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The Appeal Court affirmed the High Court's ruling that the FRSC's seizure of drivers' licences and vehicles violated fundamental human rights.

The judges, Amina Audi Wambai, M. Lawal Abubakar, and Ntong F. Ntong declared the FRSC's liability for rights violation.

Delivering a unanimous judgement, the court reduced the damages awarded to the respondent from N30 million to N10 million, covering general and

exemplary damages.

The case, which has lasted five years, originated from a 2020 incident where FRSC officers stopped Shebbs on Bende Road in Umuahia during the COVID-19 lockdown.

Shebbs claimed that despite his car being fault-free, the FRSC officers demanded a bribe.

After refusing the bribe, the officers allegedly found a fake issue with his tyre and confiscated his driver's licence, [Find Full Story In The Link](#)



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The Director of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection at the NCAA, Michael Achimugu, gave this directive through a press statement released to journalists on Monday.

He stated that the Authority would no longer tolerate non-compliance.

"This engagement perhaps should be

the last time we will have to discuss the issue of this First Need. For a while now, it's been a grey area. Recall the CAA has sent letters to the airlines about First Need. There has not been much compliance by the airlines," the director stated.

He expressed concern over airlines' apparent ignorance or neglect of the regulation:

"The regulations are very clear. One cannot say for certain if the airlines are intentionally disregarding the regulations or if there is some miscommunication along the line. I met with some station managers who seemed not to be aware of the regulations. We thought that the right thing to do is to have this conversation with you to understand what the challenges have been. Why are we not paying First Need for shorthanded baggage?" he queried.

Achimugu further emphasised the details of the regulation and the expectations from airlines: [Find Full Story In The Link](#)

Abuja Airport Officials Clarify Lufthansa Offloading Incident, Absolve Runway Of Blame

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Officials at the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja, have addressed the controversy surrounding Lufthansa Airlines' decision to offload 45 passengers and all checked-in luggage on July 23, 2025, stating that the move was a technical decision by the airline and not due to airport infrastructure or runway limitations.

The clarification followed reports that Lufthansa offloaded the passengers and cargo from its Abuja-Frankfurt flight to reduce weight for takeoff, allegedly due to reduced runway length caused by ongoing maintenance work.

However, airport authorities, speaking anonymously, maintained that other international airlines with wide-body aircraft operated under the same runway conditions without similar disruptions.

"Flights by other carriers, including British Airways, Qatar Airways, Ethiopian Airlines, Turkish Airlines, and Air France, proceeded normally using the same runway," an official said. "This



Abuja Airport

suggests that Lufthansa's decision may have been influenced by internal operational factors such as overbooking, excess baggage, or crew unfamiliarity with the temporary runway condition."

Records show Lufthansa operated an Airbus A330-300 with around 200 passengers and crew that day. Meanwhile, other carriers successfully

conducted flights from the same airport: British Airways (Boeing 777, 245 passengers); Qatar Airways (Boeing 787, 251 passengers); Ethiopian Airlines (Boeing 777 LR, 264 passengers); Turkish Airlines (Airbus A330, 261 passengers); Air France (Airbus A330, 215 passengers).

Other airlines including Egypt Air, Royal Air Maroc, Air Côte d'Ivoire, Asky

Airlines, and Africa World Airlines also operated scheduled flights on July 23 without incident.

The officials emphasized that a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) had been issued in advance regarding the maintenance, and all airlines were duly informed. They reiterated that airport operations remained safe and efficient during the period in question. [Find Full Story In The Link](#)

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Ibadan Residents Protest Circular Road Land Extension

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Residents of Ibadan in the Oyo State capital have protested against the elongation of marked portions of land for the construction of the Ibadan Circular Road.

The protest, which erupted on Monday, took the protesters to the entrance of the Oyo State Government Secretariat.

PUNCH Online gathered that between 2003 and 2007, the Oyo State government, then under the leadership of Senator Rasidi Ladoja, marked some portions of land for the construction of a Circular Road in Ibadan.

However, the project was not executed by the late Chief Adebayo Alao-Akala, who took over from Ladoja.

According to findings, the project was eventually executed by the immediate past governor, the late Abiola Ajimobi who started the construction of the road while in office between 2011 and 2019.

The residents, during Monday's peaceful protest, pleaded with the Makinde-led administration in the state not to extend

the Circular Road beyond the already marked areas.

The protesters, who were mostly from the Akinyele Local Government Area, noted that many people had already been affected in the existing arrangement, with an appeal that the Circular Road should not be extended beyond 150 metres.

They paraded placards with varying inscriptions such as "150 meters is enough", "150 metres is enough for Circular Road", and "Our people are dying on a daily basis."

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Sokoto Rolls Out 30 New Buses, Unveils E-ticketing Platform

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The Sokoto State Government has unveiled 30 new mass transit buses and launched a digital e-ticketing platform aimed at modernising public transportation and enhancing accountability.

The new additions, presented on Sunday, brought to 70 the number of vehicles procured by the Ahmed Aliyu-led administration since taking office.

At the handover ceremony in Sokoto, the Deputy Governor, Idris Muhammed Gobir, formally handed the keys of the buses to the state Commissioner for Transportation, Bala Kokani.

Gobir noted that the new buses, part of a fleet earlier procured by the government, were withheld pending the completion of the state's digital ticketing platform.

"With the e-ticketing system now fully operational, passengers can conveniently book and pay for their trips online, removing bottlenecks and long queues at terminals," he said.

The deputy governor emphasised that the

initiative was part of efforts to ease the transportation burden on citizens, especially in the face of economic challenges stemming from the removal of fuel subsidies.

"The e-ticketing system will also ensure transparency and accountability in the day-to-day operations of the mass transit service, and guarantee value for money," he added.

Gobir urged the ministry to ensure strict supervision, regular maintenance, and cleanliness of the vehicles.

"These buses were purchased with taxpayers' money and must be protected and maintained as public assets," he said.

Speaking while receiving the vehicles, Kokani thanked Governor Ahmed Aliyu for his continued investment in the transport sector, describing the development as a milestone in the administration's efforts to modernise public mobility.

"I want to assure His Excellency that we will treat these vehicles like personal property and maintain them in the best condition," Kokani said.

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The Kogi government has banned the movement of heavy-duty vehicles during the day to curb the high rate of road accidents in the state.

A statement on Monday by Yusuf Suberu, senior special assistant to the governor on road safety matters, said the decision followed consultations with transport stakeholders, law enforcement agencies, and road safety experts in the state.

Suberu said the move is aimed at addressing the frequent road crashes involving articulated vehicles in Kogi.

"According to the new regulation, these categories of vehicles are now permitted to operate only between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. within the state," the statement reads.

"The decision comes on the heels of a recent tragic road crash involving multiple heavy-duty vehicles, which claimed several lives and left many others with life-threatening injuries.

"This regulation is a necessary response to the devastating incidents we have witnessed. It is a strategic



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measure to reduce road crashes and save lives. The safety of Kogi citizens is paramount."

Suberu said Kogi experiences heavy traffic daily from long-distance trailers and tankers carrying fuel, goods, and raw materials due to its position as a key north-south transit corridor.

He noted that the new law is not only a preventive safety measure but also part of Kogi's alignment with the United

Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety and Injury Prevention, which targets a 50 percent reduction in road traffic deaths by 2030.

The governor's aide assured that awareness campaigns would be carried out across all LGAs to educate road users about the regulation.

"This has, over the years, contributed to congestion, road deterioration, and frequent accidents," he said.

"This is in line with global best practices. We must adopt forward-looking solutions that prioritise human life over profit and convenience.

"We urge all operators of heavy-duty vehicles, including transport companies, logistics firms, independent drivers, and unions, to adhere strictly to the new operational timeframe.

"Enforcement agencies have been directed to ensure full implementation and monitoring of compliance."

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Focus On Road Rehabilitation In Edo, Residents Tell Okpebholo

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Residents and motorists in Edo State, on Friday, urged the Edo State Governor, Monday Okpebholo, to focus on road infrastructure, by rehabilitating several deplorable roads across Benin City, and its environs, saying even the road leading to the Edo State Government House is in a bad state.

The residents said the government should concern itself with delivering on road infrastructure, which is already in a worsening condition owing to the heavy rainfall occasioned by the rainy season.

A resident, John Osagie, said the two link roads in the Government Reserved Area (GRA) to the Government House were riddled with pot holes and heavy flooding.

He advised the Okpebholo-led government to pay attention to the reconstruction of roads and rehabilitation of failed roads across the state, both state and federal roads.

"Bad roads and flooding menace are visible everywhere and have become a nightmare for Edo people", he lamented. He recalled

how a pupil lost his life in the flood in the state, while going to sit for the First School Leaving Certificate Examination.

"We are unhappy with the way roads have remained unattended to, since the new government came on board.

"Okpebholo should help Edo people with good roads. All our roads are in deplorable conditions.

"We lost a 12-year-old pupil named Nathan Paul Spencer, who died after being swept away by floodwaters in Benin City, while on his way for an examination.

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Governor Okpebholo

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Federal Road Safety Corps, FRSC, has commenced a nationwide promotion exercise involving over 2,000 personnel.

A statement by the Corps Public Education Officer, CPEO, Olusegun Ogungbemide on Monday in Abuja said that the exercise was of the most far-reaching staff promotion exercises in the history of the Corps.

Mr Ogungbemide said that it was another bold and highly transformative move that was setting a new standard for purpose and impact in public service.

He said that the ongoing promotion exercise, which cuts across all sectors of the Corps, would see about 2000 Officers and Marshals being considered for elevation to their next ranks.

This, he said, was ranging from the rank of Chief Route Commander down to Assistant Route Commander and other Marshal cadres.

"This initiative is not just a routine administrative activity.

"It is a statement of intent, a reflection of

FRSC Begins Promotion Exercise For 2,000 Personnel

Corps Marshal's faith in staff welfare, commitment to professional development, and resolve to achieve institutional excellence.

"Since his appointment as Corps Marshal, Malam Shehu Mohammed has consistently emphasised the critical role that a motivated and well-recognised workforce plays."

He said the development would not only restore hope among officers, but also reinforce the culture of reward for diligence, dedication, and integrity.

Mr Ogungbemide said that the ongoing promotion wave was meticulously planned to ensure transparency, inclusiveness, and fairness, with all qualified personnel across the 12 Zonal Commands included in the process.

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Fuel War Brews As Dangote Presses Tinubu To Ban Imports



Dangote

The President of the Dangote Group, Alhaji Aliko Dangote, has asked President Bola Tinubu to include refined petroleum products in the list of items banned under the 'Nigeria First' policy of the Federal Government. But this was unanimously rejected by oil marketers and some industry analysts on Sunday.

The 'Nigeria First' policy seeks to ban government agencies from importing goods that can be produced within Nigeria. In May, Tinubu barred government agencies from importing goods or services that are available locally.

The policy stated that no procurement of foreign goods or services already available in

Nigeria shall proceed without justification and a Bureau of Public Procurement waiver.

Speaking at the just concluded Global Commodity Insights Conference on West African Refined Fuel Markets hosted by the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority in partnership with S&P Global Insights, Dangote requested in clear terms that petrol, diesel, and other refined petroleum products be added to the items banned by the policy.

According to him, the importation of fuel into Nigeria is killing local refining and discouraging further investments in the sector and even the economy. To remain viable, he urged governments across Africa to take deliberate steps as the United States, Canada, and the European Union have done to protect domestic producers from what he called unfair competition.

Dangote did not mince words when he said that the Nigeria First policy announced by Tinubu should apply to the petroleum products sector. "The

Nigeria First policy announced by His Excellency, President Bola Tinubu, should apply to the petroleum product sector and all other sectors," he stated.

This request by Dangote seeks to place a ban on the importation of petrol, diesel, and other products being produced locally. He argued that local refiners were finding it difficult to sell their products because of what he called dumping. The billionaire businessman alleged that importers were dumping toxic fuel that would never be allowed in Europe.

"And to make matters worse, we are now facing increased dumping of cheap, often toxic petroleum products, some of which are blended to substandard levels that would never be allowed in Europe or North America," he said.

Dangote mentioned that some of the importers bring into Nigeria fuel or crude oil subsidised in Russia. This, he said, affects local pricing, forcing refiners to drop prices below their costs. "Due to the price caps on the Russian petroleum products, discounted

petroleum products produced in Russia or with discounted Russian crude find their way to Africa, severely undercutting our local production, which is based on full crude pricing. This has created an unlevel playing field in most African countries. Petrol and diesel are sold for about a dollar net of taxes.

"In Nigeria, due to this unfair competition, this price is just about 60 cents, even cheaper than Saudi Arabia, which produces and refines its own oil. This is due to the fact that we are having too much dumping. To remain viable, we urge the governments across Africa to take deliberate steps as the United States, Canada, and the European Union have done to protect domestic producers from unfair competition," he stated.

The richest man in Africa said this was not to monopolise the sector but to produce local investments. He noted that those who have the resources to invest in Nigeria keep taking their resources outside the country while they criticise local investors.

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According to him, "As a company, we acknowledge transition is not an overnight journey and so we have designed a roadmap on how we move from the current state to the future state where our operations are fully decarbonised.

"Currently, we have commissioned two new CNG generators of 4MW capacity in our terminal, which is shifting our reliance from diesel to gas as a fuel source for our power generation. This step also resonates with the Nigerian government's commitment towards using gas for power generation."



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He added that with this emissions while next six to twelve shift, all the terminal's continuing the transition months, we will further reefer plugs, buildings, into more environ- decarbonise our and lighting will be mentally friendly options, operations through an powered by gas. He as more sustainable and on-site solar solution, said replacing diesel renewable energy which will further through private investments to strengthen critical power infrastructure and introduce favourable regulations enabling this energy would reduce the available. consumption by up to 30 transition and sustainable port operations.

terminal's carbon Knudsen said, "In the percent and increase our

self-generation capabilities.

"We are dedicated to reducing our carbon footprint worldwide, aiming for net zero emissions by 2040. Our approach integrates sustainable practices that boost efficiency while minimising environmental impact."

It would be recalled that the Federal Government had, in early July, held a one-day Decarbonisation Summit aimed at addressing the gaps in policy, financing, and technology that hinder Nigeria's transition to low-carbon infrastructure.

Head of Procurement of the terminals Nigeria, Chinyere Adenaike, described the terminal's goal as achieving its net zero ambition through full electrification of the terminal equipment, as well as 100 per cent reliance on renewable electricity to power operations.

She said, "This vision can only be achieved through strong commitment and deeper collaboration from the government as well as through private investments to strengthen critical power infrastructure and introduce favourable regulations enabling this energy transition and sustainable port operations."

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Unrepaired Taraba Bridge Collapses While Claiming Three Lives



Unrepaired Taraba bridge

A year after heavy floods caused the collapse of the Namnai Bridge in the Gassol Local Government Council of Taraba State, the absence of both federal and Taraba State government intervention—and growing impatience with political inaction—has culminated in a grievous tragedy.

Floods in late 2024 washed away the Namnai Bridge, an essential transit route linking Taraba to Benue and southern Nigeria. Local leaders and civil society groups voiced alarm as the critical westerly artery ground to a halt.

The Federal Government, via the North East Development Commission (NEDC), pledged reconstruction in early 2025.

Minister Uba Maigari and the state governor, Dr. Agbu Kefas, announced that full rehabilitation would begin within weeks.

However, over the months, no contractor has appeared at the site, and no meaningful work has started despite repeated assurances.

Locals say substitute routes—often bush paths—have become impassable, causing widespread hardship. Farmers lost market access, traders closed shops, drivers abandoned the corridor, and market prices surged as perishable goods rotted in fields.

On Friday, July 25, 2025, a boat ferrying vehicles and passengers across the river at the abandoned bridge site capsized around 7:00 p.m. Chairman Jidda Mayoreniyo of Taraba Inland Water Transporters confirmed that three people died and several others were still missing. At least four vehicles that were aboard were recovered from the river floor, while luggage and belongings remain

submerged.

This tragic event underscores the extremely unsafe conditions commuters now face—a direct consequence of infrastructure neglect.

Drivers and passengers who spoke with The Guardian blamed both the state and the federal government for the calamity that has befallen the state.

Citing the Nukkai Bridge in Jalingo, the state capital, that collapsed in 2005—where the then state governor, Rev. Jolly T. Nyame, wasted no time in collaborating with the federal government to fix the bridge—the inability of the incumbent governor to tread the same path has become a source of concern to the people of the state.

His alleged failure to join forces with the National Assembly members from the state to herald the presence of the federal government at the collapsed bridge, they believed, necessitated the recent deaths following a boat

mishap.

Disturbed by the development, the Gimbiyar Lau, Hajiya Mamma Fati Ibrahim Hassan Lau, who lost three of her family members in the tragic boat mishap that occurred at the collapsed bridge, urged the federal authorities to declare the reconstruction of the Namnai Bridge a national emergency. She also called on both the federal and the state governments to, as a matter of urgency, begin reconstruction work on the long-abandoned bridge.

Describing the incident as a "preventable tragedy," she blamed years of governmental neglect for the reliance on unsafe water transportation in the area, particularly perilous during the rainy season when river levels rise dangerously.

She appealed to Governor Agbu Kefas to intensify pressure on the federal government to prioritise the bridge's reconstruction, noting that the Namnai Bridge is a critical piece of infrastructure, not just for local communities but for the nation at large.

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Niger Seeks Morocco's Help For New National Airline

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Niger is seeking Morocco's support in establishing a new national airline as part of broader transport sector cooperation between the two countries, according to Abdessamad Kayouh, Morocco's minister of transport and logistics.

In a social media post, he revealed that this had emerged during a high-level meeting in Rabat on July 16 with Abdourahamane Amadou, Niger's transport and civil aviation minister, who expressed interest in drawing on Morocco's expertise in aviation, particularly in the creation of a flag carrier but also for infrastructure development and regulatory governance.

"The Nigerian side expressed its desire to benefit from the Moroccan experience, particularly in the area of establishing a domestic airline," Kayouh disclosed.



Amadou has said that Niger aims to develop an integrated and efficient transport system to address the challenges of its landlocked position. Kayouh confirmed

Morocco's commitment to working towards a "win-win" partnership, offering training, technical assistance, and knowledge transfer.

Morocco's experience in

airport modernisation and its "Atlantic Initiative," launched by King Mohammed VI in 2023, were highlighted as potential avenues for collaboration. The

initiative is a strategic plan aimed at providing landlocked Sahel countries such as Mali, Chad, Niger, and Burkina Faso with maritime access to the Atlantic

Ocean.

"This meeting served as an opportunity to emphasise the common will to consolidate the Moroccan - Nigerian partnership in the fields of transport and logistics," Kayouh said.

Niger announced its intentions to establish a new national airline in February, plus a plan to support the establishment of a common regional airline for member countries of the Alliance of Sahel States (Alliance des États du Sahel - AES), which includes Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger. The drive towards a common carrier forms part of a broader effort to enhance connectivity and economic ties within the bloc. The plan aims to connect the capitals of the three countries, Bamako, Niamey, and Ouagadougou, to facilitate safer and more efficient cross-border travel.

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Here is the latest airline

Global Airlines Disrupted By Middle East Conflict

situation:

– European airlines –

British Airways cancelled flights between London's Heathrow Airport and Dubai and Doha on Sunday following the US strikes on Iran.

But the airline said Monday that it was "scheduled to operate as normal" on those routes.

Air France halted flights to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates until at least Tuesday inclusive, the airline said.

It also extended the suspension of the Paris-Tel Aviv route until July 14.

Flights of Air France's low-cost carrier Transavia from Paris to Beirut have been suspended until June 30, while the Tel Aviv route is closed until September 7.

Germany's Lufthansa group, whose other airlines include Swiss, Austrian and ITA, has suspended flights to the Middle East until June 30.

The Amman and Erbil, Iraq, routes were also suspended until July 11.

The group will not fly to Tel Aviv and Tehran until July 31 and is also avoiding the airspace of

countries involved in the conflict.

Greece's Aegean Airlines has stopped Tel Aviv flights until July 12. Its Amman, Beirut and Erbil routes are closed until June 28.

Turkish airline Pegasus has scrapped flights to Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon until June 30, and Iran until July 30.

No Turkish Airlines flights to Baghdad, Damascus and Tehran are available before July 1.

Finnair, meanwhile, confirmed it was suspending flights to Doha. The carrier is also staying out of the airspace of Iran, Iraq, Syria and Israel.

– US and Canadian airlines –

United Airlines has warned passengers that flights to and from Dubai scheduled between June 18 and July 3 may be affected and is offering no-fee ticket changes under certain conditions due to Middle East unrest.

The US airline has implemented the same flexibility for Tel Aviv flights between June 13 and August 1, allowing customers to rebook for other major European cities.

Air Canada has temporarily suspended its daily non-stop service from Toronto to Dubai starting June 18 and warned the suspension could be extended.

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KPMG Nigeria Celebrates Victory In Name Dispute Suit

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A firm, KPMG Nigeria, has celebrated its victory at the Court of Appeal against KPMG Professional Services in a protracted dispute over naming rights.

Justice Abdullahi Mahmud Bayero of the Court of Appeal, Lagos Division, in a landmark judgment, overturned the earlier ruling of a Federal High Court in suit No. FHC/L/CS/776/2002 and nullified the registration of the business name 'KPMG Professional Services' by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC).

In the Certified True Copy (CTC) of the judgment delivered on July 10, 2025, and obtained by The Guardian, the judge upheld all the four reliefs sought by KPMG Nigeria against the CAC (the first respondent), and KPMG Professional Services (the second respondent). Nigeria travel packages Abuja Formula 1 Grand Prix tickets

The court held that the registration of the second respondent's name was improper and misleading under Section 662(1)(d) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) 1990, now Section 852 of CAMA 2020.

KPMG Nigeria, which comprises the



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audit, tax, and consulting divisions, had initially brought a challenge in 2002 by way of originating summons, contending that the CAC had improperly sanctioned the registration of a separate entity under the name 'KPMG Professional Services.'

The firm argued that the designation was misleading and bore a deceptive resemblance to its own long-standing commercial identity. In 2005, the Federal

High Court had dismissed the case, accepting the notion of a merger between KPMG Nigeria and Akintola Williams Deloitte as grounds to deny the claimant's right to the name. Nigeria travel packages

The court went further by granting the counter-claim of the second respondent, ordering that KPMG Nigeria be removed from the corporate registry altogether.

However, the Court of

Appeal firmly set aside those conclusions. In its judgment, the appellate court described the purported evidence of a merger largely as inadequate and unsubstantiated.

The court noted that such materials did not establish the legal reality of a merger, or substantiate the claims that KPMG Nigeria had ceased operations or forfeited its proprietary rights.

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Fire Destroyed Properties Worth N3.9bn In Osun

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Properties valued at N3.9 billion were reportedly destroyed by fire in Osun within the first half of the year, an official record of the state Fire Service said.

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that the record, which was obtained on Monday, also revealed that the service recorded 55 fire outbreaks during the first six months under review.

It was further recorded that 15 cases, being the highest on the data, were recorded in January and February, respectively.

The record also showed that property worth N130.3 billion was salvaged by the service.

According to the record, one life was lost, while one false fire call was received during the period.

The Public Relations Officer of the organisation, Mr Ibrahim Adekunle, told NAN in an interview that most fire outbreaks were as a result of "human errors and negligence".

Adekunle advised residents to be more careful about how they handle flammable items and materials that could cause or lead to fire.

He said that the service, however, carries out periodic public engagements and enlightenment programmes on ways to prevent or manage fire.

"We go to markets, worship centres, corporate organisations and public establishments to enlighten the people on the need to be cautious with fire and what to do in case of outbreaks," he said.

Adekunle also said that the operations of the organisation had been sufficiently enhanced by the State Government.

He said that the government procured more fire trucks for the organisation to aid its service delivery.

"We appreciate Gov. Ademola Adeleke for buying seven new fire trucks and one water tanker for us.

"Five of the trucks were bought this year, and they have all been very helpful in combating fire," he said.

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FG Empowers National Revenue Service To Get Loans



Tinubu

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The Federal Government has granted the newly established Nigeria Revenue Service the legal authority to borrow funds for its operations from any source, The PUNCH reports.

It also approved for the

service to receive four per cent of the revenue collected to sustain its operations. These details were revealed in the signed copy of the Nigeria Tax Act, 2025, obtained by our correspondent on Sunday.

Recall that last month, President Bola Tinubu signed

the Tax Administration Act 2025 into law, after months of intensive deliberation, the landmark legislation that significantly enhances the financial and operational independence of the Nigeria Revenue Service.

The new law, which takes effect in January 2026, enables the Service to raise funds through loans, overdrafts, and other financial instruments to meet its statutory obligations.

According to Section 28 of the Act, "The Service may borrow by way of loan, overdraft or otherwise from any source, such sums as it may require for the performance of its functions and meeting of its obligations under this Act."

Another major financial provision in the new law is the statutory 4 per cent retention of total non-

petroleum revenues collected by the Service, as provided under Section 22(a) of the Act.

It stated, "The Service shall establish and maintain a fund which shall consist of, and to which shall be credited- Funds of the Service: 4 per cent of the total revenue, less petroleum royalty, collected by the Service, which shall be appropriated by the National Assembly for the capital and recurrent expenditures of the Service."

Beyond borrowing and allocation, the law opens additional revenue channels for the NRS, allowing it to receive grants-in-aid, gifts, endowments, and contributions from both domestic and foreign sources, provided such donations are not at odds with its objectives.

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Tinubu and the Federal Ministers

Tinubu's Cabinet To Face Northern Nigeria Scrutiny Over Electoral Promises

Culled: Ministers and top government officials in the Bola Tinubu administration will appear this week before stakeholders from Nigeria's 19 northern states to give accounts of the government's performance over the past two years. The forum, organised by the Sir Ahmadu Bello Memorial Foundation (SAMBF), is scheduled for 29 and 30 July in Kaduna. It will assess how well President Tinubu's administration has delivered on the electoral promises made during his 2023 campaign, especially those targeted at the northern region.

According to the organisers, the event

is a direct follow-up to pre-election engagements held in 2022, during which leading presidential candidates, including then-candidate Tinubu, unveiled their manifestos and made public commitments to advancing development in the North.

"With President Tinubu now two years into his administration, this follow-up session aims to evaluate progress on those promises, deepen government-citizen engagement, and promote a clearer understanding of the administration's policies and programmes," said Abubakar Umar, Director-General of the SAMBF.

The foundation explained that the

forum is designed to enable constructive dialogue between federal officials and citizens, address public concerns, dispel misinformation, and strengthen democratic accountability.

"It is meant to bridge the gap between policy implementation and public perception," the Foundation said. "We believe that open and honest discourse is critical to ensuring that governance remains responsive, inclusive, and accountable to the people."

PREMIUM TIMES gathered that the federal government is treating the event with utmost importance, especially amid persistent claims by some northern politicians that the

Tinubu administration has marginalised the region in federal appointments and infrastructure development.

One of the latest voices in this regard is Rabiu Kwankwaso, former Kano State governor and presidential candidate of the New Nigeria Peoples Party (NNPP), who recently accused the Tinubu administration of deliberately sidelining the North in key national projects and political appointments.

The federal government swiftly responded through the Minister of Works, David Umahi, who described Mr Kwankwaso's remarks as "false and inflammatory."

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4. Africa Road Safety Partnerships and Research board (ARSPARB)- A hub for the advancement of partnerships with development agencies, National Governments and corporations as well as a Research Faculty for Road Safety Research Projects.

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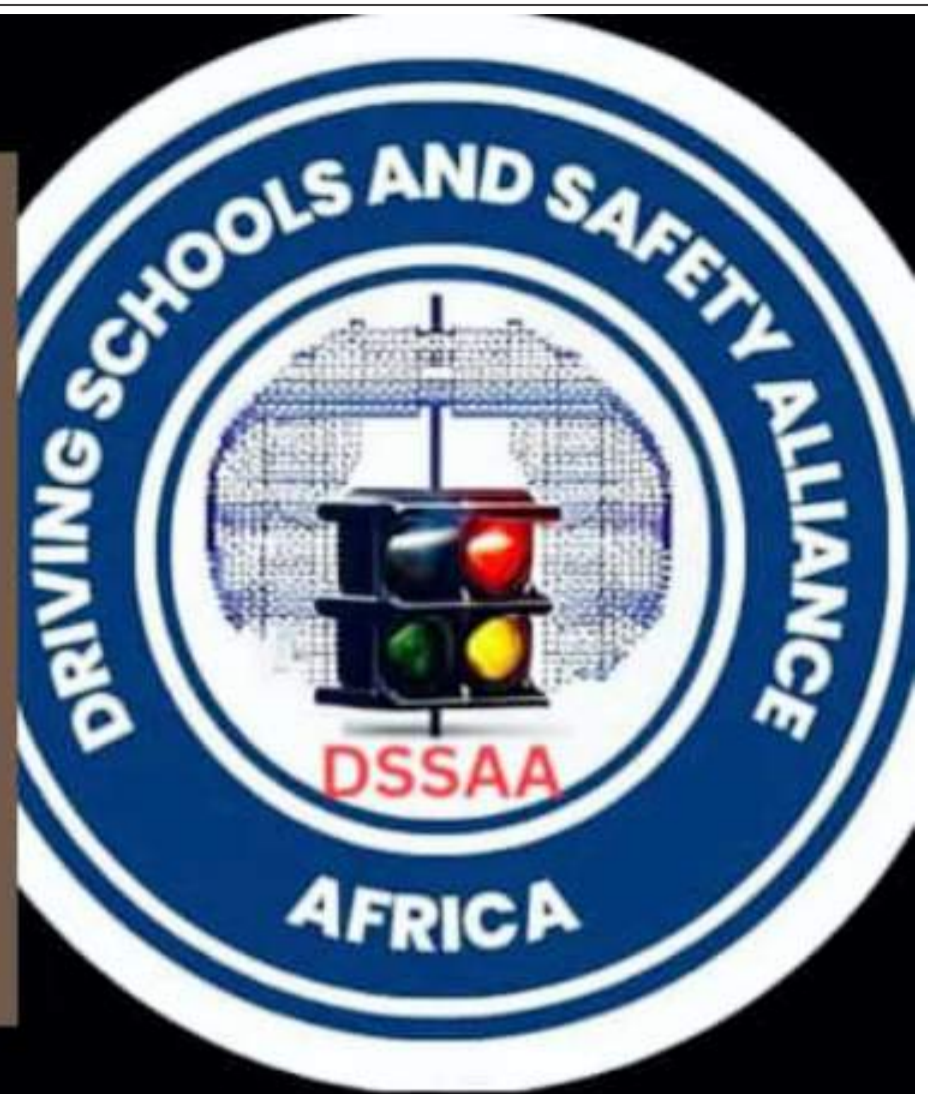


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