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Jonathan: Why I did not sack service chiefs

By Mohammed S. Shehu

'MANY people' brought pressure to bear on him to sack the military service chiefs but he resisted the pressure because the political interest of the nation was at stake, President Goodluck Jonathan said in Ibadan yesterday. He was speaking at the Molete Baptist Church, Ibadan at

the 60th birthday thanksgiving service for Oyo State Governor Adebayo Alao-Akala.

He said even though he was told that the service chiefs could work against his elevation as president, he decided to take the risk at the expense of his position and "today we have succeeded."

Jonathan said, "I remember when I was

made Acting President; so many people advised that I remove the service chiefs because they will remove me the next day. I told them that look, we are still hoping that Nigeria will stabilise politically. First is for the democratic system to stabilise and if I remove the service chiefs as acting president, which I could have done by mere pro-

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A suspect, Stanley Peter, in front of 143 bags of cannabis, the largest seizure since the inception of the state headquarters of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) at Nsugbe in Anambra State, yesterday.

Arewa Alliance to buy Unity Bank

By Habeeb I. Pindiga

A consortium made up mainly of seasoned Northern businessmen is in talks with the board of directors of Unity Bank, offering to pay N11 bil-

lion for a 40 per cent stake in the bank, which has until the end of this month to recapitalise.

The Arewa Investment Alliance, led by a former senator, has on its board top businessmen and retired

public officers who excelled in their various callings, one of the promoters told *Daily Trust* in Abuja.

He said when they decided to make a bid for Unity Bank, they set up the investment alliance, which

is a special purpose vehicle, and made a presentation to the bank's board on their intention to come in as core investor so as to help it meet the Central Bank of Nigeria **Continued on page 5**

Deji of Akure suspended, opens up on rift with wife

From Adewale Giwa, Akure

ONDO monarch, the Deji of Akure, Oba Oluwadere Adesina, was yesterday suspended by the Ondo State Council of Obas over Sunday's physical exchange with his wife, Bolanle.

The chairman of the council, the Olowo of Owo, Oba Folagbade Olateru-Olagbegi, who made the announcement after a meeting of the chieftaincy committee of the council, condemned the behaviour of the Deji.

In a statement, Oba Folagbade Adegbegi said the decision to suspend Adesina from the council was taken after examination of available evidence. Adegbegi who said the committee after examining all evidence and materials including reports from newspapers, petitions written to the council, the press release from the Deji and other

independent investigations on the issue, observed that the incident was unfortunate and strange to the sacred and exalted royal stools in the state.

"The Deji of Akure is suspended in the interim from the council pending a fuller investigation into the matter and a final position of the state government on it," he said.

Before then, the suspended monarch opened up on the rift. He had not uttered a word since Sunday when the incident took place, telling journalists who went to his palace for his own side of the case to go and publish whatever they had.

But the Deji yesterday in statement accused his Olori of terminating a six month pregnancy, saying he was not even sure of the paternity of her two children. Oba Adesina in the press statement signed by him was however not specific on whether he

was at the scene of the incident. He said on that day, instructions were given to perform the traditional rites to formally remove her as an Olori and stop her from dressing like one.

Adesina explained that in an attempt to perform the traditional rites, his estranged wife got annoyed and resisted being deprived of her status, saying this aggravated her as she joined hands with his four brothers to vandalise the vehicles brought by the palace chiefs to her residence.

"Miss Bolanle Fadeyi was an Olori about nine months ago, during the relationship she proved to be unreliable, unfaithful and a pathological liar. She is wild, very promiscuous and engaged in physical fights with every resident in the palace. She is a terror and became an embarrassment to the royal house of the Deji of Akure," he said.

The monarch explained further

that all other accounts which were published by his estranged wife in the newspapers were "just a figment of her periodic hallucination as the Olori is being treated in a psychiatric hospital for mental related issues".

He said the mental instability of the Olori was capitalised on by the Lisa of Akure, Folounso Davies to fund her newspaper and radio campaign for reasons best known to them. Meanwhile, the Lisa of Akure, Folounso Davies, who is the traditional Prime Minister of the land, has said the days of Oba Adesina as the paramount ruler of Akure were numbered. He said, "Adesina's days are numbered. All what he is saying is just to cover up for his atrocities. All what is saying is like the saying of a drowning man looking for what to hang on to". The chairman of Nigeria Union Of Journalists, Mr. Dele Atunbi, described the

monarch's statement as unfounded and uncomplimentary.

"Journalists in Ondo State are of high moral value whose conscience cannot be bought, they are professionals in their field," said Atunbi.

He said when the story broke, he personally called Oba Adesina for his own side of the story, and his response was that journalists should go ahead and write whatever they wanted, stressing that the matter to him was a domestic affair. In a related development, the state police command has commenced full scale investigation into the matter.

The command in a press statement signed by the public relations officer, ASP Aremu Adeniran, stated that the commissioner had set up an investigation team on the incident, pointing out that the matter was purely a criminal case and not a domestic affair.

Akunyili challenges Nigerian editors

From Muhammad Bello, Port Harcourt

NIGERIAN editors have been challenged to raise the scrutiny bar of the stories their reporters file in order to further deepen the country's democracy.

Information and Communications Minister Dora Akunyili gave the challenge yesterday at the opening of the sixth All Nigerian Editors Conference holding in Port Harcourt, Rivers State. "I know that bad news is news, but let us try to make some good news," the minister said, stressing, "After 50 years Nigeria has a lot of work in progress and journalists have a serious role to play in this regard."

Appealing to the editors to enlist in the effort to rebrand Nigeria, the minister said she acknowledges that Nigeria has challenges, "yet the down tide does not summarise our biography". In his remarks, Rivers State Governor Rotimi Amaechi urged the editors to educate Nigerians on the need for the deregulation of the oil and gas sector.

Amaechi who reiterated the need for fiscal discipline emphasized that journalists must take seriously, their role of agenda setting as the nation is on the threshold of another transition. He applauded the Federal Government's amnesty programme for Niger Delta militants, saying his government was committed to militancy and the judicious use of resources.

In his remarks, the chairman of the occasion, who is also the leader of the Arewa Consultative Forum, retired General IBM Haruna also applauded the Federal Government's amnesty programme.

The theme of the conference billed to close Sunday is, "Oil and Gas, Post Amnesty and the Nigerian Editor."



FROM left: Emeka Onwuka, Managing Director, Igwe Nnaemeka Achebe (Obi of Onitsha) Chairman and Nkechi Nwosu, Company Secretary of Diamond Bank Plc at the bank's 19th annual general meeting in Uyo, Akwa Ibom State, yesterday.

Cholera kills 4 in Adamawa

From Ibrahim Muhammad, Yola

GOVERNMENT health officials say a cholera outbreak has killed four persons in Yola, Adamawa State after taking contaminated water.

45 cases were recently reported across the 21 local government areas of the state.

Already, a team of medical personnel from the state Ministry of Health

has been dispatched to the area. Local reports said eight persons were feared dead while government officials said four died.

The Commissioner for Health Dr Zainab Baba Kwonchi told *Daily Trust* yesterday, "Only four people died and it is attributed to drinking of contaminated water and poor hygiene. The residents rely on only two commercial boreholes

which are grossly inadequate while others resort to open wells," she said.

She said field investigation and laboratory confirmation were being undertaken simultaneously as part of measures to control the cholera outbreak.

Last year, almost at the same period, an outbreak of the disease claimed 77 lives across the northern part of the state out of the 934 persons affected.

1999 election produced crooked leaders – Lamido

From Yusha'u A Ibrahim, Dutse

JIGAWA State Governor Alhaji Sule Lamido yesterday said although the 1999 general election was a little bit free and fair, it produced crooked leaders in the country more than

did the elections in 2003 and 2007, just as he said, Nigerian democracy was defined by military culture.

Speaking at the official opening of the National Executive Council meeting of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) in Dutse,

Governor Lamido said the 1999 election was better than that of the 2003 and 2007 in terms of fairness and credibility.

Lamido said for the country to move democratically, the culture and values of democracy must

be understood, respected and implemented. He noted that legal practitioners have a great role to play in the Nigerian democracy because they are part and parcel of the nation's politicking.

Also speaking, the NBA

National President, Chief Oluwarotimi Akuree reiterated the Association's willingness to ensure that credible election is conducted come 2011, saying, "anything outside credible election might not augur well for the country."

PIC: OGECHI OHALEE



THE traditional ruler's son, Abubakar Buhari on his sick bed yesterday.

Police shoot student in Abuja

By Ogechi Ohalee

THE son of a traditional ruler in Kebbi State was Wednesday night shot by a police man close to Utako Police Station in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Abuja.

Abubakar Buhari, who is the son of the District head of Jega Alhaji Muhammadu Arzika, is a student of Gwarinpa Secondary School, Abuja.

His uncle, Malam Haruna Abubakar, said on the fateful day, Abubakar was driving his car to take food to a sick friend when he brushed a Toyota Carina car and the vehicle owner began to shout 'thief', and some mobile policemen in a Peugeot 406 car fired at the student as he was about to stop.

"The sound of gunshots frightened the student and he drove close to the Utako Police Station, where a police inspector shot him on the shoulder. The police then took him to the hospital after discovering his real identity," the uncle said.

He said the police abandoned the student in the hospital, while he had been operated on and is presently receiving blood transfusion. A doctor at Wuse General Hospital said the bullets have been removed from the student, who lost a lot of blood.

"It is unfortunate, we have tried our best and he will recover by God's grace," the doctor stated.

Alhaji Abubakar S. Mohammed, a relative, wondered why the student was shot close to a police station, adding that the student spends his after school hours working in his electrical shop.

"He is good in anything electrical work and I believe Allah saved him because he is innocent," Mohammed said.

Aliyu, a classmate of the victim, described him as a honest and hardworking person, while other students numbering 15 kept vigil at the entrance to the ward. The Divisional Police Officer of Utako Police Station CSP Ogedegbe said the matter has been transferred to the FCT Police Command.

Spokesman of the FCT Police Command SP Moshood Jimoh said the student was hit by a stray bullet, adding that the police heard a report of a one chance suspect and pursued them and mistakenly thought the student was the suspect and fired at him.

"The policeman shot in good faith with an intention to injure the suspect and never knew the person shot at was innocent," Jimoh said.

He said immediately after the incident, the real suspect was arrested and he apologised for the shooting.

Siemens: EFCC grills perm sec, NITEL officials

By Boco Edet

PERMANENT Secretary of the Power & Steel Ministry Engr. S.M Mahmood and two serving officials of the Nigerian Telecommunications Company (NITEL) made official statements before operatives of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) yesterday on the 17.5million euros bribery case.

NITEL officials interrogated were a Director, Allah Bamulafiya and General Manager, E.C Ossai. This makes a total of nine government functionaries besides three former ministers who have been questioned.

They were brought before EFCC on allegations that Siemens bribed them with money, air tickets and estacode to secure telecoms contracts in Nigeria between 2000 and 2006.

EFCC's spokesman Femi Babafemi confirmed the officials were at EFCC to honour invitations extended to them.

Already the Commission obtained the statements of two ex-Ministers of Communication- current Deputy National Chairman of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) Dr. Bello Haliru Mohammed and retired Major General Tajudeen Olanrewaju last week. Chief Cornelius Adebayo, also an ex-Minister sought permission to address a medical problem at an undisclosed hospital in Canada but he had already been quizzed over the matter.

Court records in Germany and the United States some of the countries where the telecommunications company has been fined several millions of dollars have revealed that a torrent of payments streamed to well-placed officials around the globe through a web of secret accounts and shadowy consultants.

Top Siemens management staff whose names were mentioned in the bribery scandal exposed in 2007 have been invited by EFCC next Monday for interrogation.

ECOWAS seeks power to make binding laws

By Aisha Umar Agaie

WEST African Heads of State have refused to support the ECOWAS parliament to have power to make binding laws because of their excesses and abuse of power practices, chairman of Committee on Political Affairs, Peace and Security of the ECOWAS Parliament Stephen Kwaku Balado Manu has said.

He made the statement at the closing of the ordinary session of the ECOWAS parliament in Abuja yesterday after reading the draft report of committee.

He said ECOWAS laws are outdated because it was formed at a time when most of the heads of state of ECOWAS region were military, so ECOWAS parliament is not given the right to make binding laws or power to check the affairs of the executives.

"ECOWAS parliament is a talk-show without implementation, we must seek for power to make binding laws ourselves, our heads of states will never grant us the power without much pressure, because they do not want us to sanction some of them in their dubious acts".

Senator Ibrahim Sodangi said "we have constraints on our jurisdiction, we only advice and when it is not taken there is nothing we can do" adding that "The commission does not want us to have enormous power where we can govern the whole region after our national powers."

Senator Bukar Abba Ibrahim said the legislature is not always in the good book of the executive, "because they believe we verify their work, but we need to go beyond them, with our collective power pursue national interest for the sake of the entire West African region."

S/Court to rule on Sokoto guber poll today

By Adelanwa Bamgboye

THE Supreme Court will today deliver final judgment in the appeal filed by the candidate of the DPP Maigari Dingyadi challenging the election of Aliyu Magatakarda Wamakko as governor of Sokoto State.

The DPP candidate had prayed the SCN through his

counsel Lateef Fagbemi (SAN) to set aside its own order made 15 March 2010 and dismiss the whole suit.

Fagbemi's motion was however opposed by INEC counsel, Yahaya Mamoud, and counsel to Gov Wamakko, Chief Wole Olanipekun (SAN) and Alex Iziyon (SAN).

The crux of the matter is the interpretation of the judgment delivered on April 11, 2008, by the Kaduna

Division of the Court of Appeal which nullified the April 14, 2007, gubernatorial election and ordered a re-run election.

In the 2007 election, Wamakko reportedly polled 392,258 votes to Dingyadi who polled 296,419 votes. In the 2008 re-run election, Wamakko polled 562,392 votes to Dingyadi's 124,046 votes.

SNG, CODER, TMG, demand new voters' register

By Muideen Olaniyi

A coalition of groups committed to electoral issues in Nigeria yesterday tasked President Goodluck Jonathan to ensure that every vote counts by immediately working on a plan for the compilation of a new voters register.

The groups which comprise the Coalition of Democrats for Electoral Reform (CODER), Alliance for Credible Elections (ACE), Save Nigeria Group (SNG), Transition Monitoring Group (TMG), Campaign for Democracy (CD) and Voters Assembly (VA) made their position known as a joint press conference addressed in Abuja.

They said the setting up of appropriate machinery for the compilation of a genuinely new digitalized voters register was necessary because the current register has been constructed on 'deliberate technically faulty, inconsistent and perverted data resources'.

The groups appealed to President Jonathan to consider the constitution of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) along the recommendations of Uwais Panel as a matter of urgent national importance.

They said a credible leadership of INEC must do all that is required to turn into reality the President's avowed commitment to return integrity to the ballot box again, noting that Nigerians have exhibited near total national consensus that Justice Uwais Panel's recommendations would enhance Nigeria's capacity to guarantee that every vote count.

"Going by this fact, there is no way INEC can go into the cleaning of any register as mentioned over the weekend by Mr. Solomon Deji Soyebi (Acting Chairman of INEC).

Yerima saga: Shariah council sues NHRC, Mark, Bankole

By Atika Balal

THE controversy over Senator Ahmed Sani Yarima's marriage to an Egyptian girl has taken another turn as the Registered Trustees of Supreme Council for Shariah in Nigeria has sued the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) alongside the heads of the two chambers of the National Assembly before an Abuja Federal High Court.

The council is seeking the enforcement of Yarima's right to private and family life and right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion as guaranteed under sections 37 and 38 of the 1999 constitution, being one of their members. In a motion on notice filed through its counsel, Mohammed Sani Katu, the council is seeking a declaration that the acts of Senate President David Mark and Speaker of the House of Representatives Dimeji

Bankole in investigating Senator Yarima's marriage amounts to infringement of his right to privacy and family and right to practice his religion as enshrined in the Nigerian constitution 1999.

The council wants a declaration that the acts of the NHRC in relying on section 21 of the Child Right Act 2003 for the basis of writing a petition to the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives against Senator Yarima's marriage is in conflict with sections 37 and 38 of the 1999 constitution and should be declared invalid, null and void for being inconsistent with the provisions of the Nigerian constitution.

El-Rufai: Forum insists on PDP NWC's dissolution

By Muideen Olaniyi

A member of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) Reform Forum and former Minister of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Mallam Nasir El-Rufai yesterday said that the Forum has not dropped the call for the dissolution of the PDP National Working Committee (NWC).

El-Rufai said this while fielding questions from journalists as a member of the Forum's five-man team to PDP National Secretariat which was led by former Minister of Transport Abiye Sekibo.

When asked if the Forum has dropped the call for the dissolution of NWC, he replied: "We have not. We are still under discussion. Everything is still under discussion, nothing has been changed."

El-Rufai, who said that the meeting with PDP national leadership exposed some unannounced reforms being carried out by the party, underscored the need for more reforms in the ruling party.



PRESIDENT Goodluck Jonathan acknowledging cheers from the crowd during his official visit to Oyo State yesterday. With him is the State Governor Adebayo Alao Akala.

Bankole denies exchanging blows with Ogunewe

As SSS quizzes Ogunewe

By Turaki A. Hassan

SPEAKER of the House of Reps Dimeji Bankole and Rep. Independence Ogunewe did not exchange blows with each other as reported, Special Adviser on Communications to the Speaker, Kayode Odunaro, has said.

Odunaro said in a statement yesterday that "We wish to state with all emphasis that while it is the duty of Mr. Speaker, Rt. Hon. Dimeji Bankole as the leader of the House to ensure peace and orderly conduct in the affairs of

the House at plenary using conciliatory overtures to any aggrieved member, it is beneath his exalted office to engage in violent altercation with his members."

He said media organisations should enforce the practice of sticking to facts in journalism in the public service of dissemination of information.

Operatives of the State Security Services (SSS) yesterday quizzed Rep. Independence Ogunewe (PDP, Imo) over his feud with the Speaker on Wednesday.

Rep. Ogunewe was sported entering the SSS

office at the basement of the National Assembly building at 11.40 am accompanied by the Chief Security Officer to the Speaker, identified as Nnaemeka and four operatives of the service.

Ogunewe who had a long frosty relationship with Bankole came out of the office about 10 minutes later and declined to speak with newsmen who accosted him and inquired to know what transpired between him and the operatives but just waved to the journalists and headed into the House chamber.

Daily Trust gathered that the Director General of the

service Afakriya Gadzama was at the National Assembly in person to handle the matter.

Confirming the interrogation of the Rep. Ogunewe by the SSS, Chairman House Committee on Information Rep. Esemey Eyibo (PDP, Akwa Ibom), said that the issue of assault is in the country's criminal statutes and that it was in order to interrogate.

On why the speaker was not equally quizzed, Eyibo said there was no need to interrogate Bankole since Ogunewe never denied assaulting the speaker.

Daily Trust is an objective newspaper — Sanusi

By Jibrin Abubakar & Idris Ahmed

CENTRAL Bank of Nigeria (CBN) governor Sanusi Lamido Sanusi has described the Daily Trust as an objective newspaper that is very pragmatic in addressing issues.

Sanusi said this yesterday when the management of Media Trust Limited, led by Managing Director/

Chief Operating Officer Alhaji Ishaq Ajibola, visited him in Abuja.

The CBN governor said he was one of the pioneer writers of Weekly Trust and appreciates the ways Trust titles approach issues even though he sometimes disagrees with their reports.

"I don't agree with everything you have done. You people almost put me in trouble by publishing

the story that I wanted to be the Emir of Kano. I can deal with every other headline but not that; it was very close to home," he said.

He said he has been following Daily Trust reports all along, adding that it is not an opposition paper but a paper that balances its reports.

"It did not really acquire the image of an opposition newspaper. In fact, the

inspiration was a radical, and progressive and anti-military. The approach was very pragmatic," he said.

Speaking, the Managing Director/COO of Media Trust Alhaji Ajibola said the Media Trust papers appreciate the reforms going on in the banking sector and said the paper would continue to identify with CBN and its leadership.

PHOTO: KENNEDY EGBONODJE



CHAIRMAN, Board of Directors, Cadbury Nigeria Plc Atedo Peterside (middle) flanked by Managing Director, Alan Palmer (left) and Company Secretary Olamide Abudu during Cadbury's annual general meeting in Abuja yesterday.

Arewa Alliance to buy Unity Bank

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deadline to shore up its capital base.

A spokesman for Unity Bank yesterday confirmed the bank was talking to a consortium of prospective investors, but said no conclusions have been reached yet. "There are interested investor groups among which includes a consortium comprising mostly of people from the North who want to invest about N11 billion in Unity Bank. Discussions are on-going at the moment," head of corporate affairs Aliyu Ma'aji said.

A source within the Arewa Investment Alliance however said the consortium opened an escrow account with Unity Bank and has so far deposited a "substantial amount", adding that they expect to complete payment of the N11 billion by the end of this week.

Once the payment is completed, the source said, the bank is expected to notify the regulators—CBN and Securities and Exchange Commission. He said the intent is to plough in enough funds and lead the bank to profitability.

The source also said the bank has now stabilised after an unprecedented merger of nine banks and that the alliance would move the bank to the next stage of growth and profitability. "We want to come and make the bank grow and join the league of the top banks," he said.

CBN in October last year released an audit report that said Unity Bank had insufficient capital but was not "in a grave situation because it has a healthy liquidity position." The bank was given until June 30 to recapitalise to meet 10 per cent capital adequacy ratio.

As part of moves to meet up the capital requirement, the bank opened a rights issue on Monday of 23 billion ordinary shares of 50 kobo each at N1 per share. The offer closes on June 25. Apart from the rights issue, the bank is diluting public sector holding and has also realised N4 billion from the sale of its assets.

Re: Aminu Dantata's son dies

WE wish to state that our story with the above title, published on page 6 of the *Daily Trust* of June 1, 2010, contained the phrase that the late Hussain "showed signs of depression" on the day he died.

This phrase was based on the comments made by his friend Mohammed Bello Iliyasu. Members of the Aminu Dantata family have since clarified that Hussain was a happy youth who was not at any point in time depressed.

His sister Hajiya Zainab told *Daily Trust* that Hussain died of a sudden cardiac arrest.

We regret any embarrassment the earlier report might have caused the family.

Why I did not sack service chiefs

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nouncement, and all of them would have left, but I said if I had removed them, my conscience will begin to prick me and I would not be comfortable that as a nation we have stabilised but let me leave them even at the expense of my own position and if by God's grace we succeed, Nigeria will say at least politically we have stabilised."

He particularly congratu-

lated the military for the role they played in stabilising democracy in the country, especially during the turbulent period of the nation's transition. "I have to thank the military because even with the turbulence today, we can say to a reasonable level we have stabilised politically. When I took over from my boss and swore in a vice president is an indication that the polity has come to stabilise," Jonathan said. He said next step was for politicians to conduct themselves in

a way they can earn the trust of the public.

Prelate of the Methodist Church, Archbishop Ola Makinde, who took the sermon, urged Jonathan to fulfil his pledge to Nigerians to conduct a free and fair election in 2011.

Makinde, who said Jonathan's elevation to the presidency was divinely ordained, urged him to continue to walk in the ways of God like King David in the discharge of his duties. The cleric

also urged the celebrant, Alao-Akala, to maintain a close relationship with God so that he can continue to enjoy the blessings of God.

Present at the ceremony were former President Olusegun Obasanjo, Osun State Governor Olugunsoye Oyinlola, Ekiti State Governor Segun Oni, Ogun State Governor Gbenga Daniel, former Ondo State Governor Olusegun Agagu and many top government functionaries.

Bankole reshuffles House committees

By Turaki A. Hassan

SPEAKER of the House of Representatives Dimeji Bankole announced some changes to the leadership of the 84 standing and special committees of the lower legislative chamber yesterday.

Those affected by the changes are Chairman of Committee on Inter and Intra party Relations Rep Gbenga Odunwale (PDP, Ogun), Vice Chairman, Committee on Niger Delta Rep. Gbenga Onigbogi (PDP), Vice Chairman House Committee on Housing and Habitat Rep Kayode Amusan (PDP, Ogun) and Vice Chairman, House Committee on Anti Corruption Rep. Asita Honourable (PDP, Rivers).

Beneficiaries of the changes include Rep Patrick Ikharile (PDP, Edo) who was elevated to Chairman, House Committee on Power; Rep. Onyema Ogochukwu (PDP, Abia) now head Committee on Works while Rep. Khadija Bukar Abba Ibrahim (ANPP, Yobe) is to chair the committee on Privatisation.

Others are Rep. Sa'ad Tahir (PDP, Adamawa) who chairs Committee on Army, while former

Chairman, House Committee on Customs and Excise Rep. Yakubu Dogara (PDP, Bauchi) was redeployed to chair the House Services Committee. Rep. Ahmed Aliyu Wadada has been moved from the Capital Market Committee to Information as Chairman.

Rep. Chinedu Eluemunoh (PDP, Anambra) has been appointed Chairman of Committee on Cooperation and Integration in Africa, Rep. Mohammed Almakura (PDP, Nasarawa) heads Committee on Housing and Urban Development, while Reps. Umar Buba Jibrin and Rufus Omeire are to serve as Chairmen of Capital Market and Inter and Intra party Committees respectively and Rep. Abdullahi Umar Faruk (PDP, Kebbi) is now the chairman House Committee on Customs and Excise. Speaker Bankole also hinted that more changes are underway when he said, "All other Chairmen and Deputy Chairmen of Committees that are not announced will be announced soonest."

Rep. Esemey Eyiboh (PDP, Akwa Ibom) told *Daily Trust* that the changes were made because the leadership noticed lopsidedness in committee composition contrary to federal character, non-performance by some committees and need assessment.

Resident doctors insist on June 22 strike

By Ruby Leo

RESIDENT doctors in government-owned hospitals nationwide have re-iterated their determination to proceed on an indefinite strike from June 22. The National Association of Resident Doctors of Nigeria (NARD) ended a three-day warning strike yesterday, insisting on the 21-day ultimatum for an indefinite strike should the government fail to meet their demands.

They are requesting that the federal government should, without delay, implement the new salary structure, adding that their action was informed by the insincerity of the government which agreed to implement the Consolidated Medical Salary Structure (CONMESS) for Medical and Dental Doctors from January 2010 only to announce a June 2010 commencement of the salary structure.

Finance houses escape with millions in Zamfara

From Sadeeq Aliyu, Gusau

PEOPLE who deposited money with newly established financial investment companies in Gusau got the shock of their lives yesterday, when they discovered that offices occupied by the financial firms had been deserted with none of their officials in sight. The investment companies which

started in Gusau barely three months ago promised the investors a 30 to 50 percent interest on deposits. A leaflet of one of the companies called Oil and Gas, indicated that for every N5,000 deposited, the depositor will collect N9,400 after 10 working days, while for Pyramid Global Network, a depositor who invests N5,000 will get N11,000 after 10

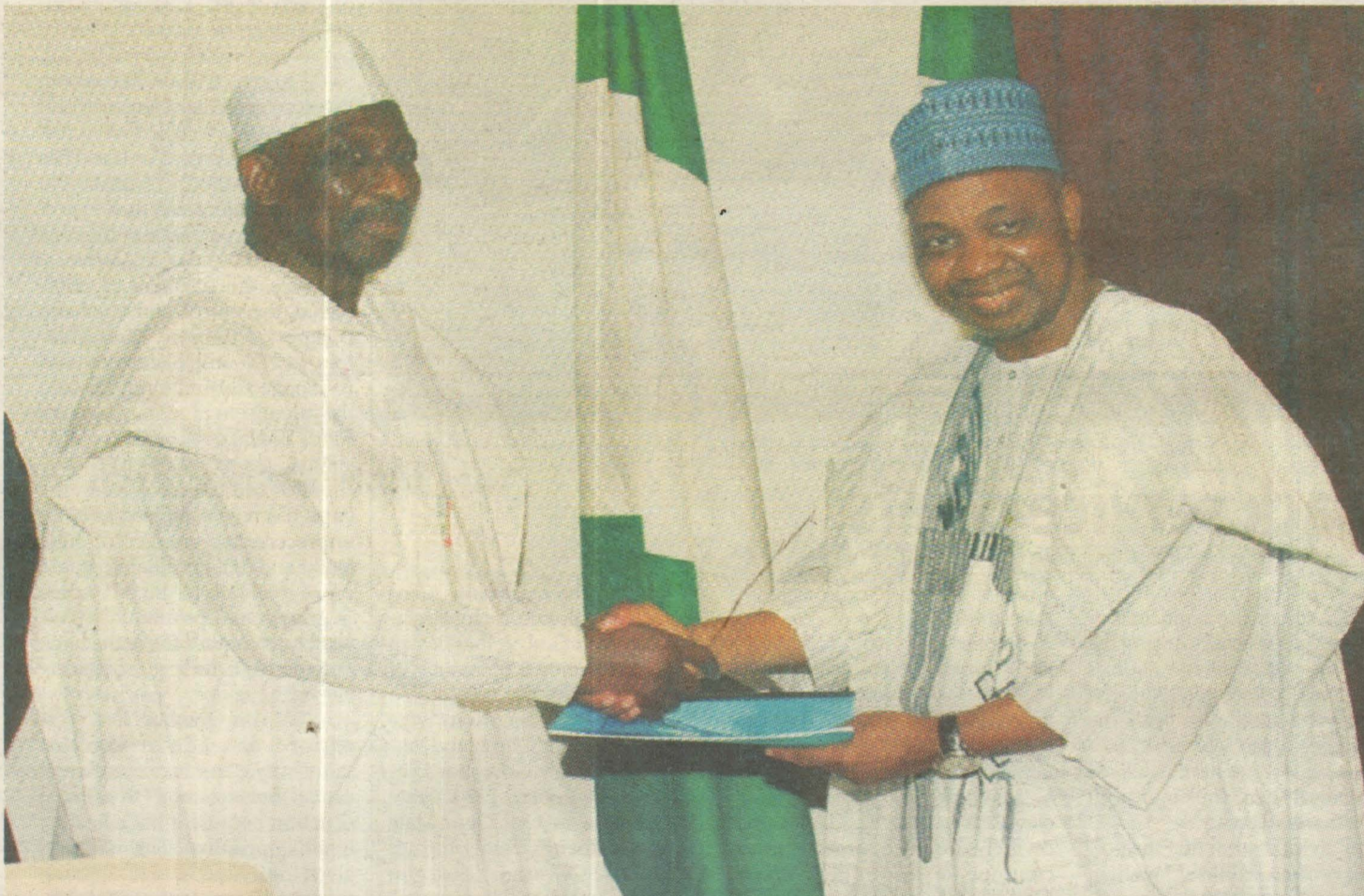
working days. The same with Global Lineage Oil and Gas and Abman Investment which are all located at A. A Master Complex along Canteen road, Gusau.

Senior security agents, top ranking civil servants, married women and widows were victims. One of the victims, a staff of PHCN, who took an appointment with Pyramid Global Network

as a manager was said to have deposited N5 million which was left under his care for members of his family. Another person, one Aminu Imam deposited N1.4 million which was meant for his registration fees at a school abroad where he recently got admission.

At the time of filling in this report, policemen had taken over the empty offices of the invest-

ment companies which had been vandalized by angry depositors. Some of them carted away valuable items including air conditioners belonging to the investment firms. The Police Public Relations Officer ASP Amiru Sanusi confirmed the story, but said he was waiting for the Divisional Police Officers to furnish him with details.



VICE President Namadi Sambo (right) receiving a report from NEMA chairman, Air Vice Marshal Audu Bida, at the Presidential Villa, Abuja, yesterday.

VC blames mass failure on poor educational policies

From Mustafa Abubakar, Ilorin

THE Vice Chancellor of the Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Prof Sidi Osho has blamed mass failure in NECO and WAEC in the country to poorly executed policies on education. Osho who spoke at the first annual lecture of the Department of Home Economics and Food Science of the University of Ilorin added that poverty also contributes to failure of examinations.

"The mass failure can be traced to poverty, poorly conceived and executed policies on education, poor management of health and increase in drug and crime rates," she said.

She said the poverty level had caused chains of reactions.

"Unemployment is on the increase and graduates now sell recharge cards and ride Okada for a living. Poverty has also increased infectious diseases among the people", she said.

Osho who spoke on the topic, "Effects of the Economy and National Development on Nigerian Homes", called on leaders to develop a vision that would create a sense of purpose for citizens.

Earlier, the Head of the Department of Home Economic and Food Science Dr. Ramota Karim said part of the goals of the department was to ensure food security by expanding opportunities in food processing and storage.

Tribunal upholds sack of Wase LG chairman

From Mahmud Lalo, Jos

THE election petition tribunal in Jos has upheld the decision of a lower tribunal which sacked the chairman of Wase Local Government Area Muhammad Abubakar Badu. Justice Yar'gata Nimpar yesterday upheld six of the decisions of the lower tribunal which sacked Badu of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and

announced Muhammad Zakari of the Action Congress (AC) as the duly elected chairman of Wase Local Government Area.

In her judgment which lasted for four hours, Justice Nimpar said the tribunal did not err for using a video taped conversation which was recorded in Hausa Language at the collation centre to arrive at its decision. She maintained that since the tribunal employed the

services of an interpreter, it did not err in law.

Bada had challenged the judgment of the lower tribunal, saying the video tape was recorded in Hausa Language and that the tribunal erred by accepting it in evidence.

Speaking to newsmen after the judgment, Zakari said he was happy with the decision of the tribunal, saying he would

use the time he had left to work for the development of Wase. He expressed appreciation to his supporters who stood by him throughout the legal battle. Chairman of the Conference of Nigeria's Political Parties (CNPP) Muhammad Yusuf Kanam commended the judiciary and pointed out that the decision would go a long way in giving the electorates confidence in the system.

One dies, six injured in auto crash

From Mahmud Lalo, Jos

AT least one person was killed and six others were injured in an accident that occurred yesterday along the Jos - Bauchi highway in Plateau State.

The Federal Road Safety Commission's Public Relations Officer Sa'idu Badamasi who confirmed the accident which involved a Toyota Hiace bus

with registration number EX 343 PHC, said it was due to over speeding. He added that those who sustained injuries had been taken to a hospital for treatment. He also cautioned motorists plying the road to always drive with care considering the sloppy nature of the area. In a related development, four persons including two women are receiving treatment at the Air

Force Base Military Hospital in Jos, following an accident involving a M.A.N Diesel truck with registration number AG 828 JJN and a Peugeot car with registration number AG 433 JJN along the Old Airport Road in Jos South.

The accident which also occurred yesterday, according to witnesses was as a result of a head-on collision.

Assembly screens KWASIEC nominees

From Mustafa Abubakar, Ilorin

KWARA State House of Assembly has screened three nominees for the State Independent Electoral Commission (KWASIEC).

The nominees are Mrs. Mariam A. Mustapha from Kwara Central, Mr. Yisa Samuel Mayaki Zhiri from Kwara North and Mr. Sadiq Kolawole Abubakar

also from Kwara North Senatorial district. Governor Bukola Saraki had through a letter to the state House Assembly dated May 27, requested the screening of the nominees.

The governor added that Mr. Yisa Mayaki Zhiri would replace Deacon Thomas Audu whose name was earlier forwarded to the House in a letter dated May 18.

Nigeria not practicing true federalism – Ekwere-madu

From Ayegba Israel Ebije, Minna

NIGERIA is not practicing federalism in the way stipulated by law, Deputy President of the Senate Ike Ekwere-madu has said.

Speaking yesterday at a lecture for the 10th pre-convocation ceremony of the Federal University of Technology (FUT) Minna titled; 'Constitution review and electoral reform in Nigeria', he

said Nigeria only practices federalism verbally, adding that the country still operates a unitary government.

He said Nigeria still gropes in unitary government as bequeathed by successive military governments, adding that the issue of federalism is only by proclamation and not operational as powers only rests in the central government.

"We would appreciate that we are practicing federalism with a knock-kneed devolution of powers, one in which unlike any other known stable federal state, the central government continues to suck up powers at the expense of the federating states. In practice, the central and command structure of successive military regimes did not help in the devolution of powers and our consti-

tution has since been under the control of military government", he said. Ekwere-madu added that for a true federalism to be practised, component states should be given the exclusive powers to have their own police, as he maintained that what the country is currently practicing veers far off from its original meaning.

"If we carefully followed the points on the subject of devo-

lution of powers, it must be observed that the Nigeria Police did not take off as a federal agency which is expected to be managed by component states under a true federalism", he said.

Ekwere-madu said the National Assembly in its current constitutional review would look into the issue to ensure that Nigeria practices true federalism.

Doma urges speedy dualisation of Keffi-Enugu road

From Hir Joseph, Lafia

NASARAWA State Governor Aliyu Akwe Doma has urged the Federal Government to expedite action on the planned dualisation of the Keffi-Enugu through Benue State.

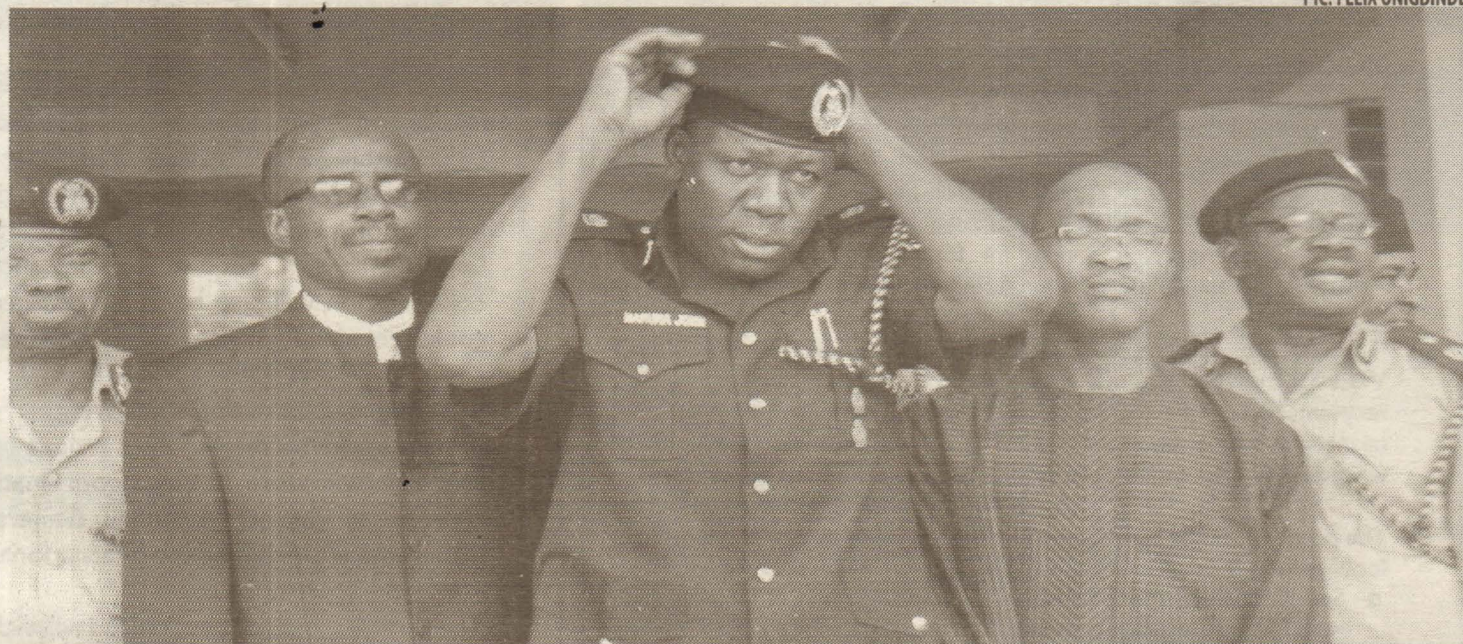
He spoke during a visit by the Minister of Works, Housing and Urban Development, Sanusi Daggash in Lafia yesterday.

The governor who was accompanied by the Secretary to the State Government (SSG), Timothy Anjide, appraised the socio-economic importance of the road to the nation, saying its dualization would provide opportunities for economic growth and development of the nation. Doma also made case for the rehabilitation of the collapsed Lafia-Obi-Awe-Tunga-Taraba road, the Doma-Nasarawa-Karshi-Abuja road and the Nasarawa-Loko-Benue-Oweto-Otukpo Road. He appealed to the Federal Government to listen to the cries of the people more so that these roads have become "death traps" because of massive damage.

Daggash said the Federal Government was committed to the dualization of the road, agreeing it is central to the socio-economic development of the country.

The minister who arrived Lafia after an inspection of the on-going work to realign the dangerous curves along Akwanga-Lafia Road, announced that already, his ministry had got a design for the portion between Akwanga and Makurdi while also expecting a design for that between Keffi and Akwanga soon.

He spoke of plans to ask the National Assembly to appropriate funds for it in 2011. "Government has been briefed, despite the challenges of creating roads across the country, this is one of the most important axis that needs to be handled and I believe in the year, or in the 2011 budget, we will see how we can ensure the allocation or appropriation of adequate funds for the take off of this project", Daggash said.



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CHAIRMAN, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN), Abuja Chapter, Mr. Fred Okonta (left) with FCT Commissioner of Police Haruna John and Mr. Shehu Aladire, Vice Chairman, ICAN Abuja chapter, during a courtesy visit to the police commissioner by executive officers of the institute in Abuja, yesterday.

General questions court martial

From Ibraheem Musa, Kaduna

THE Chief of Army Staff, Lt General Abdulrahman Dambazzau lacks the power to convene a general court martial to try Brig General Felix Mohammed, the former Managing Director of the Army Post Service Homes (Savings and Loans) Limited on alleged fraud and misappropriation of funds, Mr Adagoji Abu, the counsel of the accused said yesterday.

Brigadier Mohammed who is currently standing trial along with Col Greg Edegbe, the Project Manager of PSHL, also told the court

martial which sat at the 1 Division Officers' Mess of the Nigerian Army in Kaduna that the military court did not have the powers to arraign or try him for the alleged offence because he is no longer in service, having voluntarily retired since September 2009.

Mohammed and Udegbe are standing trial before the GCM which commenced sitting on Wednesday on an 11-count charge of alleged misappropriation of funds belonging to the PSHL. Arguing on a preliminary objection to the charges, Mr Abu said Dambazzau acted ultra vires when he reinstated the accused officer to the

Army without the approval of the Army Council in order to try him for the alleged offences long after he had voluntarily retired from service. He said the Army Council had on June 9, 2009 approved the voluntary retirement of the applicant with effect from September 30, 2009 when he finally disengaged from the Nigerian Army.

The convening order for the commencement of Mohammed's trial dated April 6, 2010 was issued six months after the applicant retired from the Nigerian Army and had ceased to be subject to military service laws, the lawyer pointed out. He argued that by virtue of the provi-

sion of Section 1301 and 1629 of the Armed Forces Act Cap A20 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004, the applicant was "no longer triable under service laws."

The counsel of the accused further argued that since the powers of the General Court Martial derived from the Armed Forces Act, the court lacked the "requisite jurisdiction" to try the applicant, describing the convening order as "illegal, wrongful, malicious, vexatious, unconstitutional and amount to the abuse of the authority and powers of the president and commander-in-chief of the Armed Forces of Nigeria."

Kaduna communication school prepares for take-off

PREPARATORY to its official take-off as a specialised training institute for communication studies, the Timex School of Communication (TsC) will Saturday May 29, 2010, hold a curriculum drafting session.

A statement from the school said virtually all facilities needed for takeoff are ready, including two sets of classroom blocks, two radio and TV production studios, a conference

centre and restaurant, teaching staff offices, guest houses for trainers and the headquarters among others.

The proprietor, Kabir Dangogo expressed satisfaction that the dream he nursed 10 years ago is about to become a reality. According to him, the school will be handling teaching and communication research trends, financial communication skills, corporate reputation manage-

ment strategies, strategic public relations management, social media and online communication, crisis management and employee communications among other courses. The location in Kaduna, Dangogo stressed, is strategic for easy accessibility to potential clients who are scattered all over Nigeria. Dangogo also informed that there would be provision for mobile training service for

any client in any part of the country. He disclosed that the school management is in the process of applying for a campus radio licence from the National Broadcasting Commission (NBC). He added that efforts would be made later to secure the endorsement of the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) for the school to offer certificate and diploma courses.

Six in court over killings, kidnap of LG chairmen

From Isiaka Wakili

A Magistrate's Court in Lokoja yesterday arraigned six suspected kidnappers of two local government chairmen.

The suspects were said to have last year kidnapped the chairmen

of Yagba West and Igalamela-Odolu Local Government Areas, Ropo Asala and Ernest Abbah respectively at a meeting in kabba.

They are Ovie Patrick, Gabriel Ekunfeke, Goofrey Okotie, Bliss Awata, Sunday Ugbebor and Ojo Salihu. According

to the police prosecutor Victor Nwadike (ASP), "The suspects were involved in series of criminal activities ranging from kidnapping, robbery and killings of Corporals Okolo Onuche, Alabi Femi, Constable Gushin Katbel and Sergeant Yusuf Ibrahim, all

summed up to criminal conspiracy and culpable homicide punishable with death under section 97[1] and 221 of penal code".

They were also linked with the killings of the Attah of Aiyede Ekiti Oba Orisagbemi and the Provost of the College of Educa-

tion Ikere Ekiti Dr Gabriel Olowoyo in January along Kabba-Lokoja road. Chief Magistrate Alfred Bello said the offences were unbailable and ordered that they be remanded in the Koton - Karfe prison until further hearing on July 8, 2010.



DEBT MANAGEMENT OFFICE
NIGERIA

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR A
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 - Underwriting and Market making;
 - Sovereign Rating/or rating of the Bond;
 - All-in transaction costs; and,
 - Legal considerations.
6. The Financial Adviser will, among other activities:
 - Prepare and publish the Request For Proposal (RFP) for Book Runners; and,
 - Prepare the framework and guidelines for the assessment and selection of the Book Runners.
7. The Financial Adviser would be required to work with one or more Nigerian Financial Advisers to take advantage of local knowledge and experience, and in furtherance of the government's goal of developing skills amongst local market operators.
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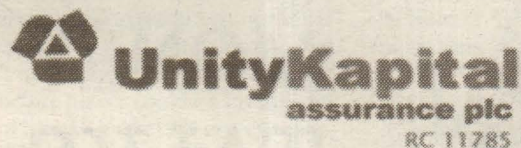
5.0 PREAMBLE

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SUBMISSION OF PRE-QUALIFICATION DOCUMENT AND FINANCIAL PROPOSAL.

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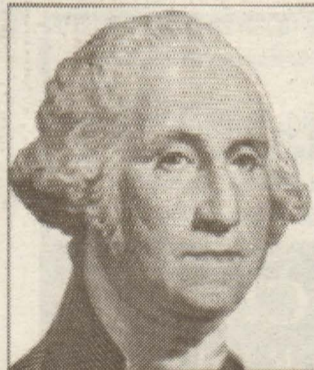
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Kogi 2011: Power shift and Gov Idris' dilemma

From Isiaka Wakili, Lokoja

GOVERNOR Ibrahim Idris of Kogi State is probably in a dilemma. At the crest of his campaign prior to the 2003 general elections, he pledged to make power shift from the eastern flank of the state to either the western or the central zone. As the battle for the gubernatorial race heightens in the state, tongues have started wagging on whether Idris will make good his pledge.

How such a promise could be fulfilled, pundits say, is riddle-like, especially in a state like Kogi which is polarized along the ethnic orbit. Much as the Igala people in the eastern zone are seemingly unwilling to relinquish power, the Epira and the Yoruba in the central and western zones respectively have not only severally bellyached over what they describe as political marginalization, but have also vowed to uproot the perceive sit-tight proclivity of their eastern brothers towards the Lord Lugard House.

While the central zone has produced deputy governors Patrick Adaba and Philip Salawu under Prince Abubakar Audu regime in 2003 and Idris administration respectively, the west was once privileged to produce deputy governor in person of Chief Samuel Akande under Audu regime in 1992. It (the western zone) also recently had a three-month taste of executive power when incumbent Speaker of the State House of Assembly Olafemi Clarence became acting governor in 2008 sequel to the nullification of Idris' election by the appellate court.

Sometime last year when Idris re-echoed his power shift agenda, he was probably (mis)understood to be rekindling the hope of these intransigent apostles of power shift. But given the faces of the Peoples

Democratic Party's (PDP) numerous aspirants, including several others yet to garner enough gallantry to declare their interest in the exalted gubernatorial seat, an image of a very keen rivalry, and perhaps political staccato among the three senatorial districts, is already lurking in the background.

Most intriguingly, the Government House has, in recent times, become a Mecca of sort to politicians from the west and central districts. Each time they are privileged to pay a 'courtesy visit' on the governor, they tactically remind him of his power shift promise.

In January, Idris must have been shocked to the marrow when politicians from Okunland in the western zone trickily turned what was to be a courtesy visit into a campaign ground for power shift. There and then, the governor bluntly remarked that power shift could only be achieved through dialogue, stressing that "the state belongs to all and anyone can become governor after my tenure". Including his kinsmen from the east? No one was either curious or bold enough to query him.

In the same vein, when political leaders from Okene, the headquarters of the central senatorial district came visiting last month, the governor was equally taken aback by the manner in which the supposed courtesy visit metamorphosed into an agitation for power shift to the zone.

The power shift exponents, including the chairman of the zone Musa Etudaye and Senator Salihu Ohize, thus appealed to the governor: "to ensure the success of Kogi Central aspirants to the enviable governorship position in the state. We earnestly crave the indulgence of Your Excellency to display once again your statesmanship by blaz-

ing the trail in brokering understanding for realization of a mutual acceptable power shift to the central senatorial district at this crucial moment of our chequered history".

But Idris also brusquely stressed "no particular ethnic group has the exclusive right to produce governor. All our people, no matter where they come from, have the right to contest. Only God can answer the question of who succeeds me in office. Much as I have no idea of who my successor will be, I am convinced that the central senatorial district, just like every other district, has qualified people to be next governor. It is difficult for me to say it is Mr. A or B. I may only be instrumental to the emergence of our next governor, I can't determine it".

Interestingly, there are divergent views on the need for power shift in the confluence state. While some contend that power shift, in a multi-ethnic state like Kogi, will undoubtedly culminate in an enduring democratic government by broadening popular participation and giving a sense of belonging to all the components of the state, others consider it somewhat immaterial.

Two-term Senator Tunde Ogbeha, from Kogi west senatorial district, looks forward to a time the East will voluntarily relinquish power to either of the other two districts. This, according to the former sole administrator of old Bende state, is one major way through which power shift could become a reality. His words: "Politics, particularly election, is about numbers, not about how strong you are as an individual. You can make your noise, but at the end of the day, it is the numbers that talk. I will want to believe that a minority should have the opportunity to lead Kogi state in the next political dispensation. That is how democracy should operate

in an ideal situation".

For the state Chairman of the PDP Hassan Salawu, power shift could only be realistic through dialogue. He believes that the question of whether power will shift is beyond the governor, saying that all stakeholders, including the governor, need to reach a compromise on how to go about it, hinting that it will take much understanding before power could be snuffed out of the east in the next dispensation. Why? Salawu is convinced that coupled with its large population, the east appears more politically united than any other district in the state.

According to the PDP chieftain, "we are currently building genuine reconciliation, discipline and internal democracy. We are no longer talking about consensus candidates again. All our candidates for the next general elections will emerge through transparent primaries. We don't want anybody to influence".

Serving Senator Nicolas Ugbane, from Kogi east senatorial District and one of the governorship aspirants on the platform of the PDP for the next general elections, maintain that the question of power shift should be sacrificed for the emergence of a competent governor irrespective of his/her ethnic origin.

Declaring his interest in the governorship race last month, Ugbane thus exploded: "Kogi state is in dire need of development. We need a focused leader who will continue from where the incumbent governor stops. That is, we need a competent governor who would deliver the dividends of democracy to our people. So, power shift is not yet an issue in Kogi politics".

The State Chairman of the African Liberation Party (ALP) and member of the Conference of Nigeria Political Parties (CNPP) Ibrahim Itodo toes

Ugbane's line of thought, positing that "rather than power shift, we need a purpose-driven leadership. There ought to be a power shift based on credible and competent leadership that knows the hues and cries of the people. So, when we talk about power shift, we should bring in credibility, transparency and accountability".

The state Chairman of the Progressive People's Alliance (PPA) Simeon Ojonugwa, equally makes case for a governor of unquestionable character irrespective of ethnic origin, saying that "power shift is inconsistent with the aspirations of the electorate. Power can shift to any part of the state. The issue is: to whom are we giving the power?"

Prince Abubakar Audu, Kogi former governor, whom many now regard as the last man standing as far as the All Nigerian Peoples Party (ANPP) is concerned in the state, had earlier, in an interview with our correspondent, expressed skepticism on the issue of power shift.

The gubernatorial candidate of the ANPP in the last general elections would rather canvass for power rotation. "I don't believe in power shift. Rather, I believe in power rotation. Everybody and all the tribes in Kogi should be given a sense of belonging. What is good for the goose is good for the gander. Power rotation is the most ideal thing for the state. But when one group wants to lord it over other groups, it will be a most unfortunate situation. I will not be a party to that", Audu vowed.

Notwithstanding all the permutations, political watchers look forward to seeing how Governor Idris will strike a balance between his quest for "an honest successor" and his moral burden of power shift.

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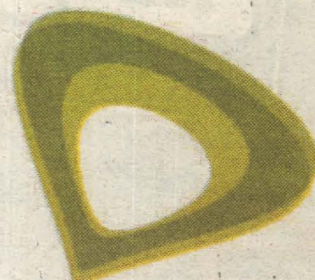
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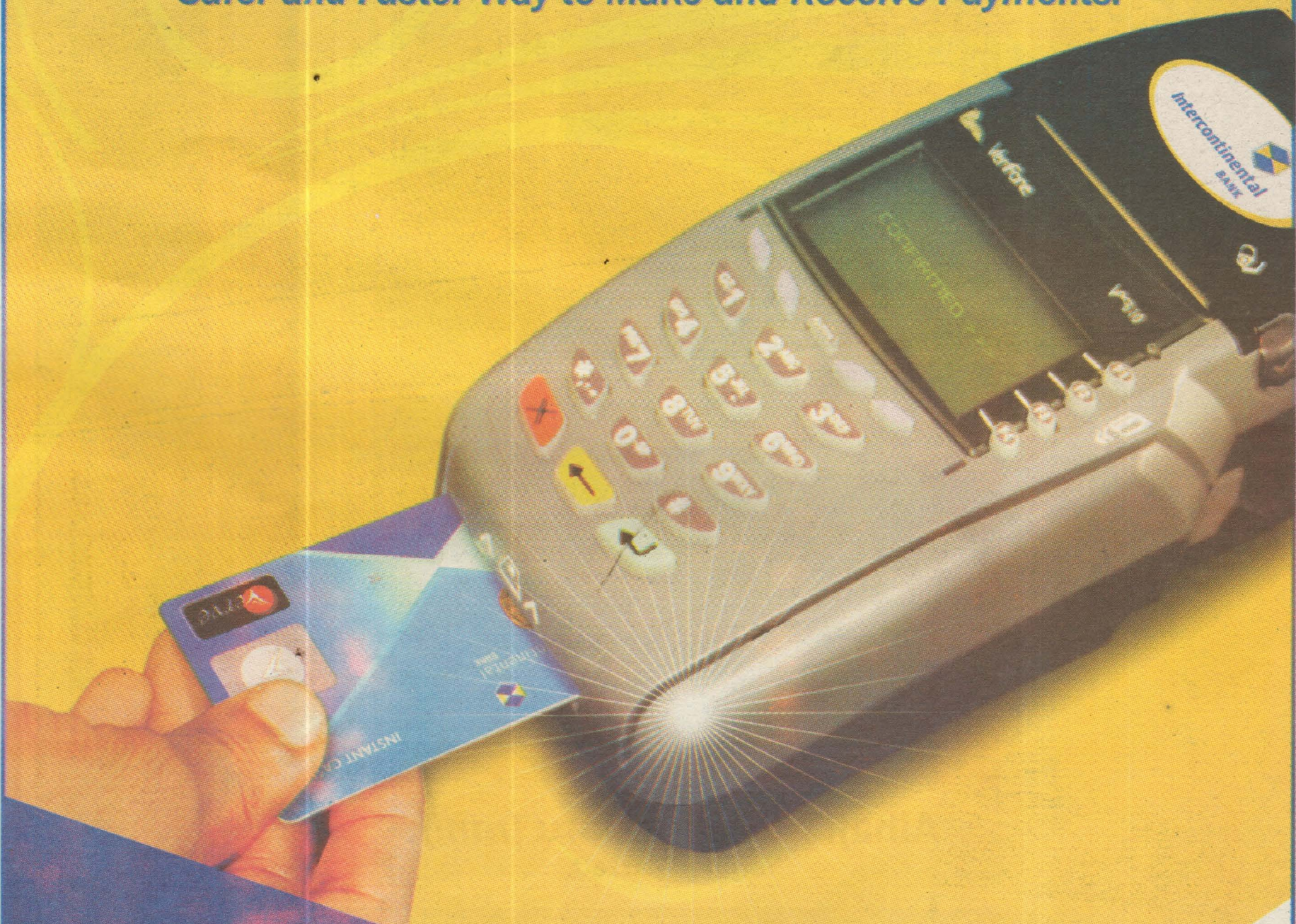
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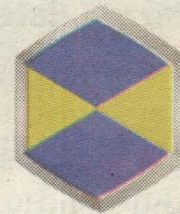
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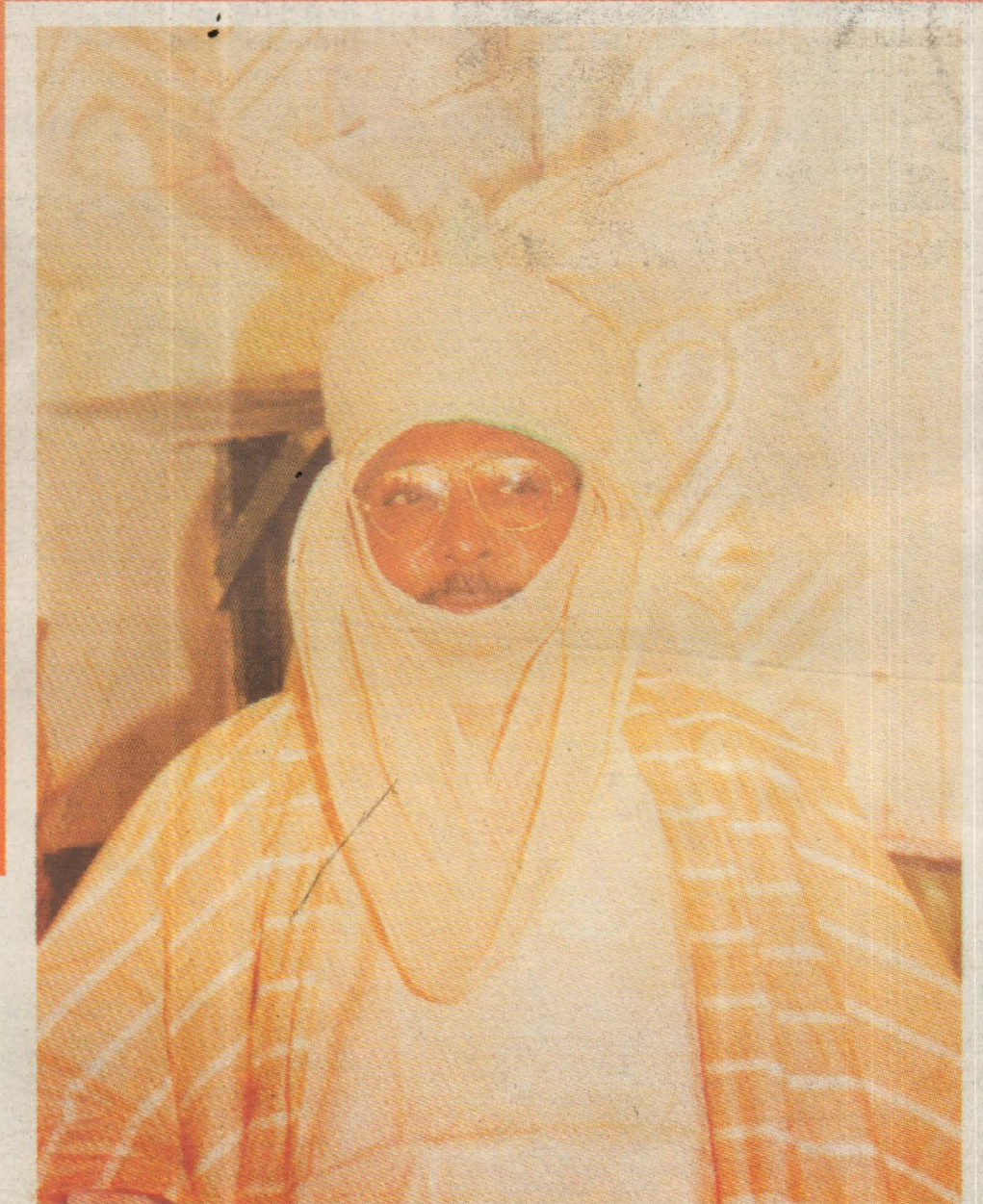
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LEFT: Managing Director/Chief Operating Officer of the Media Trust Limited Alhaji Isi'aq Ajibola explaining a point to the Central Bank of Nigeria Governor Sanusi Lamido Sanusi when the management team of Media Trust visited him yesterday in Abuja.

BRIEF

Ajaokuta staff, others reject pay arrears

From Isiaka Wakili, Lokoja

WORKERS of the Ajaokuta Steel Complex and their counterparts in the Nigeria Iron Ore Mining Company (NIOMCO), Itakpe, have turned down the four-month salary arrears from the federal government. The workers Wednesday said the rejection was necessary as the payment excluded their medical allowances and 2009 leave bonus. It was gathered that they took the decision on Tuesday at a meeting with the Interim Management Committee (IMC) of the companies. The President of Iron and Steel Senior Staff Association of Nigeria (ISSAN) Otori Saliu, who confirmed the action, regretted that the non-inclusion of the allowances was against agreement reached by the workers and government on May 13, 2010, adding that the staff were yet to receive their August - December 2009 salaries. It would be recalled that the government had earlier promised to pay the workers their January, February, March and April 2010 salaries last week, but this could not happen as the Ministry of Steel Development intended to screen the workers.

One year in office

Sanusi: I've no regret for my 'difficult decisions'

By Jibrin Abubakar & Idris Ahmed

CENTRAL Bank Governor Sanusi Lamido Sanusi has expressed no regret for what he described as 'difficult decisions' and policies he implemented since he was appointed a year ago as the head of Nigeria's apex bank.

The governor will be one year in office today.

In an interview with *Daily Trust* yesterday in Abuja, Malam Sanusi said the decisions were taken to save the Nigerian economy.

He likened the rot in the banking sector when he was appointed to a time bomb waiting to explode.

He said he had two options: One is to allow the time bomb explode so that depositors will lose their money and the whole banking sector collapse, and the second option is to have a controlled detonation with few casualties such as the bank managers. He said he opted for the second option to save Nigerians. This led to the sacking of eight bank chief executives.

CBN under Sanusi also limited the tenure of bank chiefs to ten years.

"At every single point there were fights. There were battles because before you implement a decision somebody had gotten across to somebody and people are calling. But the decisions have been taken", he said.

According to him: "In leadership posi-

tion, the easy decision is always the easy ones and I knew it. So, I took a decision that I know was difficult and at every point in this process, from putting in that money, to removing the MDs, to prosecuting them, to abolishing of universal banking, every single decision has been difficult for us."

He said anybody can comment or criticise the decisions but cannot fault the decisions.

He said: "You may agree with whether they were right or wrong, you may criticise but you cannot fault us for not having taken decisions and acted upon them, which is what we needed in this country."

"We have been talking about deregulating petroleum products for how many years. We have not been able to do it because it is a difficult decision and people want the easy way out which is to continue spending N1 trillion on subsidies for a product that we are not getting."

He said the problem with the country was that when you are taking decisions, some people will say you are too fast and "they want us to sit down and procrastinate."

He said the reforms have covered most of the big areas. The governor said they are moving gradually towards improving risk management to good corporate management and financial disclosure.

"We are working on getting the banks to lend to the real sector. And on economic

management, we would like to keep inflation on check, but we would not like to do it at the expense of growth", he said.

He said the apex bank is considering fresh policy based on risk management for the agriculture sector.

According to him, the banks are currently not lending to the sector because they (bank) are not comfortable with the risk involved.

Sanusi also said that CBN's recent decision to invest in aviation was meant to stimulate growth in the sector.

The CBN had said earlier this week that the domestic airlines could draw from the N500 billion it set aside for the development of the real sector of the economy.

"What happened with the airlines was that on looking across the industry, we saw that virtually all airlines on the books of banks seem to be non-performing. I can't give you the names of all the airlines that have issues but some of the issues are public", he said.

On his relationship with President Goodluck Jonathan, Sanusi said the new President supports his policies.

He said: "To be honest, we have always had a good relationship with the President even when he was the vice president. In all the discussions I have had with him, I have never received any indication from him that the support would not continue."

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Date:	Thursday, June 3, 2010
Index:	25,939.19
Deals:	7,065
Volume:	552,732,217
Value:	N 3,719,525,348.42
Cap.:	N6,380,787,161,653.01

TRUST INDEX

Inflation	12.5%
GDP	6.68%
Budget	N4.6tr
Ext. Reserves Acct	\$40.1bn
Excess Crude Acct	\$4.3bn
Poverty Ratio	54.4%
Monetary Policy Rate	6%
Banks	24
Oil Price	\$73 a barrel
Power Supply	3,600MW
Oil output per day	2.6mbd
Broad Money Supply	N11,010,063.6m
Credit to Private Sector	N10,037,422.5m
Inter-Bank Rate	1.2200%
Treasury Bills	1.3%
Deposit Rate	7.51%
Prime Lending Rate	18.06%

CBN EXCHANGE RATES

28/5/2010	Buying (NGN)	Central (NGN)	Selling (NGN)
CFA	0.257	0.267	0.277
DANISH KRONER	24.6436	24.727	24.8103
EURO	183.661	184.2824	184.9038
POUNDS STERLING	215.6258	216.3551	217.0849
RIYAL	39.408	39.5414	39.6747
SDR	217.8721	218.6093	219.3464
SWISS FRANC	128.5155	128.9504	129.3852
US DOLLAR	147.78	148.28	148.78
WAUA	216.6994	217.4326	218.1658
YEN	1.6184	1.6239	1.6294

Bureau de Change Rates

BUYING	
Dollar	N152
Euro	N190
Pound	N225
SELLING	
Dollar	N153
Euro	N193
Pound	N228

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Business/Telecom

Govt bans calls on unlisted phones

■ Nigeria telecoms market hits 79m

THE Federal Government has ordered operators not to activate new phone lines until their users' private details have been collected under new measures to gather personal information of all telecoms subscribers in Nigeria.

The telecoms regulator issued the order that affecting all new phone lines just as it released official figures show that the telecoms market has exceeded 78.8 active lines at April, this year.

The SIM card contains a microchip that stores data that identifies the user to the carrier.

According to a statement issued by the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC), all new subscribers must first register their personal details and biometric information, including fingerprints and facial photographs, before their phone lines can be activated to make calls or send messages. The directive issued by the regulator was silent on whether unregistered users will be allowed to receive calls before they comply with the regulatory order. NCC also directed all operators and their agents to comply with the directive which took effect from May 1, this year as part of measures to implement the Commission's programme on registration of SIM-based phone subscribers nationwide.

The Subscriber Identity Module (SIM) popularly called 'SIM card' is a small, stamp-size "smart card" used

in a GSM and some CDMA phones. The SIM card contains a microchip that stores data that identifies the user to the carrier. The SIM can also store phone book information - phone numbers and associated names. The regulatory directive on SIM registration, NCC says, will also affect existing phone users and the regulator says that a future date will be set for them to comply with the directive to supply their personal and biometric information to their phone network operator.

NCC said that in line with the provisions of the Nigerian Communications Act (NCA) 2003, its enabling laws, operators and the general public are being notified that effective from May 1, this year, "all subscribers acquiring new SIM Cards are required to be duly registered before the SIM Cards could be activated."

Under the guideline, "all SIM-based telephone subscribers are required to register their personal data as well as biometrics (finger prints and facial photographs) before they can be allowed to make calls and/or send messages."

The telecoms regulator says it would announce the commencement date for existing SIM-based phone subscribers, *Technology Times* reports.

Meanwhile, NCC has announced that active connections in the Nigerian telecoms market peaked at over 78.8million lines at April, this year with the GSM mobile sector accounting for the traditional market dominance with over 69.6million lines. The mobile CDMA sector exceeded 7.7million lines while the fixed wired/wireless sector accounted for 1.4million lines within the period.

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COMPANY Name	No of Deals	Quot. (N)	Quantity Traded	Value of Shares (N)	SECTOR TOTALS	92	2,539,997	16,665,798.00	
2ND-TIER SECURITIES									
CAPITAL OIL PLC	2	0.50	154,100	77,050.00	HOTEL & TOURISM				
SECTOR TOTALS	2		154,100	77,050.00	IKEJA HOTEL PLC	14	2.19	708,000	1,515,980.00
AGRICULTURE					TOURIST CY OF NIG. PLC	1	5.02	102,195,914	513,023,488.28
FTN COCOA PROCES. PLC	27	0.92	1,274,538	1,192,145.34	SECTOR TOTALS	15		102,903,914	514,539,468.28
LIVESTOCK FEEDS PLC	16	0.90	251,000	228,461.00	IND/DOMESTIC PRODUCTS				
OKITIPUPA OIL PALM PLC	1	6.21	200	1,180.00	ALUM. EXTR. IND. PLC	1	13.04	4,833	59,880.87
OKOMU OIL PALM COY PLC	6	13.86	67,836	940,206.96	B. O. C. GASES NIGERIA PLC	7	9.88	18,200	174,911.43
PRESCO PLC	15	6.35	671,592	4,176,622.90	NIG. ENAMELWARE PLC	12	43.06	35,172	1,438,886.52
SECTOR TOTALS	65		2,265,166	6,538,616.20	FIRST ALUM. NIGERIA PLC	1	0.50	2,000	1,000.00
AIR SERVICES					VITAFOAM NIGERIA PLC	26	6.10	454,786	2,778,184.76
AIRL/SERV/LOGISTICS PLC	15	3.38	28,547	91,921.34	VONO PRODUCTS PLC	2	0.50	2,727	1,363.50
NIG/AV. HAND. COY PLC	123	11.50	1,561,939	18,186,649.16	SECTOR TOTALS	49		517,718	4,454,227.08
SECTOR TOTALS	138		1,590,486	18,278,570.50	INF. & COMM. TECHN.				
BANKING					CHAMS PLC	23	0.70	1,821,689	1,279,712.30
ACCESS BANK PLC	238	8.80	8,449,830	73,857,678.04	IHS NIGERIA PLC	2	4.02	200,000	804,000.00
AFRIBANK NIGERIA PLC	77	2.30	7,961,211	18,403,873.88	MASSTEL. INNOV. NIG. PLC	1	0.50	60,000	30,000.00
DIAMOND BANK PLC	132	8.45	13,620,926	115,155,070.04	STARCOMMS PLC	67	2.30	13,121,898	28,138,406.99
ECOBANK NIGERIA PLC	42	5.02	377,951	1,902,684.39	SECTOR TOTALS	93		15,203,587	30,252,119.29
F/CITY MON. BANK PLC	113	8.15	5,855,593	47,246,199.74	INSURANCE				
FIDELITY BANK PLC	135	2.72	15,966,014	43,206,642.77	AFRICAN ALL. INS. PLC	1	0.50	1,000	500.00
FIRST BANK OF NIG. PLC	707	14.32	14,120,450	201,785,759.26	AICO INSURANCE PLC	170	1.28	4,043,917	5,142,194.13
FINBANK PLC	59	0.53	1,861,211	992,886.06	CONTINENTAL REINS. PLC	15	1.26	10,360,000	11,828,160.00
GTBANK PLC	553	17.16	12,694,062	219,984,022.65	C/STONE INSUR. CO. PLC	21	0.74	4,356,401	3,245,020.24
STANBIC IBTC BANK PLC	63	10.41	3,195,462	33,660,699.59	CUST. AND ALLIED INS. PLC	14	3.68	495,799	1,848,443.70
INT/NENTAL BANK PLC	62	1.75	656,540	1,147,580.63	EQUITY ASSURANCE PLC	1	0.50	1,000	500.00
OCEANIC BANK INT. PLC	121	1.60	6,714,369	10,739,664.95	GOLDLINK INSURANCE PLC	7	0.76	109,000	80,350.00
BANK PHB PLC	7	1.40	1,529,755	2,091,127.42	GUAR. TRUST ASSUR. PLC	35	2.25	1,649,760	3,641,628.40
SKYE BANK PLC	149	8.25	140,242,971	1,148,664,123.83	INT. ENERGY INS. COY PLC	42	0.57	4,205,332	2,400,666.38
SPRING BANK PLC	14	0.86	138,283	115,076.85	LASACO ASSURANCE PLC	18	0.50	6,211,000	3,105,500.00
STERLING BANK PLC	46	1.99	4,218,302	8,312,313.49	L/UNION & ROCK INS. PLC	25	0.66	3,554,557	2,319,419.77
UNT BANK FOR AFR. PLC	308	11.20	6,039,760	67,803,341.16	MUTUAL BEN. ASSUR. PLC	5	0.50	2,140,400	1,070,200.00
UN/BANK OF NIG. PLC	132	5.30	2,272,873	12,081,331.29	N.E.M. INS. CO. (NIG.) PLC	19	0.58	1,347,343	803,692.22
UNITYBANK PLC	7	1.11	163,800	181,818.00	NIGER INSURANCE CO. PLC	12	1.16	446,616	493,413.28
WEMA BANK PLC	35	1.07	915,663	997,959.22	PRESTIGE ASSURANCE PLC	2	3.50	7,864	26,187.12
ZENITH BANK PLC	492	12.90	9,576,999	126,147,066.26	REG. ALL. INSUR. COY PLC	1	0.50	100	50.00
SECTOR TOTALS	3,542		256,572,025	2,134,476,919.52	SOV. TRUST INSUR. PLC	3	0.50	95,400	47,700.00
BUILDING MATERIALS					STACO INSURANCE PLC	17	0.50	2,296,500	1,148,250.00
ASHAKA CEMENT PLC	61	20.00	649,570	13,232,385.36	STAND. ALLIANCE INS. PLC	15	0.50	1,154,000	586,290.00
BENUE CEMENT COY PLC	44	66.50	244,435	16,263,856.44	UNIC INSURANCE PLC	10	0.73	335,052	241,840.99
CEMENT CO. OF N/NIG. PLC	48	20.43	578,672	11,846,092.04	INT. WAPIC INSUR. PLC	24	0.69	1,418,413	972,733.28
LAFARGE WAPCO PLC	84	43.90	1,593,364	67,535,577.46	SECTOR TOTALS	457		44,229,454	39,002,739.51
SECTOR TOTALS	237		3,066,041	108,877,911.30	MARITIME				
CHEMICAL & PAINTS					JAP/OIL & MAR. SERV. PLC	38	1.86	966,760	1,798,173.60
BERGER PAINTS NIG. PLC	22	6.65	69,824	460,485.85	SECTOR TOTALS	38		966,760	1,798,173.60
CHEM/ALLIED PROD. PLC	21	29.80	853,780	25,442,644.00	MORTGAGE COMPANIES				
I.P.W.A. PLC	1	1.09	650	676.00	ABBEY BUILD. SOC. PLC	1	1.53	1,000	1,460.00
NIG-GERMAN CHEM. PLC	2	14.29	1,145	15,549.10	ASO SAVINGS/LOANS PLC	11	0.50	572,478	286,239.00
P/LAND P. & PROD. NIG. PLC	3	5.67	403,100	2,285,577.00	RES. SAVINGS/LOANS PLC	2	0.50	2,100,000	1,050,000.00
SECTOR TOTALS	49		1,328,499	28,204,931.95	UN/HOMES SAV/LOANS PLC	31	0.83	911,700	748,434.05
CONGLOMERATES					SECTOR TOTALS	45		3,585,178	2,086,133.05
A. G. LEVENTIS (NIG.) PLC	1	4.18	10,000	39,800.00	OTHER FINANCIAL INST.				
JOHN HOLT PLC	1	9.28	4,718	41,612.76	CRUSADER NIGERIA PLC	36	0.92	22,853,843	19,946,838.70
PZ CUSONS NIGERIA PLC	71	31.74	872,170	27,033,115.07	D/CAP. MAN. & TRUST PLC	2	2.02	15,000	30,300.00
TRANSN. CORP. OF NIG. PLC	10	0.50	839,000	419,500.00	FIRST CAP. INV. TRUST PLC	0	0.45	0	0.00
UAC OF NIGERIA PLC	74	40.55	330,029	13,440,292.87	ROYAL EXCHANGE PLC	5	0.80	27,639	21,005.64
UNILEVER NIGERIA PLC	76	24.50	1,564,735	38,093,847.53	SECTOR TOTALS	43		22,896,482	19,998,144.34
SECTOR TOTALS	233		3,620,652	79,068,168.23	PACKAGING				
CONSTRUCTION					AVON C/CAPS & CONT. PLC	2	7.65	5,000	36,350.00
COSTAIN (WA) PLC	31	7.71	268,990	2,047,317.41	NIG/BAG MANUF. COY PLC	133	3.16	1,433,005	4,581,593.05
G. CAPPAL PLC	1	14.46	50	687.00	NAMPAK NIGERIA PLC	1	5.43	500	2,580.00
JUL/BERGER NIGERIA PLC	38	55.32	890,826	47,351,385.27	POLY PRODUCTS (NIG) PLC	2	3.28	6,420	20,030.40
MULTIVERSE RESOURCES PLC	11	0.50	332,374	166,187.00	SECTOR TOTALS	138		1,444,925	4,640,553.45
SECTOR TOTALS	81		1,492,240	49,565,576.68	PETROLEUM(MARKETING)				
FOOD/BEVERAGES & TOB.					AFRICAN PETROLEUM PLC	61	40.00	62,001	2,441,947.90
7-UP BOTTLING CO. PLC	5	45.00	4,316	194,382.75	BECO PETR. PROD. PLC	5	1.26	150,693	178,873.18
BIG TREAT PLC	33	0.73	1,684,689	1,241,182.16	MRS OIL NIGERIA PLC	18	80.77	81,386	6,901,532.80
CADBURY NIGERIA PLC	72	29.51	407,172	12,011,520.60	CONOIL PLC	43	50.00	156,574	7,651,003.26
DANGOTE FLOUR MILLS PLC	266	22.00	2,767,938	61,035,819.72	ETERNA OIL & GAS PLC	88	8.49	740,414	6,223,761.59
DANGOTE SUGAR REF. PLC	139	19.03	3,908,439	75,628,151.30	MOBIL OIL NIGERIA PLC	27	166.36	70,682	12,334,923.64
FLOUR MILLS NIGERIA PLC	63	68.60	239,077	16,108,707.09	OANDO PLC	170	83.21	982,694	81,580,634.82
H/WELL FLOUR MILL PLC	12	8.19	37,450	304,845.00	TOTAL NIGERIA PLC	17	242.00	9,912	2,409,373.88
P. S. MANDRIDES PLC	1	5.66	1,000	5,660.00	SECTOR TOTALS	429		2,254,356	119,722,051.07
NAT. SALT COY NIGERIA PLC	42	8.53	728,477	6,218,335.43	PRINTING & PUBLISHING				
NIG. BOTTLING COY PLC	25	33.80	139,721	4,691,608.69	LONGMAN NIGERIA PLC	7	7.60	106,098	806,344.80
NESTLE NIGERIA PLC	45	350.00	92,427	32,354,168.00	UNIVERSITY PRESS PLC	19	6.65	340,963	2,283,322.01
N/NIG. FLOUR MILLS PLC	3	33.58	14,666	467,992.06	SECTOR TOTALS	26		447,061	3,089,666.81
TANTALIZERS PLC	19	0.95	2,370,008	2,249,327.60	REAL ESTATE				
UNION DICON SALT PLC	3	4.44	17,719	74,774.18	UACN PROP. DEV. CO. PLC	39	20.82	1,375,264	29,523,774.48
UTC NIGERIA PLC	3	1.38	10,025	13,233.00	SECTOR TOTALS	39		1,375,264	29,523,774.48
SECTOR TOTALS	731		12,423,124	212,599,707.58	ROAD TRANSPORTATION				
HEALTHCARE					ASSOCIATED BUS COY PLC	9	0.92	262,677	241,362.84
EVANS MEDICAL PLC	4	1.48	15,329	21,613.89	SECTOR TOTALS	9		262,677	241,362.84
FIDSON HEALTHCARE PLC	13	3.15	170,426	550,428.76	TEXTILES				
GLAXOSM. CONS. NIG. PLC	28	28.35	497,648	13,972,121.68	UNITED NIG. TEXTILES PLC	2	1.42	14,183	19,147.05
MAY & BAKER NIGERIA PLC	37	6.31	125,094	795,868.67	SECTOR TOTALS	2		14,183	19,147.05
NEIMETH INT. PHARM. PLC	1	2.79	30,000	79,800.00	THE FOREIGN LISTINGS				
PHARMA-DEKO PLC	1	4.73	10,000	45,000.00	ECOBANK TRANS. INCORP.	16	16.43	212,680	3,515,148.00
UN/DIAG. & CLIN. SERV. PLC	8	0.71	1,691,500	1,200,965.00	SECTOR TOTALS	16		212,680	3,515,148.00
					OVERALL TOTALS	7,065		552,732,217	3,719,525,348.42

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Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into the following programmes tenable at The Federal Polytechnic, Bida in the 2010/2011 Academic Session.

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 - (vi) Chemistry/Biology
 - (vii) Biochemistry/chemistry
 - (viii) Physics/Electronic
 - (ix) Microbiology
 - (x) Environmental Biology
- 1.4 Statistics

(B) SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

- 1.5 Accountancy
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- 1.7 Business Administration and Management
- 1.8 Marketing
- 1.9 Office Technology & Management (formerly Secretarial Studies)

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 - (ii) Structures
 - (iii) Transportation
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- 1.15 Architectural Technology
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- 1.20 Urban and Regional Planning.

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The minimum entry requirements for Higher National Diploma Programmes in the specified field are:-

- a) The National Diploma (ND) with the minimum of Lower Credit in the field of interest and (5) Relevant Credits at SSCE, NTC, GCE, WAEC, NECO, NBC, or NABTEB level.
- b) A Minimum of one (1) year post National Diploma (ND) cognate working experience (Industrial Training)

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The Polytechnic also runs 2 year full National Diploma (ND) in all the above listed programmes as well as the following:-

- (i) Computer Science
- (ii) Nutrition and Dietetics
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Pre-National Diploma Science and technology programme prepares candidates for subsequent admission into a full time Diploma Programme in Engineering, Technology, Applied Science and Environmental Studies offered in the Polytechnic.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR PRE-SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMMES

- 2.1 Candidate must have a minimum of five passes at SSCE, NTC, GCE, WAEC, NECO, NBC, or NABTEB level or the equivalent. Subjects passed must include Mathematics, English Language and in any of the following: Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and any other subject depending on the National Diploma Programme of interest to the candidate.

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- (v) Fill the Form
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- (vii) Upload your passport size picture and print the preview
- (viii) Click submit
- (ix) Attached photocopy of your credentials to copies of the print out and submit to the Registrar, Federal Polytechnic Bida Niger State Nigeria, on or before September 30, 2010.

Signed
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INVITATION TO TENDER FOR THE UPGRADE OF THE WIDE AREA NETWORK AT THE CORPORATION'S HEAD OFFICE

The Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation [NDIC] wishes to invite reputable Providers of **Wide Area Network (WAN)** Bandwidth with good track record of performance and experience in the installation of **WAN** infrastructure to tender for the upgrade of the present **WAN** bandwidth in the Corporation.

TENDER DOCUMENTS

Interested companies should obtain the tender documents from the Administration Unit, 2nd Floor, NDIC Headquarters, Plot 447/448 Constitution Avenue, Central Business District, Abuja upon payment of the tender fee of ₦10,000.00 in Bank Draft made payable to the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation, Abuja. Information about the existing infrastructure that requires the upgrade could be obtained from the **Head of Information Technology Department** at the above address. Enquiries could be made either through the telephone numbers: 09-4601200, 08052263325 or e-mail addresses: amoosk@ndic-ng.com, samuelamoo@hotmail.com.

CONDITIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY

All bids must be accompanied with the following:

- Evidence of Company Registration with Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) in Nigeria,
- The current 3 year Tax Clearance Certificate of the Company (2007-2009),
- The Company's audited accounts for the last three years (2007-2009),
- Evidence of Financial capacity or banking support to undertake the project,
- Evidence of having successfully carried out similar works within the last three years,
- Evidence of availability of requisite and appropriate staff/skill for the job,
- Evidence of VAT registration and remittance,
- Evidence of compliance with the Pension Act,
- Work implementation plan, and
- Evidence of registration with relevant Professional body.

SUBMISSION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

The tender documents must be submitted not later than

two weeks from the date of this advert by 4:00 pm in separate sealed envelopes clearly marked "Technical Bid" and "Financial Bid" respectively, both put in a third envelope sealed and marked "TENDER FOR THE UPGRADE OF THE WAN BANDWIDTH AT NDIC" and addressed to:

The Secretary,
Tender's Board,
Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation,
Plot 447/448 Constitution Avenue,
Central Business District,
Abuja, Nigeria.

The tender is to be dropped in the tender box on the 2nd Floor (Administration Unit) in the Head Office. Companies dropping tenders are expected to sign the tender register before dropping the tenders. Submission of tender by post or courier will not be acceptable, and any tender submitted after the closing date/time specified above stands automatically disqualified.

OPENING OF THE TENDERS

Opening of tenders shall be at 5:00 pm on the date of the closure of submission. The name of the successful company shall be posted on the NDIC Notice Board at the Head Office and the Corporation's Website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- i] Failure to satisfactorily fulfill the conditions as requested above will result to invalidation of such tender.
- ii] NDIC shall reserve the right to verify the authenticity of claim[s] made by the tendering parties.
- iii] NDIC shall reserve the right to reject any submission based on unverifiable information.
- iv] This advert also serves as invitation to any interested NGO and members of the general public who may wish to witness the opening exercise.

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**THE PRESIDENCY
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**LIST OF OFFICERS IN MINISTRIES, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES (MDAs) TO
ATTEND THE THIRD BATCH OF 2010 PROCUREMENT TRAINING**

In fulfillment of its mandate as enshrined in Part 17, Section 5 (K) of the Public Procurement Act, 2007, the Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) hereby announces the **THIRD BATCH OF 2010 PROCUREMENT TRAINING** for the underlisted officers in the Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs). The training which is a continuation of the Bureau's efforts at enhancing the capacities of the officers in the discharge of their duties shall hold between **MONDAY, JUNE 7TH, AND FRIDAY, JUNE 11TH, 2010**. Venue is at: **THE AUDITORIUM, RAW MATERIALS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, NO 17, AGUIYI IRONSI WAY, OPPOSITE MERIT HOUSE, MAITAMA, ABUJA**. Training begins at **9.00AM** each day. The list goes as follows:

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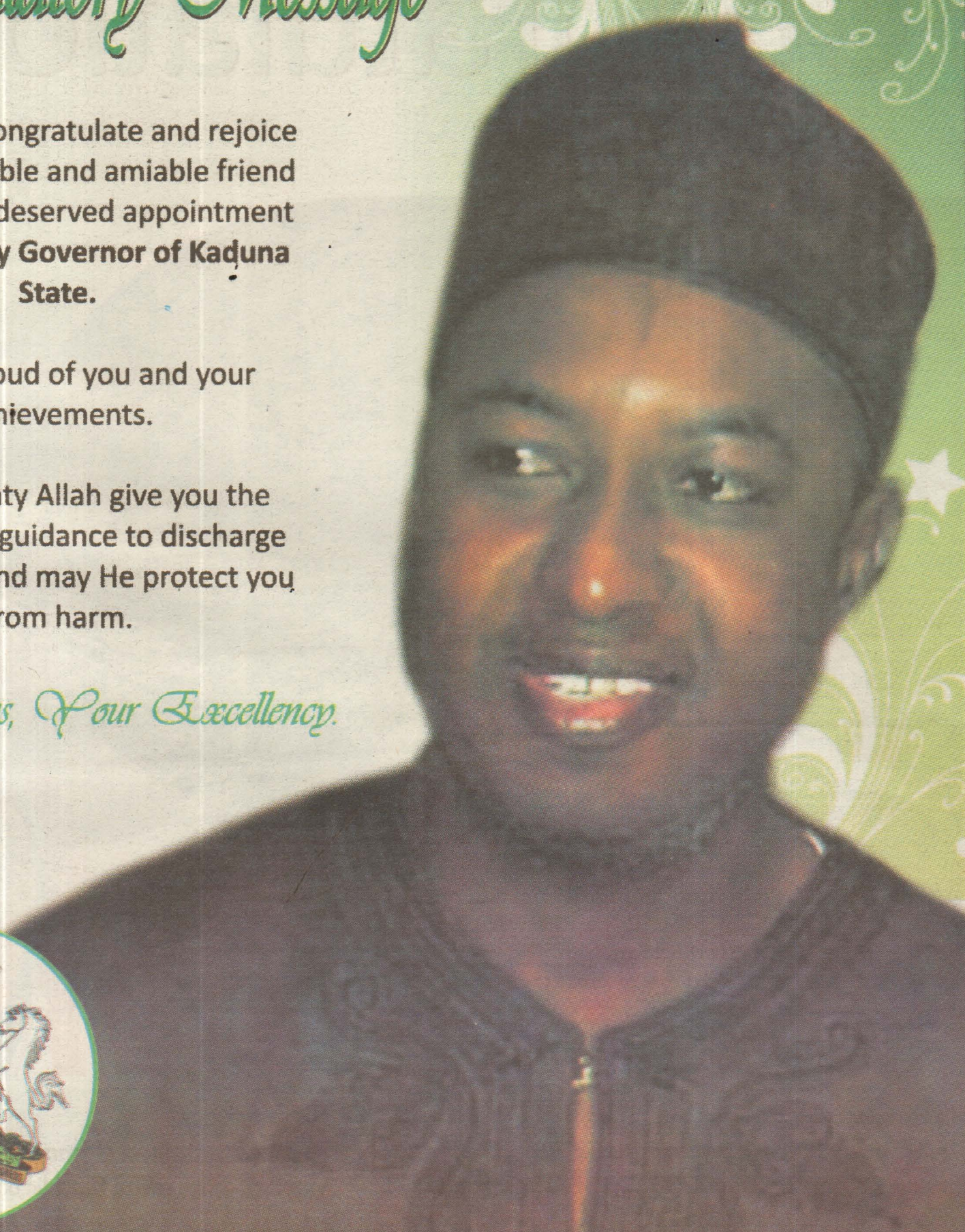
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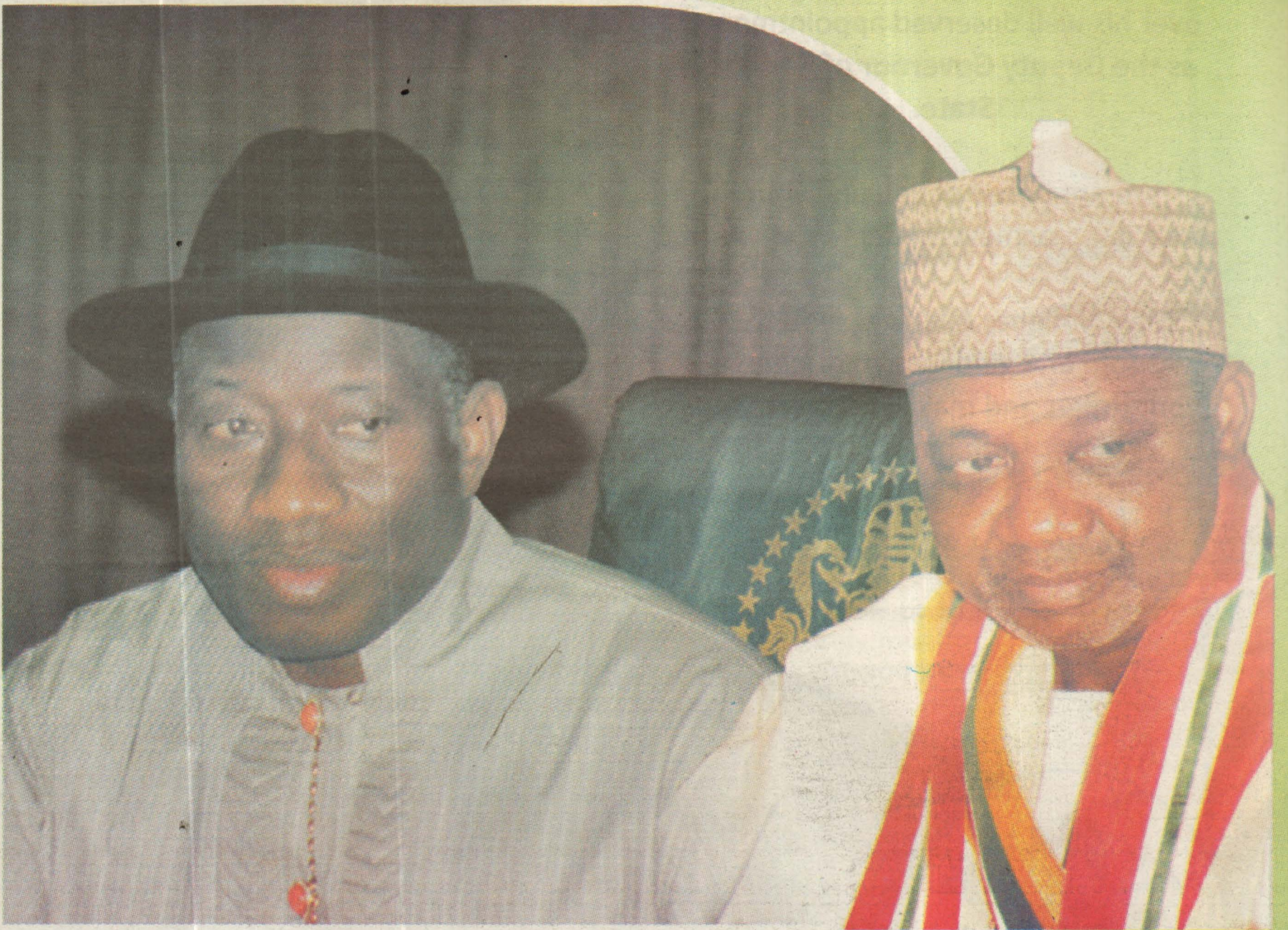
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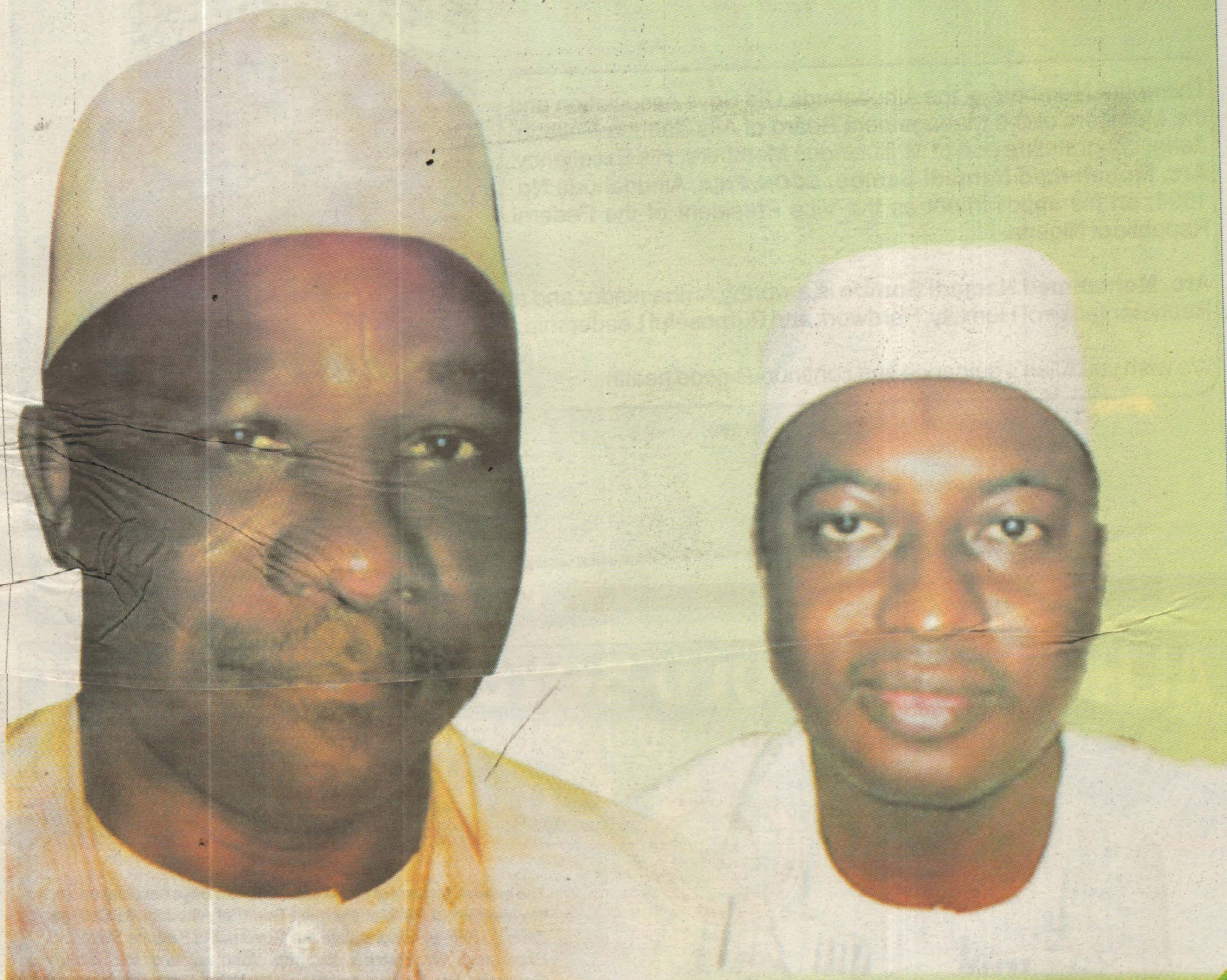
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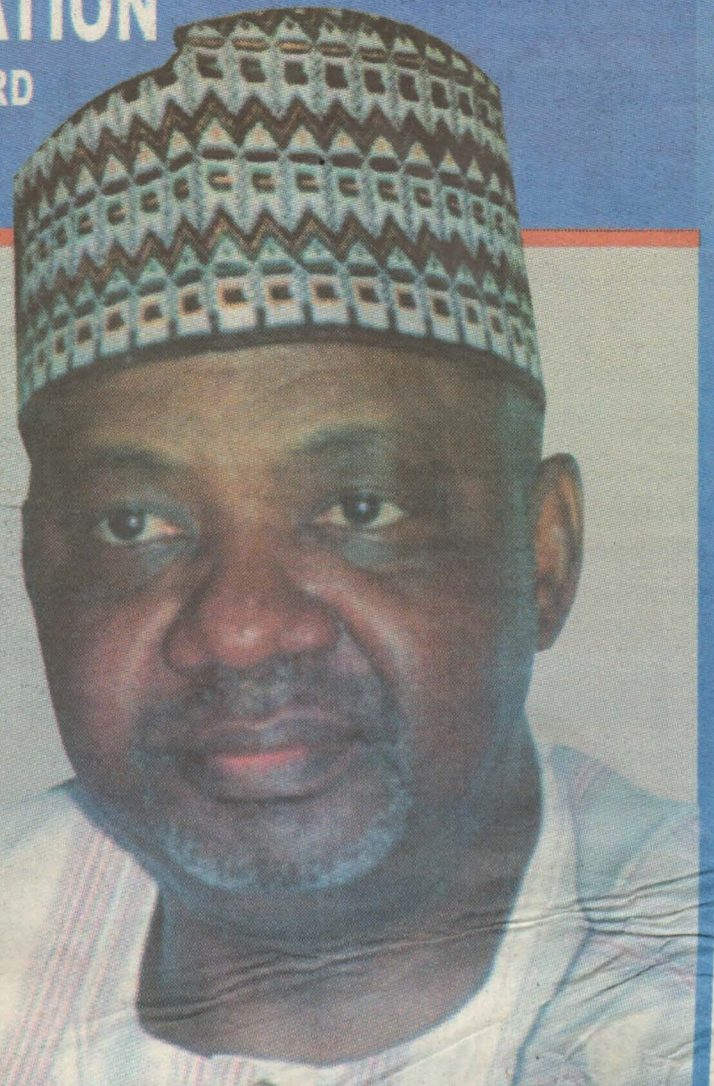
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AFRICA REPORT

South Sudan army clashes with militia, nine dead

SOUTH Sudan's army said yesterday it had clashed with a militia leader, killing eight of his men, and promised to capture him dead or alive in the latest battle in the oil-producing region since April elections.

Under a 2005 north-south peace deal ending Africa's longest civil war, southerners will vote in a plebiscite on independence in seven months. But the semi-autonomous region has accused the north of arming militias to destabilize it before the vote, which most analysts believe will result in secession.

"Yesterday we ambushed the forces of Galwak Gai ... and we killed eight of his men and we captured 13," south Sudan's army (SPLA) spokesman Kuol Diem Kuol said. "They killed one from our side and two were wounded."

The clashes happened in the oil-rich Unity state. Gai is one of several militia leaders cooperating with a former top SPLA officer, George Athor, who turned rogue after losing in April's elections. Athor's troops are in the neighbouring Jonglei state where French group Total holds a largely unexplored oil concession.

DR Congo human rights activist found dead in Kinshasa

A leading rights activist in the Democratic Republic of Congo has been found dead in the capital, Kinshasa. Floribert Chebeya's body was discovered, partially clothed, on the back seat of his own car.

A BBC reporter says Mr Chebeya had received regular threats from police in the past, and had been ordered to meet the national police chief on Tuesday.

Rights group Amnesty International says oppression of activists in DR Congo is growing. The BBC's Thomas Fessy in Kinshasa says condoms and traces of female hair were found in the car, and that Mr Chebeya's driver had gone missing.



THE International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda in Arusha, Tanzania.

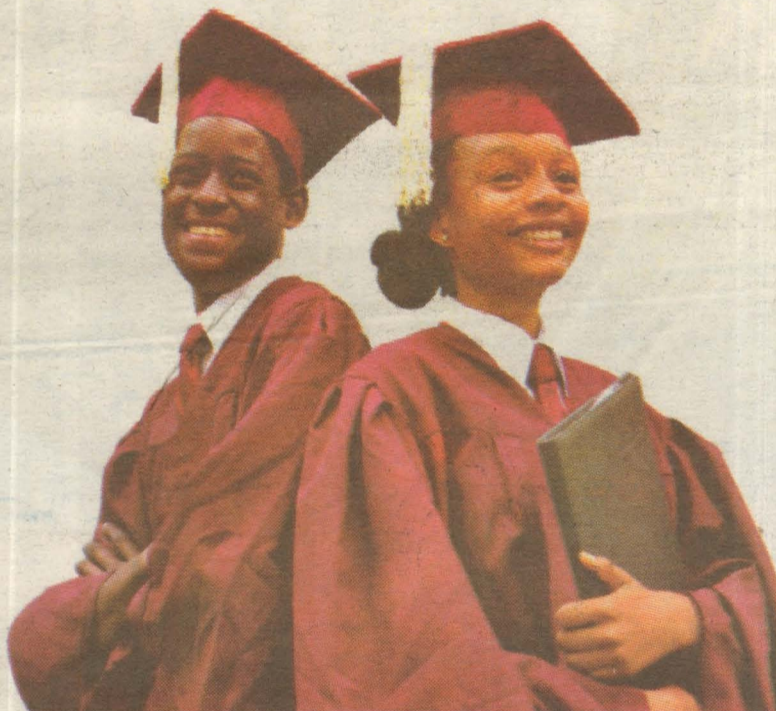
US lawyer detained in Rwanda tried suicide — Police

PETER Erlinder, a controversial US attorney jailed last week in Rwanda, tried to commit suicide in custody in Kigali, Rwandan police said, a claim questioned yesterday by Erlinder's defence counsel.

Rwandan police spokesman Superintendent Eric Kayiranga told AFP Erlinder, who was detained on charges of denying the 1994 Tutsi genocide, had tried to com-

mit suicide on Wednesday by swallowing a cocktail of medication. "When the relevant services went to get him to take him to the prosecutor for the next stage of questioning they were surprised to note he was very sick after taking different drugs, around 50 tablets in all, for hypertension, depression or cholesterol, with the aim of committing suicide," Kayiranga said.

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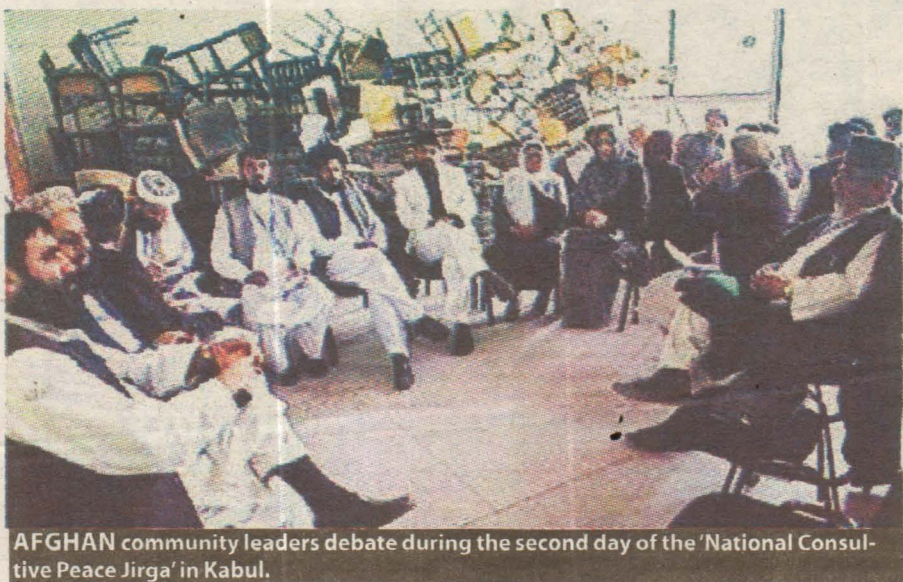
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AFGHAN community leaders debate during the second day of the 'National Consultative Peace Jirga' in Kabul.

Afghan jirga seen as 'last hope' for peace

A high-security meeting of Afghan elders is the country's last hope for making peace and bringing an end to the long war with the Taliban, delegates to the landmark "peace jirga" said yesterday.

Around 1,600 participants, representing Afghanistan's complex mix of tribal, ethnic, political, geographic, religious and gender interests, are attending the jirga, or assembly, in a massive tent in Kabul's southeastern suburbs.

"If we fail to open a window for peace through this jirga we will never be able to open the gate for peace in the future," said Qiamuddin Kashaf, acting head of the Ulema Council of Afghanistan and a deputy chairman of the jirga.

"The delegates are determined to make it a success," he told reporters.

Turkey will 'never forgive' Israel

THE Turkish president has said that Israel's military raid on civilian aid ships bound for the Gaza Strip has caused "irreparable" damage to his country's relations with Israel, and will "never" be forgiven.

"From now on, Turkish-Israeli ties will never be the same. This incident has left an irreparable and deep scar," Abdullah Gul said in a televised speech yesterday, as thousands gathered in the streets of Istanbul to pay their respects to the humanitarian activists killed during the raid.

The raid "is not an issue that can be forgotten... or be covered up... Turkey will never forgive this attack," he said.

Nine people - eight Turks and a US national of Turkish origin - were killed in Monday's pre-dawn raid on the Mavi Mamara, which was carrying aid to Gaza in a bid to break Israel's strangling blockade of the territory.

As their funerals got underway yesterday, thousands poured onto the streets around the Fatih Mosque in Istanbul, chanting slogans condemning Israel and waving Turkish and Palestinian flags.

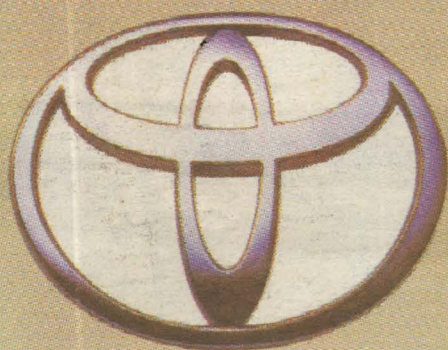
Deadly shooting in Belgian court

A man has shot dead a female magistrate and a court clerk in a courtroom in Brussels, the Belgian capital, before fleeing the scene.

The justice of the peace who was killed was presiding over a civil tribunal which deals with matters such as divorce and problems with neighbours.

Stefaan De Clerck, the country's justice minister, said: "This is a real drama. A magistrate, for the first time in history, and her clerk, were killed right in the tribunal room."

"A person entered the tribunal, remained there some time, then killed, at close range, before fleeing," said De Clerck.



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What to know about preterm birth

By Akor Ojoma

AN estimated 13 million babies worldwide are born preterm - defined as birth at less than 37 full weeks of gestation. That is almost 10 percent of total births worldwide. About one million deaths in the first month of life or 28 percent of total newborn deaths are attributable to preterm birth. Premature babies account for the highest percentage of mortality figures of the 283,000 neonates dying in this country every year.

WHO also defines prematurity as babies born before 37 weeks from the beginning of most pregnancies last 38-42 weeks; your due date is 40 weeks after the first day of your last menstrual period that is a normal pregnancy should last about 40 weeks.

According to the Global and Regional Toll of Preterm Birth White Paper, the highest preterm birth rates in the world are found in Africa, followed by North America.

President of the March of Dimes United States of America, Dr. Jennifer L. Howse, says "Premature births are an enormous global problem that is exacting a huge toll emotionally, physically, and financially on families, medical systems and economies."

Those at risk

Preterm labour can happen to any woman: Only about half the women who have preterm labour fall into any known risk group. Babies who are born preterm are at higher risk of needing hospitalization, having long-term health problems and of dying than babies born at the right time. According to medical experts, babies who are born very preterm are at a very high risk of brain problems, breathing problems, digestive problems, and death in the first few days of life. They are also at risk of facing problems like delayed development and learning problems in school later in their lives. The effects of premature birth can be devastating throughout the child's life. The earlier in pregnancy a baby is born, the more health problems it is likely to have. Three groups of women are at greatest risk of preterm labour and birth:



* Women who have had a previous preterm birth

* Women who are pregnant with twins, triplets or more

* Women with certain uterine or cervical abnormalities

Researchers also said certain medical conditions during pregnancy may increase the likelihood that a woman will have preterm labour. These conditions include:

* Urinary tract infections, vaginal infections, sexually transmitted infections and possibly other infections, diabetes, high blood pressure, clotting disorders (thrombophilia), bleeding from the vagina, certain birth defects in the baby, being pregnant with a single foetus after in vitro fertilization (IVF), being underweight before pregnancy, obesity and short time period between pregnancies (less than 6-9 months between birth and the beginning of the next pregnancy).

Signs of preterm labour

The signs of preterm labour include:

* Contractions (your abdomen tightens like a fist) every 10 minutes or more often

* Change in vaginal discharge (leaking fluid or bleeding from your vagina)

* Pelvic pressure—the feeling that your baby is pushing down

* Low, dull backache

* Cramps that feel like your period

* Abdominal cramps with or without diarrhoea

If the symptoms get worse, or don't go away after one hour go to the hospital. If the symptoms go away, take it easy for the rest of the day. If the symptoms stop but come back, call your health care provider again or go to the hospital.

You don't need to have all the symptoms to have preterm labour. Take action even if you have only one.

Why does preterm labour occur?

There are no easy answers. Stress might play a part for some women, personal health history or infection for others, or smoking or drug use for others.

Some studies have found that certain lifestyle and environmental factors may put a woman at greater risk of preterm labour. These factors include:

Late or no prenatal care, smoking, drinking alcohol, using illegal drugs, exposure to the medication DES, domestic violence, including physical, sexual or emotional abuse, lack of social support, stress, long working hours with long periods of standing.

Preventing preterm Labour

and birth

You can help prevent preterm birth by learning the symptoms of preterm labour and following some simple instructions. The first thing to do is to get medical care both before and during pregnancy. If you do have preterm labour, get medical help quickly. This will improve the chances that you and your baby will do well.

Medications sometimes slow or stop labour if they are given early enough. Drugs called corticosteroids, if given 24 hours before birth, can help the baby's lungs and brain mature. This can prevent some of the worst health problems a preterm baby has. Only if a woman receives medical care quickly can drugs be helpful.

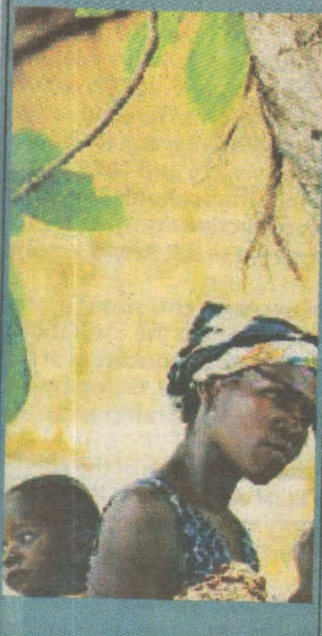
Treatment

Preterm labour may sometimes be stopped with a combination of medication and rest. More often, birth can be delayed just long enough to transport the woman to a hospital with a neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) and to give her a drug to help speed up her baby's lung development.

Treatment with a form of the hormone progesterone may help prevent premature birth in some women who have already had a premature baby.

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Advice by Dr Aminu Magashi

Causes of low sperm count

May the almighty God reward you abundantly? Please what are the causes of low sperm count?

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The deficiency of sperm is also known as low sperm count, or medically as Oligospermia. It is one of the major factors that cause male infertility. Although it is a medically known fact that it takes only one single sperm to fertilize an ovum, the chances of a single sperm reaching that far is quite questionable. This is because the vagina is very acidic in nature, in order to prevent the growth of bacteria from taking place. Therefore, a decreased or low sperm count affects the chances of a successful fertilization. The more the number of sperm, the higher the chances are of at least one sperm being successful. Therefore, if there are fewer sperm there is a lower chance of fertilization. In order to treat sperm deficiency you will first need to understand its causes.

In most cases, the exact cause for reduced sperm count cannot be identified precisely. However the following are some of the most common causes that lead to low sperm counts.

1. **Varicocele:** This is a condition in which the sperm count or production is affected due to a swollen vein in the scrotum. This can be rectified easily with the help of a minor surgery.
2. **Damaged Sperm Ducts:** Injuries, surgeries or hereditary can also be possible factors that impair the functioning of the delicate ducts that transfer sperm from the testicles to the penis.
3. **Auto Immune System:** In this condition a person's immune system attacks his own sperm as a response to certain antibodies contained in his sperm.
4. **Hormonal Imbalance**

Under preventive measures one can adopt the following simple suggestions.

1. Smoking affects ones' sexual desire more commonly referred to as libido. It also affects the sperm quality as well as sperm production. Therefore avoiding cigarettes is good. Drinking lots of alcohol a day can also have similar effects on ones' sexual health. Indulging in recreational drugs too, displays similar effects.
2. Being overweight can also affect sperm production. Therefore, exercising regularly will help you overcome this condition.
3. Hot bath is capable of temporarily reducing ones' sperm count. However, if continued over a long period of time its effects could be more permanent. Avoiding that will help improve the condition.
4. Avoid wearing tight undergarments as they create



additional heat near the testicles. This excess heat can also affect a person's sperm count.

- Some Remedies are
1. Eat fresh fruits and vegetables daily. These help in maintaining the overall health of the body. Vitamin E, B12 and C are very important.
 2. Consuming foods rich in these vitamins will help you considerably.
 3. Foods rich in zinc and iron are also recommended for treating sperm deficiency. Oysters are one of the richest sources of zinc. Other sources include turkey, red meat, lamb, wheat and beans.

I suffer weak erection

I suffer from weakness of the erection and it is really affecting my sexual life with my family. What are the likely problems and remedy?

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Weak erection could be defined as inability to keep an erection strong enough to continue sex during love-making. This means sensitive parts of the body must be in good conditions to keep the erection such as nerves pulses in the brain, spinal column around the penis, fibrous tissue muscles and veins near the corpora of the penis must be also in good conditions to allow full erection to take place. The problem occurs when any of these activities are disturbed.

What are the causes of weak erection

The disruption of blood flow to the penis vein is a major cause of weakness of penis during sexual intercourse. Although, there are other causes of the weakness in erection such as suffering from diabetes for a long period of time which must have damaged the nerve system.

1. cardiovascular disorder
2. prostate cancer opera-

3. side effects of using hard drugs
 4. multiple sclerosis
 5. hormonal disorders
 6. alcohol and drug abuse,
 7. emotional problems of guilt, low self-esteem, anxiety, fear
 8. old age
- Who suffers from Weakness in Erection

1. Those involved highly in use of drugs and alcohol,
2. Those suffering from trauma or surgery damage on the vein around the penis,
3. Those living in depression, stress and anxiety,
4. Those who smoke heavily with serious disorders such as High Blood Pressure, and
5. Those who are overweight, etc

How to Cure Weak Erection
Frequent use of stimulants during sexual intercourse accounts for 35% of weakness of penis during love-making among men. As such, it is not advisable to do that, unless prescribed by a medical doctor.

Changes in lifestyle may reverse weak erection such changes

1. Stopping smoking
 2. Loss of weight and exercises,
 3. Reduces stress
 4. Sleeping well
 5. Attending physical and medical seminars
 6. Medical examinations.
- Surgeries rarely cure weak erection, but can be recommended when necessary. But there are some drugs to revitalize the weakness.

However, some drugs have worse side effects when used, may be recommended before using it.

If one has weak erection, it is advisable to meet a doctor who will assess and evaluate the situation and advise accordingly. It is not wise for one to start treatment by taking any form of drugs.

DOOR STEP HEALTH INFO

Use of LLIN and malaria control in Nigeria

It is a generic knowledge that malaria is endemic throughout Nigeria. It currently accounts for nearly 110 million clinically diagnosed cases per year, 60 percent of outpatient visits, and 30 percent hospitalizations. An estimated 300,000 children die of malaria each year. It is also believed to contribute up to 11 percent maternal mortality, 25 percent infant mortality, and 30 percent under-five mortality. (FMOH and NMCP, 2009).

The National Malaria Control Strategic Plan (NMCSPP) addresses national health and development priorities including the Roll Back Malaria (RBM) Goals and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

The NMCSPP includes the following priorities:

1. To reduce malaria related mortality
2. To reduce malaria parasite prevalence in children under five
3. To increase ownership and use of insecticide-treated nets (ITNs) and long-lasting insecticidal nets (LLINs)
4. To introduce and scale-up indoor residual spraying (IRS)
5. To increase the use of diagnostic tests for fever patients, to improve appropriate and timely treatment of malaria
6. To increase coverage of intermittent preventive treatment (IPT) of malaria during pregnancy.

The NMCSPP lays out specific targets to be achieved by 2010 and sustained through 2013 (FMOH and NMCP, 2009)

My interest today is the NMCSPP's 3rd priority. It is considered malaria prevention (LLIN) is the most cost-effective method of or LLINs is the main method of malaria prevention in Nigeria. This is being achieved through free distribution of LLINs with the goal of achieving universal access for the at-risk populations of children under age five and pregnant women.

From 2009 to date, all over the country with the support of development partners, nets were distributed through either stand-alone campaigns or through integration with other interventions such as vaccinations during child health week.

The 2008 National Demographic Health Survey (NDHS) has provided insight with respect to use of ITN across Nigeria that would help in planning and the evaluation of ITN distribution and utilization. With respect to the ITN ownership, the national average was 8% and the utilization among under five children in all households surveyed was 5.5%, among women of reproductive age group (15-49 years) in all household surveyed was 3.9% and among pregnant women was 4.8%.

These figures were national average, the state figures from the same NDHS 2008 varies based on the availability of the ITN at the time of the survey, level of education of the various targeted groups to mention but few. Going by the national average, as of 2008, both the ownership and utilization were very low.

As I mentioned earlier, after the completion of the NDHS, in 2009 and part of 2010 mass LLIN distribution has taken place across the country. In many states, about 2 million nets were distributed to pregnant women and under five children.

In order to achieve the NMCSPP's 3rd priority and to equally know where Nigeria stands with respect to use of ITN as the most cost-effective method of malaria prevention, the following are recommended

1. An operations research to understand the effectiveness and efficiency of the ITN distribution exercises across states.
2. A household survey to evaluate ownership and utilization to ascertain the impact of the ITN/LLIN campaigns and make a comparison with NDHS 2008.
3. Research to evaluate the impact of ITN/LLIN utilization in reducing Malaria burden in Nigeria by the end of 2010.

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THE ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTANCY BODIES IN WEST AFRICA (ABWA)

SEPTEMBER 2010 ACCOUNTING TECHNICIANS SCHEME (WEST AFRICA) EXAMINATIONS

The Accounting Technicians Scheme, West Africa (ATSWA) examinations will be held in member countries on September 14 & 15 2010 under the Council of the Association of Accountancy Bodies in West Africa (ABWA). The examinations will be held in the following centres in Nigeria: Aba, Abeokuta, Abuja, Ado-Ekiti, Akure, Awka, Benin-City, Calabar, Enugu, Ibadan, Ilesha, Ilorin, Jos, Kaduna, Kano, Lagos, Madonna, Maiduguri, Makurdi, Oko, Onitsha, Owerri, Ogbomoso, Port-Harcourt, Sokoto, Umuahia, Uyo, Warri, Yenegoa and Yola. The Institute reserves the right to transfer any candidate from his or her chosen centre to another centre.

MODE OF REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2010 EXAMINATIONS

Candidates will be required to register for September 2010 diet and subsequent examinations through the ICAN Website www.icanexamsonline.org/ats. Kindly note that registration for examination is restricted to registered students of the Institute, that is, those that have been given registration numbers.

Candidates are expected to pay their examination fees and other levies, (e.g. Annual Subscriptions, Special Levy, etc.) up to date, obtain a PIN VOUCHER at any of the banks listed below, complete and submit their examination forms online. The Insight and the Study Packs will be made available to candidates at the ICAN District Offices in the respective centres outside Lagos while those for Lagos will be made available at 25, Association Avenue, Ilupeju, Lagos on presentation of a hardcopy online-completed-form for the examination.

DIRECTIVES FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION

1. Check and print your Examination/Financial Status on www.ican-ngr.org before obtaining a pin voucher. The status report gives you information on the level of examination and subjects to write as well as the financial implication of the enrolment. The printed copy should be presented to the bank officer to obtain teller for an appropriate pin voucher.
2. Pay the correct fee for the level you are applying for at any of the banks listed below and obtain a PIN VOUCHER the amount of which must tally with the amount on your examination/financial status report.
3. Open ICAN website www.icanexamsonline.org/ats and click on September 2010 Examination Application Form.
4. Correctly enter your STUDENT REGISTRATION NUMBER, PIN NUMBER and SERIAL NUMBER.
5. (a) Upload a scanned soft copy (JPEG format, 20kb maximum file size) of your passport photograph (white background) is required for the online registration if you did not write the last exam.
(b) Upload a scanned soft copy of your signature if you did not write the last exam.
6. Complete the Online form and click on submit.
7. Print the following after clicking on submit:
 - a. Completed online examination form (two copies);
 - b. Examination Time table, centres and their addresses;
 - c. Examination offences and disciplinary measures;
 - d. Examination warning to all candidates
 Note that (c) and (d) above should be thoroughly digested and applied as appropriate.
8. Visit the website three days after online submission of the examination form to confirm your enrolment.
9. Proceed to the ICAN District Society (displayed on our website www.ican-ngr.org or www.icanexamsonline.org/ats) nearest to you with a copy of the completed online examination form for the collection of a copy of the Insight and your Study Packs. Note that you are only entitled to Study Packs if you are writing the papers for the first time or the papers/level you are to write is not the same as papers written in the past two diets. Lagos centre candidates should collect their copies from our Ilupeju Office at 25, Association Avenue, Off Obanikoro Bus Stop.

STRUCTURE OF THE EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPERS

The examination is in three (3) parts. Each part has four (4) papers. Candidates must complete a part before attempting the other parts of the examination.

The examination papers will have two (2) sections. Section 'A' will have multiple choice and short answer questions and Section 'B' will have essay-type questions.

CREDIT SYSTEM

- Candidates will be credited with any subject passed in Parts I, II and III.
- Candidates are expected to pass all the subjects of a particular part of the examinations before proceeding to a higher level.
- Candidates are to register for all the four (4) subjects in a part at any sitting. However, candidates can register for 1, 2, or 3 subjects if others have been previously passed or exempted.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

1. The banks will close the sale of Pin Vouchers to candidates on Friday 27 August 2010 while online registration will end at 12 noon on Monday 30 August 2010.
2. Candidates may not have access to the examination website after 30 August 2010.
3. Deferment of sitting for the examination will not be entertained.

4. No refund will be made to candidates on Pin Vouchers wrongly purchased or not utilized. Hence, the exam/financial status should be checked before buying pin vouchers.
5. Candidates will not be allowed to sit for the examination at centres other than the ones indicated on their forms.
6. Application for change of examination centres will not be processed after 06 September 2010.
7. Candidates are to ensure the accuracy of the information on their forms. The passport photographs must be the true semblance of the applicants and must be of white background.
8. The signature on the registration form must be the personal signature of the candidates.
9. Any discrepancies discovered on the signature when compared to signature on the attendance sheets, dockets and answer booklets at the examination hall or marking centre will be taken as a breach of the examination rule. This shall attract appropriate disciplinary action which would be communicated to the affected candidates in due course.
10. Candidates may download the ATS Insights, Study Packs, examination time table, dockets and other instructions from the ICAN website.
11. Candidates must come to the examination hall with the downloaded docket (10 above).

Candidates may seek assistance by contacting the ICAN Help Desk through the following telephone numbers and e-mail addresses: 01-6568541 or 08022594532 or 07027664886 and 017747660, roarowolo@ican.org.ng, wbodunde@ican.org.ng, atsexams@ican.org.ng.

EXAMINATION FEES FOR SEPTEMBER 2010

LEVELS	AMOUNT (N)			
	4 PAPERS	3 PAPERS	2 PAPERS	1 PAPER
PART I	15,170	13,560	11,990	10,380
PART II	15,780	14,040	12,270	10,520
PART III	18,290	16,150	14,100	11,900

EXAMINATION TIME TABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2010

DAY/DATE	TIME	PART I	PART II	PART III
TUESDAY 14/09/2010	9.30a.m.	Basic Accounting Processes & Systems	P & P of Financial Accounting	Preparation & Audit of Fin. Statements
	12.30 p.m.			
	2p.m.-5p.m.	Business Law	Information Technology	Management
WEDNESDAY 15/09/2010	9.30a.m.	Economics	Quantitative Analysis	Cost Accounting
	12.30 p.m.	Communication Skills	Government Accounting	Preparing Tax Computation & Returns
	2p.m.-5p.m.			

The designated banks for candidates in Nigeria are:

1. **INTERCONTINENTAL BANK PLC**
❖ All branches all over the federation of Nigeria.
2. **FIRST BANK OF NIGERIA**
3. **ECOBANK PLC**
4. **OCEANIC BANK**

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Association of Accountancy Bodies in West Africa
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The Registrar/Chief Executive
The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria
Plot 16, Idowu Taylor Street
Victoria Island - Lagos
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The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (Annexe)
25, Association Avenue, Obanikoro Bus Stop, Ilupeju, Lagos
Tel: 01 - 7740627, 01 - 4705336, 7747660, 7642297, and 7642298
Website: www.ican.org.ng

THE FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC

PMB 1006, DAMATURU

ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACADEMIC STAFF VACANCIES INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL VACANCIES

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for appointments into Administrative and Academic positions in the Federal Polytechnic, Damaturu, Yobe State for the following departments:

1. Rectory (Medical and Health Services Unit)
2. Registry
3. Bursary
4. Works and Maintenance
5. Civil Engineering
6. Mechanical Engineering
7. Electrical/Electronics Engineering
8. General Studies
9. Business Admin. and Management
10. Accountancy and Finance
11. Office Technology and Management
12. Science Laboratory Technology
13. Estate Management
14. Surveying & Geo-Informatics

1.00 ADMINISTRATIVE/PROFESSIONAL STAFF VACANCIES

1.01 Rectory Department (Medical & Health Services Unit)

1. Medical Officer 1 Contediss 9 (N1,229,363 – N2,109,627)
2. Pharmacist II Contediss 8 (N1,147,864 – N1,855,515)
3. Staff Nurse/Midwife 1 Contediss 7 (N1,073,217 – N1,589,508)
4. Medical Lab. Technician Contediss 6 (N598,251 – N1,062,683)
5. Medical Lab Asst. Technician Contediss 5 (N432,016 – (N676,533)

1.02 Registry Department

1. Senior Assistant Registrar Contediss 11 (N1,623,167 – N2,578,127)
2. Assistant Registrar Contediss 9 (N1,229,363 – N2,109,627)
3. Administrative Officer II Contediss 7 (N1,073,217 – N1,589,508)
4. Confidential Secretary II Contediss 7 (N1,073,217 – N1,589,508)
5. Confidential Secretary III Contediss 6 (N598,251 – N1,062,683)

1.03 Bursary Department

1. Senior Accountant Contediss 9 (N1,229,363 – N2,109,627)

1.04 Works and Maintenance Department

1. Asst Technical Officer (Electrical) Contediss 5 (N432,016 – N676,533)
2. Snr Technical Officer (Electrical) Contediss 8 (N1,147,864 – N1,855,515)
3. Snr Tech. Officer (Mechanical) Contediss 8 (N1,147,864 – N1,855,515)
4. Snr Tech. Officer (Quantity Survey) Contediss 8 (N1,147,864 – N1,855,515)

2.00 ACADEMIC STAFF VACANCIES

1. Senior Lecturer, Conpcass 7 (N2,723,069 – N3,632,404)
2. Lecturer I, Conpcass 5 (N1,823,167 – N2,578,127)
3. Lecturer II, Conpcass 3 (N1,449,363 – N2,109,627)
4. Lecturer III, Conpcass 2 (N1,247,854 – N1,855,515)
5. Assistant Lecturer Conpcass 1 (N1,073,217 – N1,589,508)
6. Technologist II Conpcass 1 (N1,073,217 – N1,589,508)
7. Senior Technologist, Conpcass 2 (N1,247,854 – N1,855,515)

3.00 QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

3.01 ACADEMIC STAFF POSITIONS

Lecturer Cadre

- i) Senior Lecturer (Conpcass 7)
A candidate for this post must possess any of the following qualifications and experience:
 - a) A Ph.D degree in the relevant field(s) from a recognized institution plus a minimum of 9 years of teaching and research in institution(s) of higher learning; or
 - b) A Master's degree or equivalent post-graduate qualification in the relevant field(s) from a recognized institution plus a minimum of 12 years of teaching and research in institution(s) of higher learning.
 - c) In addition to either of the above requirements, the candidate must show demonstrable ability to initiate, develop and supervise applied research/exhibition/ industrial production. Evidence of scholarly publications in reputable journals and textbooks as well as academic leadership qualities are also essential.
- ii) Lecturer I (Conpcass 5)
A candidate for this post must be a holder of either a Ph.D in the relevant field(s) with 3 years experience or a relevant Master's degree with 6 years experience or a relevant Bachelor with at least 2nd Class Lower Division, with 9 years experience of teaching and research in an institution of higher learning and industrial experience
- iii) Lecturer II (Conpcass 3)
A candidate for this post must be a holder of either a Master's degree in the relevant field(s) with 3 years experience or a relevant Bachelor's degree (not below second class) with 6 years experience in teaching, research and industrial production. In addition, the candidate should have evidence of seminar/conference papers as well as an article published in a journal.
- iv) Lecturer III (Conpcass 2)
A candidate for this post must be a holder of either a relevant Master's degree or a Bachelor's degree in the relevant field(s) (not below second class lower division) with 3 years experience of teaching in a post secondary institution.
- v) Assistant Lecturer (Conpcass 1)
A candidate for this post must hold a Bachelor's degree in the relevant field(s) (not below second class) from a recognized University or Polytechnic plus NYSC discharge or exemption certificate.
- vi) Senior Technologist (Conpcass 2)
A candidate for this post should be a holder of either a good HND in the relevant field with at least 3 years experience or the F.T.C plus at least 5 years experience and the possession of the T.T.C. in each case.
- vii) Technologist II (Conpcass 1)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of either a good HND in the relevant field from a recognized institution with NYSC discharge/exemption certificate or F.T.C plus a minimum of 2 years working experience.

4.00 QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

4.01 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

i) Medical Officer I (Contediss 9)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of M.B.B.S or equivalent, registered with the Nigerian Medical Council plus NYSC discharge/Exemption certificate.

ii) Pharmacist II (Contediss 8)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of B.Sc. Pharmacy or equivalent qualification from a recognized institution with at least 3 years experience or a holder of a post-graduate qualification in Pharmacy, with 1 year of cognate experience.

iii) Staff Nurse/Midwife I (Contediss 7)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of both N.R.N and N.R.M or a holder of a good honours degree in Nursing from a recognized institution of higher learning.

iv) Medical Lab. Technologist (Contediss 7)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of:

- a) The AJST (Associate Membership of the Institute of Science Technologist or HND equivalent qualification, or
- b) The full Technological Certificate or equivalent, plus 3 years experience.
- v) Medical Record (Contediss 4)
- vi) Senior Assistant Registrar (Contediss 11)
A candidate for this post should be holder of good honours degrees or equivalent from recognized institutions of higher learning plus at least 8 years post-qualification cognate experience; or relevant Master's degrees plus at least 6 years cognate experience, or relevant doctorate degrees with at least 3 years cognate experience.

viii) Assistant Registrar (Contediss 9)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of a good honours degree from a recognized institution of higher learning plus at least 5 years cognate work experience. Or a holder of a Masters' degree from a recognized institution plus at least 3 years cognate work experience or holder of a Doctorate degree.

ix) Administrative Officer II (Contediss 7)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of good honours degree or equivalent from recognized institution of higher learning plus NYSC Discharge Certificate.

x) Senior Accountant (Contediss 9)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of good honours degree in Accountancy from a recognized institution of higher learning or equivalent Professional Accountancy qualification(s) plus at least 6 years post-qualification cognate experience and must poses ANAN or ICAN Certificate.

xi) Senior Technical Officer (Contediss 8)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of C & G full Technological Certificate in the relevant field plus at least 4 years experience or a holder of HND or equivalent qualification plus 3 years relevant experience including NYSC certificate.

xii) Assistant Technical Officer (Contediss 5)

A candidate for this post should be a holder of National Diploma in the relevant field.

xiii) Confidential Secretary I (Contediss 7)

A candidate possessing a certificate in secretaryship or equivalent qualification from a recognized institution. Or a candidate possessing any of the following or equivalent qualifications:

- a) National Diploma in Secretarial Studies including a pass at 120 and 50 words per minutes in shorthand and typewriting respectively from a recognized secretarial/technical institution with ICT.
In addition to above, (a or b) candidate should have at least three years post-qualification experience.
- b) HND in Secretarial Studies with NYSC Discharge Certificate including ICT Proficiency.
- xiv) Confidential Secretary I (Contediss 6)
A candidate possessing a certificate in secretaryship or equivalent qualification from a recognized institution. Or a candidate possessing any of the following or equivalent qualifications:
- c) WASC plus R.S.A or Civil Service Training School Certificate in shorthand and typewriting at 120 and 50 words per minute respectively including computer knowledge.
- d) National Diploma in Secretarial Studies including a pass at 120 and 50 words per minutes in shorthand and typewriting respectively from a recognized secretarial/technical institution including knowledge in computer.

5.00 METHOD OF APPLICATION

5.01 Application forms are obtainable from the Establishment office of the Polytechnic, on payment of One Thousand Naira (N1,000.00) non-refundable fee.

5.02 Photocopies of all credentials listed in the application form including NYSC Discharge/Exemption Certificates must be attached to the application and submitted in ten copies not later than six weeks from the date of this publication to:

The Registrar
Federal Polytechnic
PMB 1006, Damaturu

Yobe State

In a sealed envelope indicating the position applied for at the top left hand corner.

5.03 Late applications will not be entertained and only shortlisted applicants will be invited for interview

Signed
Mohammed Hassan Gora
Registrar/Secretary to Council

Online Reactions

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ON www.dailytrust.com



KANO state Governor Ibrahim Shekarau

Leave my wives out of politics, Shekarau cautions

GOVERNOR Shekarau again... When will you be tired of reacting to trivial issues and do something useful like tackling the problems affecting Kano University of Science and Technology in Wudil which currently has no hostels, few toilets and bathrooms, very few enough lecture places, no lecture theater, no engineering workshops, no ... ad infinitum.

What our leaders are doing is confusing. Shekarau is telling us to leave his wives out of politics despite the fact that his wives are dancing to its tune. One was turbaned 'Inuwar Sharifai'; another 'Garkuwar nakasassu' and the other one is the founder of Yusra Women Center. Why were all these not done before his ascension to office of governor? Wives of former governors were not known to parade in the media in the name of anything since they were not the ones elected as governors. This however does not mean that I believe that one of his wives is aspiring to any elective post.

Sadiq Shehu
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Bankole, Ogunewe exchange blows

THIS is part of the dividends of democracy: people disagree to agree.

Paul
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Now Nigerians have seen the consequences of allowing all kinds of people to be at the helm of affairs. For their dishonorable conduct both Ogunewe and Bankole should have gone on suspension. Bankole should get the stiffer penalty of relinquishing his seat because, as Speaker and number four citizen of this country, he needs to develop a shock absorber against whatever may be said against him by anybody. It is indeed a shame and a disgrace to the generality of the Nigerian populace. Therefore, if a judge in Bauchi state will be suspended for alleged street fight, I think Bankole on the other hand should be removed from his seat for his mis-conduct and the dishonorable way of showing anger. The PDP should call them to order if we are to instill discipline and responsibility among our leaders.

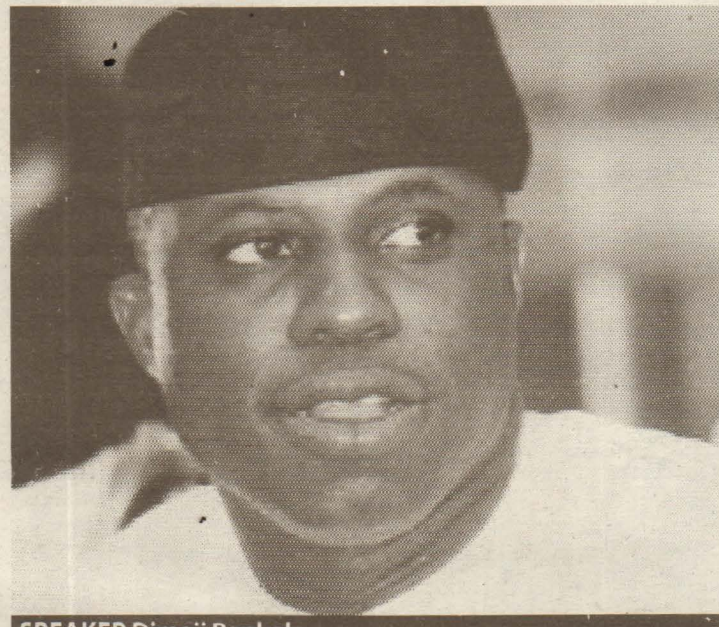
Lamara Garba Azare
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Mr Speaker sir, I beg you to continue being the gentle and sincere man you have always been.

What Allah has given to you, no matter how blessed anyone thinks he is, he can never take it away from you. You have carved your name in the sands of time. We admire you and wish you were from this part of the country.

Muhammad-Jameel
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You've all you need and you are still fighting each other?
Ibrahim Isa Yahaha



SPEAKER Dimeji Bankole

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Whatever the differences between the Speaker and Hon. Ogunewe are, they do not warrant his unguarded utterances and the attempt to demean his personality as a member of the House of Representatives. Hon Ogunewe's actions were dishonorable and should be condemned by all.

Ibrahim T. Ibrahim
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This is a great shame indeed; not only on the two of them, but on the country in general and this will prove to the world that here in Nigeria we lack discipline. I appeal to the honorable House to please try and settle this issue within a short period of time.

Abubakar Chika Maru
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I felt impressed by the attempt by Bankole at making peace, but Ogunewe's reaction is disappointing for a legislator of our era who will build on needed humility to build bridges and attract development to his people who sent him to Abuja strictly to serve them and not to be overwhelmed by some temporal national squabble.

Tasiu Muhd Ringim
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Respect should be accorded to both the senior and the junior no matter what. Ogunewe is an elder and the young man Bankole is the head of the affairs of the House.

Landers
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The drama that occurred yester-

day between Dimeji Bankole & Independence Ogunewe has brought to another historic low, the image and stature of the House of Representatives because the 'Honorable' tag is not a mere nomenclature but statement of the character of the people occupying the House.

Nasiru Suwaid
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I can't for certain say a leader must be perfect, but for such to have come from legislators/parliamentarians demonstrates a high level of immaturity and irresponsibility.

ThankGod Ibe
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This is a practical manifestation of the kind of people we have as representatives. Imagine, honorable members of a National Assembly shamelessly throwing blows at each other while the whole world watches. No wonder they cannot even effect a simple reform on the electoral bill.

Girgir B. Yohanna
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Our attitude is one major factor that must be changed in our quest for greatness as a Nation. We might not necessarily delve into one attitude in particular, but that which collectively affects our greatness as a Nation. The time is past when Nigerians used to hold themselves, shoulder high as a nation. Nigeria is now gradually losing its pride and place in the comity of Nations in Africa. Nigeria daily loses its respect, solely due to successive years of corruption and bad leadership both in Government and in Governance.

Abdulla Ladan Suleja
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ICPC handcuffs, whisks away perm sec

WHY should the minister go and secure the release of the Perm. Sec.? He should have allowed justice to take its natural course. If the woman is innocent she should clear her name and returned to the office with pride and dignity. By his action, it's assumed that she is guilty. Please allow ICPC to do their job and let anybody who may have questions to answer be invited.

Lamara Garba Azare
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Three cheers to ICPC. Thanks to the President, Dr. Goodluck Jonathan, thanks to those face-

'Government is only interested in privatizing power'

PRIVATIZING the power sector is the best thing that can happen to it. The unions should cooperate with the government to do this so we can all have light in Nigeria.

Government is not a good business person and cannot

less ICPC and EFCC operatives who daily put their lives on the line on our behalf and on behalf of our country Nigeria. It is only the beginning of the cleaning up our Nation. The current thieving of our meager resources cannot go on forever. Sometime, somehow there must be an end to it and that time is now.

Bright Udemezue
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Good dramatic theatricals, but what next? For too long, the anti-corruption agencies have specialized in dramatic arrests only to

handle any business. That is why the power sector and the petroleum sector are in shambles. The moment they are transferred to the private sector, things will start working.

Joseph Okonkwo
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drown it in silence thereafter. The fight against corruption should and must be organized systematically. This starts with integrating the CCB because it is the only body that has all the declarations of assets of all public officers - that is if they have cared to so declare. This is routinely done and updated every three years and at the end of tenures. What we have now is no more than selective window dressing. The difference was dramatically demonstrated by a U. K. court that found ex-Excellency James Ibori's associates guilty of laundering. Yet the EFCC and ICPC are yet to even

Three kids subjected to 'juju' swearing at Mararaba

I'm not happy about the missing cell phone but I'm against the evil they used in other to get the phone. Have they gotten the phone back from the accused boy because you didn't mention that in your statement. If

properly file charges against him and he has been here with them all this while.

Muhammad Na'ya
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Well done ICPC. You should always be proactive. Keep the tempo high for Nigeria's sake. I wonder why the Head of Service and the Minister should go to ICPC to intervene and secure her release. Are they aiding and abetting corruption with the help of their positions?

David O.L
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finally the boy is found to be innocent what action will he take because in Nigeria, if you're from a poor family nobody is going to fight for you.

I. K
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What a shame. It seems these overzealous ICPC boys don't know how to carry out an investigation.

Abdulfattah Muhammad
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This is an insult and slur to the Perm. Sec. A woman with such dignity and decorum did not deserve the treatment meted to her by the operatives of the ICPC but this is the way our law enforcement agents are treating citizens daily.

Yahaya Ibn Idris
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Eagles arrive in Durban

HOW these guys do not know that Johannesburg is at a high altitude goes beyond belief. Argentina has been in Johannesburg for a week now. Don't be surprised if Argentina scores late goals against us.

Olufemi Ajani
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WOMAN POISONS HUSBAND FOR TAKING SECOND WIFE -News

Darling! Are you still going to marry a second wife?

YES! Since you know my secret I will skip lunch



Hajiyayye Liman

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Baba Abdo: Gone too soon

Is that you Baba Abdo? I thought you had died and were already in paradise? These were words spoken to AbdusSalam Usman El-Marzuq, fondly called Baba Abdo by all, just hours before he met his death on the fateful Saturday 22nd May, 2010 in a tragic accident near Farakwai along Zaria-Kaduna road.

I have been touched several times by tragic events in my life, from the death of my mother when I was about eight years old, my elder sister, shortly after my mother and that of my father in 1992, but this death shook me to my very soul. It made me re-examine and reassess myself. Baba Abdo was my cousin and brother-in-law but he became more of my son because his elder brother, my husband had taken him long before the death of my father-in-law. All of us had beautiful, fond memories of AbdusSalam, and good words in praise of him. I looked at the different faces sitting around and wondered what will be said of me on the day I shall be no more. If words of the living are testimony enough for the dead, then this erstwhile student of Bayero University has an abode in paradise.

Tears still flow as I see his savings on my laptop, this boy who was so friendly, generous, easy going, on whom one could rely time and time again. Truthful, gentle, and caring are the adjectives best to describe Baba Abdo. And Hajo quickly added another '*dan aljannah*' (dweller of paradise) in between sobs. It became a prayer on the lips of everyone because of the beautiful lifestyle he chose to live. His was not a life of frivolousness, no hanky-panky, your single kobo change was brought back to you, everything on your shopping list accounted for, and you are a satisfied customer time and time again. Famous with his nephews and nieces who knew there could be sweets in those back pockets or a solution to each problem. Baba Abdo was there for, even the adults any time we needed him.

His piety attested to by all that came in contact with him. Even kids, who he ensured say their five daily prayers by going to the mosque with them or leading them if need be. Even the speaker, his acquaintance, in the first paragraph whose only reason for speaking to AbdusSalam in that manner was the way he practiced his religion and the fact that he would always admonish them to be steadfast in the religion, a zeal difficult to find amongst young guys who erroneously think they have more days ahead in the world and his belief that the '*subh*' prayer is for 'dawn' not 'morning' as they quarrelled with him each time he woke them from sleep.

Another solemn moment for me was when someone couldn't answer my phone call as we travelled home for the burial, but sent a text that '*gawar ta iso*' (the corpse has arrived). Allahu Akbar! He's already given another name. The name we bear all our lives, however long we may be alive is actually given to the soul Allah commands unto us the moment we are conceived. Thus the day '*Asra'el*' (angel of death) performed his duties, the body becomes '*gawa*' (corpse).

My sons, AbdurRahman, AbdurRahim and AbdulMalik, who have all along seen Baba Abdo more of not only an uncle but a senior brother, have lost a role model. As I consoled them I said, if piety, goodness, love of God and family are a prerequisite for being among the '*samarin aljanna*' (youths of paradise), then you should just hold on to his principles and in that abode we all wish for ourselves, he awaits you!

We brought forth the numerous good deeds of AbdusSalam in his short sojourn on earth. Armed with that Hajo thought, his physique, the handsome face and probably even his complexion were all just right in her mortal imaginations of '*samarin aljanna*'. '*Allah yaii maka albarka*' (may Allah bless you) we said each time he did us a good deed and Allah being '*Samiu-d'ua'a*' (the acceptor of prayers) has answered. AbdusSalam died reciting the '*Kalimah*' (a testimony that 'there is no deity but Allah and Muhammad saw His Messenger') Alhamdulillah!

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Let it go round

THE new salary increase takes effect 1st July, 2010 May I advise that the Council of State should approve the increase so that it applies to the states as well. This is to avoid industrial action in the states.

AB Salihu, Katsina, 08027419258.

One good turn...

NOW that government is going to increase workers' pay, I expect that workers would imbibe the dictum that says, *to whom much is given much is expected*; they should reciprocate the government's gesture by doing their duties diligently. Lateness, closing early and collecting money before one performs his/her duties should be stopped henceforth. 08027951565.

Re: In defence of IBB

HABA Malam Mohammed Haruna, we don't have to have proof that IBB actually did all those things, because we have commonsense. It's ironic and disappointing that you should come to the defence of this man who has caused so much trouble for us. Pity. DR AZIZ Labo Mahuta, 07035029199.

Re: ICPC handcuffs, whisks away Perm Sec

IF it is true as reported, "But Dr. Abebe who was not in the ministry when the contract was awarded", then we need a serious "REBRANDING" of the entire outfit. NCWS where are you? ZACHARIAH Yahaya, Sokoto, 08023674994.

Exploring Chad Basin

IT is commendable that the FG taken steps for oil exploration in the Chad Basin. This will bring an end of the simmering argument of North being parasite on the other parts of Nigeria. May God help us. ABUBAKAR Nazifi, Daura, 08037967001.

Who says Farida was talking nonsense?

I now understand why Auntie Farida Waziri of the EFCC suggested psychiatric test for our politicians, especially those who aspire to be Leaders. Otherwise, how can our leaders in their normal senses budget 10 billion naira for celebrating just Independence, when we all know that we are still dependent in all ramifications. GODDEY, ML Atiku, 08037014894.

What we are celebrating

...LOW education standard, Ignorance of the masses, Poverty among most Nigerians, Poor health malnutrition. Please which one have we conquered that's worth celebrating, or have I missed out on that? NELLY, Gusau, 08062909601.

GSM registration

IN some developed countries before using a SIM card, you must provide your personal data. But in our country the rules were started before and nowadays they have failed. You often find that 4 to 5 SIM cards belonging to one person. I think is too late to cry. ABDULLAHI Adda'u, Zaria 08038216238.

Goldmine

IF for goodness' sake 500,000 vehicles enter Abuja on daily basis, then what is the FG thinking about the essence of building a toll gate at all the entry points of all the 36 states of country? These will enhance employment opportunities for our citizens than the plan of building 60,000 housing units nationwide. DANJUMA Auta, Kabala West, Kaduna, 08020987982.

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The contracts review panel

The Federal Government recently announced the setting up of a panel to investigate the huge disparity in the costs of doing contracts in the country, in comparison with similar projects in other parts of the world. The panel, to be headed by Vice President Mohammed Sambo is the first of such to be inaugurated by government. Its mandate is to investigate why Nigerian contracts cost on the average 30 per cent more than what obtains in other parts of the world.

This announcement comes only a few days after the Federal Government decided to review downwards, the contract sum for the construction of the extended runway of the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport from over N60 billion to N46 billion. In making the decision, government said the quality of the work would not be affected and the length of the runway had only shortened in a way that it would not affect its original scope.

Before that decision, and before the setting up of this panel, the country has been dotted with projects, for which huge sums of money were voted that seemed obvious that the costs were corruptly inflated. Not long ago, the Airport and Kubwa Road extension in the Federal Capital Territory was awarded at a whopping N406 billion. This column at the time noted that the Lagos-Ore-Benin road project, which is about the same length was awarded at N46 billion, a fraction of the cost of the airport road project.

Indeed, any discerning Nigerian would remember several other projects whose costs smelt of fraud and assault the integrity of the nation and due process. It would seem that the setting up of the Sambo panel is a true pointer to the incompetence of agencies set up by government to ensure accountability and transparency in project contracting, award and execution. One of such is the much-touted Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) which was set up with the aim of ensuring that contracts follow due process and are worthy of their quoted cost. In the extractive industry, we recall the Nigerian Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (NEITI) was also set up to ensure transparency and accountability in that sector. We however note that the authorities do not seem serious on the BPP as up to this moment the Federal Executive Council continues to approve contracts which is in clear violation of the BPP Act. The government has also refused to inaugurate the procurement council whose job is to do what FEC continues to hijack.

It would appear that the setting up of the panel is recognition of the failure of the current arrangement. We believe that this is a call for performance audit by these agencies if they are to justify their continued existence and funding by government. In the case of the review of the airport runway project, the BPP saw nothing wrong in the original contract sum. The many controversies dogging the extractive industry finances equally show that not much has been achieved in that sector in terms of curbing economic leakages.

We agree with the view expressed by members of the panel that there is no justification for a contract in Nigeria costing more than a similar project in Ghana or Benin Republic, for instance, except of course the usual Nigerian factor in which contract costs are padded to satisfy the sleazy cravings of corrupt government officials and their lackeys. If the panel is to make any impact and make its creation meaningful, and not another diversion, it must be fastidious in its assignment. The panel should be fair and just and its report made public. However without waiting for the panels' report the government should inaugurate the BPP as a sign that it means what it says.

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Celebrating eleven years of *democradura*

A year after Nigeria returned to democratic rule in 1999, The Economist edition of May 13th 2000 carried a very gloomy cover story on the African continent. Describing Africa as 'the hopeless continent', the magazine narrated, in murky details, the tribulations confronting Africa. These range from natural disasters to the social plague of 'tribalism', and the failure of democracy and leadership, all combining to produce 'shell states'. According to the magazine, 'Democracy does not have much to offer Africa. Democracies are no more stable than dictatorships... The African ruler finds himself trapped. He wants power and control; but the outside world makes demands about democracy, human rights and good governance, which weakens his position and could cost him his job. If he cannot use the treasury as his private bank account and the police as his private army, he tries to create alternative sources of wealth and power. This is why more and more African rulers are turning their countries into shell states.'

What the Economist did not contemplate was that Africa, or at least some parts of Africa, such as Nigeria could have the scientific ingenuity to clone their own breed of democracy. Nigeria, 'the giant of Africa' is leading the way in this social and political revolution of the 21st century. The trade mark of the Made in Nigeria Democracy is first and foremost the negation of the very principle of democracy. In real democracies, leaders emerge through free and fair elections, and are therefore accountable to the people.

In Nigerian democracy, elections are secondary, if at all important. Elections are conducted simply to mask the political thievery with a moral garment. Since 1999, Nigerian elections at all levels have been a sham. The hodgepodge of election malpractice that have been perfected over the last eleven years include outright snatching of ballot boxes, multiple and under-aged voting, and above all, the manufacturing of votes with simple strokes of satanic pens. Perhaps, the root of all the election malpractice in the country can be traced to the influence of money in the whole electoral process. Beginning from the level of party primaries to the actual elections, money is the magic that buys and shifts alliances. In Nigeria's cash and carry democracy, everybody has a price—ranging from the electoral officials and security agents to highly placed party delegates and desperate blue-collar political activists and passive voters on the streets.

Talking about what a range of people gain from the cash and carry democracy reminds me of a funny story someone once narrated to me. The incident happened when they were coming back to a state capital

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with ballot boxes after an important election. On their way, they came across a team of Customs personnel at a border post. Now, the policemen who were escorting the ballot boxes suddenly shouted: 'see these thieves, throw teargas at them!' And truly, they threw some noxious teargas canisters at the customs men and continued with their journey in the cover of darkness, with their booty of votes! What else do you expect from a team of election

ing and hoarding the resources of the nation like some army of rapacious ants. No, the ants are better and more useful than our army of thieves. Growing up in the ecologically fragile, drought and famine prone dry zone of northern Borno, I knew from childhood that what the ants 'hoard' have often proved useful to poor peasants during periods of distress. Actually, ants do not hoard, they build a reserve for an uncertain tomorrow—a reserve useful to their progeny as well as mankind. Nigerian politicians hoard; and what they hoard often rots and turns to dust with them.

Because of the massive robbery in the land, the country has remained one of the

“How can leaders who emerged through rigging of elections become accountable to the people?”

officials who might have been heavily bought over by politicians, and therefore, intoxicated with ephemeral exhilaration? The customs men might be 'thieves', but what else can one describe those who buy and sell the mandate of the people?

The conduct of free and fair elections constitutes the first and perhaps most important 'due process' in a democracy. This is why it is deceptive and futile to talk about enforcing due process in the award of contracts and the general conduct of government business when the leaders did not emerge through a due electoral process. How can leaders who emerged through rigging of elections become accountable to the people? Nigerian politicians keep telling us that it is all part of the painful 'learning process', and that the nation must endure to 'foster its nascent democracy', as if the country is a perpetual democratic toddler. How can the brazen acts of political thievery continue in the name of 'learning'?

Now, because the leaders are not accountable to the people, the type of democracy they have succeeded in enforcing on the nation in the last eleven years comes close to what some scholars called *democradura* or 'hard democracy'—a very hard one for that matter, and habitually gruesome to the core. It has been eleven, unnerving years of hard democracy—hard on the people, hard on the national treasury, hard on the rule of law, and hard on everything living under the Nigerian sun.

Consider, for example, what corruption has done to the nation in the name of democracy in the last eleven years. Even as hundreds of thousands of poor people continue to languish and die in droves, the profligate political class keep steal-

poorest in the world. A perusal of UNDP's rankings over the last few years shows that the country is still lagging behind among the 30 poorest countries in the world. But everybody in the world knows that Nigeria is paradoxically poor because of its wealth. Thus, even as the people sleep in the open and on empty stomachs, these modern day Emperors are busy buying mansions across the world—mansions they may never live to dwell in them. They keep hopping from one comfy country to the other, always on the run from the collective sufferings of their people. Do our politicians, especially those occupying positions of leadership, ever bother to consider the apt observation by Fernando Henrique Cardoso that "if no symbiosis can be found between politics and public interest it will be rather troublesome to maintain democracy"? Do our politicians think that they can continue to subvert democracy to serve their personal interests, and keep hoping that the institution can be maintained?

This democracy, the Nigerian democracy, this *democradura* appears to take so much pleasure in inflicting sufferings on its people. Or else, how can one explain the rapid retreat of the state from the lives of the people since 1999? The people are left rudderless by a state reduced and tamed by the market, a market that has declared a war on the nation. This is the democracy, the *democradura*, *Made in Nigeria*. Leaders feed fat on this democracy, only to throw up stanches of suffering on the people. This is why we should not celebrate the so-called 'democracy day', never again, that is, until the politicians put their house in order and make democracy work for the good of the common man.



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News Extra

George Bush admits US waterboarded 9/11 mastermind

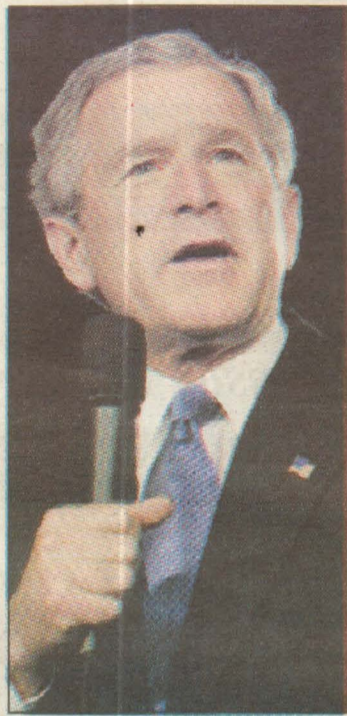
Former US president says Khalid Sheikh Mohammed was waterboarded by US and he would do it again 'to save lives'

George Bush admitted Wednesday that Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the self-proclaimed mastermind of the 9/11 attacks, was waterboarded by the US, and said he would do it again "to save lives".

"Yeah, we waterboarded Khalid Sheikh Mohammed," the former president told a business audience in Grand Rapids, Michigan. "I'd do it again to save lives."

Waterboarding is a simulated drowning technique that the Obama administration has said is torture. Mohammed was captured in Pakistan in 2003 and is the most senior al-Qaida operative in US custody.

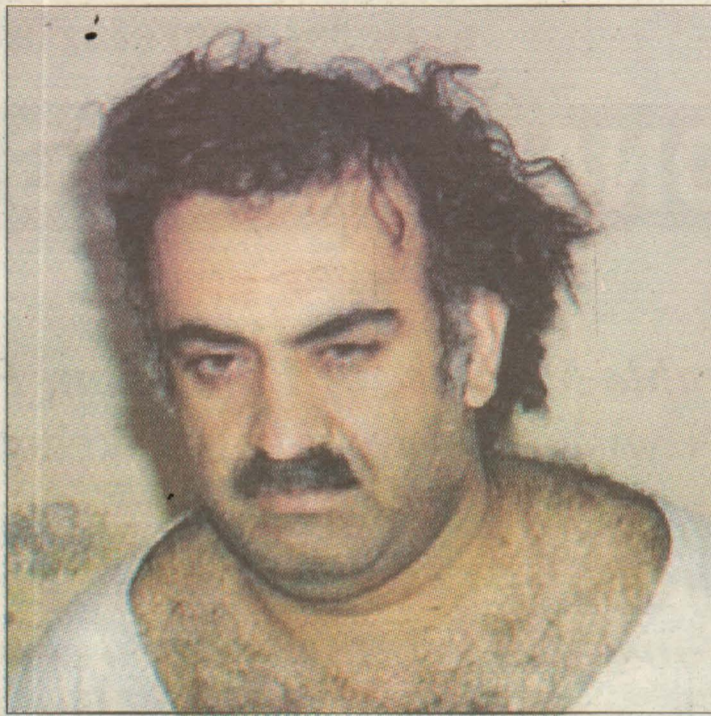
In his speech, Bush also defended the decision to go to war with Iraq in 2003. He said ousting Saddam Hussein "was the right thing to do and the world is a better place without him".



GEORGE Bush

But he said he was not tempted to criticise Barack Obama. "You are not going to see me in the public square criticising the president."

In February he said he was "trying to regain a sense of anonymity. I didn't like it when a certain former president made my life miserable." This was said to be a reference to Jimmy Carter,



KHALID Sheikh Mohammed

president from 1976 to 1980.

Bush also talked about the role of religion in his life. "I prayed a lot. I really did. I prayed before every major speech. I prayed before debates. It was a very important experience."

And he talked about the morning of 9/11, describing how he had learned that first one, then

two planes had hit the World Trade Centre in New York. The third plane, which hit the Pentagon near Washington DC, was "a declaration of war on our country", he said.

Bush's memoir *Decision Points* will be published in November.

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Pervez Musharraf hints at possible return to power

Pakistan's former president, Pervez Musharraf, has used the Hay festival to help launch a possible return to power. He said he could still lead his country out of its deep economic, political and security problems.

"Many people are asking that I should come back," he said. He has a Facebook page and in five months his "fan club has reached 200,000". He said most of his supporters there were between 18 and 34. "The youth of today [in Pakistan] is dismayed."

Musharraf added: "The people of Pakistan must stand up and be counted".

Musharraf recently announced his intention to return to Pakistan, where his supporters have launched a party, the All Pakistan Muslim League, but the next elections



FORMER leader of Pakistan Pervez Musharraf

are not until 2013. He has been living in London since resigning in 2008.

Interviewed Sunday by Carey Schofield, the academic author, he suggested he had not made a final decision to return, prefacing his remarks by saying "if" he did so. Musharraf insisted that Pakistan's nuclear weapons were safe from terrorists, though he admitted that what he called the "centre of gravity" of al-Qaida-inspired extremism lay in Pakistan's tribal areas.

Referring to Pakistan's relations with India, he recalled being told in Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal, of a proverb which said that when two elephants fight the grass gets trampled. "I shudder to think if two elephants start making love the grass gets more trampled," he said.

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Germany could be led by two women



URSULA von der Leyen, foreign minister Guido Westerwelle and Chancellor Angela Merkel at a cabinet meeting

The female labour minister in Chancellor Angela Merkel's coalition government has emerged as the favourite in the race to be president.

Should Ursula von der Leyen gain the post vacated dramatically on Monday by Horst Koehler it would see the most power-

ful European nation led by two women.

Several leading newspapers - citing Christian Democrat party sources - reported Mrs Merkel has thrown her weight behind von der Leyen.

"Her candidacy is 'firming up'", news magazine *Der Spiegel* said.

Mr Koehler resigned abruptly

on Monday after criticism of comments he made suggesting Germany's involvement in the war in Afghanistan was partly driven by economic motives.

Mrs Von der Leyen, a 51-year-old mother-of-seven, is widely regarded as a family-oriented politician, asking for a more generous welfare system and crusading against child pornography on

the internet.

As a potential president, she has won support elsewhere.

Gerd Langguth, a former Christian Democrats MP and biographer of both Mrs Merkel and Mr Koehler, said Mrs von der Leyen had 'the right qualities for the job'.

'She could carry out the duties of the office with a particular human warmth,' he added.

Mr Koehler's departure could not come at a worse time for Mrs Merkel, whose conservative Christian Democrats have slumped to 30 per cent support, their lowest level in four years, according to a Forsa opinion poll.

Her faltering response to the Greek debt crisis has hurt her reputation both in Germany and around Europe, and her problems were compounded by heavy losses suffered by her conservative Christian Democrats in a state election in North Rhine-Westphalia in May.

Mrs von der Leyen may be able to restore some faith in both her and the office of president.

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Permanent Secretary

DIGEST

One man killed himself, the other had his life destroyed, all because one girl falsely cried rape...

THE irony of moving to Sheffield from London hoping for a quieter life is not lost on this particular medical student. After two frenetic years studying in the capital, the 27-year-old hoped a spell in the regions would improve his quality of life. How wrong he was.

Just four days after arriving in Sheffield, he was confronted by a uniformed police officer on his doorstep and arrested on suspicion of rape. His accuser was a 21-year-old girl with whom he had enjoyed consensual sex just a few hours before - someone who was such a willing participant in the act that she had, at one point, spoken of her desire to have his babies.

In the ensuing months, the stress of the forthcoming court case and the cloud of doubt over him would cost the young student, Olumide Fadayomi, his home, his job and many of his close friendships.

In the end, it took a jury at Sheffield Crown Court just 45 minutes to clear his name, while Judge Patrick Robertshaw was so horrified it had come to court that he launched a pointed attack on the Crown Prosecution Service for pursuing the case.



He said a girl claimed to police that he had dragged her onto a football pitch near their estate and raped her

He suggested that they had been motivated by the victim's desire for a trial, rather than a fair-minded assessment of the evidence. His anger was understandable.

Olumide's accuser - known as Miss X, because whatever the outcome of the court case, she enjoys lifelong anonymity - had, it emerged, made a similar accusation four years ago against a teenage boy.

On that occasion, after several months of investigation, the police decided there was not enough evidence to take the matter further. That young man's name was Daniel Devennie - although unlike Olumide he is no longer around to give his version of events.

In January 2008, 18 months after he was first arrested, Daniel took his own life. He was just 21 years old. And while it's undeniable

there were other issues in the young man's life, his mother says her son's problems were compounded by the legacy of Miss X's accusation.

'It upset him and hurt him, and he kept going on and on about it,' his 43-year-old mother, Bonita Fielding, told the Mail.

'He was questioned about it several times and asked me: "how many times do I have to explain that I have not done anything wrong?" he didn't understand it.'

Few people would argue against the victims of rape and sexual assault being entitled to anonymity.

But there will be many people - Mrs Fielding and Mr Fadayomi among them - who also feel that the weight of the law has become unbalanced, particularly in an age of relaxed sexual mores, when lines of consent are all too often blurred.

That this disturbing series of events has come to light at a time when the Government has recently announced plans to grant anonymity to defendants in rape trials for the first time since the 1970s is, therefore, particularly apt.

Certainly the circumstances surrounding the complaints made by Miss X raise pertinent questions about this issue. Should two men have found their lives destroyed, while she will always enjoy anonymity?

What of Miss X, though? While her full history is not known, this much is undisputed: now 21 and one of three children, she left school with eight GCSEs and initially had hopes of a career in the Army.

After signing up in June 2005, however, she failed to complete the training and left after nine weeks, taking up her current work in a call centre.

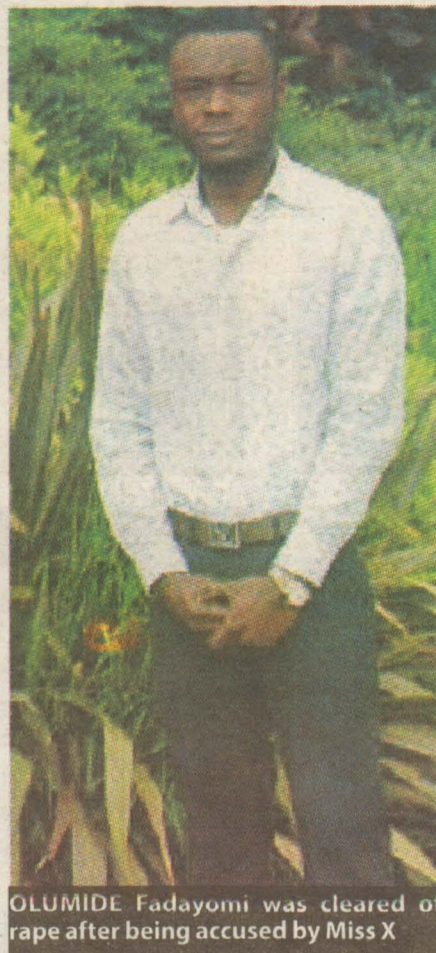
According to her friends, she is close to her family and a 'naturally bubbly and chatty' person whose confidence has plummeted in the wake of recent events.

No doubt such tidings will ring hollow to Mrs Fielding, a school attendance officer who remarried four years ago after separating from Daniel's father.

In late Summer 2006, she opened the door of the smart semi-detached home in Penistone, near Sheffield, which she shared with Daniel and his two younger siblings, to find two uniformed police officers there.

'They said they needed to speak to Daniel about something,' she says. 'They couldn't tell me anything more, but it was something that had happened about 14 months before. I was taken aback, and when Daniel came home he didn't have any idea what it might be about.'

Daniel, then 18, soon found out. Later



OLUMIDE Fadayomi was cleared of rape after being accused by Miss X

the same day, the officers returned to the house and took him to the local police station for questioning.

On his return, a devastated Daniel told his mother that a girl had accused him of rape. 'He said a girl claimed to police that he had dragged her onto a football pitch near their estate and raped her,' Mrs Fielding says. 'She said she had asked him to stop and he said "no", and she screamed her head off.'

'He said it was ridiculous because if that had happened, someone would have heard her. He told me straight away they'd had sex, but in no way was it rape.'

Moreover since the alleged event had happened more than 14 months earlier, both mother and son were baffled as to why it had taken more than a year for Miss X to make her complaint - although her son, Mrs Fielding says, had his theories.

'Dan said he thought she was lying because she'd got a new boyfriend, and if he'd found out about her sleeping with Dan it would have really annoyed him, because Dan was quite popular locally and a little

charmer. So it was easier for her to say it was rape.' The investigation remained open for five or six months - a cloud over the head of such a young man. Then, in early 2007, Daniel was informed that he would not be charged due to lack of evidence.

But by then, for Daniel, the damage had already been done.

For much of that year, Mrs Fielding says, her son was depressed - although he did not confide in her.

'He was a sensitive lad,' she says. 'A lot of things upset him, and a lot of things got him down.' A move to Blackpool with a new girlfriend to take up decorating work was, she hoped, the fresh start her son needed. But, instead, he chose another path. In January 2008, following a row with his girlfriend, Daniel took an overdose of pills and vodka.

He was rushed to hospital, but died a few days later, leaving his grieving mother with a host of unanswered questions. Understandably, the latest court case has left her saddened and angered.

'How can she stay anonymous and he can't?' she asks. 'It demeans genuine rape victims because people start harbouring doubts. And for the man, the accusation never goes away - people think there's no smoke without fire.'

Olumide Fadayomi knows this only too well. After arriving in the UK from Nigeria in 2007 to continue his medical studies, he moved to Sheffield to do a music production course.

'I thought if I liked the city, I would transfer my degree course to the university,' he recalls this week.

Four days after moving in, he joined his housemates on a night out which ended in Static, a popular city nightclub. There, he was quickly approached by Miss X. 'I saw this girl staring straight at me, then she came up and asked my name,' he recalls.

'She said she liked the way I smelled, and she liked my body too. We chatted for a while and then she kissed me.'

'I was pretty surprised, but of course I didn't mind. She was a smooth talker - the sort that would make any man feel good about himself.'

'I remember at one point she lifted up my shirt and was saying to her friend: "Look at his body, isn't it amazing?"' This was later echoed in a witness statement given by a friend of Miss X's, who told how she had boasted she was going to 'have his body tonight'.

Culled from dailymail.co.uk

IVF breakthrough: Experts develop test that picks out top sperm just like an egg

U.S researchers have developed a new method for selecting the best sperm during IVF treatments.

According to the team from Yale University, the method is as effective as the egg's own natural selective ability. The technique selects the sperm with the highest DNA integrity and could be used to boost male fertility.

Senior study author, Dr Gabor Huszar, said: 'Our results could help address the fact that approximately 40 per cent of infertility cases can be traced to male infertility.'

Dr Huszar said that past semen analysis focused on sperm concentration and mobility. It was assumed that a man was fertile if he had a high sperm count and active sperm.

However, there was no information on the sperm's fertility or its ability to attach to its mark - the female reproductive cell.

In an ideal case, the egg naturally selects the optimal sperm and blocks off the others. But during in-vitro fertilization treatment of men who had only a few sperm, clinicians do not know if they are injecting the 'winning' sperm into the egg for fertilization. 'We have now found a biochemical marker of sperm fertility so that we can select sperm with high genetic integrity,' Dr Huszar said.

The researchers tested the idea that high quality sperm would bind itself to hyaluronic acid using semen samples

from 50 men. Part of the sample was allowed to bind with the hyaluronic acid marker.

These were then compared with the sperm that did not bind. They found the higher-quality sperm was more likely to bind to the acid.

Dr Huszar likened those that did not bind to scratched CDs. 'They seem to be operational but when you play them, some of the information is missing,' he said.

'These damaged sperm may also carry chromosomal aberrations that could be related to genetic diseases.'

Their results are to be published in the study published in the June/July issue of the *Journal of Andrology*.

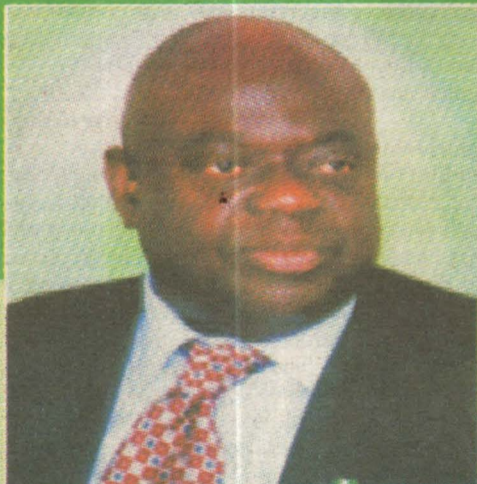
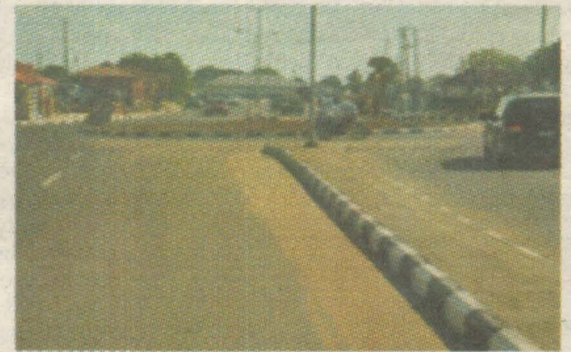
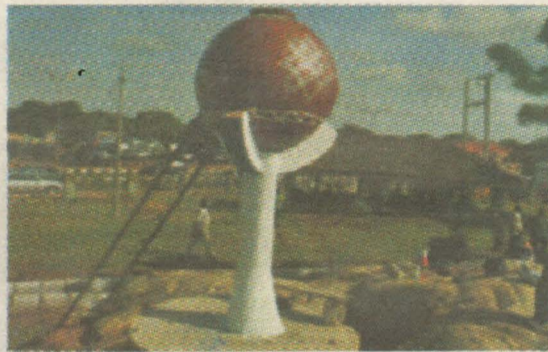
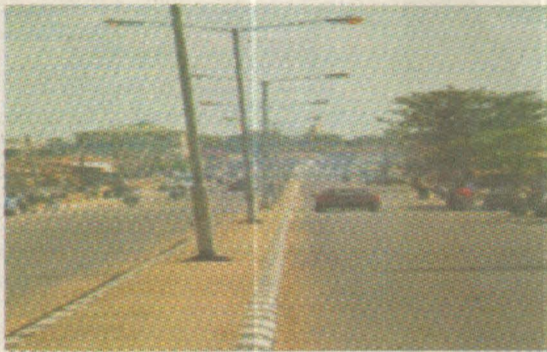
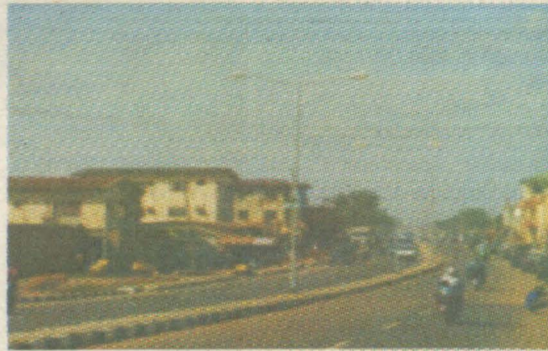


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3RD ANNIVERSARY PROJECT COMMISSIONING SERIES

COMMISSIONING OF DEMOCRACY DRIVE, JIBRIN NDAJIWO WAY, STREET LIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY GARDEN, MINNA



The Chief Servant
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(Talban Minna)
Governor of Niger State



Prof. Rukayyatu Ahmed Rufa'i
Hon. Minister
Federal Ministry of Education

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Hon. Minister, Federal Ministry of Education

Distinguished Guest of Honour
Maj. Gen. Mamman Kontagora (rtd)

Chief Host
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Royal Father of the Day
His Royal Highness
Alhaji (Dr.) Umar Farouk Bahago, CON
Emir of Minna

As part of the activities marking the 3rd year anniversary of the administration of Dr. Mu'azu Babangida Aliyu, OON (Talban Minna) in Niger State, the Ministry of Works and Infrastructural Development invites the General Public to the official commissioning of Democracy Drive (Mobil Roundabout to Old Secretariat Roundabout), Jibrin Ndajiwo Way (Old Secretariat Roundabout to AP Roundabout), Street lights and Democracy Garden (opposite old Secretariat Roundabout)

DATE:

Saturday, 5th June, 2010

Time:

9: 00 am

Signed

Dr. Ibrahim B. Sule mni

Hon. Commissioner, Ministry of Works and Infrastructural Development

Sign Language



What an evolution!
Photo location: Vancouver, Canada, by Ruth Tebbutt
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ANACROSTIC 7

DEFINITIONS

- A. Pizza topper
- B. Supportive activity
- C. Tenuous
- D. Recession directive
- E. Cense: 2 wds.
- F. Far from rigid
- G. Exhorted
- H. Inevitable
- I. Part of a horse's back
- J. Lacking innovation
- K. Means of restraint
- L. "You know the -!"
- M. Lents: slung
- N. Contiguous
- O. Explorer's find: 2 wds.
- P. Fade
- Q. See Word J
- R. Wartime product
- S. Sunday topics
- T. Past the difficulties of
- U. Corporate concern
- V. Radio output: 3 wds.
- W. Not enough

WORDS

- 152 109 2 94 98 140 61 126 166
- 85 147 114 77 137 82 159 74
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SUDOKU

The Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9x9 square grid made up of smaller 3x3 square grids (regions). The numbers already present within the puzzle are "given"- these are there to start you off. The aim is to complete the puzzle by filling the empty cells. Every digit from 1-9 needs to fit in each row, column and region of 9 squares. Each row, column and region must contain just one instance of each number, 1-9.

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Solution to Sudoku 162

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SOLUTION TO ANACROSTIC 6

- A. Mystery
- B. Sanguinary
- C. Hoosegows
- D. Eschewed
- E. Roaster
- F. Manipulate
- G. Encourages
- H. Ravenously
- I. Shepherded
- J. Chesty
- K. Inhabitant
- L. Epigraphy
- M. Notation
- N. Cooperates
- O. Equivalent
- P. Floodlight
- Q. Repasts
- R. Injunction
- S. Colonnades
- T. Think tanks
- U. Inspissate
- V. Obligatory
- W. New-fashion-
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Imo revokes undeveloped plots

From Johnkennedy Uzoma, Owerri

IMO State Government has restated its resolve to revoke all undeveloped plots of lands located along Owerri/Onitsha road industrial layout.

The Special Adviser to the Governor on Economic Matters, Chief Chuck Chuckemeka, said this

yesterday in Owerri while briefing newsmen, said that measure is aimed at making the area investment ready.

He advised land owners in their own interest to obey government's directives by developing their plots to avoid the wraths of government.

Chuckemeka hinted that already he has received approval by the

Governor to engage a company to clear the layout immediately.

He said that the lands would be taken away from those people who could not comply with 6 months ultimatum and be given to the individuals who are willing to develop the area.

On the forth coming Imo

Investment Summit scheduled to hold from the 8th to 9th of June 2010, the Special Adviser said that the essence of the summit is to make Imo first 5th industrialized choice in the country.

He stated government's readiness for the summit which includes creation of clean environment to make Imo friendly for investors.

Benue varsity targets N3bn for infrastructure

From Hir Joseph, Lafia

BENUE State University is contending with shortage of infrastructure and the decay of the old ones, and is targeting N3 billion to face the growing challenges and to address other critical areas of development.

A statement by university's spokesman, Mike Atovigba, quoted the Pro-Chancellor Professor Ode Ojowu as saying the university's ongoing endowment fund to raise N3 billion will further raise its standards in various ways including infrastructure.

The statement commended the visitor to the university, Governor Gabriel Suswam for committing efforts to uplift the university, but said much more is needed in terms of funds to face critical challenges.

"The university notes the untiring effort of the Executive Governor of Benue State and Visitor to the Benue State University for standing firm in support of the university. His government has provided resources that have been used to make the College of Health Sciences gain full accreditation status from the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN) and the National Universities Commission (NUC) and also for the medical students to commence clinical clerkship and pre-clinical programme. He has also shown keen interest in the physical development of the university," the statement said, but added that there was the need to raise funds for more development.

"The inability of the university to offer admission to more candidates is hinged on inadequate physical facilities such as lecture rooms/halls, laboratories, hostel accommodation etc. which are assessed by the NUC to determine the carrying capacity of the university," the statement added.



THE Governor of Niger state, Dr. Muazu Babangida Aliyu, left, with the Minister of Lands, Housing and Urban Development Nduese Essien at the commissioning ceremony of M.I Wushishi housing units in Minna, recently

'N/Assembly delaying building code law'

By Nasir Imam

THE incessant building collapse in the country has been attributed to the inability of the National Assembly to pass the National Building Code Enforcement Act, the Council of Registered Builders of Nigeria (CORBON) has said.

Addressing a press conference on Wednesday in Abuja, CORBON Chairman, Prof. Akin Akindoyemi, said lack of a legal backing by the act renders it impossible to enforce the building code laws to punish builders found wanting.

The Chairman said after the hearing on the bill at the National Assembly, CORBON members visited the House Committee on Habitat twice last year but that since then the Council has not heard anything from the committee.

He said if that law had been passed, somebody will have been punished for the recent collapse of a building in Garki, Abuja and the one in Abeokuta last week and some compensation would have gone to the victims who died in such building collapse.

Prof. Akindoyemi said that in the National Building Code activities have been assigned to various professionals like the architects, struc-

tural and mechanical engineers, and builders in the process of developing a building.

He said the builder is supposed to produce a Quality Management Plan to show the quality of materials and workmanship that will go with the job and also manage the construction on site on a daily basis.

He said CORBON is therefore calling on the FCT Minister and the Minister for Land, Housing and Urban Development to, as a matter of urgency, set up a panel of enquiry to look at the immediate and remote causes of the recent building collapse in the FCT.

COREN inspects site of Garki collapsed building

By Mustapha Suleiman

ENGINEERING Regulation Monitoring Unit of Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) yesterday inspected the site of a building that collapsed recently in Garki in Abuja.

The monitoring team was led by Engineer U.G Jibril, Chief Inspector of the Unit.

He lamented the spate of building collapse in the country, attributing it to the use of sub standard building materials and

infiltration of the building profession by quacks.

Jibril urged potential building owners to engage only duly certified building professionals, whom according to him, will not only provide standard job but also have professional integrity at stake to protect.

Speaking on the apparent cause of the Garki building collapse, he said "the foundation laying was done over 40 years ago. There is no serious integrity test carried out on the building, the quality is poor and

supervision terrible."

He said that the monitoring group has the mandate to inspect building sites be it public or private in order to ensure standard in building works and that qualified building professionals are engaged in building to checkmate building collapse.

When asked on what awaits any engineer that is found wanting in buildings that are prone to collapse, he responded that such engineer will face appropriate sanctions from the council.

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Court orders resumption of FHA GM's trial

By Abubakar Yakubu

AN Abuja Senior Magistrate, Abdu Dogo, yesterday ordered that the trial of Alhaji Musa Kuru, General Manager Finance and Administration in the Federal Housing Authority commence.

Mr Chukwuma Nkem and Mrs Nkiru Nkem, tenants in the general manager's house at House 2, 'C' Close, 22 Road, Gwarinpa had sued him for alleged criminal trespass, intimidation and force, offences contrary to Sections 342, 396 and 263 of the Penal Code.

The accused person's lawyer, Barrister S.G. Kekere-Akpe, in

response to an order from the court on why his client's bail should not be revoked for absenting himself from court on April 13, moved a dated April 19 that stated that the accused was nominated for an overseas official assignment in Malaysia on April 12-22 and forgot to inform the court.

He said in the absence of a counter affidavit his prayers should be granted in court for the earlier order to be set aside.

Counsels to the complainants, Barrister Esther Uzoma, who appeared with Ann Eze and Patricia Oris Onan prayed the

court yesterday to disregard the reasons adduced by the accused, stating that the exhibit 'A' a copy of a passport page has a social visa to Malaysia while the accused stated he attended an official function.

Barrister Uzoma, who relied on *Azeez versus the State* 1986, urged the court to hold that the accused has not shown cause why his bail should not be revoked as his affidavit is at variance with the exhibits, adding that a counter affidavit is not necessary in the present case.

Chief Magistrate Dogo adjourned the case to July 21 for ruling on the motion as well as

hearing of the substantive case.

It would be recalled that the tenants in sworn affidavits accused the general manager of locking them out of their apartment and ordering the aggressive removal of the roof of their one bedroom apartment, thereby exposing their household items, documents, electronics to rain.

The tenants also alleged that there was \$17,000 and N77,000 inside the apartment.

The senior magistrate at the start of the case had order the police to investigate the complain and Deputy Commissioner of Police S.A. Ekpei (acting for

the FCT police commissioner) opined that a case of joint act, wrongful restraint contrary to Sections 79 and 256 of the Penal Code has been established against Alhaji Musa Kuru and four others at large.

The police boss also advised the court that the tenants be made to pay the accumulated rent and vacate the property in the interest of peace, since their tenancy is no longer required.

He further advised that other claims by both the complainant and suspect be addressed through civil litigation or through the alternative dispute resolution.



PIC: KENNEDY EGBONODJE

STRANDED commuters under Berger flyover in Abuja recently.

Family court fines teenager for theft

By Hussein Yahaya & Ibraheem A. Fatai

AN Abuja Family Court presided over by Chief Magistrate Binta Mohammed yesterday convicted a 15-year-old boy for attempting to criminally withdraw money with an ATM card belonging to one Samuel Barnabas.

The accused person (name withheld) was said to have taken the ATM entrusted in his care to a Zenith Bank ATM machine with intent to use it withdraw money.

Police prosecutor Francis Tanko had earlier told the court that on May 29, one Sergeant Ibrahim Usman of 44 P.M.F. reported to the police that the accused attempted to use a ATM card entrusted in his care to withdraw some undisclosed sum of money.

"The master card belonged to one Samuel Barnabas and the accused was arrested by a policeman as he tried to withdraw the money, thereby committing an offence punishable under Section 95 of the Penal Code," the prosecutor said.

When the charge was read to the accused, he pleaded guilty and begged for leniency, while the prosecutor asked for summary trial under Section 157 of the Penal Code.

Magistrate Binta Mohammed fined the accused N3,000, adding that the child's parents must pay the fine.

She also ruled that the parent of the child should sign an undertaking that their child will be a good behaviour.

Applicant accused of stealing handbag

By Usman A. Bello

A 25-year-old applicant, Sani Musa, was yesterday arraigned before an Abuja magistrate court for allegedly stealing a handbag from a vehicle

The accused of no fixed address was arraigned on a count

charge of theft, which is punishable under Section 287 of the Penal Code.

Prosecutor Adamu Abdullahi told the court that on May 24, one Hauwa H. Hussain of Aminu Kano Crescent Wuse 11, reported to the police that while she was driving towards Arewa Suite, the accused

dipped his hand inside his vehicle and made away a handbag containing her international passport, N490,000 cash and two perfumes.

He said during police investigation, the accused was caught within the area.

When the charge was read, the accused pleaded not guilty and

requested for bail, which was not objected to by the prosecutor.

Magistrate Vera Tom Tokura granted him bail in the sum of N50,000 with a surety, who must be a senior civil servant in any of the government ministry and adjourned the case to June 10 for hearing.

Man jailed for stealing lady's handbag

By Bunmi Omolehin

A 20-YEAR-OLD man, Ebuka Nnaji of Area 1 Garki, Abuja, was yesterday sentenced to three months imprisonment by an Upper Area Court for stealing lady's hand bag.

Prosecutor Bulus Samuel had easily told the court that one Comfort Enahonnda reported to the police that on February 24, the accused snatched her black handbag containing a bible, Nokia hand set, Glo SIM card and N1,000.

The prosecutor said that all the items were recovered for the accused after he was apprehended, adding that he offences committed are punishable under Section 288 of the Penal Code.

When the charge was read, Nnaji begged the court for mercy,

saying he did not know what came over him.

After the plea, the prosecutor asked the court to try the accused summarily and Judge Umar Yusuf Kagarko, sentenced him to three months imprisonment or to pay N6,000 as fine.



PYTHON AFRICAN TOUR NIGERIA

Building Capacity in Open Source Software Development

The National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA) is supporting the Nigerian stop of the Python Africa Tour in the first of a series of training workshops. The 5-day software capacity building event is facilitated by Datasphir, an ICT Consultancy based in Abuja and Lagos.

Python expert volunteers from across Africa and Europe will be in attendance to deliver training, programming workshops, and presentations in a BarCamp.

WHAT IS PYTHON?

Python is a powerful dynamic programming language that is cross-platform and used in a wide variety of application domains. High level data structures and clear syntax make it an ideal first language and a flexible powerhouse for more experienced users. Full features, liberal licensing and good support has gained it popularity in scientific computing and rapid mobile application development in both business and academia.

WHAT IS THE PYTHON AFRICA TOUR?

The Python African Tour is a project led by a group of Python developers, advocates and social change actors. Their objective is to help promote open source software in general and the Python language in Africa. Inaugurated in December 2008 in Morocco, PAT has been organised in several African countries including Senegal, Zambia, Tunisia and Cameroon. Target audience include students, educators, researchers in scientific computing, software companies and software developers in general

The 5 day event will include:

Training

- Introductory course in Python: History of the language, its syntax and its objects.
- Advanced Programming in Python: Built-in-tools for Python.
- Python and web applications: Web frameworks including Django.
- Scientific Applications of Python: For researchers and engineers.

Workshop

New Python developers get the opportunity to practice what they have learned. Participants with ideas or ongoing projects benefit from the presence of experts in the language.

Barcamp

- Presentation of the Python African Tour
- History and development of the Python language
- Use of Python in science and mobile application development.
- Demonstration of tools and software
- Debates, Q&A sessions

The Python African Tour Nigeria is **FREE** but spaces are limited.

Interested parties should apply online at <http://python.org.ng/pat/nitda>.

Venue: **The African University of Science and Technology, Abuja.**

Date: **14 18 June 2010**

Time: **9am 5pm daily**

Accommodation:

Subsidized accommodation is available at the venue for successful applicants at the following rates.

Single bedroom @ N2000 per night

Twin bedroom i.e. 2 persons sharing @ N1500 per night

For further information visit Python Nigeria at <http://python.org.ng> or contact:

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Mechanic accused of selling client's car

By Hussein Yahaya & Romoke W. Ahmad

THE police Wednesday arraigned a 32-year-old auto mechanic before an Abuja magistrate court for allegedly selling a car given to him for repairs by a client.

Edward Atere of No 13, David Mark Steet, Markudi, Benue State, was accused of disappearing with the car since 2008 and selling it to one Jerome Nnaji.

Police prosecutor Alhasan Abdul informed the court that on December 17, 2008, one Chief Edet Isong

of Plot 479, Peace Park, Utako, Abuja, reported to the police that the accused sold his BMW car with registration number FS634KJA instead of repairing it.

"The accused also changed the particulars of the vehicle without the knowledge of the rightful owner, before selling it to Jerome Nnaji of Wuse Zone 6, Abuja," the prosecutor said.

He also told the court that during police investigations, the accused confessed to the crime and committed offences, which contra-

vened Sections 312 and 364 of the Penal Code.

When the charges were read to the accused, he denied them and requested for bail.

Magistrate Hafsat Soso granted the accused bail in the sum of N200,000 with a reliable surety in like sum, who must reside within the court's jurisdiction.

She also ruled that the surety must be a civil servant and swear to an affidavit to produce the accused in court on the adjourned date.

The case was adjourned to June 17 for hearing.

AMAC sacks revenue consultants

By Usman A. Bello

THE authority of the Abuja Municipal Area Council yesterday stopped the use of services of all revenue consultants in the council.

Chairman of the council, Micah Y. Jiba, said this while inaugurating four committees assigned to carry out verification exercises on the council's assets and how to

improve on its performance.

Jiba said the revenue consultants/firms were disbanded to pave way for the committees to carry out their verification diligently, adding that the exercise was part of the council's efforts to lay a solid foundation for increased performance and service delivery. The committees will among other things examine alterna-

tive ways for the council in land administration, taking inventory stock of AMAC's property and revenue consultants, taking inventory of personnel as well as studying and make recommendations on traditional institutions.

The chairman charged the committees to abide by the terms of reference and be sincere in their recommendations.

THE FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC DAMATURU

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INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR YEAR 2010 CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Federal Polytechnic Damaturu plans to execute the following projects under the year 2010 Capital Appropriation

Lot A1	Completion of Admin. Block Phase I
Lot B1	Supply of Furniture to New Admin. Block
Lot C1	Renovation of Department of Business Studies
Lot D1	Campus Roads & Drainages
Lot E1	Construction of Perimeter Fence Phase III
Lot F1	Completion of On-Going Entrepreneurship Dev. Centre
Lot G1	Renovation of Tech. & Management Dept. Block
Lot H1	Renovation of Computer Science Dept.
Lot I1	Purchase of Classrooms & Staff Offices Furniture

Interested and competent Contractors/Suppliers with experience in similar projects are requested to submit prequalification documents arranged in the following order for consideration.

- Evidence of Registration and Incorporation of Company by Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC)
- Company Income Tax Certificate for the last three years (CTC)
- Evidence of Registration with the Polytechnic and the Federal Ministry of Works in the relevant category (FMW)
- Company audited Account for the last three years (CAA)
- List of key staff with evidence of proficiency and Experience
- Evidence of financial Capacity and Banking Support
- Verifiable list of similar works successfully completed in the last three years (3) with names of Clients, evidence of award and completion.
- Equipment and Technology Capacity
- VAT Registration and evidence of VAT Remittance
- Evidence of Community and Social responsibility (CSR)

All documentation should be submitted to the Office of the Registrar in an envelop marked with the appropriate Lot applied for and stating (YEAR 2010 CAPITAL PROJECTS) to reach him not later than two (2) weeks from the date of this publication.

All submissions will be opened at 12:30 pm on the closing date in the Conference Room of the Polytechnic and all applicants and members of the public are invited to attend.

Please note that this is not an invitation to tender and only successful applicants will be invited to tender.

The Polytechnic does not go into correspondences on account of unsuccessful applications.



Peoples Democratic Party (PDP)

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT) MEETING

33rd Meeting



of the Board.

All members of the **PDP Board of Trustees** are hereby invited to the **33rd Meeting of the Board**.

Date: Monday, 7th June, 2010

Venue: Banquet Hall, Presidential Villa, Abuja

Time: 8pm

Please note that attendance is for members only.

Signed:

Dr Abdullahi Adamu, CON

Out-going Secretary, BOT



INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

Country: Nigeria

Project: Bauchi State Governance and Capacity Building Project (BSGCBP)

Description: The Supply, Installation, Integration, Testing, Training and Commissioning of Budget and Treasury Management Information System (BATMIS) software, associated Hardware, Network Infrastructure and related Support Services

Credit Number: 4084UNI

Issuance Date: June 4, 2010

1. The Federal Government of Nigeria has received a Credit from the International Development Association toward the cost of the State Governance and Capacity Building Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Credit to payments under the agreement(s) resulting from this IFB.
2. The Bauchi State Government of Nigeria serves as the implementing agency for the project, and now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for the Supply, Installation, Integration, Testing, Training and Commissioning of Budget and Treasury Management Information System (BATMIS) application software, Hardware and Networking Infrastructure and related services.
3. Bidding will be conducted using International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits.
4. Bidders must have the financial, technical, and production capability (either independently or in a joint venture and/or sub-contracting arrangement, within which the invited bidder will be the principal bidder and contractor), necessary to perform the Contract to supply, install, integrate, test, train and commission all of the following components as a Turnkey solution:
 - a) Budget and Treasury Management Information System (BATMIS) Application Software comprising the following modules:
 - Budget Preparation, including the ability to handle multi-dimensional charts of account and multi-currencies.
 - General Ledger - based on cash based accounting, including cash book, bank reconciliation, revenue recording and reporting of committed and actual expenditure against allocated/ warranted budgets.
 - Accounts Payable with commitment accounting and control
 - Human Resources and Payroll
 - Accounts Receivable
 - Fixed Assets (in cash basis of accounting environment)
 - Stores/ Inventory Management (in cash basis of accounting environment)
 - b) Server Hardware and Systems Software (Latest version Server) designed and configured to support the proposed BATMIS Software, to support initially a minimum of 76 connected users, with expansion up to a minimum of 225 connected users, and comprising as a minimum production and back-up server.
 - c) Local Area Network (LAN) infrastructure and related equipment designed and configured to support the proposed BATMIS Software, and providing support for a minimum of 76 connected users within the Bauchi State Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs).
 - d) Implementation Services and support, including training in the application software and relational database software, business process design and systems integration services and administration.
 - e) Maintenance support for a period of at least 5 years.
5. Bidders must meet the following minimum qualification criteria:
 - a) Either be the prime Developer of the proposed BATMIS application software, or be formally approved and authorized by the Developer to supply, implement and support the software being tendered. Bidders will be required to provide evidence of their accreditation from the prime Developer with their bids.
 - b) Either be the prime manufacturers of the equipment proposed, or be formally approved and authorized by the manufacturer to supply, implement and support the equipment being tendered. Bidders will be required to provide evidence of their accreditation from the prime manufacturers with their bids.
 - c) Be able to provide in-country support for the software and equipment being tendered.
Bids entirely from outside Nigeria must demonstrate their capabilities for providing effective in-country support.
 - d) Have been in the business of supplying, installing and supporting the proposed software for not less than 3 years and should have an annual turnover in excess of US\$ 3 million (or the currency equivalent).
 - e) Have undertaken at least one (1) successful (i.e. signed off and accepted by the purchaser as a fully and operational system), implementation of the proposed BATMIS software, within or outside Nigeria during the last 3 years. This implementation must have involved the supply, installation and technical support of the proposed integrated BATMIS or similar software. Bidders will be required to provide evidence of past installations/ implementations.
- f) Have proven accounting, financial and internal control knowledge and experience in the public sector, to support the required business process design and system integration services.
- g) For the purposes of establishing a Bidder's qualifications, the experience and/or resources of any Joint Venture or sub-contract partner will contribute to the Bidder's qualifications. Technical qualifications of subcontractors will be taken into account in assessing the bidders' overall qualifications.
6. Test scripts will be used as part of the evaluation process to confirm and score the compliance of the proposed solutions against key functional and operational requirements.

Two representatives from each bidding firm submitting a compliant bid will be invited to visit BATMIS SECRETARIAT to demonstrate their software against the test scripts AT BIDDER'S EXPENSE.
7. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of at least 2% in USD, NGN, or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.
8. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Coordinator and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from 9am to 4pm Mondays to Thursdays while 9:00am - 1:00pm on Fridays except on public holidays.
9. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the addresses below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of One Hundred US Dollars (\$100.00) or Fifteen thousand naira (N15,000). The method of payment will be cash or Bank draft in favour of Bauchi State Governance and Capacity Building Project. The document will be sent by courier on request (at Bidder's Expense), collected by hand or online upon receipt of payment.
10. The attention of prospective Bidders is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the Bidder and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which is, among other remedies, punishable by potential blacklisting from participation in future World Bank financed procurement.
11. A Pre-Bid Conference is slated for **Friday 2nd July 2010** at the Address below from the **Hours of 10.00am Nigeria Time (GMT + 1)**.
12. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **Friday 16th July 2010 at 10.30 hrs Nigeria Time (GMT + 1)**. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of at least 2% of bid price or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives, who choose to attend at the address below on **Friday 16th July 2010 at 10.30 hrs Nigeria Time (GMT + 1)**.

Contact person:
The Project Coordinator,
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Advertorial

ANTAGONISTIC VIEWS WILL NOT DETER FCT MINISTER

This is an obvious and concise retort to the misleading advertorial credited to a group of fifty (50) egocentric and truckling favour gainers of Mallam Isa Yuguda. This group of deceitful individuals that have continued to benefit from the resources of the State at the expense of the impoverished masses of Bauchi State have put out a highly mendacious rejoinder in the Leadership Newspaper of Friday, 21st May 2010 on page 34 to denigrate the hard earned image of Senator Bala Mohammed, the FCT Minister that was built over the years through dint of hard work, transparency, prudence and altruistic service.

These yes men (group of fifty individuals) of Mallam Yuguda have once again been called out to do a hatchet job against PDP's "Patriotic Group" in Bauchi State, which has deemed it exceptionally necessary to appeal and call Senator Bala Mohammed to return to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP). This call was sincerely made owing to the outstanding progressive qualities of Bala Mohammed that is needed at this material time to revitalize the PDP in Bauchi; which is fast crumbling due to the destructive tendencies of Governor Isa Yuguda and his lackeys in the State.

Mallam Yuguda and his band of retrogressive loyalists have constituted themselves into a nuisance and stumbling block to the growth of the PDP and as such they have created a situation whereby the party faces an implosion. This situation was orchestrated by the high handedness and dictatorial nature of Isa Yuguda that has seen to the numerous cases of disenchantment amongst party members who have always complained of being disenfranchised, by the elucidated antics of Yuguda and his grovelers.

The real reason behind this new assault from these aberrant(s) is not disconnected from the mere fact that Mallam Isa Yuguda is paranoid from the palpable meteoric rise in popularity of Bala Mohammed who is seen by a vast majority in Bauchi State as the "Next Best Thing" to truly take Bauchi State to the path of real, enduring and sustainable growth and development.

They claim that it is amazing and laughable to "Request Senator Bala Mohammed to return to the PDP", a calibre personality like Bala Mohammed that has an inestimable political value and high tendency in reinvigorating the desired change for the benefit of all; will always be requested for; to come and add value to Bauchi State PDP that is uninspiring under the administration of Isa Yuguda who has created more chaos in his selfish bid to control the soul of the party. Under Mallam Isa Yuguda, the PDP in Bauchi State has recorded far reaching divisions that are threatening to tear the party apart, and basically it will take the likes of Bala Mohammed to create the required unity required in ensuring that the party maintains its superiority in Bauchi State.

The only insult is by this group of 50 individuals that were signatories to the unreliable advertorial, which has tremendously shown the level of ignorance, primordial assertions and their beclouded followership to Isa Yuguda, who is fast fading with regards to political relevance. This is goodbye to the old order and a gracious welcome to the new order; the people's order of which the valiant Senator Bala Mohammed is its representative. No longer will the antics of the current Bauchi administration be permitted; their deceit and hoodwinking spell has eventually been broken with the emergence on the scene of Senator Bala Mohammed, a true, worthy and illustrious son of Bauchi State; he is determined to do his best while his antagonists, traducers and disparagers continue to do their worst. The group of fifty hapless individuals have shown how absurd and immature they are, having constituted themselves into verbal and pen trotting hooligans together with Bauchi's chief mischief maker; they are now a pestilence that must be shown the way out of the corridors of power in the State.

It is on record and verifiable that Bala Mohammed has successfully provided services and developmental projects to his constituency and overwhelmingly has the determination and means to add value to the PDP rather than Yuguda that has

defaced the PDP and its achievements in Bauchi State. It is also on record that Bala Mohammed has never needed the influence of anyone whatsoever to advance in all his endeavours in life. Essentially, he has always relied on God. So, I guess the author(s) of the very devious advertorial were referring to Isa Yuguda who benefitted at the polls in 2007 from the goodwill of General Muhammadu Buhari (rtd).

Unfortunately, these deviants are asserting that Bala Mohammed held his reception under a tree during his recent home coming, which was described by political pundits as "one of the best home coming in the history of the state". Never had Bauchi State witnessed so much support, appreciation and joy from its people like the one witnessed when Senator Bala Mohammed visited his home State. The FCT Minister's visit reverberated round the three Senatorial Districts and the State as a whole. Most of these traducers, including Mallam Isa Yuguda were already intimidated by Senator Bala Mohammed's anticipated visit and what it portends in terms of diminishing their perceived larger than life image, so they took flight away from the state just days before he arrived for his visit. How can these same cowards make vague claims as to a visit they were not privy to and had not witnessed?

For the first time in the history of Bauchi State, Senator Bala's visit had brought together a crowd that had gathered which cut across political party, ethnic and religious affiliations, mainly with those of the opposition party, All Nigeria Peoples Party (ANPP), unprecedentedly associating for the very first time without any resentment or prejudice whatsoever. We challenge Mallam Isa Yuguda, his lackeys and/or co-conspirators to replicate this feat if they can. From all indications as elucidated by the reality on ground in Bauchi State; change is imminent based on the singular fact that the current administration in Bauchi State is bereft of any principles, ideas and innovative tendencies. Simply put, the administration of Isa Yuguda has lost focus and the goodwill of the people who are in solemn need of this change.

The President of Federal Republic of Nigeria, Dr. Goodluck Jonathan has an irrefutable confidence in the ability and capability of Senator Bala Mohammed to exceedingly perform his duties and that explains why he was appointed to head the Federal Capital Territory as its Minister to the annoyance of some jealous and very envious persons; inherently Bala possesses the skills to extremely provide effective services and developmental projects on monumental scale as against the backdrop of Mallam Isa Yuguda that has turned Bauchi State into a haven for spiritualists and marabouts from within the country and other African countries doling out state funds freely in the region of millions of naira meant for development to these marabouts.

How low can one descend in his blind hatred for his fellow man? Isa Yuguda has lost his sense of logic based on his enormous hatred for the President and Senator Bala Mohammed. But when God has destined for a thing or event to occur no amount of diabolical doings, deceit, deviousness and maraboutism can change that singular event, neither can one bring harm to another human being unless God permits it; so all of Yuguda's actions are futile.

They also claim that Senator Bala Mohammed never dreamt of attaining the status of a Minister but they forget that with God everything is possible, and Bala Mohammed is a firm believer in the will of God. With the way he was constantly harassed, antagonized and ridiculed by the former Governor, Alhaji Ahmed Adamu, did Isa Yuguda ever think that he would become the Governor of Bauchi State?

The only people that have continually fooled the good people of Bauchi State are Mallam Isa Yuguda and his co-conspirators, but their pretence of liking the people of the state has finally been exposed. Now, Isa Yuguda should be seen for what he truly is.

No amount of political blackmail, mudslinging, backstabbing and war of attrition/campaign of calumny orchestrated by these agent provocateurs and sycophants will deter the indefatigable and intrepid Senator Bala Mohammed from attending to his primary functions of governance which is giving good democracy dividends in the form of development projects and sterling service delivery to the people of the Federal Capital Territory and Nigeria at large, for the desired economic stability and sustainability.

Signed:
Alhaji Mahmuda Yuguda Durum
 FOR: Concerned PDP Youths in Bauchi State.



LOWER BENUE RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

PMB 10-2185, MAKURDI

INVITATION FOR TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL BIDS FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE YEAR 2010 CAPITAL PROJECTS

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Lower Benue River Basin Development Authority, a Federal Government Parastatal under the supervision of the Federal Ministry of Water Resources, in continuation of its statutory function of undertaking comprehensive development of both surface and underground water resources for multi-purpose uses and in order to boost food production by encouraging the active participation of farmers in irrigated agriculture, hereby invites suitably qualified and reputable companies or contractors with proven competence and experience to submit their technical and financial bids for the execution of any of the under listed projects:

Project 1/10: Doma Dam Irrigation Project

LOT 1: Fabrication and Installation of Log Boom on Doma Dam Spillway, Nasarawa State

LOT 2: Rehabilitation of Doma Dam Access Road Phase II, Nasarawa State

Project 2/10: Katsina Ala And Jato Aka Irrigation Project

LOT 1: Connection to PHCN grid and replacement of Damage Aluminum Conductor and Poles at Katsina-Ala project, Benue State

LOT 2: Rehabilitation of Irrigation Infrastructure at Jato-Aka project, Benue State

Project 3/10: Dep Irrigation Scheme Nasarawa State

LOT 1: Renovation of 2Nos Office Buildings at Dep Project, Plateau State

LOT 2: Renovation of 2Nos Residential Buildings at Dep Project, Plateau State

Project 4/10: Study and Design of Yonov Dam, Benue State

Project 5/10: Motorized Boreholes With Tanks At Ikpayongo

LOT 1: Drilling of 1No. Motorized Borehole with Tank at Ikpayongo, Benue State

LOT 2: Drilling of 1No. Motorized Borehole with Tank at Ikpayongo, Benue State

Project 6/10: Study/Design of Saya Earth Dam, Plateau State

Project 7/10: Construction of Mabudi Earth Dam, Langtang South Plateau State

Project 8/10: Rehabilitation of Korinya Water Works, Konshisha LGA, Benue State

Project 9/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorized Borehole at Mbake, Konshisha LGA, Benue State

Project 10/10: 8 Nos Motorised Boreholes In Gboko/ Tarka Federal Constituency, Benue State

LOT 1: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at Angyar Village in Vandeikya LGA.

LOT 2: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at St. Winifred's Girls Secondary School, Ihugh

LOT 3: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at NKST Church Ako, Kusugh

LOT 4: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at St. John's Hospital, Gboko

LOT 5: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at Tyobo, Gboko

LOT 6: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at Akoodo, Tarka

LOT 7: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Nyiman

LOT 8: Drilling of 1No. Motorised Borehole at Mbayion, Gboko

Project 11/10: Construction of Ganawuri Small Earth Dam in Plateau State

Project 12/10: Construction of Awe Earth Dam in Nasarawa State

Project 13/10: Drilling Of 1 No Motorised Borehole Each In St. Stephen's Parish Lessel, Ushongo LGA, and Upper Tiev Vandeikya LGA, Benue State

LOT 1: Drilling of 1 No Motorised Borehole at St. Stephen's Parish Lessel, Ushongo LGA, Benue State

LOT 2: Drilling of 1 No Motorised Borehole at Upper Tiev Vandeikya LGA, Benue State

Project 14/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole in Tse- Machi Village, Ningev, Vandeikya LGA, Benue State

Project 15/10: Water Scheme Rehabilitation in Mbayem- Ushongo LGA and Mbayongo LGA, Benue State

Project 16/10: Study/Design of Sprinkler Irrigation Scheme at Rafin Pantsaka-Bagaji, Karu LGA, Nasarawa State

Project 17/10: Study/Design of Dawaki/ Boi Water Project, Plateau State

Project 18/10: 1 No Motorised Borehole Each at Tse- Ajio, Kwande LGA and Tse-Kunda in Ushongo LGA, Benue State

LOT 1: Drilling of 1 No Motorised Borehole at Tse- Ajio, Kwande LGA, Benue State

LOT 2: Drilling of 1 No Motorised Borehole at Tse- Kunda in Ushongo LGA, Benue State

Project 19/10: Renovation of Project Office Building at Okete Project, Benue State

Project 20/10: Renovation of 2Nos Residential Buildings at Longkat Project, Plateau State

Project 21/10: Rehabilitation of Irrigation Scheme at Oguma Project, Obagaji, Benue State

Project 22/10: Ofu-Imabolo Irrigation Project (Oforachi Irrigation Project, Ejule-Ojebe)

LOT 1: Rehabilitation of Irrigation Scheme at Oforachi Project, Kogi State

LOT 2: Renovation of Office/Residential Buildings at Ejule-Ojebe Project, Kogi State

LOT 3: Completion of electrification at Oforachi, Kogi State

LOT 4: Design of Oforachi Dam, Kogi State

Project 23/10: Shemankar Irrigation Scheme: Longkat and Shendam Irrigation Projects, Plateau State

LOT 1: Rehabilitation of Irrigation Scheme at Longkat Project, Plateau State

LOT 2: Construction of Concrete Weir at Longkat Project, Plateau State

Project 24/10: Plant Procurement, Rehabilitation and Workshop Development

LOT 1: Supply of Spare Parts and Repair of M/Benz Tipper FG 513 B25 and Supply of Workshop Tools at headquarters

LOT 2: Supply of Spare Parts and Repair of Komatsu Grader GD505SR, Plant No. 68

Project 25/10: Rehabilitation of Headquarters Office Complex

LOT 1: Perimeter fencing of Headquarter colony

LOT 2: Public Power metering of houses at the Headquarters

LOT 3: Renovation of Stores at Headquarters

LOT 4: Renovation and furnishing of offices and buildings at Headquarters

Project 26/10: Computerisation of Operations/ICT Development

LOT 1: Internet Reactivation, Bandwidth payment, E-Library registration/subscription and website updating at headquarters.

LOT 2: Scanning, Digitalization and archiving of Authority's documents at headquarters

Project 27/10: Processing/Registration of Authority's Land Title Deeds at Longkat, Shendam and Bokkos

Project 28/10: Supply of spare parts and repair of Toyota Hilux FG 07 M25; FG 05 M25; FG 03 M25 and Supply of Servicing Parts for Project Vehicles at headquarters

Project 29/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Ahire Koror Village, Konshisha LGA, Benue State

Project 30/10: Study/Design of Nyer Dam in Langtang North LGA, Plateau State

Project 31/10: Study/Design of Kwalla in Kwalla, Qua'An Pan LGA, Plateau State

Project 32/10: Expansion of Dam in Mabudi, Langtang South LGA, Plateau State

Project 33/10: Study/Design of Mbachougl Earth Dam, Tarka LGA, Benue State

Project 34/10: Study/Design of Akaakuma Mbawa Ward Earth Dam, Benue State

Project 35/10: Study/Design of Ugar Mbakyongu Ward Earth Dam, Buruku LGA, Benue State

Project 36/10: Construction of 20 Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Various Locations in the 7 (Seven) LGAs in Benue North West Senatorial District

Project 37/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Dennis Biki Mem. Col. Kacha, Katsina-Ala, Benue State

Project 38/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Tine Kyura, Mbadugh Ward, Logo LGA, Benue State

Project 39/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Ade Aginde Mbatesen, Konshisha LGA, Benue State

Project 40/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Iwedyer, Audu Tombo Ward, Logo LGA, Benue State

Project 41/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Tse Sankera, Ukum LGA, Benue State

Project 42/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Mbawar, Mbazamber, Ukum LGA, Benue State

Project 43/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Tse Gbeyie, Tsaav Ward, Ukum LGA, Benue State

Project 44/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Tongov, Katsina Ala, Benue State

Project 45/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in the 7 LGAs, Akwanga, Wamba, N/Eggon, Akun, Agidi, Farin Ruwa LGAS

LOT 1: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Akwanga, Nasarawa State

LOT 2: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Wamba, Nasarawa State

LOT 3: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Nasarawa Eggon, Nasarawa State

LOT 4: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Akun, Nasarawa State

LOT 5: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Agidi, Nasarawa State

LOT 6: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Akun, Nasarawa State

LOT 7: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Akwanga West, Nasarawa State

Project 46/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole in Ampang West and Pushit (Mangu LGA). 2. Bokkos Main Market and Watto Main Market (Bokkos LGA). 3. Chip Main Market and Tekkas (Pankshin LGA). 4. Shmwer and Pukdi (Kanke LGA). 5. Gwamlar and Kyansar (Kanam LGA), Plateau State

LOT 1: Construction of 2 Nos. Motorised boreholes one each at Amapang West and Pushit, Mangu LGA

LOT 2: Construction of 2 Nos. Motorised boreholes one each at Bokkos Main Market and Watto Main Market in Bokkos LGA

LOT 3: Construction of 2 Nos. Motorised boreholes one each at Chip Main Market and Tekkas, Pankshin LGA

LOT 4: Construction of 2 Nos. Motorised boreholes one each at Shmwer and Pukdi, Kanke LGA

LOT 5: Construction of 2 Nos. Motorised boreholes one each at Gwamlar and Kyansar, Kanam LGA

Project 47/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole with Solar System(1) in Kwall, Bassa LGA

Project 48/10: Construction of Motorised Borehole with Solar System(1) in Maza, Jos North LGA

Project 49/10: Construction of Hand Pump Borehole in Each Ward of the Four(4) LGAs, Jos East LGA (19), Jos South LGA (20), Barkin Ladi LGA (20), Riyom LGA (17)

LOT 1: Construction of 19 Nos. hand pump boreholes in Jos East LGA, Plateau State

LOT 2: Construction of 20 Nos. hand pump boreholes in Jos South LGA, Plateau State

LOT 3: Construction of 20 Nos. hand pump boreholes in Barkin Ladi LGA, Plateau State

LOT 4: Construction of 17 Nos. hand pump boreholes in Riyom LGA, Plateau State

Project 50/10: Construction of 1 No. Hand Pump Borehole at Kwalmiya, Kanam, Plateau State

Project 51/10: Drilling of 6 Handpump Boreholes at Kwande LGA (3 Nos.) and Ushongo LGA (3Nos.), Benue State

Project 52/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Udei, Guma LGA, Benue State

Project 53/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Makurdi, Makurdi LGA, Benue State

Project 54/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Wase, Plateau State

Project 55/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Lamba, Plateau State

Project 56/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Yuli, Plateau State

Project 57/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Kadaroko, Plateau State

Project 58/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Uguwan Galadima, Plateau State

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- Project 59/10: Construction of Irrigation Dam at Jemkur, Langtang South; Lohkang, Langtang South, and, Pische Yashi, Langtang North, Plateau State**
- LOT 1: Study/Design of Irrigation Dam at Jemkur, Langtang South, Plateau State
- LOT 2: Study/Design of Irrigation Dam at Lohkang, Langtang South, Plateau State
- LOT 3: Study/Design of Irrigation Dam at Pische Yashi, Langtang North, Plateau State
- Project 60/10: Drilling of Hand Pump Borehole in Ujol (Utonkon), Benue State**
- Project 61/10: Drilling of Hand Pump Borehole in St Joseph Catholic Church, Orokam, Benue State**
- Project 62/10: Study/Design of Earth Dam at Tukur, Mikang LGA, Plateau State**
- Project 63/10: Completion of the Beautification and Landscaping of the NIPSS, Kuru, Plateau State**
- Project 64/10: Construction of 3 Classroom Block With VIP Toilet & Hand Pump at T/RCM School, Shendam, Plateau State**
- Project 65/10: Construction of 3 Classroom Block With VIP Toilet & Hand Pump at LGED Demshin, Shendam, Plateau State**
- Project 66/10: Construction of 3 Classroom Block With VIP Toilet & Hand Pump at LGED Koetez, Piapung, Mikang LGA, Plateau State**
- Project 67/10: Drilling of 5Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Shitile, Benue State**
- Project 68/10: Drilling of 3Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Ukum, Benue State**
- Project 69/10: Drilling of 2Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Tongov, Benue State**
- Project 70/10: Drilling of 2Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Ugondo, Benue State**
- Project 71/10: Drilling of 2Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Giliev, Benue State**
- Project 72/10: Drilling of 3Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Katsian-Ala, Benue State**
- Project 73/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole with Overhead Tank (Solar) at Mbalagh, Benue State**
- Project 74/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole with Overhead Tank (Solar) at Adi, Benue State**
- Project 75/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Kaaba Village, Mbaluka Yandev, Gboko LGA, Benue State**
- Project 76/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole with Overhead Tank (Solar) at Kusuv, Benue State**
- Project 77/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Tse Kesa, Dimshin, Mbaliv, Benue State**
- Project 78/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Fada Market Square, Mbayion, Benue State**
- Project 79/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at LGEA Primary School, Atseke-Tarka, Benue State**
- Project 80/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Near Shaapera Compound, Adede, Tarka, Benue State**
- Project 81/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Tse-Jime, Makurdi LGA, Benue State**
- Project 82/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Imande-Akpo, Agan Ward, Makurdi LGA, Benue State**
- Project 83/10: Drilling of 1 No. Motorised Borehole at Yelewata Niyev Ward, Guma LGA, Benue State**
- Project 84/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Ebonda-Ukp, Benue State**
- Project 85/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Ihiejuo, Benue State**
- Project 86/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Ugbogiri, Benue State**
- Project 87/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Adum-Oye, Benue State**
- Project 88/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Obotu Ainu-Ette, Benue State**
- Project 89/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Obarike-Ito, Benue State**
- Project 90/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Adumegwu, Benue State**
- Project 91/10: Drilling of 1 No. Hand Pump borehole at Itogo-Ubeke, Benue State**
- Project 92/10: Drilling of 4Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Sha-Ya, Benue State**
- Project 93/10: Drilling of 3Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Nanev, Benue State**
- Project 94/10: Drilling of 5 Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Turan, Benue State**
- Project 95/10: Drilling of 3 Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Ikurav-Ya, Benue State**
- Project 96/10: Drilling of 5 Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Mata, Benue State**
- Project 97/10: Drilling of 7 Nos. Hand Pump Boreholes at Mbagwa, Benue State**
- Project 98/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Amiri Ward, Keana LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 99/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at GSS Awe, Awe LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 100/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Model Primary Health Centre, Doma LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 101/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Alagye, Doma LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 102/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Alosi, Keana LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 103/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at K/Wambe, Lafia LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 104/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Kayada, Lafia LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 105/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Agwatashi, Obi LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 106/10: Drilling of Motorised Borehole at Gayam, Lafia LGA, Nasarawa State**
- Project 107/10: Study/Design of Karshi Dam/Irrigation Project, Nasarawa State**
- Project 108/10: Drilling of Hand Pump Boreholes at 13 Locations in Keffi Viz: Tudun Kofa Ward, Gangeren, Tudu Ward, Yara Ward, Limabaji Ward, Angwan Rimi Ward, Iya I, Iya II, Gorita Ward, Jigwada Ward, Sabon Gari Ward, Angwan Sokotawa, and GRA, Angwan Saaka, all in Nasarawa State**
- Project 109/10: Drilling of Hand Pump Boreholes at Boreholes at 20 Locations in Karu Viz: Akwap, Gidan Zakara, Yalwan Soba, Angwan Wayo, Angwan Tandu, Kondoro Yekswa, Kubang Yekswa, Angwan Yekswa, Gurku Gwandara, Kugwari, Kodape, Oneman Village, Saka, Kabusu, Village, Gurku Gbagyi, Adon Kasa, Tudun Wada, Zanzara, Ashort and Angwan Paiche, all in Nasarawa State**
- Project 110/10: Drilling of Hand Pump Boreholes at Boreholes at 23 Locations in Kokona Viz: Gidan Waze, Gate, Kampanin Mailamba, Kubare, Dari, Kurame, Angwan Tudu, Mandara, Angwan Eggon Kokona, Kurmin Shinkafa, Angwan Habu, Sabon Gari Kokona, Kandare, Bassa I, Bassa II, Ninkoro, Moroa Town, Koda, Angoro Dari, Arusu, Panwasa, Kana, and Koya, all in Nasarawa State.**

2.0 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

2.1 CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER RELATED PROJECTS

- To be considered technically competent, interested companies and contractors must submit a profile which should include:
- i) A certified true copy of certificate of incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission.
 - ii) A copy of the company's audited accounts for the preceding three years.
 - iii) Evidence of payment of tax; Copy of tax clearance certificate for the preceding three years to be enclosed.
 - iv) For companies or firms with 5 or more employees, evidence of compliance with the Pension Reform Act, 2004.
 - v) Statement of annual turnover for the preceding three years.
 - vi) Evidence of financial capability and or banking support to execute the contract without delay if awarded.
 - vii) Verifiable evidence of experience and relevant qualification of key personnel.
 - viii) Verifiable evidence of at least 5 similar projects successfully executed in Nigeria and evidence of knowledge of the relevant industry. This is to include letters of award, certificates of completion, lists of projects and addresses of sites or

- ix) Verifiable evidence of ownership and or availability of relevant equipment and technology, where applicable. Where equipment is to be leased or hired, evidence of lease/hire arrangement is to be enclosed.
- x) Copy of Value Added Tax (VAT) registration certificate and FIRS TIN number; evidence of previous VAT remittances to be included.

2.2 CONSULTANCY SERVICES PROJECTS

In addition to items i)-viii) and x) above, interested consultancy firms must enclose evidence of registration with the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN).

3.0 COLLECTION OF TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL BID (TENDER) DOCUMENTS

Technical and financial bid (tender) documents can be obtained from the office of the Managing Director upon payment of the applicable non-refundable fee as specified hereunder, payable by certified bank draft made out in favour of the Lower Benue River Basin Development Authority, at the accounts section of the Authority's headquarters, Makurdi. A copy of the receipt is to be respectively enclosed in the Technical and Financial bid (tender) documents.

Schedule of Tender Fees

i)	Projects for drilling of 1 No. hand pump borehole-	N2,000,000
ii)	All other projects excluding construction of dam projects-	N20,000.00
iii)	Construction of dams projects	N50,000.00

4.0 SUBMISSION OF TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL BID (TENDER) DOCUMENTS

i) TECHNICAL BID DOCUMENTS

Interested bidders shall submit 3 bound copies of their Technical bid documents in a sealed envelope marked at the top right hand corner marked "TECHNICAL BID FOR Project (State project and lot applied for)".

ii) FINANCIAL BID DOCUMENTS

Interested bidders shall submit 3 bound copies of their Financial bid documents in a sealed envelope marked at the top right hand corner marked "FINANCIAL BID FOR Project (State project and lot applied for)".

Both the Technical and Financial Bid (Tender) documents should be respectively addressed to:

The Managing Director
Lower Benue River Basin Development Authority
Km 10, Makurdi-Otukpo road
P.M.B. 102185, Makurdi

iii) The Technical and Financial bid documents are to be enclosed in separate sealed envelopes in the first instance as above and thereafter, both should be enclosed in a larger envelope with the full mailing address of the company at the reverse side of the envelope and marked at the top right hand corner "PROJECT..... (Indicate project and lot interested in) and addressed to:

The Managing Director
Lower Benue River Basin Development Authority
Km 10, Makurdi-Otukpo road
P.M.B. 102185, Makurdi

To reach him not later than 12.00pm on Thursday 1st July, 2010.

The Technical bids shall be publicly opened that same 1st July, 2010 by 1.00pm at the Conference Hall of the Authority's Headquarters, Km 10, Makurdi-Otukpo Road, Makurdi. All bidders who may have submitted their Technical and Financial bids as stated above are hereby invited to attend the opening.

6.0 OPENING OF FINANCIAL BID DOCUMENTS

Financial bids of technically qualified bidders shall be publicly opened on Thursday 8th July, 2010 by 12.00pm in the Conference hall of the Authority's headquarters, Km 10, Makurdi-Otukpo Road, Makurdi.

7.0 IMPORTANT NOTICES.

- i) ONLY TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED COMPANIES AND OR CONSULTANTS SHALL BE INVITED TO ATTEND THE FINANCIAL BIDS OPENING CEREMONY.
- ii) ALL QUALIFIED BIDDERS ARE TO COME ALONG WITH THE ORIGINAL COPIES OF THEIR CERTIFICATES OF INCORPORATION AND TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATES FOR SIGHTING AT THE OPENING.
- iii) INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOS) ARE HEREBY INVITED TO ATTEND AND WITNESS THE OPENING OF THE TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL BIDS.
- iv) WHILE BIDDERS ARE FREE TO BID FOR AS MANY PROJECTS AS THEY MAY CHOOSE, NO BIDDER WILL BE AWARDED MORE THAN THREE (3) PROJECTS.
- v) EACH LOT IS A PROJECT ON ITS OWN. IN THIS REGARD, CONTRACTORS AND OR CONSULTANTS BIDDING FOR MORE THAN ONE PROJECT WILL PAY SEPARATE TENDER FEES FOR EACH LOT BIDDED FOR.

DISCLAIMER

This invitation is published for information purposes only and does not constitute an offer by the Authority with any party concerning the projects advertised nor does it constitute a commitment or obligation on the part of the Authority to procure concession services.

Bidders shall be wholly and solely responsible for the costs or expenses for preparing and submitting their bids.

For enquiries please call: Engr. I. E Ocheja (Room 15, LBRBDA Headquarters, Makurdi, 08030764830) or Barr. S. Nomji (Room 35, LBRBDA Headquarters, Makurdi, 07034500905, 0802434853)

SIGNED:
MANAGEMENT

TRUST CLASSIFIED

UNITED CHRISTIAN BUILDERS MISSION OUTREACH

This is to inform the General Public that the above named Association has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission for registration under part 'C' of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of 1990.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

1. PASTOR (MRS) IGBINOSA QUEEN I (GENERAL OVERSEER)
2. DEACON IGBINOSA OSARO (SECRETARY)
3. MRS ALIU RACHAEL REKHATU (MEMBER)
4. OSASU ITOHAW MERCY (MEMBER)

AIM & OBJECTIVE

1. Preach the gospel of Jesus Christ
2. Soul winning across the nations
3. Building people to spiritual maturity.

Any objection to this registration should be addressed to the Registrar General Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 20, Tigris Crescent, off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja, PMB 198, Abuja, within 28 days from the date of this publication.

SIGNED
HENRY ADOLPHUS OSIGBEMHE

CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE AND ADVANCEMENT INITIATIVE

This is to inform the General Public that the above named Association has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission for registration under part 'C' of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. AGUIKENNA EMMANUEL
2. AGU TOBENNA CHINEDU
3. OGAH HENRIETTA OPIETA

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To advance capacity building and interfere on issues of development and enhancement by facilitating direct interaction.
2. To promote good governance through election observation and monitoring.

Any objection to this registration should be addressed to the Registrar General Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 20, Tigris Crescent, off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja, PMB 198, Abuja, within 28 days from the date of this publication.

SIGNED:
A. OKON

JILEM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

This is to inform the General Public that the above named Association has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission for registration under part 'C' of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. CHIEF JOSEPH DETAP
2. CHIEF KEFAS JILEMSAM
3. CHIEF NANDOM SAMUEL NANMWAN
4. MR. ISHAKU SAMAILA JILEMSAM
5. MR. ABEL SAMAILA JILEMSAM

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. Advancement of education of members of the community through scholarships award
2. Provision of cheap and affordable housing to members
3. Development of the national resources like timber exploitation for commercial benefits.

Any objection to this registration should be addressed to the Registrar General Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 20, Tigris Crescent, off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja, PMB 198, Abuja, within 28 days from the date of this publication.

THE WORD RELIANCE INTERNATIONAL & LIBERATION MISSIONS

This is to inform the General Public that the above named Association has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission for registration under part 'C' of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. DR SAMUEL OKE FERGUSON
2. BRO RICHWEALTH OJUOTIMI FERGUSON
3. PASTOR (MRS) MARY ENOH FERGUSON
4. PASTOR OLUFEMI OLATUNJI
5. PROF (MRS) JULIE NWAGBA ONWUCHEKWA
6. MRS ELIZABETH AINA AROJO
7. DEACON JOHN IMOBHO EDEFRI

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To preach the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
2. To plant churches to spread the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ

Any objection to this registration should be addressed to the Registrar General Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 20, Tigris Crescent, off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja, PMB 198, Abuja, within 28 days from the date of this publication.

SIGNED: TOYE OWOEYE ESQ
Suite 40, Area 2, Shopping Complex Abuja.
08033684861

HAJJ SUPPORT INITIATIVE

This is to inform the General Public that the above named Association has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission for registration under part 'C' of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of 1990.

TRUSTEES ARE:

1. GROUP CAPT USMAN JIBRIL (RTD)
2. HON KABIRU SANI HANGA
3. KABIRU TANIMU TAFIDA
4. MUHAMMAD MUNIR JA'AFAR
5. AL-CEASIM JA'AFAR ESQ
6. MUHAMMED ABUBAKAR SADEEQ
7. MUHAMMAD SANI ESQ

AIMS: A

1. Grass root mobilization and orientation on the pillars of Hajj and respect to the rule of law.
2. To create platform for genuine mobilization of citizenry to be respective to the well meaning policies and program of natural hajj commission and state pilgrims welfare agencies

SIGNED
MUHAMMED SANI ESQ

ARE YOU MOTIVATED, TALENTED AND ENJOY WORKING WITH PEOPLE?

A young, fast growing and successful Universal Basic Educational School located in Abuja is looking for you. The school is seeking to employ a Public Relations Officer. The candidate will be an image enhancement officer for the school, marketing and raising the profile of the school in the community.

Minimum Qualification Required:

Preferably a degree in Marketing (HND qualification may be considered) with a minimum of 3 years relevant experience. Other degree holders may be considered. Experience in the marketing field very essential, we will expect the portfolio of past work to be available for presentation.

Other Essential Skills:

The best individual would be:

1. Smart.
2. Had working, motivated and willing to learn.
3. Must have excellent communication skills, be goal-oriented and ambitious.
4. Must be trained in sales, customer service, marketing, advertising, campaign management, test market development and public relations.
5. Open minded, excited about learning new skills and not afraid of hard work!
6. Confident communication skills since we meet with customers face to face.
7. Customer oriented experience (retail sales, customer service, hospitality) will be considered along with teamwork and leadership roles.
8. A good knowledge of school set up and procedures will be an advantage.

Remuneration: Excellent with admirable allowance and benefits.

If you are interested, send your current curriculum vitae and an application letter to:

The Advertiser

B2 Emab Plaza

Wuse II Abuja.

Details must get to us before or by 12 noon on Friday 18th June, 2010. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted on the phone for interview.

AUCTION! AUCTION!! AUCTION!!!

This is to inform the general public that the Nigeria customs service has given us authority to dispose off unserviceable vehicles, Gen plants/ store items at their various commands. Ogun, Oyo/Osun State Area command items ARE: L/ROVER, NIS BUS, PEUGEOT S/W & SAL. HILUX, PERKINS, DARE, DEUGH, LISTER, MITSUBISHI P/UP, MITSUBISHI JEEP, KORANDO JEEP e.t.c

DATE: 8th JUNE 2010, OGUN A COMMAND. 10th JUNE 2010, OYO COMMAND. 14th JUNE 2010, OSUN COMMAND
TIME: 10AM PROMPT.

CONTACT: 08034106546/08059946624

AUCTIONEER:
SAMURIRA VENTURES

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public of the loss of original copy of Re-Certification acknowledgement bearing ALIYU HABU FARI with FILE NO. TR 10029 AND PLOT NO. 1014, CADASTRAL ZONE A09 GUZAPE DISTRICT. All effort to trace the vital document proved abortive. If found, please contact owner: IBRAHIM DAHIRU BOBBO (08036516677)

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public of the loss of Original land papers of Plot No. 175 at Kubwa Extension II Layout C of O No. FCT/BZTP/LA/M1567 at Bwari Area Council belonging to Mr. PATRICK ASIKA. All effort to trace the vital document proved abortive. If found, please contact owner: (08055405540, 08065302626)

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public of the loss of Certificate of Occupancy No. 17a2w-1065c-4f4fr-ee7au-20 File No. MISC 51314 bearing TONDONIK NIG LTD Plot No. CD 60 within Duboyi District belonging to ADEM DANIEL TONGOV is missing. All efforts to trace the above certificate proved abortive. If found, please kindly return to the nearest police station.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, formally known as FALMATA ALI MUSTAPHA, now wish to be known as FALMATAMA ABDULRAHMAN MOHAMMED. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.

I, formerly known as MISS ABOLARIN ADEJOKE GRACE now wish to be known as MRS OGUNBIYI ADEJOKE GRACE. All former documents remain valid. General public take note.

I, formerly known as SARAH AJOGE now wish to be addressed as MRS SARAH YUNUSA ATTA. All former documents remain valid. NYSC and General public take note.

I, formerly KIJERO ESTHER OLUWABUSAYO now MRS FATOKUN ESTHER OLUWABUSAYO. All former documents remain valid. General public take note.

I, formerly HANNATU SAUKI DOGO now MRS HANNATU BAIKO IBRAHIM. All former documents remain valid. UNIABUJA and General public take note.

I, formerly called OMOZE CHRISTOPHER JANET now wish to be called ANYA JOSEPH JANET. All former documents remain valid. General public take note.

I, formerly known as MISS ELIZABETH DAUDA/ MRS ELIZABETH MUSA now wish to be called and addressed as MRS ELIZABETH AJI MAINA. All former documents remain valid. UNIVERSITY OF MAIDUGURI and General public take note.

I, formerly known as MRS FUNMILOLA OLATOKUNBO AYEGBIDUN now wish to be known as MRS FUNMILOLA OLATOKUNBO AYOWOLE. All former documents remain valid. General public take note.

I, formerly known as MISS RITA ANWULI IKPELUE now wish to be called MISS RITA ANWULI ODOGWU. All former documents remain valid. DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY, NYSC and General public take note.

I, formerly known OYEGBADE ADEYEMI OLUREMI now wish to be called LONGE ADEYEMI OLUREMI. All former documents remain valid. CMUL/LUTH and General public take note.

I, formally known as FALMATA ALI MUSTAPHA, now wish to be known as FALMATAMA ABDULRAHMAN MOHAMMED. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.

TRUST CLASSIFIED

MERCY CHRISTIAN CENTRE

The General Public is hereby informed that the above named centre has applied for registration under part "C" of the Companies and Allied Matter Act, 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:

1. Rev. Ade Adebayo
2. Pastor Oluwole Stephen Ogunloye
3. Pastor Mrs Oyindamola Adebayo
4. Pastor Mrs Morayo Ogunloye
5. Pastor Olufemi Adebayo
6. Pastor Uzodinma Ogboma

AIM AND OBJECTIVE

To impact this generation with the ability inherent in the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Any objection to this publication should be forwarded to the Registrar General, Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), plot 420 Tigris Crescent, off Aguiyi Ironsi, P.M.B. 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

Signed:
Rev. Ade Adebayo

PUBLIC NOTICE

BUSINESS EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The general public is hereby notified that the above named Association has applied to the Corporate Affairs Commission, Abuja for registration under part C of the Companies and Allied Matters Act No. 1 of 1990.

THE TRUSTEES ARE:-

1. Dr. M. M. Aliyu
2. Dr. A. A. Udoh
3. Mall. Sani Ibrahim
4. Mrs. Adebisi K. I.
5. Pastor J. Tunde Adeshina
6. Mr. C. Perokpo
7. Mr. A. Adeyemi

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. To serve as a forum that will provide orientation which will enable business education programme in various institutions move with the global world.
2. To serve as agency that will enable staff development through seminars, conferences, journal publications, workshops etc.

Any objection to this registration should be forwarded to the Registrar-General, Corporate Affairs Commission, Plot 420, Tigris Crescent, Off Aguiyi Ironsi Street, PMB 198, Maitama, Abuja within 28 days of this publication.

Signed:
Mahmood M. Aliyu Esq.

This Space is for Sale

CHANGE OF NAME

I, formally known as MISS JOYCE IKWIN EBAN, now wish to be addressed as MRS JOYCE IKWIN ANYIM. All former documents remain valid. COSCHARIS MOTORS LTD and General Public please take note.

I, formally known as MISS JUDITH INOB EBAN, now wish to be addressed as MRS JUDITH INOB NNACHI. All former documents remain valid. FCMB and General Public please take note.

I formerly MISS ALASELA FATIMOH OMOLOLA, now wishes to be addressed as MRS. ADISA FATIMOH ALASELA. All former documents remain valid. KWARA SUBEB and general public take note.

I, formally known and addressed as MISS OLUCHUKWU OKEKE F., now wish to be known and addressed as MRS OLUCHUKWU NWAFOR FRANCISCA. All former documents remain valid. NYSC and General Public please take note.

I, formally known and addressed as MISS UJU JOSEPHINE NWANKWU, now wish to be known and addressed as MRS UJU JOSEPHINE EJIKE. All former documents remain valid. NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART and the General Public please take note.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public of the loss of Original document of Property (Duplex) situated at BLOCK 346 FLAT 3 MBABANE STREET WUSE 1 FCT, ABUJA belonging to ALHAJI HASSAN MOHAMMED HASSAN. All effort to trace the document proved abortive. If found, please contact any nearest police station or ALHAJI HASSAN MOHAMMED HASSAN. FCDA and general public take note.

SIGN
HASSAN MOHAMMED HASSAN
+9639679000360 OR 08051334220

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

This is to inform the general public that the original letter of grant with plot No. 453/DCDA/DP/RES/19 belonging to Mallam Illiya Ado Permanent Secretary, Jigawa State Civil Service Commission (CSC) declared missing. All effort to trace the missing document proved abortive. Please if found return to the nearest Police Station.

CHANGE OF NAME

I formerly known as ABDULLAHI MAGAJI, wishes to be known as ABDULRASHEED ABDULLAHI. All documents remain valid. Malumfashi Local Government and general public to take note. Re: No. 67813

I formerly known as MISS VICTORIA ONYECHE OCHOGWU now wish to be known as MRS VICTORIA ONYECHE PATRICK. All former documents remain valid. A.T.B.U Authority, NYSC and general public should take note. Re: No. 67810

I, formally known and addressed as SUBEDETU ROSE NASIRU ELAMAH, now wish to be known and addressed as MRS SUBEDETU ROSE HARUNAAHMED. All former documents remain valid. FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH and General Public please take note.

I, formally known and addressed as EBWASE AMAKA AUTA, now wish to be known and addressed as EBWASE SAMME. All former documents remain valid. FIN BANK, FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY YOLA, AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY ZARIA and General Public please take note.

I, formally known and addressed as OYEPEJU VICTORIA OLADOYE, now wish to be known and addressed as MRS OYEPEJU VICTORIAARINDE. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.

I, formally known as MISS SUSAN OBASUYI, now wish to be addressed as MRS SUSAN KINGSLEY OKEKE. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, formally known as MISS GIFT AMAKA ONYEAGHALA, now wish to be addressed as MRS GIFT AMAKA HENRY IWUAJOKU. All former documents remain valid. National Youth Service Corp and General Public please take note.

I, formally known as MISS OLAMIDE ESTHER FALANA, now wish to be addressed as MRS OLAMIDE ESTHER IDOWU. All former documents remain valid. ABU ZARIA and General Public please take note.

I, formally called RUKAYAT OLAJUMOKE SULE, now wish to be called MRS RUKAYAT OLAJUMOKE YUSUF. All former documents remain valid. OGORI/MAGONGO LOCAL GOVERNMENT and General Public please take note.

I, formally called MISS FLORENCE EKOR IDIEGE, now wish to be called MRS FLORENCE EKOR OBULE. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.

I, formally known as IFEANYI O. ONYEMARA, now wish to be known as IFEANYI OKWUDIRI IFEANYICHUKWU. All former documents remain valid. INTERCONTINENTAL BANK, IJ and please take note.

I, formally known as MISS RITA OGUNNU, now wish to be addressed as MRS RITA NANBOLDANBANA. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.

I, formally known as COMFORT EHINMIDU, now wish to be addressed as MRS COMFORT BAMIDELE OLOSAGBE. All former documents remain valid. National Youth Service Corp and General Public please take note.

I, formally known and addressed as MRS HALIMAT IYABO ADIGUN, now wish to be known and addressed as MRS HALIMAT IYABO ABDULAZEEZ. All former documents remain valid. General Public please take note.



**HEADQUARTERS
NIGERIAN AIR FORCE
AREA 7 GARKI, ABUJA NIGERIA**

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

1. The Nigerian Air Force in continuation with the implementation of the 2010 capital budget invites sealed bids from interested and reputable companies for the development of the Nigerian Air Force Institute of Safety, Ipetu-Ijesha, Osun State and the rehabilitation of runway at Markudi Airport, Benue State.

2. Interested companies are to forward bids for the projects listed below:

a. **Development of the Nigerian Air Force Institute of Safety, Ipetu - Ijesha, Osun State.** This project comprises the following:

- (i) Lot 1 - Construction of Roads.
- (ii) Lot 2 - Provision of Water Supply.
- (iii) Lot 3 - Provision of Electricity.
- (iv) Lot 4 - Construction of Headquarters Complex which comprises classrooms, a mini-hall and offices.
- (v) Lot 5 - Construction of Student Officers' Accommodation.
- (vi) Lot 6 - Construction of Student Airmen's Accommodation.

b. **Rehabilitation of Makurdi Airport Runway.** This project comprises the following:

- (i) Lot 1 Rehabilitation of Transverse and Longitudinal Joints and Safety Areas.
- (ii) Lot 2 Airfield Lighting for Taxiways and Apron.
- (iii) Lot 3 Runway Bird and Wildlife Hazard Protection System.
- (iv) Lot 4 Provision and Installation of Stand-Alone Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) for Runway 05/23.
- (v) Lot 5 Provision of Runway Rapid Intervention Impulse Fire Extinguishing (IFEX) System.

3. Tender document comprising drawings (where necessary), unpriced Bill of Quantities and Engineer's Details and Specifications are available at the Office of the **Secretary, Tenders Board, Headquarters Nigerian Air Force, Area 7, Garki - Abuja**, between 9 am and 12 noon, on payment of a non-refundable Tender fee of N50,000.00 per lot.

4. The following documents are to be submitted with the tender documents:

- a. Evidence of registration with Corporate Affairs Commission.
- b. Evidence of registration with the Nigerian Air Force.
- c. Recent Tax Clearance Certificate(s).
- d. List of similar jobs successfully handled in the last three (3) years including locations.
- e. Evidence of financial capability.
- f. For projects under Paragraph 2 (b), the following additional documents are required:
 - (i) Verifiable record of competence.
 - (ii) Evidence of registration with relevant Professional bodies.
 - (iii) Evidence of dealership or manufacturer's authorization.
 - (iv) Any other relevant information.

Tender documents should be submitted in three (3) copies in sealed envelopes, with the title of the job marked at the top right hand corner, not later than 12.00 noon on 28 June 2010, to the Office of the **Secretary, Tenders Board, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force, Area 7, Garki - Abuja**. The name and address of the company should be clearly indicated at the back of the envelope. Bids shall be valid for a period of 120 days after bid opening. **Late submission will be rejected.**

5. Tenders will be opened at 12.00 noon on 28 June 2010 in the presence of the bidders or their representatives at the Conference Room of the Air Officer Logistics, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force, Area 7, Garki - Abuja.

6. This advertisement should not be taken as a commitment on the part of the Nigerian Air Force neither shall it entitle responding contractors to make claims whatsoever from the Nigerian Air Force.

Signed
The Secretary Tenders Board
Headquarters,
Nigerian Air Force
Area 7
Garki - Abuja

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Date: Thursday, 10th June 10:00am to 3:00pm
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Date: Friday, 11th June 10:00am to 4:00pm
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All completed Tenders are to be returned sealed and marked indicating the Lot bidden for. Tender should be returned to:

The Medical Director
Federal Neuro-Psychiatric Hospital,
Barnawa, Kaduna.

Submission should not be later than 12.00 noon. Six (6) weeks from the date of the publication.

Tenders will be opened at 2:00pm on 19th July, 2010 in the Board room. Tenderers are requested to be present at the Tender opening ceremony if they so wish.

NOTE:

Only the Tender of those who fulfil the Tender requirement shall be opened. The FNP, Barnawa, Kaduna Tender Board is not duty bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.

Signed:
Medical Director.



WEST AFRICA HEALTH EXAMINATIONS BOARD

TIME-TABLES FOR JUNE 2010 EXAMINATIONS

At the recently concluded Examination Committee Meeting of the Board, the Committee approved 14th - 19th June 2010 as the examinations dates for its three examinations. The examinations are:-
(a) Higher National Diploma (HND) Environmental Health Technology (b) Higher National Diploma (HND) Public Health Nursing (c) National Diploma (ND) Environmental Health Technology
The Examination Time-Table are given thus:-

Date	Time	Code	Subject
Monday 14th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	EHT 222 EHT 221	Control of Air Borne Diseases Control of Insect Borne Diseases
Tuesday 15th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	AMP 122 EHT 224	Parasitology Inspection of Food and Food Premises
Wednesday 16th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	EHT 124 EHT 214	Prevention & Control of water related diseases Principles of Epidemiology & Disease Control
Thursday 17th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	EHT 213 EHT 225	Principles and Practice of First Aid Public Health Law 1
Friday 18th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am	STM 325	Immunology and Public Health

Saturday 19th June, 2010 Examiners leave examination centres.

Date	Time	Code	Subject
Monday 14th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	EHT 421 EHT 422	Occupational Health & Safety 11 Environmental Monitoring
Tuesday 15th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	EHT 414 TRP 314 PMT 324	Public Health Law 11 Housing 1 Rodents and Control
Wednesday 16th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	TRP 315 PMT 321 EHT 428 EHT 425 PMT 322	Public Utilities & Services 11 Pest Management Principles & Methods Outline of Industrial Layout & Buildings Introduction to Building Services & Estate Layout Pesticides
Thursday 17th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	PMT 431 EHT 429 EST 318/328 PMT 432 EHT 426 EHT 430	Pest Management Equipment & Machinery Industrial Wastes Env. Sciences & Estate Services I&II Economics of Pest Management Sewage Treatment Industrial Sanitation & Waste Disposal
Friday 18th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am	PMT 442 EHT 427 FST 421	Household Pests Solid Waste Disposal Waste Treatment Utilization & Disposal

Saturday 19th June, 2010 Examiners leave examination centres.

Date	Time	Code	Subject
Monday 14th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	PHN 411 BUS 214	School Health Programme Principles of Management 11
Tuesday 15th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	PHN 311 PHN 412	Primary Health Care/Public Health Adolescent, Adult and Handicap Health
Wednesday 16th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	PHN 413 PHN 415	Family Planning Health Education
Thursday 17th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	PHN 417 PHN 421	Occupational Health Maternal and Child Health 11
Friday 18th June, 2010	9.00 am - 11.30 am	Practical Based on: PHN 414 Practical Based on: PHN 312 Practical Based on: PHN 325	Use of standing orders Nursing Process Community Health Practice Research Methodology

Designated Examinations Centres for 2010 Higher National Diploma (HND) and National Diploma (ND) Examination in Environmental Health Technology

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| 1 School of Health Technology, Benin City. | 16 School of Health Technology, Ngbo, Ebonyi State. |
| 2 School of Health Technology, Ehinan. | 17 School of Health Technology, Obozi. |
| 3 School of Health Technology, Ife-Ikile. | 18 University of Benin, Benin City. |
| 4 School of Health Technology, Jega. | 19 School of Health Technology, Ningi. |
| 5 School of Hygiene, Kano. | 20 School of Health Technology, Ilesa. |
| 6 School of Hygiene, Ibadan. | 21 College of Health Technology, Kaduna. |
| 7 NAMSC, Ojo. | 22 School of Health Technology, Oba. |
| 8 School of Health Technology, Idah. | 23 School of Health Technology, Pakinshin. |
| 9 College of Health Technology, Ilesha. | 24 College of Health Technology, Zawan. |
| 10 School of Health Technology, Keffi. | 25 School of Health Technology, Oji River. |
| 11 College of Health Technology, Otuoma. | 26 School of Health Technology, Akure. |
| 12 College of Health Sciences, Tech P/H. | 27 School of Health Technology, Takum. |
| 13 School of Health Technology, Maiduguri. | |
| 14 College of Health Tech., Amaigo. | |
| 15 School of Health Technology, Otuogidi. | |

- College of Health Technology, Yaba, Lagos is merged with NAMSC, Ojo, Lagos
- School of Health Technology, Kankia is merged with College of Health, Kaduna

Designated Examinations Centres for 2010 Higher National Diploma (HND) Examinations in Public Health Nursing

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| 1 School of Public Health Nursing, Owerri. | 10 CHS, Ilesha, Ogun State. |
| 2 School of Hygiene, Ibadan. | 11 School of Health Technology, Ehinan. |
| 3 School of Health Technology Benin City. | 12 School of Health Technology, Obozi. |
| 4 Ladake Akintola University, Osogbo. | 13 SICHS, Makarfi Kaduna State. |
| 5 CHST, Port Harcourt. | 14 College of Health Technology, Calabar. |
| 6 Babcock University, Ilesha, Remo. | 15 College of Health Technology, Ufuma. |
| 7 School of Public Health Nursing, Nsukka. | 16 OAU, Ile-Ife. |
| 8 Niger Delta University, Amasema. | 17 University of Benin, Benin City. |
| 9 PHN, Awalowo Road, Ikoyi. | |

- *School of Health Technology, Ife-Ikile and School of Health Technology Akure are merged with College of Health Technology, Ilesha, Ijebu Ode, Ogun State.
- *School of Health Technology, Otuogidi, Bayelsa is merged with Niger Delta University.
- Wumodu Bello University Zaria is merged with Shehu Idris College of Health Technology, Kaduna.
- University of Ibadan is merged with school of Hygiene, Ibadan.

The approved lists of all registered candidates have been sent to the schools. Please notify the Secretariat about spelling errors and omissions. You are therefore requested to put in place adequate arrangements for the success of the examinations.

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YEAR 2010 PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS

1. EXAMINATION SCHEDULE:

The Year 2010 Professional Examinations of the Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors has been scheduled as follows:

- (i) Examination Dates: Tuesday 3rd to Thursday 5th August, 2010
- (ii) Examination Centres: Abuja, Benin City, Enugu, Kaduna, Lagos, Port Harcourt and Bauchi

2. ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES:

(i) Probation Examination
Registered Technicians of the NIQS or equivalent in cognate disciplines such as Architecture, Building Technology, Civil Engineering etc.

(ii) Graduateship Examination

- a) Registered Probationers of the NIQS
 - b) Registered Technicians of the NIQS who have passed the NIQS Probation Examination.
- (iii) Test of Professional Competence (TPC) Examination:
- a) Registered Graduate/Probationer members of the Institute with not less than two Years post-NYSC experience
 - b) Registered Probationers of the NIQS who have passed the Graduateship Examination conducted by the NIQS and with at least 2 years post-NYSC experience.

3. LOG BOOKS AND DIARIES

Candidates applying for the TPC Examination are presumed to have submitted to the Institute's Secretariat their Log Books and Diaries covering the Thirty-Six (36) months of their practical experience are expected to reach the Institute not later than Friday 30th July, 2010. All Logbooks and Diaries should be addressed to the Chairman, Education Committee (Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors) through the NIQS Secretariat.

4. EXAMINATION FEES: (NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE)

Entry Point	Probation Exam	Graduateship Exam	TPC Exam	Prof. Competence Interview
Full Exam Fee	N25,000.00	N25,000.00	N25,000.00	N15,000.00
Re-sit Exam Fee	N20,000.00	N20,000.00	N20,000.00	N15,000.00
Log Book Re-assessment Fee			N15,000.00	

5. METHOD OF APPLICATION

(i) Candidates are expected to obtain application forms from any of the under listed collection centres on presentation of N30,000.00 for Full Exam fee and N25,000.00 for Resit Exams Bank Drafts (Cost of forms N5,000.00 and examination fee respectively) payable to the Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (NIQS).

State	Address	Contact
LAGOS	The Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, 17/19 Idowu Taylor Street, Victoria Island, Lagos	08028303346, 01-8988099
IBADAN	RAY OBI ASSOCIATES, Ray Obi Building, Odo Oba Road, Botuwaji Lagos/Ibadan Expressway, Ibadan.	Kayode Obiwale - 08033279258
ILORIN	THOS ASSOCIATES, 27 Stadium Road, Ilorin Kwara State.	Olufermi Sulami -- 08037004758
BENIN	NUR ASSOCIATES, Imaro House, M. Murtala Way Benin City.	Nurudeen Ighile - 08023460558
ABUJA	The Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, c/o QSRBN EDO HOUSE, 4th Floor, Central Area Abuja.	Tajudeen Owoeni - 08025584014
KADUNA	Rutfa Quartz Consultants, Suit 1, Basement Floor Bank of Industry 18 Muhammadu Buhari Way, Kaduna.	Ruya Fadason - 08059002455 08037043562
KANO	Construction Cost Services, No 10 Isa Dutsse Road, Bompai Kano.	Alhaji Adana Aliyu - 08037031743
BAUCHI	Mobal Quants Consultants, C11 Steyr Residential Quarters Bauchi	Aminu Bashiru - 08057365500
ENUGU	Department of Quantity Surveying, Institute of Management & Technology Enugu.	Ben N. Igweonyia -- 08033331292
OWERRI	Network Projects Nigeria No 1, Umez Eronimi Street Ikeneghu, Owerri	Ogochukwu Amada - 08069818812
PORT HARCOURT	AMAN Associates, No 1 Worlu Street, D/Line, Port Harcourt	Emmanuel Asawa - 08023124935

(i) Candidates are also advised to obtain a copy of the Syllabus, Rules and Guidelines for the Institute's Examinations at a Cost of =N=1000.00 per set (2 volumes) for more details.

(ii) Candidates are expected to return their completed Application Forms with photocopies of:

- (a) Bank Draft and NIQS Receipt for payment
- (b) all relevant credentials such as letter of election/registration for the current NIQS Membership Grade, Exemption Letter (if any)
- (c) 2 No. self-addressed envelopes (each with stamp) etc.

The Completed application forms should be returned to the Ag. Executive Secretary, The Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, "Victor Akan House" 17/19 Idowu Taylor Street, Victoria Island, P. O. Box 2666 Marina, Lagos not later than Tuesday 6th July, 2010.

The return of the above requirements to the Secretariat is the personal responsibility of the candidate.
(iii) Late Entry: Late Completed applications may be received as long as it is accompanied by an additional late entry fee of N20,000.00 bank draft and submitted to the Secretariat between Wednesday, 7th and Friday 16th July, 2010.

(iv) Notice To All TPC Candidates

Please be advised that the Measurement Exam for TPC consists of Two (2) separate papers of three hours each.

The first paper is on Building Works and Services; the second paper is on Civil and Heavy Engineering Works.

(v) Copies of Past Question Papers are obtainable from the Institute's Secretariat.

6. EXEMPTION:

Candidates who have acquired additional certificate(s) and are now qualified to be exempted from writing certain examination(s) should apply immediately for consideration. Any application(s) and/or granted request not effected before Tuesday 6th July, 2010 will not be considered for this year examination.

7. PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE INTERVIEW (PCI)

(i) The Professional Competence Interview will provisionally hold on Thursday 30th September, 2010 at Abuja, Enugu and Lagos and the Application Forms and Examination Fees shall be paid for as will be directed with a bank draft of N25,000.00 comprising N10,000.00 for forms and N15,000.00 for Interview Fees.

(ii) Eligibility

(a) Those that have passed the written Test of Professional Competence (TPC) examination and satisfactorily completed their Logbooks and Diaries.

(b) Those referred in a previous Professional Competence Interview.

NB: (i) Candidates who previously had problems with their Diaries and Logbooks must submit updated Logbooks and Diaries as instructed which must reach the Institute's Secretariat not later than Tuesday, 20th July, 2010.

(ii) The final result of the 2009 Professional Examinations has been released. Candidates should contact the Secretariat, Abuja Liaison Office and State Chapters for details.

Signed:

Alhaji Danladi Musa FNIQS
Ag. Secretary General

Adewunmi M. Akinpelu
Secretary Marketing & Corporate Affairs

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We can beat anyone
- Lagerback

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Super Eagles striker Obafemi Martins, left, vies for the ball with Mario Yepes of Colombia during their international friendly match in London, England, recently

Martins risks World Cup spot

WOLFSBURG striker Obafemi Martins will be given the cold shoulder by Super Eagles coach Lars Lagerback at his debut World Cup unless he has a change of attitude, officials have disclosed.

Officials have told MTNFootball.com that Lagerback has been far from impressed with the attitude of Martins in training and came close to dropping him from the World Cup, but for the injury of Victor Anichebe.

"Martins would have been

dropped for Anichebe because Lagerback complained about his attitude. Others pulled their weight in training, but the Wolfsburg striker was not bothered," a top team official revealed.

"Contrary to what Everton are now saying, Anichebe is nursing a cracked shin and will be out of action for at least three weeks. The Eagles fitness trainer detected this. That was why Lagerback dropped him from the squad to the World Cup. Were he fit, he would have been taken to

South Africa ahead of Martins.

"Lagerback starred the names of both Martins and Anichebe on his list and his explanation was that he has been far from happy with Martins attitude to training. He told the NFF leadership that Martins attitude is "very bad" and except he changes, he will not be in his plans for the World Cup."

It is understood that much-criticised Everton striker Yakubu Aiyegbeni and Obinna Nsofor of Spanish club Malaga are now ahead of Mar-

tins in the pecking order to lead the Nigeria attack at the World Cup.

Last November, "Obagoal" struck twice as Nigeria booked their ticket to the 2010 World Cup in dramatic fashion on the final day of qualifying action against Kenya in Nairobi.

The 25-year-old former Newcastle United star striker, who made a goal-scoring debut against the Republic of Ireland in May 2004, posted a subdued performance at the Africa Cup of Nations in Angola earlier this year after he was a con-

troversial choice ahead of Esperance striker Michael Eneramo for the championship.

Keen watchers of the Eagles say Martins appears not to have completely shaken off a serious shin injury that needed operation last year.

Martins has scored 16 goals in 30 appearances for Nigeria, averaging a goal every other game. South Africa 2010 will be his World Cup debut after the Eagles failed to fly to the 2006 edition in Germany.

NFF limits fans for N.Korea friendly

NIGERIA'S final World Cup warm-up match on Sunday against fellow World Cup finalists North Korea will only be watched by 5,000 fans, team officials have informed MTNFootball.com.

Team spokesman Peterside Idah informed: "Besides the invited guests for the game, we will only accommodate the first 5,000 fans into the stadium."

There is a strong Nigerian presence in South Africa and still will be further boosted as the World Cup kick-off nears.

The kick-off time for the friendly has been fixed for 4pm South African time, which is an hour ahead of that of Nigeria.

Nigeria and North Korea will clash at the Makhulong Stadium, Tembisa, on the outskirts of Johannesburg on Sunday.

The Eagles plan to use this game against the fast North Koreans to prepare for a potentially decisive World Cup Group B tie against South Korea at the Moses Mabhida Stadium in Durban on June 22.

Nigeria also pegged attendance

for last weekend's friendly against Colombia at the Milton Keynes Stadium in London as they only admitted a select few and the media.

Reports suggested that the Nigeria Football Federation (NFF) opted for this so as to save on cost of providing security at the match.

The NFF spent over \$250,000 to directly organise the Colombia game after the match organisers failed to deliver.

Meanwhile, the Eagles will not be paid an appearance fee for the

World Cup even though they got such payment when they featured at the Africa Cup of Nations in Angola earlier this year.

The Eagles received \$3,000 each for making it to the Nations Cup in Angola.

"The players will not be paid any appearance fee. Besides the graduated bonus for each stage of the World Cup, these players will also be part of the qualification bonus agreed with them by the Nigeria Football Federation (NFF)," a top official said.

It is believed that the sports ministry had queried the payment of appearance fees to the Eagles at the last Nations Cup and that was why there will be no such payment at the World Cup.

The World Cup squad will earn win-bonuses during the tournament in South Africa, a daily camp allowance of \$200 and also share in the \$2 million qualification bonus.

The NFF have budgeted about 700 million naira (about \$4.6 million) for the team's bonuses and allowances at the World Cup.

We can beat anyone - Lagerback

SUPER Eagles coach Lars Lagerback boasted that Nigeria can beat any World Cup opponent after the team arrived in Durban on Wednesday to prepare for the tournament.

"If we give 100 percent we can beat any team," the experienced Swede said after landing in this Indian Ocean city where the 'Super Eagles' will plot the downfall of Group B rivals Argentina, Greece and South Korea.

Pundits expect twice world champions Argentina to top the mini-league under famous coach Diego Maradona with the race for the other place in the knockout second round wide open.

But Lagerback struck an upbeat note: "The 'Super Eagles' are ready to take on the best in the world and we know there are high expectations, especially from our supporters.

"It has been wonderful since I

took over. The attitude of the players has been great and we prepared well," said the coach who replaced Shaibu Amodu soon after Nigeria finished third at the African Nations Cup last January.

Nigeria are scheduled to play a warm-up against World Cup rank outsiders North Korea in Tembisa east of Johannesburg on Sunday before facing Argentina on June 12 in their first group outing.

Ike Uche crushed by World Cup omission

SUPER Eagles star striker Ikechukwu Uche wept uncontrollably as he was left out of the World Cup party, officials have revealed.

The Real Zaragoza was joint top scorer in the qualifying tournament for the 2010 World Cup with four goals before he was sidelined by a major knee injury for over seven months.

"He broke down and cried after he was told he will not be going to the World Cup," a top team official said.

"He was almost inconsolable," added a player, who made the final cut.

While the other dropped players including Peter Utaka and Brown Ideye took part in the team's final training in England before they left for South Africa, the disappointed Uche was locked up in his hotel room.

Officials disclosed that Uche was yet to recover mentally from the knee injury.

"He is physically fit, but psychologically he has not got over the injury. He is still overcome by fear especially when he goes into tackles. The coaches detected this during training and they all agreed that it would take far beyond the World Cup before he could put behind such fear," said another official.



LAGERBACK



IKE Uche

Spain pip South Korea

MIDFIELDER Jesus Navas scored his first goal for Spain to earn the European champion a 1-0 win over South Korea in a World Cup warmup Thursday.

Navas found the net in the 85th minute with a powerful 25-yard shot just after South Korea goalkeeper Jung Sung-ryong denied Spain striker David Villa.

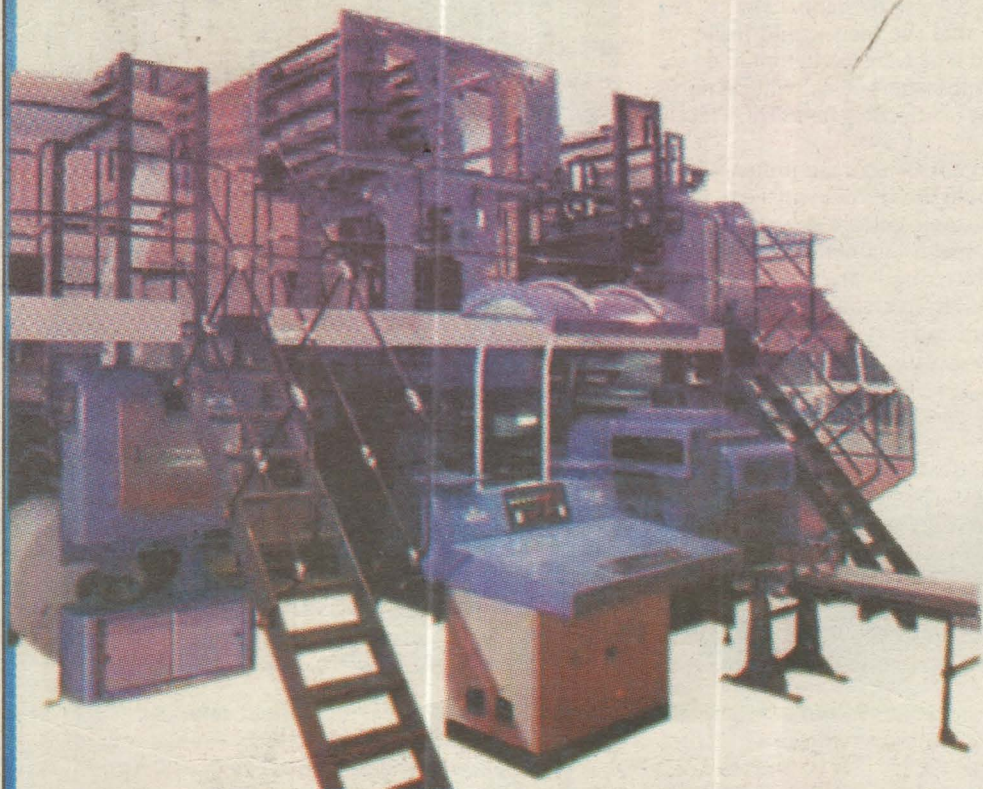
Arsenal midfielder Cesc Fabregas appeared in Spain's starting lineup for the first time since fracturing his leg early in April and played for almost an hour. But striker Fernando Torres was kept on the sideline as he continues his battle to fully recover from a knee injury.

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THE FRIDAY COLUMN

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On the futility of political correctness (I)

Question: When is a door not a door?

Answer: When it is ajar.

And, yes, when it is ajar, you can conveniently eavesdrop on the gossipy conversation, [or is it confrontation?] going on at the far end of the changing room of the People's Democratic Party, PDP, gymnasium. That's the idea, isn't it? Nowadays the conversation by all the pugilists is all about zoning.

Question: And what exactly is zoning?

Answer: Zoning is the arrangement that allows the presidency of the country to be awarded to those parts of it whose population, political sagacity or electoral alliances can not guarantee it for them.

But which law says every section of the country must produce a president? What is the rationale or logic behind all that? Is a Nigerian president a leader of the country in his own right or is he president on behalf of his people? And what does that mean in practical, or even theoretical, terms?

Now, if the idea behind zoning is to get a Southern president, at least two of them have become. And what has been the result? And going by Olusegun Obasanjo's, uncreative, dismal and irremediably discreditable record, if he is an accepted and typical representative of the South-West, another man from that zone ought never to be allowed to become president of the republic.

And after him, President Jonathan Goodluck has come along as an 'anything goes' president. First, he was ready to do anything that could get him an 'acting' status; and then after getting it, he became ready to do anything that could get him the 'substantive' label. He is now battling to do anything that will get him the PDP ticket in 2011, and then he will go for the second and then, of course, the third term. In this and other related misfortunes, the president has not really been leading the nation: he is merely being a henpecked, browbeaten *proposalist*, defined as someone who rules by implementing other people's proposals—written or unwritten—that type of jolly good fellow without ideas of his own. He hasn't yet given the nation even a one-point agenda.

Is zoning therefore worth it? Clearly, Goodluck and his handlers don't seem to think so, because from all indications it is almost certain that he wishes to run—and will probably do so. And from happenings within the party and the current assignments given to the nation's anti-graft agencies, quite reminiscent of the Obasanjo era, it is clear that the ruling party itself and the government are readying themselves for that eventuality.

They have begun to say that zoning is undemocratic, clearly being wise after the pudding has been eaten; and that zoning lacks merit. But if zoning really lacks or is against merit, and it doesn't necessarily have to be, abolishing it, just by itself, will not guarantee the emergence of merit. It may probably do, only that there is probably no merit to speak of on the political scene. And if there is, it is not there at the very top; because in this, politics is quite unlike the bureaucracy, which has been likened to a septic tank, in which it is the really big chunks that always rise to the top. So, with or without zoning, politics and zoning in Nigeria are mutually exclusive.

As it has already been called upon, the PDP should now drop all pretenses and stop deceiving its members and set in motion the necessary party machinery to cancel zoning. And if it does this, it will have done the nation a

world of democratic good—the only time that it has done, or will do, so.

Hereafter, all the other aspects of the zoning arrangement will collapse with Jonathan's decision to run for president. The zoning of party posts and the distribution of all the posts on the executive and legislative arms will also collapse. That will perhaps be the end of the PDP as we know it. And in whatever shape or form it survives, there is little doubt that unless another zoning arrangement is worked out by another party and respected, no Southern candidate will ever become president of Nigeria again. That is why it is very important for Goodluck that he doesn't run; because if he does, he is certain to lose and end up without the name or the office. One implication of the cancellation of zoning is that the North will once again dominate the political leadership of the nation, which was the necessitating reason for the adopting the zoning formula for by the PDP.

And it is good to remember that this zoning formula is really a PDP affair, but the fact that all other parties from 1979 to date have paired a Northerner and a Southerner on their presidential ticket shows that the ticket, if not the presidential candidate himself, must be paired and zoned, as it were.

When Goodluck became substantive president, many thought the much-touted

Bangladeshi constitutional model of a disinterested umpire has happened in Nigeria by happenstance. No one would have thought that the man would insist on running for president; and if he were to attempt to do so, many would have thought that the 'largest political party in Africa' would have a way of imposing its will on a recalcitrant member.

But clearly, Goodluck is not alone in this drama. There are many who think he should run and can win. First, there is a looming image of Obasanjo casting its ugly shadow over everything in sight. Though disinherited as a puppeteer, he is still able to pull the strings—and get the puppets dancing. If Nigeria were a physics laboratory, Obasanjo had just exploded his atom and was holding the nation, not least Jonathan, to ransom with his index finger on the nuclear detonator.

Besides Obasanjo, there are the Niger Delta pressure groups who think that because oil is found in their land, they have the right to produce the president. They probably think the presidency is a barrel of oil; and they will soon find out how mistaken they are. Then there is the so-called PDP Reform Movement, composed of the power-hungry hunting dogs of the presidency, out and now back in, who can't fight for power in their own right and need to lean on the president in order to be able to lean on the next one, who they hope will be the same person.

Then there are the Americans, whose ambassador and frequent distinguished visitors seem to think Nigeria is a unit in the US Department of State in respect of which they can and do pontificate, have already blessed and anointed Goodluck. And then of course there is the formidable PDP rigging machinery, which immediately bids bye to any thought of electoral reform.

And if you think you have seen light at the end of this tunnel, you can be sure that it is most likely to be the flashing headlights of an oncoming speed train. It is shining bright light all right, but when it reaches where you are, there won't be much illumination; why, good bye, you will steamrollered and crushed to a pulp.

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SPORTS REPORT



STOSUR was a beaten semi-finalist at the 2009 French Open

Stosur to face Schiavone in finale

Australia's Sam Stosur stormed into her first Grand Slam final with a crushing win over fourth seed Jelena Jankovic at the French Open.

The 26-year-old from Brisbane followed up earlier wins over pre-tournament favourites Justine Henin and Ser-

ena Williams with a 6-1 6-2 demolition of Jankovic in 60 minutes.

Stosur will play Francesca Schiavone for the title on Saturday after the Italian became the first woman from her country to reach a Grand Slam final when Elena Dementieva retired from their semi-final.



RAFAEL Benitez

Benitez quits Liverpool

Liverpool have announced manager Rafael Benitez has left the club by mutual consent after six years in charge. Benitez, 50, replaced Gerard Houllier as Liverpool manager in June 2004 and guided them to Champions League and FA Cup success the following two seasons.

But last season they made an early exit from the Champions League and finished only seventh in the Premier League.

Managing director Christian Purslow and former manager Kenny Dalglish are to begin the search for a replacement.

