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The Nigeria Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) has dismissed claims that domestic airfares are inflated due to multiple taxes, insisting that airlines do not pay the alleged levies, while attributing fare increases to normal market forces of demand and supply.

Michael Achimugu, director of public affairs and consumer protection in a statement on X on Sunday, stated that repeated allegations of excessive taxes by the government on domestic flights are unfounded.

This is coming few hours after Allen Onyema, the Chairman and CEO of Air Peace, issued a stark warning regarding the future of Nigerian aviation, stating that a new wave of taxes and levies could see domestic ticket prices soar to ₦1 million and force major carriers out of business within months.

Onyema who spoke on ARISE NEWS on Sunday, said that the industry is currently "choking" under a regime of

multiple and overlapping charges.

He noted that out of a typical ₦350,000 ticket, the airline only retains approximately ₦81,000, with the remainder being swallowed by various government agencies and regulatory fees.

However, Achimugu reshared a past interview stating that, "Any domestic carrier operating domestic flights that says that they are paying 18 taxes is a liar."

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Michael Achimugu

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Two people have been confirmed dead and two others seriously injured following a tragic road traffic crash on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway on Monday, December 29, 2025, underscoring persistent road safety challenges on Nigeria's busiest highways.

The incident occurred around 12:00 noon near the Danco/Sinoma axis in Sagamu Local Government Area, Ogun State, when a Lexus SUV (registration KRD 850 HN) reportedly suffered a tyre burst, allegedly due to excessive speed.

The vehicle, which was travelling from Lagos towards Sagamu, lost control and collided with a stationary, unregistered DAF truck parked by the roadside.

Among the four male occupants was British former world heavyweight boxing champion Anthony Joshua, with two foreign nationals yet to be identified as at the time of writing this

report and the driver of the Vehicle.

While Joshua and the driver sustained injuries and were rushed to an undisclosed hospital in Sagamu, the two foreign nationals died at the scene and were later taken to Livewell Mortuary in Sagamu by officials of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC).

The damaged Lexus SUV and the truck involved have been towed to the Motor Traffic Division (MTD) in Sagamu for further investigations. Traffic was later restored after coordinated efforts by the Traffic Compliance and Enforcement Agency (TRACE), Nigeria Police, and the FRSC to clear the scene and manage vehicular flow.

Authorities described the crash as a tragic loss of life and renewed warnings to motorists to exercise greater caution, obey traffic regulations, and ensure their vehicles are roadworthy before embarking on long journeys, especially during the festive period when travel volumes sharply increase.

This latest fatal crash occurs amid a

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The campaign, themed "Take Responsibility for Your Safety. Don't Drink and Drive," seeks to sensitise the public on the dangers of drunk driving and promote a culture of responsible road use, particularly during the festive season when roads are busier than usual.

Speaking during an event held in Ikeja, Lagos, recently, the Managing Director of Pernod Ricard Nigeria, Michael Ehindero, emphasised the importance of responsible drinking and road safety during the festive season.

"As we celebrate with family and



FRSC

friends, let's not forget that road safety is everyone's responsibility. We urge all road users to prioritise their safety and the safety of others on the road. Don't drink and drive, and let's make this festive season a joyful and accident-free one."

Ehindero added the campaign is an integral part of Pernod Ricard's culture, which emphasises being

responsible for one's actions, even on the roads.

"We don't want accidents on our roads. We don't want accidents arising as a result of driving under the influence, whether it's drugs, alcohol, or whatever, or distraction. Let's be responsible and make a difference."

The Lagos State Sector Commander of the FRSC, Corps Commander

Kehinde Hamzat, highlighted the dangers of drunk driving during the festive season, citing statistics that show it's a leading cause of fatal road crashes.

"Drunk driving is a significant threat to road safety, and we must do everything in our power to prevent it. Let's prioritise road safety and take responsibility for our actions on the road."

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Army Arrest 19 Oil Thieves, Destroys 22 Illegal Sites In N'Delta

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The 6 Division of the Nigerian Army says its troops have arrested 19 suspected oil thieves, destroyed 22 illegal refining sites and recovered over 180,000 litres of stolen petroleum products valued at about N150m across the Niger Delta.

The Army said the achievements followed a nearly one-month coordinated operation carried out in four states in collaboration with other security agencies.

The Acting Deputy Director, 6 Division Army Public Relations, Lt. Col. Jonah Danjuma, disclosed this in a statement issued in Port Harcourt, Rivers State capital, on Monday and made available to newsmen.

According to Danjuma, the operations targeted oil theft, pipeline vandalism and related crimes in the Niger Delta, stressing that troops would continue to dominate the operational environment and deny criminal elements freedom of action.

The statement read, "Troops of 6

Division, Nigerian Army, in close synergy with other security agencies, have continued to dominate the operational landscape, effectively denying criminal elements freedom of action across the Niger Delta Region.

"In several operations conducted, 19 suspected oil thieves were apprehended, with 22 illegal refining hubs destroyed, and over 180,000 litres of stolen products, worth over One Hundred and Fifty Million Naira (N150,000,000.00), recovered.

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Nigerian army troops

Kwara Govt Tasked Over Traders' Enroachment On Ilorin Road

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Kwara State Road Traffic Management Authority (KWARTMA) and other relevant government agencies, have been urged to address the indiscriminate encroachment on Sango Road, Ilorin by Sunday Market traders to prevent possible accidents and other unforeseen circumstances.

Some commuters and residents that spoke with LEADERSHIP expressed concern over the growing practice of traders abandoning their designated stalls to display goods along the roadside, thereby obstructing the free flow of traffic.

According to the road users, traders have taken over significant portions of the express road to showcase their wares, while buyers also park their vehicles indiscriminately along the roadside.

They described the situation as extremely dangerous, noting that it

poses serious risks to motorists, pedestrians, and the traders themselves.

A road user, Mr. Akeem Busari, lamented the worsening traffic congestion caused by the activities of the traders.

He warned that continued neglect by relevant authorities could result in accidents or other avoidable incidents.

Another commuter, Mrs. Ishola Olanrewaju, described the situation as unbearable for road users every Sunday.

She questioned why such activities persist on the busy Sango road despite repeated warnings by the state government against indiscriminate roadside trading, illegal shop construction, and obstruction of major highways.

She called on the government to ensure that traders operate within designated market spaces to safeguard lives and property.

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Addressing newsmen in Lagos, Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu's Senior Special Assistant on Transportation and Logistics, Mr Adekoya Hassan, noted that Apapa remains a critical gateway to the nation's economy and the primary exit route for goods, tankers and commuters accessing the Lagos Port Complex.

Hassan said urgent steps must be taken by the Ministry of Works to prevent a collapse of the bridge.

He said: "We are concerned about the outbound heavy duty truck traffic from this terminal. If this road is fixed 10 times, we'll still have the same result which is the collapse. It is the



Governor Sanwo-Olu

only exit road from Apapa, Lagos port; the current road here has been under construction for a while.

"If the Minister does not pay any attention to this road, perhaps if this road collapses any moment from now, it will have a great effect on the nation's ports here. So, we are calling on the Minister to put the road in order.

"While appreciating the government's efforts to upgrade infrastructure nationwide, we urge them to prioritise the Apapa ports, a crucial gateway to our economy. The roads are in dire need of repairs and maintenance to ensure efficient operations. We look forward to seeing improvements in this critical area."

Also speaking, Chairman of the Apapa Truck Cargoes, Saheed Mahmoud decried the state of the road saying "This road is causing damage to our trucks. When coming from Apapa, on getting to this road, there is accident. Some trucks fall with their cargo here. We are pleading with the Federal Government to help with repairs."

On his part, the Chairman of Klassique Tenor Limited, Mr Ayo Vaughan, urged the Federal Government to carry out durable reconstruction, saying that former repairs collapsed.

Vaughan said: "About three months ago, the Federal Government came up with a fire brigade repair, carried out some repairs on the road but right now, it has collapsed again. The Minister of Works lives in Abuja, maybe he doesn't know what is happening in Lagos but they have to do something concrete that will stand the test of time. Also, they have to fix the Apapa costain road."

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Nnpc Invites Bids To Sell Stakes In Oil And Gas Assets

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NNPC Limited has invited bids from investors for the sale of stakes in some of its oil and gas assets, signalling a renewed push to optimise its portfolio and raise capital.

A Reuters report on Monday said that the state-owned energy company plans to divest equity in selected assets, though the invitation document did not disclose the size of the stakes on offer or how much it expects to raise. NNPC did not respond to requests for comment.

The company holds interests in several oil and gas assets, some outright and others in joint ventures with international oil companies, including Shell, Chevron, Eni and TotalEnergies.

According to the invitation document, interested bidders need to register online by January 10. This will be followed by a pre-screening process, after which qualified firms will gain access to a secure virtual data room.

The process will include prequalification based on technical and financial

capacity, document evaluation, negotiations and regulatory approvals.

NNPC has previously said it intends to sell at least 25 percent of its equity in selected oil and gas fields, either through full divestments or partial stake reductions, as part of a broader portfolio optimisation strategy.

Nigeria has struggled in recent years to increase crude oil production and attract new investment, particularly as international oil companies scale back onshore operations.

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At least, 845 flights were either delayed or cancelled in quarter three of 2025 among 13 domestic airlines in Nigeria. Also, no fewer than 17,731 flights were operated between July to September 2025 across the nation's 26 airports.

These were contained in a 'Summary of Airline Flight Performance' obtained from the Nigeria Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) by The Guardian.

The report also compared and juxtaposed the performance of the 13 airlines in the same period of 2024 with most recording some levels of improvements in service delivery in 2025.

The further breakdown of the report, indicated that 765 flights were delayed within the period, while another 80 flights were cancelled, totalling 845 in all.

The report showed that the 765 flight delays represented 22.95 per cent of the total flights operated within the period, while the 80 cancelled flights were 0.12 per cent of the total flights.

According to the report, Air Peace had the highest number of flight delays in Q3 with 6.87; Max Air, 3.75 per cent; United

845 Flights Delayed, Cancelled In Q3, 2025

Nigeria, 3.42 per cent; Rano Air, 1.74 per cent; XE Jet, 1.62 per cent and Ibom Air with 1.23 per cent flight delays within the period under review.

Others were Aero Contractors; 1.20 per cent; Arik Air, 0.96 per cent; ValueJet, 0.93 per cent; Overland, 0.45 per cent; NG Eagle, 0.39 per cent; Umza Air, 0.24 per cent and Green Africa with 0.15 per cent of its total flights operated within the period.

On cancelled flights, United Nigeria topped the list with 0.63 per cent of its total flights; Max Air, 0.42 per cent of its total flights, while the two airlines under the receivership of the Asset Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON), Aero Contractors and Arik Air were joint in a third place with 0.30 per cent of cancelled flights within the period under review.

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J' Berger To Complete Warri/Effurun Road By March 2026



Governor Oborewori at the Warri/Effurun bridge flyover

Engineering construction company Julius Berger Nigeria Plc says it has made tremendous progress in its Warri/Effurun road and flyovers project, with all eyes set on completion ahead of the set deadline of March 2026.

The Delta State Government had, in September 2023, approved the award of contract for the construction of three flyovers and road expansion in Warri and Effurun.

The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Works, Fred Edafioho, had told reporters in Asaba about the development, saying that the approval of the contract was aimed at solving the gridlock often experienced in both towns.

Edafioho said, "The contract included the study, design and construction of road expansion and improvement work on a section of the DSC/NPA Expressway from Effurun Roundabout to DSC Roundabout along Effurun/Patani, East-West Highway, including the construction of three slipways to replace the cloverleaf interchange of the existing Effurun Flyover Bridge alongside two pedestrian bridges in Effurun, Uvwie LGA of the state.

"Julius Berger was to design and construct a flyover bridge at PTI junction, along the Effurun/Patani, East-West Highway, also in Effurun, as well as the design and construction of a flyover at DSC Roundabout, along the Effurun/Patani, East-West Highway in Effurun.

"In a November 2024 monthly report on the project, the Project Team stated that of the four sections of the project, work on the DSC Flyover is now over 95.95 per cent completed. The others, the report continued,

include PTI Flyover, 90.22 per cent completed; Effurun Road Expansion, 53.58 per cent completed; and Enerhen Flyover with completion of over 89.26 per cent."

On the DSC Flyover project, the team led by the Project Manager, Thomas Hugh, stated that construction of parapets, handrails and verges was in progress with the installation of gully pots and pipes, among others.

"The PTI Flyover has advanced to over 90 per cent completion with piling works and pipeline crossing and protection completed. For the stormwater drainages, earthworks for road expansion and walkway construction, among others, were in progress.

"The design and construction of the ongoing Enerhen Flyover has advanced close to 90 per cent, with the launching of beams and slabs as well as the casting of the in-situ bridge deck completed, among ongoing works. We are working the best way we know to deliver on this project before the deadline, and as you can

see, we are making progress on all fronts," said Hugh.

The statement further revealed that residents, traders, and motorists in Effurun and Warri trooped out to welcome the State Governor, Sheriff Oborewori, during his inspection of the infrastructure projects across the Warri/Effurun metropolis.

It read, "The residents expressed their profound gratitude for the ongoing construction of the DSC Roundabout and Enerhen Junction Flyovers, as well as the reconstruction of the Warri/Sapele/Benin Road.

"The elated citizens, while showering praises on the governor for doing wonders in the Warri/Effurun axis, pledged their massive support and votes for his 2027 second-term bid, praying for continued divine guidance as he advances the state's development."

Speaking to journalists after the walk-through, Oborewori said he was pleased with the pace and quality of work carried out by Julius Berger.

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In a statement issued on Sunday by the Director of the Public Affairs and Enlightenment Department, Adebayo Taofiq, the agency revealed a “zero-tolerance” stance against motorists who convert public roads into parking lots or event spaces.

Addressing the expected surge in activities at worship centers, nightclubs, and event venues, the General Manager of LASTMA, Mr. Olalekan Bakare-Oki, warned that the agency is ready to enforce traffic laws strictly.

“LASTMA strongly condemns the abuse of public road infrastructure through its conversion into improvised



Bakare-Oki

parking spaces or mobility”, Bakare-Oki said. This, according to him, includes the recently inaugurated 'LASTMA 24-Hour Night Gangs', a dedicated unit of trained officers and surveillance teams tasked with clearing flashpoints across the state.

informal event venues, describing such acts as egregious violations of traffic regulations with far-reaching implications for public safety, emergency response and urban

To manage the “exponential increase” in movements, Bakare-Oki disclosed that a specialised enforcement framework has been activated.

He emphasised the consequences for those who ignore the directive, stating, “Offenders will be sanctioned in strict compliance with extant traffic laws, without exception.”

The agency further appealed to the leadership of religious institutions and social hubs to take responsibility for their guests' vehicles, rather than allowing them to spill onto major carriageways.

Bakare-Oki stressed that the success of the night depends on mutual cooperation between the public and enforcement officers.

“Collective compliance remains indispensable to the realisation of a peaceful, orderly and seamlessly managed cross-over night across Lagos State”, he said.

LASTMA urged residents to remain patient and cooperative as the agency works to maintain order.

In the event of traffic-related emergencies, members of the public are advised to contact the LASTMA toll-free hotline at 0800 005 27862 for real-time intervention.

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Airlines, Agencies Fear Low Patronage As US Ban Begins Jan 1



Nigerian Airlines

Nigeria's aviation and travel industry faces heightened tension as the United States moves to enforce new visa restrictions on Nigerian nationals from January 1, 2026.

Experts in the sector said that the restriction would, unfortunately, lead to a sharp decline in passenger traffic on the Nigeria-U.S. routes.

The visa measures, which affect both immigrant and non-immigrant categories, have already triggered uncertainty among intending travellers, with airlines and travel operators warning that reduced approvals and longer processing timelines could significantly impact flight demand.

There are two United States carriers- United

Airlines and Delta Air Lines operating scheduled direct flight services into Nigeria.

The two airlines jointly operate 17 weekly frequencies between Nigeria and the U.S. and shared 207,340 passengers between them in 2024, according to the executive summary on international and domestic flight operations for 2024, obtained from the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA).

For instance, Delta Air Lines operates 14 weekly frequencies into Nigeria with Lagos-Atlanta and Lagos-New York routes, seven weekly frequencies each.

The airline ferried about 160,399 passengers between the two countries in 2024, statistics obtained from the Nigeria Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA).

Also, United Airlines operates three weekly flights into Lagos airport from Washington-Dulles.

For its 2024 service, the airline transported 47,340 passengers

between the two countries.

Commenting on the issue, the Managing Director of Travelden, a subsidiary of Finchglow Holdings Ltd, Gbenga Onitilo, in an interview with The Guardian, said that the development was bound to ripple through airlines operating direct services between Nigeria and the United States.

Onitilo explained that visa uncertainty, reduced demand and elongated processing cycles would hit passenger load factors and weaken route economics for airline operators.

According to him, Trans-Atlantic flights are capital-intensive and rely on strong, predictable passenger flows, particularly from business travellers, students and members of the diaspora.

Also, the Director, Research, Zenith Travels, Olumide Ohunayo, in an interview with The Guardian, said that like every other country which had placed a visa ban on Nigeria, the

Nigerian carriers would be the major losers of the ban.

According to him, established foreign carriers, either operating directly or indirectly to the U.S., would have less pressure due to their extensive networks and status. However, he noted that at present, Nigeria does not have any carrier on the U.S. route.

He explained that the visa ban would lead to a reduction in the number of passengers flying to the U.S, while the sector's contribution to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) would also drop.

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Turkish Transport Sector Logs 1.97m Export Trips In First 11 Months Of The Year

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Turkish international road transport companies have completed approximately 1.97 million export trips in the first 11 months of the year, with Turkish vehicles accounting for nearly three-quarters of all shipments, according to industry figures released by the International Transporters Association.

The data underscores Türkiye's growing role as a logistics hub connecting Europe, Central Asia, and the Middle East, even as the sector navigates ongoing visa restrictions and geopolitical challenges across multiple regions.

Of the total export trips, approximately 1.4 million were carried out by Turkish vehicles, while 550,000 were conducted by foreign-plated trucks, representing a 72-28 percent split, said Alper Ozel, chairman of the International Transporters



Association's executive board. The figures reflect the country's strategic position at the intersection of major trade routes despite persistent obstacles.

Ozel emphasized Türkiye's geographic advantages in serving as a critical link between major economic regions. The country sits at the focal point of global

transportation corridors, bordered by Syria and Iraq to the south, the Caucasus and Central Asia to the east, Russia and Ukraine to the north, and Europe to the west.

"Our connection points are very strong. Türkiye is a country at the center of the world transportation corridor," Ozel said, noting that this positioning applies

equally to supply chain networks.

The association reported 875,000 trips to Europe during the 11 months, with Turkish vehicles completing 560,000 shipments and foreign trucks handling 315,000, a 64-36 percent distribution. Overall shipments to Europe increased 4 percent compared to the previous year.

Shipments to Central Asia remained steady year-over-year, while Turkish trucks demonstrated a dominant market share in Middle East operations with approximately 710,000 trips to the region, including Syria and Iraq.

The transportation sector continues to face challenges with European Union visa policies, which Ozel characterized as discriminatory toward professional drivers. [Find Full Story In The Link](#)

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Morocco is preparing a major shift in how people move across its cities and regions. The government has committed USD 7.8 B to build a cleaner, more connected public transport system by 2029, marking one of the country's biggest mobility investments to date.

The announcement came during a COP30 side event in Belém, where Abdellatif Maâzouz, president of the Casablanca-Settat regional council, detailed the scale and structure of the national plan.

Officials said the goal is to push public transport to the center of

Morocco Commits USD 7.8bn Plan To Green Its Public Transport By 2029

daily travel and cut reliance on private cars. The strategy puts heavy emphasis on cleaner technologies, modern infrastructure, and stronger coordination between regions.

A large share of the funding, roughly USD 1.1 B, will support the purchase of 3,750 new buses designed to meet modern efficiency and environmental standards. The rest, about USD 6.7 B, will go into long-term infrastructure, including new tram corridors, regional express trains, and expanded rail links that connect fast-growing cities.

The Ministry of Interior and regional councils describe the initiative as a "clean, multimodal system" intended to ease movement across Morocco while cutting transport emissions, one of the country's most persistent environmental challenges.

Casablanca-Settat has stepped in as the main driver of the transition. The region has committed USD 2.5 B, nearly 40% of its updated development plan, to modernizing mobility across both urban centers and rural zones.

Its model relies on a non-polluting train-tramway backbone, expanded with a fully modernized

bus network. A new digital multimodal platform will tie the system together, offering real-time passenger information, smarter traffic management, and simpler transfers between transport modes.

Officials say the platform could become one of the most advanced in Africa, designed to reduce congestion and make public transport more predictable for commuters.

Several parts of the country have already seen early changes. Road expansions in and around major cities have eased traffic pressure, and monitoring stations have recorded better air quality between 2023 and 2025. Local councils attribute these improvements to a steady shift toward shared transport, helped by more reliable services and better regional planning.

Speaking at COP30, Maâzouz stressed that Morocco's ecological transition is being driven by the country's advanced regionalization policy. Regions now design and execute their own mobility strategies while aligning with national climate targets.

He said this regional approach has accelerated the rollout of major projects, improved coordination between institutions, and encouraged innovation in both planning and service delivery. [Find Full Story In The Link](#)

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General News

Nigeria House To Debut At 2026 World Economic Forum

Culled: Nigeria will make history in January 2026 with the launch of its first-ever Nigeria House at the World Economic Forum annual meeting, marking the country's inaugural national house presence in the forum's more than five-decade history.

Debuting at the 56th annual meeting of the World Economic Forum, Nigeria House Davos will serve as Nigeria's official national engagement platform throughout the five-day Davos week, providing an invitation-only space for investment engagement, policy dialogue, strategic partnerships, and cultural exchange with global stakeholders.

Situated along the Davos Promenade, Nigeria House Davos will convene government leaders, global CEOs, institutional investors, development finance institutions, innovators, and cultural leaders at a time of accelerating global economic realignment.

"Nigeria's focus is on deepening reforms, strengthening foreign direct investment pipelines, and translating global interest into real economic outcomes.

"Nigeria House at the World



World Economic Summit

Economic Forum reflects our commitment to policy clarity, credible partnerships, and sustainable value creation across priority sectors of the Nigerian economy," Jumoke Oduwole, the minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, said in a statement.

According to the statement, Nigeria House Davos represents a shift from episodic participation to a coordinated, outcomes-driven national presence at

the World Economic Forum. The initiative was designed as a pan-Nigerian public-private platform, it provides a credible interface for sustained engagement between Nigeria and global investors, development partners, and industry leaders.

According to the statement, programming will include high-level panels, fireside conversations, curated investor roundtables, bilateral meetings, sector-

focused dialogues, cultural showcases, and structured networking, all oriented toward delivering measurable economic outcomes.

Similarly, the central objective of Nigeria House Davos 2026 is to strengthen and institutionalise Nigeria's foreign direct investment (FDI) pipelines, moving beyond visibility to structured, bankable engagement and sustained post-Davos follow-through.

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FG Moves To Regulate Online Drug Sales

Culled:

The Federal Government, alongside other stakeholders in the health sector, on Monday in Abuja, inaugurated the National Electronic Pharmacy Policy and Strategic Implementation Plan to further transform the health sector.

Speaking during the event, the Coordinating Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Ali Pate, said the policy would regulate production and sales of pharmaceuticals and allow Nigerians access to quality-assured medicines.

Represented by the Director, Food and Drug Services, Olubumi Aribeara, at the ministry, Pate said it was geared towards modernising the healthcare delivery and allowing Nigerians access to affordable medicine, no matter where they live.

According to the minister, though the rise of digital platforms has transformed nearly every sector of the nation's economy, the pharmaceutical space has remained largely fragmented with limited oversight of online medicine sales.

He said that the free hand access in the pharmaceutical sector had created dangerous gaps, where substandard and falsified medicines, unlicensed vendors, and misinformation thrived.

"Today marks a bold step forward in our collective mission to modernise healthcare delivery and ensure that every Nigerian has access to safe, affordable, and quality-assured medicines—no matter where they live.

"The NEPP is our strategic response. It provides a clear, enforceable framework for the regulation of electronic pharmacy services in Nigeria. It ensures that innovation does not come at the expense of safety.

"With this policy, we are setting the foundation for a nationally coordinated e-pharmacy ecosystem that is transparent, secure, and patient-centred.

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Ghana Detains 141 Nigerians In Cybercrime Crackdown



A man with handcuffs

Culled: Ghanaian authorities have detained 141 individuals, largely believed to be Nigerian nationals, in a coordinated operation targeting organised cybercrime networks operating in the country.

The arrests, made on

December 27, focused on suburbs of Accra, including Tabora and Lashibi, following intelligence-led investigations, which was led by the Cyber Security Authority in partnership with the Ghana Police Service, National Security and the Ghana Immigration Service.

Minister for Communications, Digital Technology and Innovations, Samuel Nartey George, confirmed that 100 suspects were detained in Tabora and 41 in Lashibi. He explained that intelligence-led surveillance had identified the two areas as hubs for cybercrime activity.

"The raids were based on intelligence operations that pointed to organised networks operating from these communities," he said.

Investigators revealed that a Ghanaian landlord was among those taken into custody for allegedly accommodating around 100 of the suspects in Tabora. Authorities believe that the landlord's property served as a base for operations involving mobile money fraud, business email compromise and other online

scams. Security officials seized 38 laptops and approximately 150 mobile phones during the raids, which are now undergoing forensic analysis.

Preliminary findings suggest that the suspects were part of coordinated groups using residential properties to conceal their activities. Officials said the discovery highlights how cybercrime networks exploit local housing arrangements to evade detection.

"We are not only dealing with individuals but with systems that enable them," a senior security source noted, adding that investigations will extend to landlords and property managers suspected of knowingly facilitating such activities.

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Super Eagles

Nigeria Secures Round Of 16 Spot After Beating Tunisia

Culled:
 The Super Eagles of Nigeria celebrates 3-2 win against Tunisia, during Africa Cup of Nations match, at the Complexe Sportif de Fès in Morocco.

The Super Eagles of Nigeria have booked its place in the Round of 16 of the 2025 Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON), after a pulsating 3–2 victory over Tunisia on Saturday night, at the Complexe Sportif de Fès in Morocco.

Nigeria started talisman Victor Osimhen and Akor Adams upfront in a two-man attack, while Ademola Lookman was supporting behind the

pair. After 44 minutes, Osimhen opened the scoring for Nigeria after rising highest to power home a header from a Lookman cross.

The goal settled the nerves and Nigeria went into the break on the front foot.

The second half belonged to Atalanta forward Lookman as he was electric in the middle of the park, assisting captain Wilfried Ndidi, who scored in the 50th minute to extend Nigeria's lead.

The Nigerians were 2 goals up and still bombing forward looking to consolidate its lead and were

rewarded. Osimhen returned the favour to assist Lookman, who fired home to make the scores 3-0 in favour of Nigeria.

Tunisia, refusing to roll over, struck back in the 74th minute through a header from Montassar Talibi, making the scores 3-1.

The Carthage Eagles were then awarded a penalty following a video assistant referee (VAR) review, for a handball by Bright Osayi-Samuel. Defender Ali Abdi stepped up to score in the 87th minute for Tunisia, setting up a frantic finale.

However, Nigeria stood firm to see out the game as the match finished

3-2. In a match that swayed back and forth, Nigeria's attacking prowess ultimately overcame Tunisia's defensive grit, ending the bogey team curse that had haunted the Super Eagles in previous tournaments.

The Super Eagles' second straight victory moves them clear at the top of Group C with six (6) points and has mathematically qualified for the knockout stages. They will play their final group game with the luxury of rotating the squad.

Elsewhere in Group C, the battle behind Nigeria remains wide open.

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Yobe Partners CIArb Nigeria Branch, Signs MoU

The Director General of Yobe State Agency of Public-Private Partnership and Investment Promotion (YAPPPIP), Dr Aliyu Isah Chikaji, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators UK, Nigerian Branch.

The MoU was signed during the 2025 CIArb Nigeria Branch conference in Lekki, Lagos state.

In addition, the Yobe State Government has signed a

Memorandum of Understanding with THINK-LAB AGROALLIED LIMITED to revitalize, operate and manage the state-owned Agro-oEnterprises through a PPP arrangement.

The MoU was formally signed in 2025 at the YAPPPIP Boardroom by the Director General of the Yobe State Agency for Public-Private Partnership and Investment Promotion (YAPPPIP) Dr. Aliyu Isah Chikaji, and the Managing Director of THINK-LAB

AGROALLIED LIMITED Dr. Babagana Mohammad Adam.

Yobe State Agency for Public-Private Partnership and Investment Promotion (YAPPPIP) has similarly signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with MOBABS Resort Ltd to upgrade the Yobe State Hotel.

The MoU was signed by the Director General, YAPPPIP, Dr. Aliyu Isah Chikaji and the Chairman/CEO of MOBABS Resort Limited,

Ambassador Dr. Babagana Ajimi at the YAPPPIP's Boardroom.

Yobe State Government partners with Trucks Transit Parks Ltd, Lagos to operate and manage Potiskum Trailer Park.

The Yobe State Government has also signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Trucks Transit Parks Ltd, Lagos, to advance the development of the Potiskum Trailer Park.

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DRIVING SCHOOLS AND SAFETY ALLIANCE AFRICA - DSSAA

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1. African Institute of Driving Instructors and Road Safety professionals (ADRIP) - This will be an online Academy for the training of Driving School Instructors and Road Safety professionals.
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