taxes on market women. She is known to have led marches and protests of up to 10,000 women, forcing the ruling "Alake" to temporarily ab-



dicate his throne in 1949.

As her political influence grew, she took part in Nigeria's independence movement, attending conferences and joining overseas delegations to discuss proposed national constitutions. Spearheading the creation of the Nigerian Women's Union and the Federation of Nigerian Women's Societies, she advocated for Nigerian women's right to vote and became a noted member of international peace and women's rights movements.

There have been other women following in the footsteps of Queen Amina and Funmilayo Ransome-Kuti across the country. However, while such women have overcome societal obstacles with great acclaim individually, as a whole they haven't been able to achieve much against their male counterparts. Thus, the playing field needs to be level, opening opportunities for all, including women. This was the hope on 1st March 2022, when lawmakers of the 9th Assembly gathered in both chambers for the Constitutional Amendment exercise.

However, by the time the dust settled, the hope was dashed, ultimately becoming a sad day for Nigerian women. Despite extensive lobbying, sensitization, consultation, negotiation, and advocacy, the 9th National Assembly joined erstwhile Assemblies to literally legitimize the discrimination of women. Of the 68 Bills proposed for amending different provisions of the 1999 Constitution, five were directly related to gender equality covering Citizenship, Affirmative Action, Special Seats for Women and Indigenization. It is particularly worrisome that this happened on the first day of international women's month, corresponding with International Women's Day on March 8th.

One of the bills captioned "Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to Provide for Special Seat

for Women in the National and State Houses of Assembly; and for Related Matters," failed after a majority of the lawmakers voted against it. In the Senate, the bill was defeated with 58 votes out of 91 while in the House, 208 out of 290 lawmakers voted against it. It is really tragic and saddening that every gender-based amendment was rejected. The outcome of the voting made it seem as if the legislature was waging a gender war against women.

The overall implication of rejecting this gender related constitutional amendments by lawmakers is perhaps legitimizing discrimination, chauvinism, misogyny, patriarchy and bigotry. The question needs to be asked, why are they threatened by breaching the gender gap?

Deep into this fourth Republic, we must realize that democracy is not democratic without some semblance of equity. And while women in politics experience discrimination and intimidation, women must be free to reach their full potential, campaign, hold political office and speak out on behalf of their constituents, free from the kind of discriminatory and legislative retribution just witnessed in Nigeria.

Studies on women, politics and power in the new media landscape, calls women's proportional representation in government a precondition for truly inclusive and representative democracies. Women's representation in government improves policymaking and increases the public's trust in the institutions where they serve. Opportunities for women's voices and leadership at all levels of decision-making have been globally acknowledged as vital contributors to more prosperous and stable societies. And with more balanced societies, there's a higher chance of being able to gain peace and prosperity in our collective community. The Nigerian lawmakers need to truly appreciate these realities.

All over the world, women are holding political positions and accomplishing great feats. According to the latest edition of the 'Women in Parliament' report by the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Rwanda remains the world's leading country with the most number of women in government positions. Besides the 61% of the country's parliamentary seats being occupied by women, the report also ranked Rwanda as the 6th country with women holding 50% or more ministerial positions. While Rwanda is the only African country in this year's top ten leading countries with women in politics, there were only two parliaments where women account for above 50% of the seats. They include Cuba and the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

With Nigeria's population of women, reputed to be more than men, it is egregious that women are underrepresented in protecting their interest. The benefit of increased agency and representation in society and in public life is that women are better able to raise the profile of key issues including reproductive rights, childcare, maternity, equal pay, parental leave, family oriented matters, pensions; and broader development issues such as the alleviation of poverty and delivery of services.

Across the country, women are grossly underrepresented in leading positions, whether in elected office, the civil service, the private sector, or academia. This occurs despite their proven abilities as leaders and agents of change, and their right to participate equally in democratic governance. Women also face several obstacles to participating in political life such as structural barriers through discriminatory laws and institutions still limit women's options to run for office.

In the wake of the lawmakers' decision, women groups understandably took their grouse to the gates of the National Assembly in protest,

accusing the legislators of discriminating against females. Without giving up and acquiesce to the status quo, they asked lawmakers to take another look at the requests for 111 seats for women, citizenship, 35% representation in party leadership, more appointive positions in government, and vote in favor of these amendments.

I wish to lend my voice to the cries of the several women that are calling for a re-committal of the gender bills that were voted against so they can be reconsidered and voted on again in the hopes of favorable outcomes.

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GHANA MUST GO

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