

FG Moves To Slash Transport Fares In Delta With CNG Buses

Road transport costs in Delta State are set to drop sharply following the delivery of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)-powered buses by the federal government. The buses, handed over on Wednesday in Asaba, the state capital, are part of President

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Cross River Rolls Out Electric Vehicles To Cut Transport Fares

The Cross River State government on Wednesday said it plans to reduce transportation costs through the introduction of electric vehicles as part of its 2026 transport sector reforms. The commissioner for transportation, Ekpenyong Cobhams, made this known in Calabar while outlining the ministry's plans and projections for the

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Hon. Sola Giwa receiving our 'Front Page Portrait of Honour' Plaque as the Best Performing Special Adviser on Transportation

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FRSC Arrests Fake Officer, Motorcycle Snatcher In Kano

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The Federal Road Safety Corps, FRSC, Kano State Sector Command, has arrested a suspected motorcycle snatcher, Abdullahi Ali, for allegedly impersonating FRSC personnel to commit crime within the state.

This is contained in a statement by the Sector's Public Education Officer, SPEO, Abdullahi Labaran, on Tuesday in Kano.

Labaran said that the suspect, a resident of Bela village in Ungogo Local Government Area of Kano State, was arrested on Jan. 19, following several complaints from members of the public over activities of hoodlums.

He said that the hoodlums pose as FRSC officials to unlawfully arrest motorcycles during illegal patrol operations.

He said that operatives of FRSC intelligence unit acted on credible information which led to the arrest of the suspect.

Labaran that preliminary investigations

revealed that the suspect forcefully arrested motorcycles while impersonating as FRSC personnel, with some of the motorcycles suspected to have been stolen afterwards.

"A fake driver's licence was recovered from the suspect during the arrest confirming the alleged use of false identity to perpetrate criminal acts.

"The suspect has been handed over to Gwale Divisional Police station for further investigation and prosecution in

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The fake FRSC officer

Transport Institute Earmarks N8.7bn For Construction Of Roads

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The Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology (NITT), Zaria, Kaduna State, has earmarked N8,771,000,000 for the construction of roads in five northern states.

This was contained in the 2026 appropriation bill of the Ministry of Transport, presented to the National Assembly in late December 2025 by President Bola Tinubu.

NITT is a training institution saddled with the responsibility of providing skilled manpower for the transport sector, including road, rail, maritime, and aviation sectors.

In the appropriation bill, the institute was allocated N37,189,077,683, representing 8.60 per cent of the total allocation of N432,298,285,025 to the Ministry of Transport.

The N8,771,000,000 allocation for road construction in the five northern states represents 23.6 per cent of its total allocation for the 2026 budget.

A further breakdown of the road

construction revealed that the institute planned to construct a road in the Sabuwar Kasa-Kahutu-Kudan area in Katsina State at a cost of N1,400,000,000. The project was marked "ongoing" in the appropriation bill.

In another project, the institute planned to construct rural access roads in Jigawa, Katsina, Sokoto, and Kebbi states at a cost of N2,100,000,000.

It also earmarked N1,400,000,000 for the construction of farmers' access roads across Sokoto, Katsina, and Kebbi, although the appropriation bill did not specify exact locations.

NITT additionally planned the construction of asphalt roads and drainage systems in "selected locations in the north" at a sum of N1,750,000,000.

Another N2,100,000,000 was earmarked for the construction of rural road culverts and drainage in unnamed "selected locations in the federation,"

while N210,000,000 was planned for the construction of an asphalt road at

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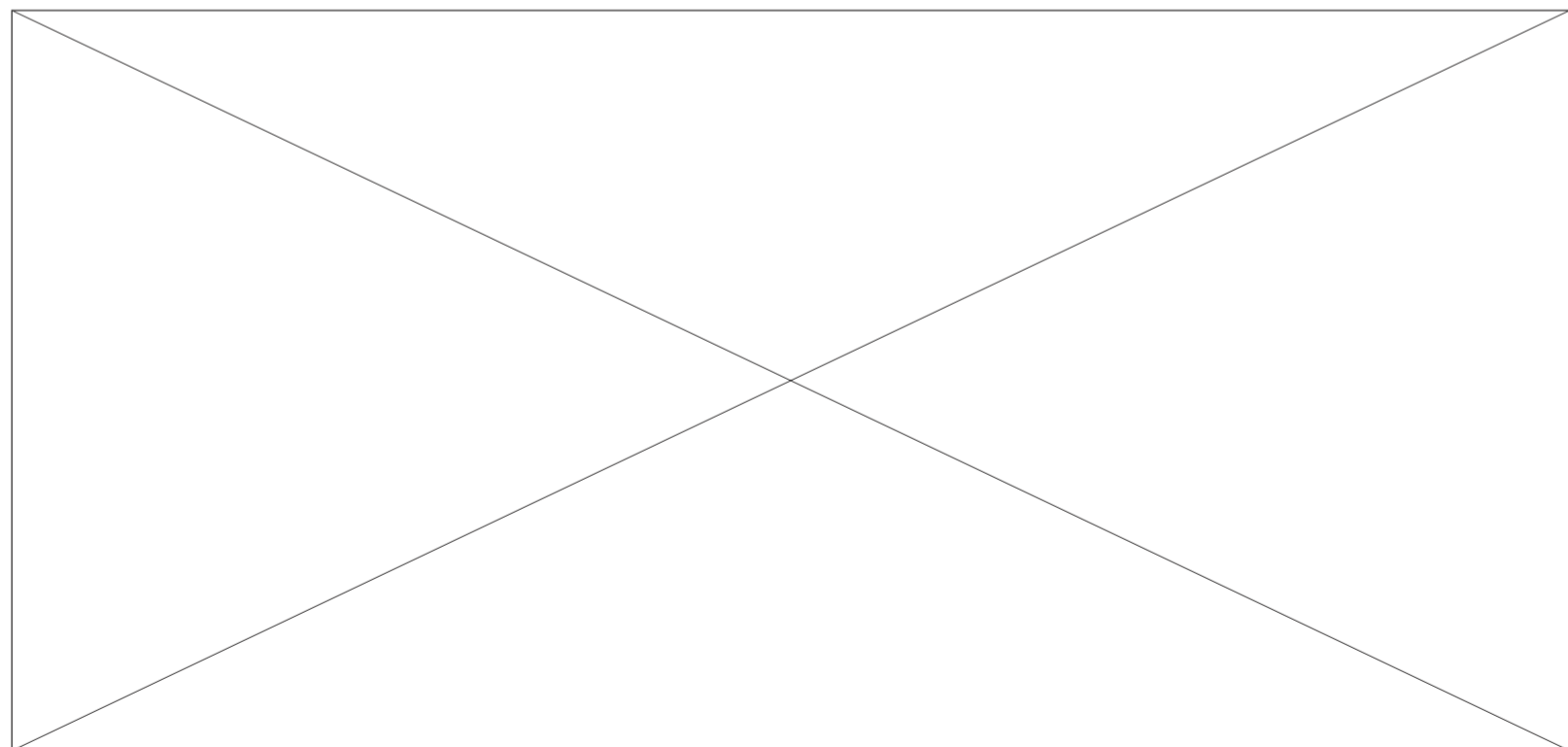
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The presentation, coordinated by the Special Adviser to the Governor on Transportation, Hon. Sola Giwa, was held on Tuesday at the LASTMA Headquarters in Oshodi, Lagos.

A total of 20 families and dependants benefitted from the exercise, with each receiving N2 million.

Speaking at the event, Hon. Giwa stressed that the financial support should not be regarded as compensation for the loss of lives, noting that no monetary value can equate the sanctity and irreplaceable worth of human life.

He explained that the gesture represents the state government's acknowledgement of the courage, dedication and ultimate sacrifice of the fallen officers in service to Lagos State.



Gov Abiodun commissions Wole Soyinka Train Station road

According to him, the intervention underscores the commitment of the administration of Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu to honour the memories of officers who paid the supreme price while ensuring that their families are not left unsupported.

"The Lagos State Government remains committed to preserving the legacy of these brave men and women. Their

sacrifices will never be forgotten, and their families will continue to enjoy the support and solidarity of the state," Giwa said.

Also speaking, the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Transportation, Mr. Olawale Musa, commended the state government for demonstrating empathy and compassion in governance.

He noted that the initiative would further

strengthen public confidence in government institutions and reassure serving officers that dedication and sacrifice are recognised and honoured.

Earlier, the General Manager of LASTMA, Mr. Olalekan Bakare-Oki, described the fallen officers as patriots whose commitment, discipline and selflessness would remain indelible in the history of the Authority.

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NSE, COREN Endorse FG's Road Infrastructure Drive

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The Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE) and the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) have endorsed the technology deployed by the Federal Government for its road infrastructure renewal, commending its commitment to sustainable and durable infrastructure development.

The endorsement followed a national media tour and project commissioning in Kaduna State on Monday, led by the Senior Special Assistant to the President on Community Engagement, North-West Zone, Hon. Abdullahi Tanko Yakasai, alongside members of NSE, COREN, and other key stakeholders.

In a statement on Tuesday by Mohammed Ahmed, Director of Information and Public Relations at the Ministry, the Chairman of NSE, Kaduna Branch, Muhammadu Ibrahim, alongside Arege Samson Bawa, confirmed that the projects met

established professional and engineering standards.

They commended the Minister of Works, David Umahi, for prioritising quality, professionalism, and the active involvement of Nigerian engineers in project execution.

The engineers also praised the adoption of continuous reinforced concrete pavement (CRCP) technology on major federal highways, citing its durability, longer lifespan, and lower maintenance costs compared to flexible pavements.

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Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE)

FRSC Rescues 17 Children From Suspected Trafficker In Abuja

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The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) has rescued 17 victims from a suspected child trafficker along Nyanya, Abuja.

Spokesperson of the FRSC, Assistant Corps Marshal Olusegun Ogungbemide, disclosed this in a statement on Tuesday.

According to Ogungbemide, the traffickers were intercepted with the victims on Saturday, January 17, by a patrol team from the Nyanya Unit Command, inside a white Sharon vehicle with registration number SHD 253 YU.

He said preliminary investigation revealed that the vehicle was traveling from Shendam, Plateau State, to Kaiama Local Government Area of Kwara State.

Ogungbemide said that the interception followed the alertness and professional judgment of the patrol team, who he said "observed an unusually high number of passengers, comprising 17 young boys

and girls crammed into the vehicle, with two minors concealed in the vehicle's boot.

According to him, the situation immediately raised suspicion of possible human trafficking.

"Subsequently, the Commissioner of Police, Nasarawa State Command, CP Shetima Jauro Mohamed, ordered that the rescued young persons be taken into protective custody at the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Lafia.

"The CP directed a comprehensive investigation to dismantle any network connected to the suspected trafficking attempt," Ogungbemide said.

The Corps Marshal of FRSC, Shehu Mohammed, said rescue of the victims clearly demonstrates that the Corps was not only about traffic control, "but about saving lives in every sense of the word, as officers of the Corps are trained to be vigilant, humane, and responsive to suspicious movements on the highways."

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Lagos Assures Timely Completion, Unveils Traffic Plan For Lekki-Epe Expr'way Upgrade

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The Lagos State Government has assured residents and motorists of the timely completion of the ongoing 20-kilometre upgrade of the Lekki-Epe Expressway, alongside the implementation of a robust traffic management plan to minimise disruptions during the rehabilitation period.

The assurance was given on Tuesday during an inspection tour of the project corridor, stretching from Admiralty Way to Eleko Junction, by the Commissioner for Transportation, Mr. Oluwaseun Osiyemi; the Special Adviser to the Governor on Infrastructure, Engr. Olufemi Daramola; and the Special Adviser to the Governor on Transportation, Hon. Sola Giwa, accompanied by members of the media.

Speaking during the tour, Engr. Daramola explained that the project, awarded by Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu, involves the rehabilitation of both carriage-ways of the Lekki-Epe



Osiyemi inspecting the Lekki-Epe expressway

Expressway using flexible (asphaltic) pavement.

He said works, which were earlier postponed due to the Yuletide season, are set to commence fully following a reassessment of preparedness on site. According to him, the rehabilitation will be executed in eight sections, with work carried out on one carriageway at a time to ensure traffic continuity.

Each direction is expected to take approximately two months, with construction activities running both day and night, particularly at critical sections, to meet the project timeline.

On traffic management, the Commissioner for Transportation, Mr. Osiyemi, said the state had developed a comprehensive plan based on previous experience on the corridor.

He explained that traffic will be managed through sectional closures, contraflow operations, and dynamic lane sharing, with priority given to peak traffic directions during morning and evening periods.

He noted that traffic officers will be deployed in large numbers, supported by directional signage, illumination, and continuous monitoring to prevent congestion and unsafe driving practices.

Motorists were urged to comply with traffic directives to ensure smooth movement throughout the construction period.

Mr. Osiyemi also disclosed that alternative routes, particularly the Coastal Road, have been identified and assessed, with additional traffic personnel and security operatives to be deployed along these corridors.

He added that measures are in place to prevent illegal activities and extortion along diversion routes, while security agencies will ensure the safety of motorists and construction workers.

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CTRA Reduces Traffic Offences From 35 To Four

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Commercial Transport Regulatory Agency (CTRA) in Cross River, has reduced traffic offences from 35 to four, a move aimed at easing the cost of doing transport business and reducing harassment of drivers.

The Chairman of CTRA, Mr Efa Nyong, announced the reform on Tuesday in Calabar while outlining the agency's plans for the transport sector in 2026.

Nyong said the decision was informed by prevailing economic realities facing commercial drivers and transport operators across the state.

Under the new regime, the only enforceable offences are refusal to register a vehicle, refusal to purchase daily operational toll tickets, overloading, and failure to use seat belts. All other offences, including broken windscreens, have been scrapped.

He said the agency would largely retain existing policies but introduce reforms focused on driver welfare and

ease of doing business.

As part of the welfare measures, drivers aged 60 years and above will now be registered free of charge and exempted from operational levies, while female commercial drivers will also enjoy free registration and operate without paying regulatory fees.

On penalties, Nyong said fines for any of the four offences range from ₦5,000 to ₦10,000, as stipulated on the official enforcement chart.

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CTRA

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After decades of deterioration and failed interventions, the Federal Government has fixed April 28 for the completion of major sections of the Enugu–Onitsha Expressway, expressing satisfaction with the pace and quality of work being executed by MTN Nigeria and its subcontractors.

The Minister of Works, David Umahi, announced this on Saturday while addressing journalists after inspecting the project, describing the highway as one of the most problematic roads in the South-East and a symbol of prolonged neglect.

“We came into Enugu–Onitsha road, a very problematic road, but it has been clipped by the ingenuity of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu and his plan for the South-East. The previous governments never worked on that road. The past eight governments have never worked on that road, but it is only by the audacity of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu that this abnormal situation is coming to a halt.”

The 107-kilometre expressway, which

Enugu-Onitsha Road Ready In April - Umahi

links Enugu and Anambra states, is being reconstructed under the Federal Government's tax-credit scheme, with MTN Nigeria initially awarded the entire project at a cost of N202 billion.

Umahi disclosed that MTN had already completed work valued at about N50 billion before economic developments, including the floating of the naira and subsidy removal, necessitated a review of the project.

The minister said the project is being executed by MTN in collaboration with subcontractors – Nigercat and RCC, with SKC also handling some sections.

“We are satisfied with what they have done. Where we have objections, we have told them, and they are going to attend to them,” Umahi said.

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Oyetola Woos Danish Investors To Maritime Sector



Oyetola

Nigeria has stepped up its push for foreign capital in the maritime sector, with the Federal Government courting Danish investors on the back of reforms, improved maritime security and over \$1.2 billion already invested by APM Terminals in Nigerian ports.

Minister of Marine and Blue Economy, Adegboyega Oyetola, made the pitch yesterday in Abuja while hosting Denmark's Ambassador to Nigeria, Jens Ole Bach Hansen, positioning the country's marine and blue economy as a high-return growth frontier for global investors.

Oyetola said Nigeria was keen to deepen maritime cooperation with Denmark, describing the country as a strategic partner with proven

capacity in ports, shipping and marine technologies. He assured potential investors of a more stable operating environment, institutional backing and policy reforms aimed at improving efficiency and returns across the sector.

“Nigeria is ready to deepen bilateral cooperation and unlock the enormous opportunities within the marine and blue economy,” the minister said, stressing that government policies were now aligned to protect investments and drive long-term sectoral growth.

From a business perspective, Oyetola pointed to Denmark's footprint in Nigeria's port system through APM Terminals, which operates in Apapa and Onne ports, as evidence of confidence in the market. He described the investment as “strategic” to port modernisation, efficiency gains and trade facilitation in Africa's largest economy.

The minister also highlighted Nigeria's election into Category C of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) Council in November 2025, noting

that the development had strengthened the country's influence in global maritime governance and enhanced its attractiveness to international investors. Oyetola outlined key reforms underway under the Ministry of Marine and Blue Economy, including the development of a National Marine and Blue Economy Policy, port modernisation programmes, revitalisation of inland waterways, fisheries and aquaculture development, and marine biodiversity conservation. He added that sustained improvements in maritime security had eliminated piracy in Nigerian waters and significantly reduced incidents across the Gulf of Guinea.

According to him, these interventions are designed to boost trade, expand employment, and position Nigeria as a leading maritime hub in Africa.

Earlier, Ambassador Hansen congratulated Nigeria on its IMO Council election, describing it as recognition of the country's growing leadership in maritime affairs.

“Membership of the IMO Council gives Nigeria a strategic platform to influence

global maritime policy and contribute meaningfully to international ocean governance,” he said.

The Danish envoy disclosed that APM Terminals has invested about \$1.2 billion in Nigerian ports, with plans to commit additional capital to expand operations—an indication of Denmark's long-term interest in Nigeria's maritime economy.

Beyond ports, Hansen said Denmark was open to broader collaboration, particularly in wind energy and green maritime technologies, areas where the country has global expertise. He expressed readiness to share technical knowledge and explore renewable energy solutions that align with Nigeria's sustainability and blue economy ambitions.

Both sides agreed to sustain engagement and identify new areas for partnership, investment and technical cooperation, as Nigeria seeks to translate policy reforms and improved security into measurable growth across its marine and blue economy value chain.

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The postings, which take immediate effect, he added, re-echoes management's resolve to continuously align leadership deployment with strategic priorities of the corps.

The corps marshal, in a statement on Tuesday by the Assistant Corps Marshal, Corps Public Education Officer (FRSC) Headquarters, Abuja, noted that under the redeployment, Deputy Corps Marshal Pauline Olaye, moved from Special Duties and External Relations Department (SDER) to the Department of



Corps Marshal Mohammed

Administration and Headquarters.

Human Resources at the ACMA. Sanusi, previously National Headquarters, A C M M a n P o w e r while Assistant Corps Development (Training), Marshal (ACM) Godwin has been posted as Zonal Omiko, formerly Corps Commanding Officer, Project Implementation RS1HQ Kaduna, just as RS1HQ proceeds on a course to National Marshals at the National Headquarters, Abuja,"

A C M S D E R a t e r s t w i l e C o r p s S a f e t y

Engineering Officer, now

commands RS2HQ Lagos Zonal Command.

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"Also affected are ACM J.W. Toby and ACM E. Odieta, who have exchanged commands between RS5HQ Benin and RS11HQ Osogbo, while ACM Y.A. Haruna takes over, as ACM Federal Operations ACM A.K. Odeleye-Oladayo transits to RS8HQ Ilorin Zonal Command as the Zonal Commanding Officer to strengthen administrative and operational coordination.

"Similarly, ACM C.M. Onukwubiri has been redeployed from RS8HQ Ilorin to assume duty as Corps Safety Engineering Officer at the National Headquarters, while at the Corps Commander level, CC F.A. Ogidan now serves as Corps Commander in charge of Command Administration and Strategy Officer.

"Meanwhile, AS Ibrahim and CC A.S. Ogungbemi have been posted as Sector Commanders in Adamawa and Plateau States respectively, while CC S.E. Dawulung has been appointed Acting Corps Project Implementation Officer, and CC D.A. Bello now heads Special Marshals at the National Headquarters, Abuja,"

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FG Prioritises Infrastructure In N87.31bn Aviation Budget



Bola Tinubu

The Federal Government has proposed a total allocation of N87.31bn for the Ministry of Aviation and Aerospace Development and its agencies in the 2026 Appropriation Bill, with the bulk of the funding directed towards capital expenditure.

Details of the budget proposal show that N70.19bn, representing more than 80 per cent of the total allocation, is earmarked for capital projects. At the same time, N14.78bn is set aside for personnel costs and N2.34bn for overheads.

The document contained no provisions for retained independent revenue or aid and grant funding.

The Federal Ministry of Aviation and Aerospace Development received the highest allocation of N50.65bn, with N48.55bn for capital projects. Personnel and overhead costs were budgeted at N1.35bn and N745.74 million, respectively.

The Nigerian Meteorological Agency was allocated N11.84bn, with personnel costs accounting for N9.15bn, overheads N393.73m, and capital expenditure N2.29bn, highlighting the agency's labour-intensive operations.

Similarly, the Nigerian College of Aviation Technology, Zaria, is to receive N11.28bn, comprising N4.28bn for personnel, N464.44m for overheads, and N6.54bn for capital projects.

The Nigeria Airspace Management Agency was allocated N6.3bn, entirely for capital expenditure, with no provision for personnel or

overhead costs in the budget breakdown.

Also, the Nigerian Safety Investigation Bureau is expected to receive N7.24bn, with N734.09m for overheads and N6.51bn for capital projects, again with no allocation for personnel costs.

The strong tilt towards capital spending aligns with the position of the Minister of Aviation and Aerospace Development, Festus Keyamo, who has consistently argued that infrastructure renewal remains critical to improving safety, efficiency and service delivery in the aviation sector.

On 22 January 2025, the ministry formally presented its 2025 budget to the Joint National Assembly Committee on Aviation and Aviation Technology at the National Assembly Complex. During the presentation, Keyamo emphasised the ministry's commitment to transparency and

accountability in the management of public resources.

He provided a breakdown of the ministry's 2024 budget performance, noting that capital appropriation achieved a utilisation rate of 30.9 per cent, personnel costs were fully utilised at 100 per cent, while overhead expenditure recorded a near-complete utilisation rate of 99.97 per cent.

The minister told lawmakers that the proposed 2025 budget of N71.12bn for the ministry reflects its strategic priorities in advancing the aviation and aerospace sectors. The proposal comprised N69.22bn for capital expenditure, N1.16bn for personnel costs and N745.74m for overheads.

According to Keyamo, the capital-heavy structure of the budget is designed to support infrastructure upgrades, enhance service delivery and strengthen safety oversight across the sector.

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Ethiopian Airlines Begins Construction Of 110-Million Passenger Bishoftu Airport

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Africa's biggest airline, Ethiopian Airlines, on January 10, 2026, commenced construction of the Bishoftu International Airport, designed to handle up to 110 million passengers annually.

The disclosure was made by the Office of the Prime Minister of Ethiopia on Saturday via X, noting that the airport is slated to become Africa's largest once completed.

The project is expected to play a central role in sustaining Ethiopia's aviation growth, easing capacity pressure at Addis Ababa Bole International Airport, and supporting the expansion of Ethiopian Airlines' global network.

According to the Office of the Prime Minister, Bishoftu International Airport is being developed as a new mega hub, as Addis Ababa Bole International Airport nears its



expanded annual capacity of 25 million passengers.

Located about 40 km southeast of the capital at an elevation of 1,910 meters, Bishoftu offers

suitable conditions for efficient aircraft operations and passenger handling.

Its proximity allows easy integration with the existing aviation network.

The airport's first phase will serve 60 million passengers annually, with the full plan reaching 110 million, making it one of Africa's largest aviation hubs.

"To sustain Ethiopia's rapid aviation growth and Ethiopian Airlines' expanding global network, a new mega hub is being developed alongside Addis Ababa

Bole International Airport, which is nearing its expanded capacity of 25 million passengers annually. This multi-airport strategy aims to future-proof Ethiopia's role as Africa's leading air transport gateway.

"Bishoftu International Airport (BIA) will be the largest aviation infrastructure project in Africa's history," the statement read in part.

It added, "The first phase of the airport will handle 60 million passengers per year, with an ultimate master plan capacity of 110 million passengers annually, placing Ethiopia among the world's top aviation hubs."

The multi-airport strategy aims to future-proof Ethiopia's aviation sector, boost Ethiopian Airlines' regional position, and support economic reforms, industrialisation, and AfCFTA connectivity.

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

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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

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.

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Nigeria Tops Global AI Adoption In Learning, Entrepreneurship - Google

Culled:

Nigeria is leading globally in the adoption of Artificial Intelligence, particularly in learning, work, and entrepreneurship, according to a new report by Google and Ipsos.

The statement was made available to the News Agency of Nigeria on Tuesday by Google's Communications and Public Affairs Manager for West Africa, Mr Taiwo Kola-Ogunlade.

Kola-Ogunlade said the report, titled "Our Life with AI: Helpfulness in the Hands of More People," showed that Nigerians are embracing AI tools at an exceptional rate and are highly optimistic about the technology's future.

According to the report, 88 per cent of Nigerian adults have used an AI chatbot, representing an 18-point increase from 2024 and significantly higher than the global average of 62 per cent.

"It is inspiring to see how Nigerians are creatively and purposefully using AI to unlock opportunities for learning, growth, and economic empowerment.

"This report goes beyond high adoption rates; it tells the story of a nation actively shaping its future



Google

with technology," he said.

Kola-Ogunlade added that the findings showed AI has become a major tool for learning and professional development in Nigeria.

He said 93 per cent of users rely on it to understand complex topics, compared to 74 per cent globally, while 91 per cent use AI to assist with their work.

The report also indicated that 80 per cent of Nigerians applied AI to

explore new business ideas or career changes, nearly double the global average of 42 per cent.

"The report highlighted strong optimism about AI's role in education, with 91 per cent of Nigerians believing it positively impacts learning and access to information, compared to 65 per cent globally," Kola-Ogunlade said.

He added that 95 per cent of respondents believe

university students and educators will benefit from AI tools, and that Nigerians are significantly more optimistic about AI than their global counterparts, with 80 per cent expressing excitement about its possibilities, compared to 20 per cent who are concerned.

"This excitement rises to 90 per cent among Nigerians who use AI frequently in their daily lives," he said.

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INEC Denies Election Timetable As Fake

Culled:

The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has warned the members of the public to disregard the notice on social media and public space about the timetable for the 2027 general elections as fake and should be ignored.

The INEC on its verified X account on Tuesday, 20 January 2026, made this disclosure public to Nigerians in a statement.

The statement read, "The Commission has NOT released any official timetable, schedule of activities, or dates for the 2027 General Elections. Any document or report claiming otherwise is fabricated.

The details in the false article—including specific election dates, campaign periods, and party primary windows—are entirely speculative and without any official basis. They do not represent the plans or position of INEC.

For accurate and official information, the public is urged to rely ONLY on INEC's verified communication channels: Official Website: <http://inecnigeria.org> Verified Social Media:

@inecnigeria (X, Facebook, and Instagram) Official Press Statements and Bulletins issued directly by the Commission.

The general public, political parties, civil society organisations, and all stakeholders are strongly advised to ignore this misleading report.

The Commission will make official announcements regarding the 2027 General Elections through the proper channels and at the appropriate time. INEC remains committed to transparency and will inform the nation in due course.

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Gov Mbah Approves Immediate Fencing Of ESUT Campus



Governor Mbah

Culled:

The Enugu State Governor, Dr. Peter Mbah,

has approved the immediate commencement of perimeter fencing at the Enugu State University of Science and Technology (ESUT) in a move to

enhance security for students, staff and critical infrastructure within the institution.

The approval was announced on Tuesday at the university during a groundbreaking ceremony by the Vice Chancellor (VC), Prof. Aloysius-Michaels

Okolie, who described the intervention as timely and reflective of the governor's unwavering commitment to safeguarding public institutions. Prof. Okolie said the fencing project underscored Governor Mbah's bold vision to reposition ESUT as a leading hub for science, technology and innovation, anchored on safety, stability and infrastructure renewal. He commended the governor for what he termed his prompt and hands-on response to challenges confronting the university.

"This project is about protection, order and growth. It is not meant to isolate the university from its host communities, but to secure lives, property and investments for the collective good," the vice

chancellor stated.

Stakeholders and representatives of the host communities comprising Umueze, Amankanu-Amurri, Obe and Agbani were unanimous in praising the governor's intervention, describing it as a major boost to peace, security and development within and around the university environment.

The VC also lauded the cordial relationship between ESUT and its host communities, noting that the university had consistently upheld its obligations through employment opportunities, admissions and other community benefits. He assured them of sustained engagement and consultation as the fencing project progresses.

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FG Seeks Collective Action On Nigeria's Global Reputation

Culled:

The Federal Government has called for collective action by Nigerians, professionals, institutions and the private sector to strengthen and protect the country's global reputation through honest communication and demonstrable progress.

The Minister of Information and National Orientation, Mohammed Idris, FNIPR, made the call on Tuesday at the Nigeria Reputation Summit 2026 held in Abuja.

Speaking at the event, Idris described the unveiling of Nigeria's first National Reputation Perception Index by the Nigerian Institute of Public Relations

(NIPR) as a landmark initiative that provides insight into how the country is perceived at home and abroad.

"The report is not a verdict on Nigeria. It is a mirror. And as a responsible nation, we must have the courage to look into that mirror and act," the Minister said.

He commended the NIPR, the Nigerian Reputation Management Group and their leadership for producing the index after several years of research, noting that building national reputation is a long-term process that demands discipline, consistency and shared responsibility.

While acknowledging that the report placed Nigeria in a low-trust category, Idris said notable progress had been recorded in the last two years under the administration of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu. According to him, perception often lags behind reality, stressing that ongoing reforms must be communicated "clearly, consistently, and honestly."

The Minister highlighted Nigeria's democratic credentials, noting that the country has enjoyed 27 uninterrupted years of democracy, with open political participation and one of the freest media environments in the world.

"These are not small achievements. They speak directly to leadership, credibility, and trust, which are at the heart of national reputation," he said.

On governance and the economy, Idris pointed to reforms aimed at strengthening local government autonomy, improving security through community-based initiatives, and restoring fiscal discipline by removing the fuel subsidy and unifying the foreign exchange system.

"Difficult decisions were taken, but they were necessary decisions. Today, inflation is easing, growth is stabilising, and our foreign reserves are improving," he stated.

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AVEVA Appoints Khaled Salah As Vice President Of Africa

AVEVA, a global leader in industrial software, driving digital transformation and sustainability, today announces the appointment of Khaled Salah, 37 years old, as Vice President of Africa.

In this new role, he will be responsible for about 30 employees to ensure the successful implementation of AVEVA's growth strategy. Khaled Salah will report directly to Jesus Hernandez, SVP of the EMEA region.

With a MBA in management from the Warwick business school, UK, and a master's degree in engineering from Ain Shams university in Egypt, Khaled Salah is an active advocate for driving sustainable progress in the industrial sector. With Sustainability in mind, Khaled is keen on making a positive business impact, while fostering progress for people and the planet.

He started his career at Schneider

Electric, in 2013 in the global supply chain and evolved through various roles such as Europe procurement and supply chain strategy Manager, and Global Commercial strategy Director for the industrial automation business. Khaled Salah has developed a strategic understanding of all those fields.

After 12 years in Schneider Electric, Khaled joined AVEVA in 2022 to lead AVEVA and Schneider Electric global

strategic partnership, across all industries managing a team of 30 people. He has led the introduction of new AVEVA software solutions to initiate and develop significant growth areas across all Schneider Electric verticals.

In addition to his current role as AVEVA and Schneider Electric partnership Vice-President, Khaled now takes over the management of AVEVA's activities in Africa.

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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.
2. Africa Road Transport Safety Summit and Exhibition (ARTSS EXPO) - The largest gathering of Researchers and Industry Leaders in Road Transport Safety featuring exhibitions of technology devices and Innovations.
3. Africa Safe School Volunteer Project (ASSVP) - A social responsibility project that members of DSSAA will get directly involved in their various countries which includes volunteering to control traffic and help Children cross the Road during school hours in schools, funding installation of STOP Road signs and marking of zebra crossings at school Intersections, as well as carrying out the training of children on Road Safety practices in schools.
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.

About DSSAA

Driving Schools and Safety Alliance Africa - DSSAA is Africa's premier Professional Association of Driving School Owners, Instructors, Driver Assessors and Road Safety professionals.

It is registered in the Gambia and UK with National offices in all the Capital cities in Africa.

DSSAA aims to bring all the critical stakeholders together to build the capacity of Driving School operators and support Road Safety through advocacy, public education, lobbying, fund raising, training and certification.

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