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Governor Charles Chukwuma Soludo of Anambra State has commissioned a newly constructed one-kilometre road leading to the Nigerian Naval Outpost in Onitsha-Odekpe community, Ogbaru Local Government Area.

The road, which was entirely funded and constructed by prominent Anambra industrialist and philanthropist, High Chief Dr. Amb. Anthony Ikenna Obele (Okwunze Aguata), was formally handed over to the community and the Nigerian Navy on Friday, April 17, 2026. According to media consultant, Njoku Macdonald Obinna, the project, executed through a Public-Private Community Partnership (PPCP) model, has transformed what was once a notorious stretch of road that became impassable during the rainy season into a smooth, functional corridor that now enhances mobility, security, and economic activities in the area.

Governor Soludo, who was represented by the Speaker of the

Anambra State House of Assembly, Rt. Hon. Somtochukwu Nkem Udeze, described the road as more than just infrastructure. He said it represents the restoration of dignity and the reopening of economic pathways for the people of Odekpe.

“Development doesn't only come from the government,” the Governor noted, commending the success of the Public-Private Community Partnership model in Anambra State.

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The agency said the fatal incident at Okokomaiko involved a Lexus Jeep with registration number SMK 674 HY, which struck an adult male roadside hawker, leading to his death.

Officials of LASTMA who arrived promptly at the scene secured the area and evacuated the remains of the deceased from the carriageway to restore traffic flow and prevent further incidents.

Operatives of the Nigeria Police Force from Ketu Division subsequently conveyed the body to the Badagry Mortuary for the necessary procedures.

In a separate incident, LASTMA personnel also intervened in a collision at Ogudu inward Toll Gate involving a Mazda commercial bus with registration

number MUS 231 YA and a Lexus Jeep marked FKJ 23 HL.

The crash left seven passengers injured, all of whom were rescued at the scene by traffic officials.

Emergency response teams, including officers from the Ogudu Police Division and the Lagos State Ambulance Service, were on the ground to support rescue efforts, with the injured victims evacuated to nearby hospitals for urgent medical attention.

Authorities confirmed that all vehicles involved in both accidents had been handed over to the police for further investigation to determine the causes of the crashes.

The General Manager of LASTMA, Olalekan Bakare Oki, reiterated the agency's call for heightened road safety awareness among motorists.

He urged drivers to obey traffic regulations, maintain safe speeds, and exercise caution, particularly during late-night hours when visibility is often reduced.

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The substance abuse campaign, conducted at the port entrance with the support of Port Police and Port Health Services at the weekend, screened truck drivers using breathalyzer tests. Out of 30 drivers tested during the latest exercise, three were found to be under the influence of alcohol, reflecting an improvement compared to previous exercises.

Leading the initiative, the Lagos Port Manager, Adebawale Lawal, emphasised the importance of drivers fitness in ensuring safe port operations: He said individuals operating heavy-duty trucks must be fully alert and in the right state of mind, noting that safety within the port environment depends on



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this.

Lawal explained that regular testing will act as a strong deterrent and help reduce substance abuse among truck drivers.

“We appreciate APM Terminals Apapa for driving this important collaboration, which aligns with our shared commitment to maintaining a safe port ecosystem,” he said.

Managing Director of APM Terminals Apapa, Kamal Alhraishat, highlighted that the initiative is part of a broader safety commitment:

“We recently achieved a significant milestone of 636 days without a Lost Time Injury, and our priority is to sustain and build on this performance. Extending safety measures beyond our workforce to include external truck

drivers is a necessary step,” he said.

He noted that driving under the influence puts the driver at direct risk, while also endangering other road users, terminal personnel, and critical port assets.

Alhraisha stressed that a single lapse can lead to serious incidents involving trucks, container handling equipment, or cargo.

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## Local Transport News

# Air Peace Retains Title As West Africa's Best Airline

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Air Peace Limited has once again solidified its position as a leading force in regional aviation, having been named Best West Africa Sub-Regional Airline of the Year at the 2026 edition of the Nigerian Aviation Awards. This marks the airline's second consecutive win in the highly competitive category, further reinforcing its growing influence and consistency within the West African aviation landscape.

The prestigious recognition was announced during a well-attended ceremony held at the NIGAV Conference Centre, where key stakeholders, regulators, and industry players gathered to celebrate excellence, innovation, and resilience across Nigeria's aviation sector. The award is widely regarded as one of the most respected honours within the industry, making Air Peace's repeat victory particularly significant.

Speaking on the achievement, the airline's spokesperson, Osifo-Whiskey Efe, described the award as a reflection of

the airline's unwavering commitment to delivering safe, reliable, and customer-centric services across the sub-region. According to him, the recognition signals increasing passenger confidence and trust in the airline's operations, especially as it continues to expand its footprint across key West African routes.

He noted that the NIGAV Awards platform has long served as a benchmark for measuring excellence in the aviation ecosystem, celebrating organisations that demonstrate exceptional performance,

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Air Peace

# Navy Intensifies Crackdown On Oil Thieves, Uncovers 600m Illegal Oil Network

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The Nigerian Navy has uncovered approximately 103,000 litres of suspected stolen crude oil and 190,000 litres of suspected illegally refined Automotive Gas Oil (AGO), worth over ₦600 million across Rivers, Bayelsa and Delta states.

This is contained in a statement issued by the Director of Naval Information, Navy Capt. Abiodun Folorunsho, on Saturday, April 18, 2026, in Abuja.

The navy said the operation was conducted under the Operation DELTA SENTINEL, targeting illegal oil refining networks

Folorunsho said the breakthrough followed coordinated operations on April 17 against illegal refining sites and crude oil storage facilities in the Niger Delta region.

He said the personnel of Nigerian Navy Ship (NNS) SOROH, acting on credible intelligence, deployed an Anti-Crude Oil Theft team to the Egboama/Ogbogolo area of Ahoada West Local Government Area along the Rivers-Bayelsa boundary corridor.

According to him, the team carried out a coordinated land and water operation, uncovering multiple illegal refining sites comprising dugout pits, ovens, reservoirs and storage facilities used for illicit petroleum processing.

Folorunsho said the crude oil recovered was valued at over ₦91 million, while the illegally refined AGO was estimated at over ₦342 million, bringing the total value of the seizures in the area to over ₦433 million.

"In Delta State, personnel of Nigerian Navy Ship (NNS) DELTA uncovered and deactivated a concealed crude oil storage facility around Bennett Island.

"The facility, linked to a buried pipeline through an improvised hose system, contained about 78,000 litres of suspected stolen crude oil valued at approximately ₦69 million, alongside equipment used for illegal siphoning," he said.

The Naval spokesman said all illegal refining infrastructure and storage facilities were dismantled in situ, while recovered products were handled in line with extant operational procedures.

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Honourable Abdoulbaq Ladi Balogun, Managing Director, LAGFERRY disclosed this during a management retreat themed sustainable water transportation and the Lagos transport policy, where officials outlined the agency's roadmap for expanding water-based mobility.

Balogun said the initiative was anchored on the state's transport policy introduced about three years ago, noting that the retreat was designed to align operations with long term sustainability goals.

"The Lagos State transport policy was launched about three years ago and it cuts across every arm of Lagos State transport model, particularly the public and the private sector," he said.

"We are looking at the Lagos State transport policy, the effective



Hon. Abdoulbaq Balogun

implementation, and how far it has gone on the operational efficiency of Lagos State water transportation."

He explained that the retreat focused on strengthening manpower capacity to deliver on the state's vision.

"This retreat in particular is to enhance and build on the capacity of our human resources, to let them know what it takes to move Lagos State transportation forward, particularly in the water

transportation sector, and to see how we can commit to sustainable transport model going into the future and for the growth of the Lagos State economy," he said.

On the proposed water taxi scheme, Balogun disclosed that deployment would begin along the Lekki Epe corridor to address persistent congestion.

"We are looking forward to, in the next

couple of days, the commencement of Eko water taxi. Eko water taxi is going to be deployed along the Lekki Ekpe corridor to ensure that decongestion of traffic is achieved and to alleviate the suffering of people living on that axis and the businesses on that axis as well," he said.

He added that the initiative is part of the ongoing effort to unlock the blue economy and reposition water transport as a primary mode of commuting.

"We are actually looking at the entire blue economy ecosystem and how we can take it in the last six years, sustaining the progress, not just sustaining the progress but scaling up sustainably to ensure that we are proactive in terms of environmental management, in terms of decarbonising emission and also the issue of safety," he said.

"And also creating a culture of what we call water mania, people getting used to water transportation as a way of life instead of just seeing it as an alternative."

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# Okpebholo's Intervention Eases Traffic On Benin-Sapele Road Highway

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The intervention of Governor Monday Okpebholo in taking over reconstruction of the Benin-Sapele highway has eased heavy vehicular traffic on the highway.

Motorists used to spend long hours on the highway occasioned by various failed sections of the road.

The ongoing construction of the Evbukhu-Sapele road and the old Benin-Warri highway helped the decongest traffic on the busy highway.

Over 10 communities that were difficult for motorists to navigate through along the Benin-Sapele road corridor due to bad roads are now being accessible.

Some commercial drivers, who spoke during an inspection of some ongoing projects, applauded the pace at which the contractors were handling their various aspect of the job.

Mr. Okechukwu Michael recalled how former Governor Godwin Obaseki abandoned the Benin-Sapele road highway including adjoining streets currently being fixed by Okpebholo.

At the AmuFi-Okpagha-Eyeon road, a major by-pass between Agbor and Aduwawa roads, the project engineer, Engr. John ibizugbe, said the first phase of the asphalt work has been done.

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Governor Monday Okpebholo

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Two passengers died and 20 were injured during a road accident at Wudil junction on Maiduguri road in Kano state.

According to NAN, the accident, which happened on Saturday, involved a DAF trailer loaded with goods and passengers, travelling from Wudil Market to Lagos state.

Abdullahi Labaran, spokesperson of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Kano command, said preliminary investigations reveal that the driver lost control due to overspeeding.

Labaran said the accident victims were taken to Wudil General Hospital for treatment.

"We received a distress call at about 9:25am and arrived at the scene within 10 minutes," the FRSC Kano spokesperson said

"The accident involved a DAF trailer loaded with goods and passengers, travelling from Wudil Market en route to Lagos state.

"The passengers were 30 male adults; two persons died, 20 others sustained

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varying degrees of injuries, while eight were unhurt."

Labaran quoted Idris Muhammed-Lawan, the FRSC Kano commander, as expressing concern over persistent violation of road safety regulations, especially the use of trailers for conveying passengers.

Muhammed-Lawan said over speeding and overloading remained major causes of road crashes, while urging drivers to comply strictly with traffic rules.

He advised the public to avoid boarding trailers and other unsafe vehicles.

In February 2026, at least 30 people died in a road accident involving a trailer at Kwanar Barde in Gezawa LGA of Kano.

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# Customs Records Aviation Milestone With First Female Pilot

management staff, the Managing Director of the Customs Technical Hangar Service, retired Comptroller of Customs, Capt. Kuhi Mbaya described the development as both historic and transformational for the service's operational outlook.

"Our officer, Nafisat Balogun, has transitioned from being a cabin attendant to a fully-fledged commercial pilot. This is a great achievement not only for her but for the entire service," Mbaya said.

He emphasised that the breakthrough introduces a new dimension to the Customs aviation unit, while reinforcing the service's commitment to technical excellence and inclusivity.

"For the first time, we now have a female pilot in the NCS. She has set a record, and it is important that we celebrate and recognise this milestone," he added.

Mbaya further noted that Balogun's accomplishment underscores the expanding opportunities within the service, particularly as Customs increasingly integrates air assets into its

enforcement and surveillance framework across ports, borders, and inland logistics corridors.

"This achievement shows that there are no limits. The glass ceiling has been shattered, and with determination and consistency, more women can achieve their dreams," he said.

He also commended the Comptroller-General of Customs, Adewale Adeniyi, for fostering a leadership environment that promotes gender inclusion and professional advancement within the service.

In her response, Balogun expressed appreciation for the institutional support that enabled her transition into a highly specialised aviation role, noting that the journey required resilience and sustained encouragement.

"I am truly honoured and humbled by this warm reception. This journey has not been easy, but I am grateful for the support, encouragement, and belief shown in me," she said.

Balogun attributed her success to the backing of the Customs leadership, stressing that the achievement reflects

a broader organisational commitment to capacity building.

"I sincerely appreciate the Comptroller-General of Customs and the entire management team for their invaluable support. This achievement stands as a testament to that encouragement," she noted.

She reaffirmed her commitment to leveraging her new qualification in advancing the service's mandate, particularly in areas requiring precision, discipline, and operational efficiency.

"I promise to continue to serve with dedication, integrity, and professionalism," she said.

Colleagues and attendees at the event described the milestone as a morale booster and a catalyst for broader participation of women in specialised and technical roles within the service.

Many noted that her success not only reflects personal determination but also signals new career pathways within the NCS, especially as it aligns its operations with modern, technology-driven maritime and border security systems.

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Nigeria Customs Service (NCS)

The Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) has recorded a major operational milestone with the emergence of its first-ever female pilot, Superintendent of Customs, Nafisat Balogun, who recently obtained a commercial multi-engine pilot licence in the United States of America.

The milestone, formally celebrated by the Nigeria Customs Technical Hangar Service, signals a strategic shift in the NCS technical manpower development as it deepens investments in air surveillance, logistics, and enforcement support systems critical to port efficiency and anti-smuggling operations.

At a ceremony attended by senior officers and



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Speaking to Nigerian Tribune, the Director General of NADDC, Otunba Joseph Osanipin, said it was important for the country to access funding for the purchase of new vehicles.

Osanipin explained that for the automotive industry in Nigeria to grow as expected, there must be a platform that citizens can access to enable them to afford new vehicles.

The Nigerian Consumer Credit Corporation (CrediCorp) is implementing a ₦20 billion fund in partnership with NADDC, aimed at enabling Nigerians to purchase locally-assembled vehicles at



Osanipin

single-digit interest rates. The program focuses on reducing reliance on used cars ("Tokunbo") by offering accessible credit for new vehicles. He said the "fund needed for this sector is huge. So NADDC Boss noted that the N20 billion is not enough to adequately fund the vehicle financing scheme, seeking a partnership with CBN and commercial banks. He said the "fund needed for this sector is huge. So NADDC Boss noted that the N20 billion is not enough to adequately

component parts, "that is why we are working tirelessly to ensure we develop local components, if we are going to rely on bringing in all the components, it will be expensive.

"We are working with component manufacturers so that they can produce more of this components in Nigeria. Some of these parts come with duty and it influence or affect the final price of the vehicle".

He explained that if one can compare the price, it is favorable for the used vehicles, "their prices are very low, and some of them, because they are not good, the prices are like giving way, but we don't know what we are buying because we don't have any test results to show the condition of those vehicles.

"That is part of the reason why we are doing this. We are doing it in order to grow the industry and encourage more production of this new vehicles in Nigeria, because by the time you can't bring in these bad vehicles, then you will not be able to deceive the customer, the buyer, because it is when you bring in the bad vehicles, those one that are already end of life, you can now sell it in pretense as if you are selling a good vehicle.

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## NALPGAM, LASTMA Partner To Promote Safe LPG Transportation



NALPGAM

The Nigerian Association of Liquefied Petroleum Gas Marketers (NALPGAM) and the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) have agreed to strengthen collaboration on safe Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) transportation.

The agreement followed a courtesy visit by NALPGAM executives to LASTMA management on Friday in Lagos, where both parties discussed safety concerns and operational challenges.

NALPGAM President, Mr Edu Iyang, said collaboration was vital due to gas volatility and risks linked to transportation on busy public roads.

He said increasing urban traffic and rising LPG usage made coordinated safety measures more urgent for operators and emergency responders.

According to him, the partnership would ensure proper handling of LPG trucks, particularly during breakdowns, accidents or unforeseen mechanical failures on highways.

"Gas is highly volatile, and any mismanagement can cause disaster. This engagement ensures safety is prioritised during incidents involving gas trucks," Iyang said.

He explained that poor awareness among first responders could worsen incidents, stressing the need for shared knowledge and clearly defined response protocols.

Iyang added the visit aimed to build understanding and establish a coordinated emergency response framework for LPG-related incidents across Lagos.

He said members served as a critical link between depots and consumers,

ensuring steady distribution of LPG to homes and businesses.

According to him, products were transported from refineries and depots to plants and retail outlets using specialised, safety-compliant trucks.

He noted operations were regulated by the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority, ensuring strict adherence to safety and operational standards.

The president proposed regular engagements, joint drills and technical training sessions to equip LASTMA officials with practical knowledge on LPG emergencies.

NALPGAM Ogun spokesman, Mr Tony Ofoyetan, commended LASTMA's role in traffic control and safety enforcement across Lagos' congested road networks.

Ofoyetan described LPG transporters as sensitive road users, stressing the need for a coordinated and well-structured incident response framework.

He noted that delays or miscommunication during emergencies could escalate risks, endangering lives, property and critical infrastructure.

"We want a clear response template that prioritises safety, reduces risks and ensures smooth traffic management," he said.

In his response, LASTMA General Manager, Mr Olalekan Bakare-Oki, welcomed the initiative and described it as timely and necessary.

Bakare-Oki said the collaboration would enhance operational efficiency and improve safety outcomes on Lagos roads.

He said LASTMA officers were trained in incident management and worked closely with other emergency agencies for prompt, coordinated responses.

According to him, inter-agency cooperation remained key to managing complex road incidents, especially those involving hazardous materials like LPG.

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# Turkish Airlines, Air Peace Ink Bilateral SPA Interline Agreement

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Turkish Airlines, the national flag carrier of Türkiye, flying to more countries than any other airline, and Air Peace, West Africa's largest airline, have activated a bilateral interline agreement, enhancing seamless connectivity between Nigeria, West and Central Africa, Türkiye, and Turkish Airlines' extensive global network.

The interline partnership enables passengers of both airlines to enjoy frictionless, single-ticket travel, coordinated schedules, and simplified baggage handling on selected routes and eligible itineraries, delivering a smoother, more convenient travel experience across multiple destinations.

Through this agreement, Turkish Airlines passengers arriving in Lagos can now connect seamlessly onto Air Peace's extensive domestic and regional network across Nigeria and West Africa.



Likewise, Air Peace passengers gain access to Turkish Airlines' vast global route network via Istanbul, one of the world's leading aviation hubs, with onward

connections across Europe, Asia, the Middle East, the Americas, and beyond.

The partnership significantly strengthens travel options between

Nigeria and Türkiye and unlocks new commercial and tourism opportunities by linking West and Central Africa more efficiently to global markets.

Speaking on the collaboration, Dr. Özlem Özyön, SVP International Relations and Alliances at Turkish Airlines, said: "This interline agreement with Air Peace reinforces

our commitment to expanding connectivity across Africa. By combining Turkish Airlines' global reach with Air Peace's strong regional presence, we are generating more travel options, improved convenience, and greater accessibility for our passengers."

Commenting on the agreement, Nowel Ngala, Chief Commercial Officer of Air Peace, said:

"This partnership with Turkish Airlines is another important milestone in Air Peace's strategy to position Africa and particularly Nigeria at the centre of global connectivity. By integrating our robust domestic and regional network with Turkish Airlines' unparalleled international reach, we are offering our customers seamless connections, reduced travel complexity, and greater choice, while strengthening Nigeria's role as a key aviation gateway."

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Brazil may see the unlocking of projects related to light rail vehicles (VLTs), with greater involvement of the federal government in these initiatives.

Recently, the state-owned company Infra S.A. announced that it had been hired by the municipality of Bauru, in the

state of São Paulo, to carry out the Technical, Economic and Environmental Feasibility Study (EVTEA) for the city's first LRT.

The project marks the state-owned company's definitive entry into the passenger transportation segment in

## Light Rail Projects In Brazil Gain Momentum

medium-sized cities, expanding its operations.

"What is underway in Bauru is the consolidation of a new area of activity for Infra S.A. We are bringing to the urban environment the same technical capacity that structured major logistics corridors in the country, with rigor, legal certainty, and a long-term vision," said the CEO of Infra S.A., Jorge Bastos, in a statement.

According to stakeholders, the involvement of Infra S.A. can help in the development of a series of other projects in cities in Brazil, similar to what has happened in other infrastructure sectors, such as sanitation and highways, which had the state-owned bank BNDES as an important agent in the preparation of project studies in these segments.

"Infra S.A. has very strong technical capacity to develop projects in this rail transport segment. We have to remember that the state-owned company is the result of the merger of Empresa de Planejamento e Logística (EPL) and the railway company Valec, both with

enormous expertise in the segment," Vicente Abate, president of the Associação Brasileira da Indústria Ferroviária (Abifer), told BNamericas.

In Bauru, Infra S.A. will prepare the study for the construction of an LRT line with a length of 28.8km, divided into three branches and with more than 30 stations, using the existing railway network.

The city of Bauru has 380 thousand inhabitants and the LRT is expected to connect regions to the center, easing pressure on the road system and driving urban revitalization around the tracks, many of which are currently underused.

In addition to preparing the Bauru LRT project, Infra S.A. is also involved in developing the Campina Grande LRT project in Paraíba, which is already at an advanced stage.

In the second largest city in Paraíba, with more than 400 thousand inhabitants, the studies are in the final stage of data collection and technical consolidation, with delivery scheduled for the first half of 2026.

Light Rail Transit (LRT) projects in Brazil also tend to proliferate as major Brazilian cities show greater engagement in the urban redevelopment of their central areas.

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## General News

# Nigeria's Power Reforms Face Growing Public Trust Challenge

*Culled:*

There is a scene that plays out in Nigerian homes with familiar regularity. The lights go out. The generator starts. Life adjusts. What that routine does not show is this: Nigeria has an installed electricity generation capacity of 15,500 megawatts (MW), yet on most days in early 2026, the national grid has delivered fewer than 3,000 MW. That gap is the story.

Traditionally, that gap is often described in technical or financial terms. It is framed as a liquidity crisis, a transmission constraint, or a gas supply challenge. Each of those explanations is valid. Taken together, they point to a deeper issue that receives less attention.

Nigeria's power sector is not only managing a supply gap. It is also managing a growing credibility gap. As a communications professional with an interest in public policy, I do not approach this from an engineering standpoint. What draws my attention is how the sector explains itself, how policy is communicated, and how the loop between what is promised and what is delivered shapes public trust over time.

The numbers are worth examining



National Power Grid

closely. Data from the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission shows that in 2025, generation companies issued invoices totalling about N3.16 trillion, while payments amounted to roughly N1.24 trillion, a settlement rate of just over 39 per cent. Of the N1.92 trillion shortfalls, the overwhelming majority was linked to unpaid subsidy obligations. In practical terms, only a small fraction

of what was owed was settled within the year.

In response, the Federal Government introduced a N501 billion bond in early 2026 through the Nigerian Bulk Electricity Trading Plc, as part of a broader debt reduction programme. The scale of that intervention and the level of investor participation signal intent and confidence in the reform direction. At the same time, the bond represents a portion of total

outstanding obligations, and the timing of disbursement has not yet aligned with public expectations.

This is where communication becomes consequential. When major interventions are announced with the language of resolution, but outcomes are not yet visible, expectations begin to move ahead of delivery. Over time, that pattern creates a credibility gap.

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# Rice Farmers Lament As Increased Imports Cripple Sector

*Culled:*

Some local farmers have decried the increased importation of rice, a situation they claim is crippling Nigeria's local production.

The farmers disclosed this in separate interviews with the News Agency of Nigeria on Sunday in Lagos.

NAN reports that local rice production has declined since the Federal Government's import duty waiver on rice and other essential commodities in 2024.

The Acting Chairman of the All Farmers Association of Nigeria and a rice farmer, Mr Sakin Agbayewa, said local farmers had been suffering since the increase in rice importation.

"With the renewal of the import waiver on rice and other essential commodities, there have been tonnes of shipments of rice coming into the country.

"The increase in the importation of rice is crippling local cultivation of the commodity and keeping a lot of farmers out of business.

"Also, current climate change realities are not helping the production of rice locally. The inconsistency in climate patterns is a major factor affecting local cultivation of rice, hence the downturn for most rice farmers.

"Moreover, the ongoing Iran-Israel-US war is affecting the price of fertilisers, thereby increasing the cost of production for an average rice farmer. All agro-inputs are on the increase.

"So, ordinarily, the situation is beyond what the common or subsistence farmer can handle, hence the reconsideration of cultivating the crop this planting season," Agbayewa said.

He noted that most rice farmers were at their wit's end on how to survive in a sector dominated by imports.

"So, at what capacity do we expect the average local farmer to produce?

"If a farmer goes to the farm to cultivate and pegs his selling price at N60,000 or N65,000, and on the other hand, a moneybag can easily import 100,000 metric tonnes of rice into the country and sell at N40,000 per bag.

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# NMA Remove Lagos Chairman, Appoints New Leader



Nigeria Medical Association (NMA)

*Culled:*

Lagos State branch of the Nigeria Medical Association has removed its Chairman, Babajide Saheed, following a decision reached at an Emergency General Meeting held on Saturday in Lagos.

Consequently, the association's former 1st Vice-Chairman, Temidire Ewonowo, has assumed office as the new chairman in line with the provisions of the NMA constitution.

The decision to remove Saheed was taken through a secret ballot by members of

the association, after allegations of repeated violations of the body's rules and regulations.

Speaking on the development, Ewonowo outlined several infractions that led to the former chairman's removal, including his failure to convene an Emergency General Meeting within seven days after receiving a request from affiliate heads and members.

According to him, other breaches included walking out of a duly constituted Emergency General Meeting held on January 13, 2026, and submitting a delegate list that was not ratified by the same congress.

He also accused the former chairman of referring members to a disciplinary committee based on what he described as an unfounded decision that was never reached at

either the State Executive Council Meeting or the Emergency General Meeting.

"Before now, I was the 1st vice-chairman.

"The former chairman was served a letter by the affiliate heads to say his own side of what has happened with respect to some of these constitutional infractions, within a period of seven days, as contained in the constitution. He didn't respond.

"There is a window period of three days, that an emergency meeting should be held. Following its failure to hold, which is today, it was on the basis and in line with our rules and regulations that the congress, alongside the heads of the affiliates, take a decision that the former chairman be removed from office.

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Nigeria, Turkiye sign defence pact on training, technology

# Nigeria, Turkiye Sign Defence Pact On Training, Technology

**Culled:** Nigeria has secured a wide-ranging defence cooperation framework with Türkiye, spanning training, technology transfer, air and naval capability development, and border security coordination, following bilateral talks at the Antalya Diplomacy Forum.

The agreements, led by the Minister of Defence, Christopher Musa, signal a shift towards capability expansion through structured international partnerships, with immediate and long-term implementation timelines. Central to the engagement is a structured training pipeline for

Nigerian Armed Forces personnel, covering Special Forces operations, counterterrorism, intelligence integration, counter-drone and counter-IED operations, as well as United Nations pre-deployment training.

Both sides agreed on the immediate deployment of an initial cohort of Nigerian personnel to Türkiye, alongside language training and participation in field exercises.

A major outcome is the planned establishment of a military training facility in Nigeria, with a temporary site to be provided and a permanent coastal location already identified

signalling a long-term institutional footprint for bilateral training.

The partnership includes commitments to defence industrial cooperation, focusing on technology transfer, maintenance training, and potential co-development of platforms.

Engagements are expected to deepen through participation in platforms such as IDEF 2026, aimed at strengthening indigenous defence capabilities and reducing reliance on external systems over time.

Türkiye indicated readiness to support Nigeria with advanced surveillance systems, unmanned aerial platforms,

satellite-enabled monitoring, and counter-drone technologies.

Discussions also covered specialised air and ground platforms, including infantry fighting vehicles tailored to Nigeria's operational terrain and evolving threat environment.

Both countries agreed to commence technical engagements on integrated border management systems, enhanced intelligence sharing, and coordinated responses to technologically adaptive non-state actors.

This aligns with Nigeria's ongoing efforts to tighten border control and disrupt cross-border threat networks.

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## Police Vows Tough Times For Vote Buyers

The Ekiti State Police Command has pledged to arrest on vote buyers and criminals during the 2026 governorship election in the state, to ensure a credible, free and fair poll.

This was just as the International Press Centre (IPC) has engaged Journalists in Ekiti on a two-day stakeholders' dialogue on credible election, as part of its activities to train the media practitioners ahead of the forthcoming June 20 governorship

election.

The Commissioner of Police, represented by the Command's spokesman, SP Sunday Abutu, disclosed this in Ado-Ekiti at the weekend, at a 2-day "Ekiti State Government Media-Led Stakeholders' Dialogue on Credible Election" organised by the International Press Centre (IPC) in collaboration with the Centre for Media and Society (CEMESO) and

sponsored by the European Union.

Abutu, who said the command would be firm in tackling vote buying and vote trading during the election, acknowledged that criminal elements often attempt to undermine electoral processes but assured that the police had strategies in place to prevent such activities.

He noted that the police would continue to work with relevant stakeholders to maintain peace and

order, stressing that the joint objective of all actors involved in the electoral process is to deliver a credible election in the state.

According to him, the command is already aware of the tense political atmosphere often associated with elections and would remain proactive in addressing emerging security threats.

"We are going to be tough on vote buying and trading.

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# DRIVING SCHOOLS AND SAFETY ALLIANCE AFRICA - DSSAA

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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.

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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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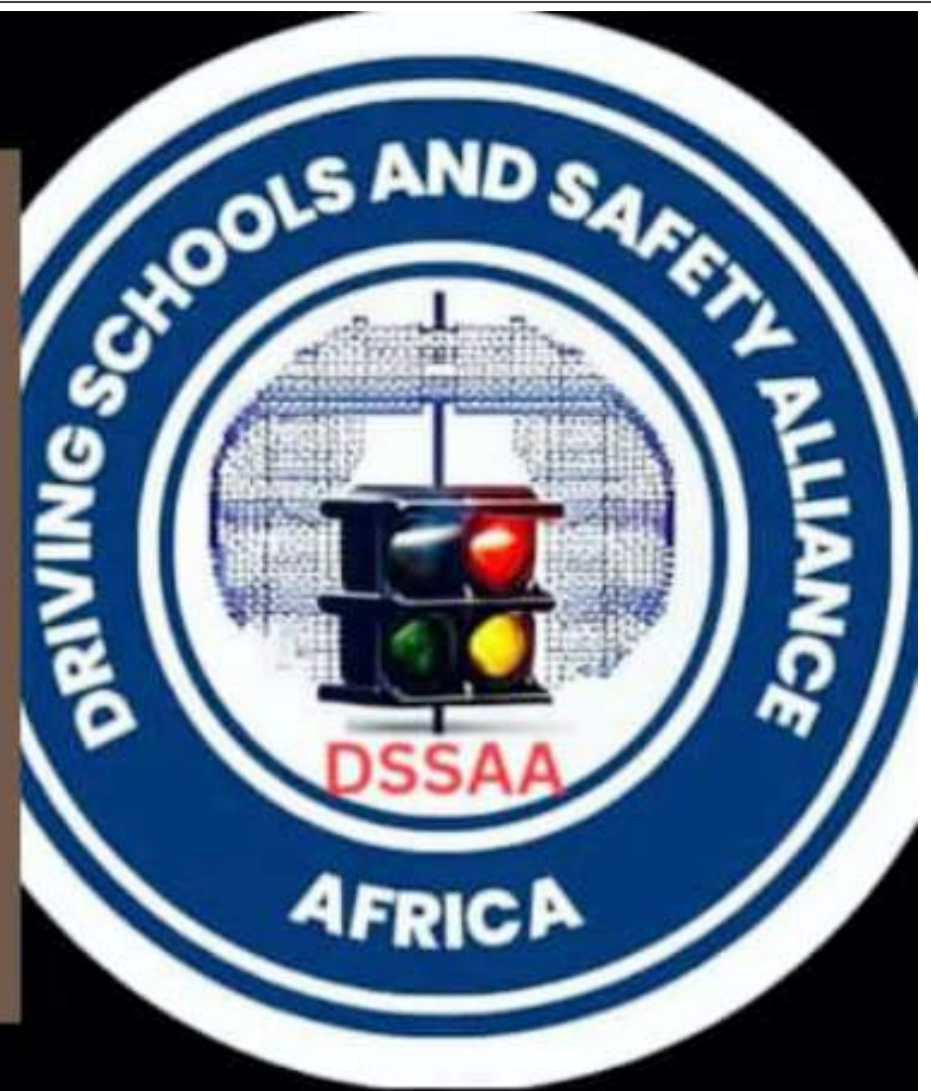


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