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Lagos Intensifies Tech-Driven Traffic Enforcement, Records Over 737,000 Violations

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enforcement measures as part of efforts to improve road safety, ensure compliance with

traffic regulations, and modernise transportation management across the state.

Commissioner for Transportation, Oluwaseun Osiyemi, disclosed this on

Monday during the 2025 Ministerial Press Briefing held in Alausa

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practices as the rainy season sets in across parts of the country. The Corps Public Education Officer, Osondu Ohaeri, gave

the advice in an interview with the News Agency of Nigeria on Monday in Abuja. Ohaeri described

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Maraba Residents Lament Worsening Gridlock Amid Flyover Construction

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Residents of Mararaba, a densely populated suburb bordering the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), have expressed frustration over the worsening traffic congestion caused by ongoing construction works along the Abuja-Keffi Expressway.

Mararaba, which accommodates a large number of civil servants and business owners working in Abuja due to its relatively affordable housing, is one of the busiest entry routes into the nation's capital. The area also serves as a major transit corridor for travellers from southern Nigeria heading to Abuja.

The traffic situation has reportedly deteriorated following the demolition of the popular Mararaba Bridge to pave the way for a new twin flyover project. The construction activities have significantly reduced available road space, leaving commuters with limited movement options.

Many road users who spoke on the

development described the daily gridlock as exhausting and time-consuming, with traffic stretching several kilometres during peak periods.

A commercial driver recounted spending more than an hour in traffic near the Sani Abacha Bus Terminal at One Man Village before movement gradually resumed close to the police checkpoint separating the FCT from Nasarawa State.

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Maraba gridlock

Adamawa Launches E-Mobility Initiative, Rolls Out Electric Tricycles

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Adamawa State Governor, Ahmadu Fintiri, has launched the state's E-Mobility Initiative with the rollout of electric tricycles assembled in Yola.

Governor Fintiri described the project as a major step toward sustainable transportation, clean energy access and economic development.

Speaking at the launch on Monday in Yola, Fintiri said the initiative marked the beginning of a transformational journey aimed at redefining energy access, transportation and investment opportunities across the state.

The governor recalled that the partnership leading to the initiative began in March 2025 when Adamawa participated in an investor roundtable organised by the Rural Electrification Agency.

According to him, the event created an opportunity for the state government to engage investors and showcase Adamawa's economic potential.

Fintiri said the engagement led to a

strategic partnership with A4&T Group, resulting in the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding focused on mini-grids, solar energy solutions and clean mobility infrastructure.

He disclosed that more than 6,000 households across Song, Lamurde, Jada, Fufore, Demsa, Numan, Shelleng and Hong Local Government Areas had already benefited from the deployment of Solar Home Systems under the partnership.

The governor noted that the newly launched electric tricycles were assembled in Adamawa by Sparrow Mobility Ltd, the e-mobility subsidiary of A4&T Group.

He commended the company for establishing an assembly plant in Yola and fulfilling its commitment to commence local production of electric tricycles and motorcycles.

"The vehicles have undergone rigorous testing and are now ready to serve the people of Adamawa," he said.

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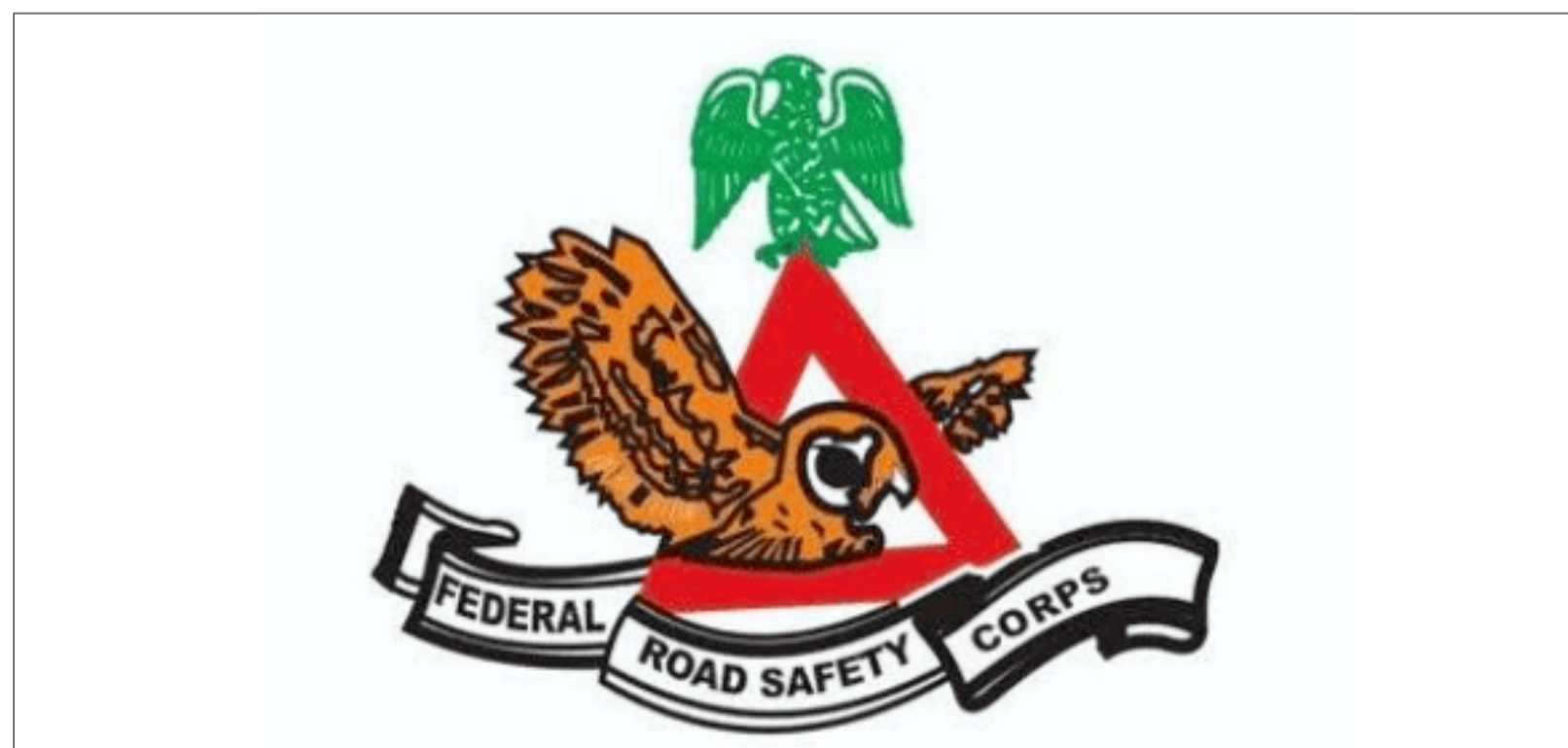
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The programme, launched by Corps Marshal Shehu Mohammed at the ICT Training Hall, FRSC Headquarters, Abuja, brings together Chief Route Commanders (CRCs) and Assistant Corps Commanders (ACCs) from formations nationwide, including Zone RS7 Abuja, RS7.1 FCT, RS7.2 Niger, and their component Unit Commands.

Represented at the opening ceremony by Deputy Corps Marshal (Training), Abiodun Akinlade, the Corps Marshal described the initiative as a critical component of the Corps' institutional transformation agenda.

"The modern road safety environment demands adaptive leadership, emotional intelligence, sound operational judgment, and enhanced



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public engagement skills," he said.

He stressed that officers in strategic leadership positions must evolve beyond conventional enforcement methods to meet contemporary traffic management challenges and public expectations.

"This training is designed to sharpen leadership capacity, improve operational coordination, strengthen

mentorship culture, and reinforce ethical standards among senior officers who serve as the vital bridge between policy implementation and field operations," Mohammed explained.

The Corps Marshal further emphasised that the initiative forms part of a sustained framework to institutionalize continuous learning and professional excellence across all cadres of the

Corps.

He commended the Training Department for conceptualising the programme and appreciated Ai-Protech Solutions for its collaboration and support.

At the end of the training, FRSC expects to produce a new generation of operational leaders equipped with the skills, mindset, and strategic orientation required to drive safer roads.

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Oborevori Approves Reconstruction Of Effurun Roundabout-NPA Road

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Delta State Governor, Sheriff Oborevori, has approved the reconstruction of the Effurun Roundabout to NPA Road, a critical transport corridor serving residents, businesses and industrial operators within the Warri and Effurun axis of the state.

The approval is part of the state government's broader infrastructure renewal programme under the MORE Agenda, which focuses on improving road networks, enhancing connectivity and driving economic growth across Delta State.

According to the government, the reconstruction project is expected to address long-standing transportation challenges experienced by commuters and motorists along the busy route, while also improving the movement of goods and services in the area.

The Effurun Roundabout-NPA Road corridor is regarded as one of the major economic routes in the state, linking

commercial centres, residential communities and industrial hubs. The road also plays a strategic role in supporting activities connected to the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA) and other port-related operations in the region.

Residents, traders, transport operators and business owners are expected to benefit from the improved road infrastructure through reduced travel time, easier accessibility and smoother traffic flow once the reconstruction is completed.

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Governor Oborevori

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The Association of Maritime Truck Owners (AMATO) has directed its members to strictly comply with the approved single-lane arrangement and avoid indiscriminate parking along the Lagos ports corridor ahead of the Presidential Enabling Business Environment Council (PEDEC) clean up exercise.

The association also directed truck drivers to remove all broken-down trucks obstructing the port access roads and ensure orderly conduct throughout the period of the operation.

The PEDEC is expected to commence a two-day clean-up and enforcement operation along the Lagos Port Corridor on May 14 and 15, 2026, aimed at addressing congestion and traffic bottlenecks around the Apapa and Tin Can Port access roads.

This follows the gradual return of trucks and traders along the Apapa

port corridor, as well as the various complaints of hardships truckers are currently enduring as a result of incessant extortion by unauthorised personnel and other exploitative practices perpetrated against truck operators within the port corridors.

In a statement signed by the Secretary General, AMATO, Mohammed Sani Bala, the group said the exercise is designed to tackle persistent challenges such as traffic congestion, extortion of truckers, indiscriminate dumping of refuse and unauthorised checkpoints.

Others issues to be addressed include, indiscriminate parking and other uncoordinated activities along the port corridors which continue to hinder cargo movement and increase logistics costs.

"Members are advised to cooperate fully with enforcement agencies in order to avoid sanctions and heavy penalties. To be forewarned is to be forearmed," the group stated.

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FRSC Issues Safety Alert, Urges Motorists To Adopt Defensive Driving

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The Federal Road Safety Corps has advised motorists to adopt stricter safety checks and defensive driving practices as the rainy season sets in across parts of the country.

The Corps Public Education Officer, Osondu Ohaeri, gave the advice in an interview with the News Agency of Nigeria on Monday in Abuja.

Ohaeri described the rainy season as a period that requires heightened caution from all road users, and urged vehicle owners to prioritise routine pre-trip inspections to ensure their vehicles are roadworthy.

"Before you leave your house in the morning, carry out what we call a regular morning vehicle check. Ensure the tyres are in good condition and roadworthy," he said.

The CPEO emphasised that tyres remain a critical safety component, noting that any defect could compromise vehicle stability and endanger passengers.

He urged motorists to also pay



Mohammed

attention to other key components such as brakes, headlamps, rear lights, and windscreen wipers, especially during night travel and rainfall.

"Beyond tyres, ensure the brakes, headlamps, rear lights and wipers are functional, particularly for night driving in the rain.

"Poor visibility and wet road surfaces

significantly increase the risk of crashes during the rainy season, making safety checks and driver alertness essential," he said.

Ohaeri further advised motorists to maintain strict discipline on the road and apply defensive driving techniques, particularly at bends, junctions and busy corridors.

According to him, safety is a shared

responsibility. Drivers must be conscious of other road users and apply defensive driving at all times.

He also urged drivers to maintain full concentration while driving under wet weather conditions, stressing that distractions and negligence often lead to avoidable crashes.

"This period, safety consciousness and absolute concentration are very important before you even leave your home.

"Proper vehicle maintenance and responsible driving behaviour remain key to ensuring safe journeys throughout the rainy season and beyond," he said.

Defensive driving is a way of driving that focuses on staying alert and taking safe actions to avoid accidents—even when other drivers make mistakes or road conditions are bad.

In simple terms, it means you don't just rely on obeying traffic rules; you also actively expect possible dangers and prepare for them.

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Panuel Expands Maritime, Shipping Operations Across Nigeria, Asia

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Panuel Group has expanded its operations in the maritime and logistics sector, strengthening its presence across Nigeria and parts of Asia through shipping, dredging, marine transportation, and infrastructure support services.

The company operates through several divisions involved in maritime logistics, cargo coordination, dredging operations, and marine support activities. Its services also cover shipping support systems, freight coordination, excavation services, and infrastructure-related projects in coastal regions.

Chief Executive Officer of the group, Paul C. Udeh, oversees the company's operations and affiliated businesses.

According to publicly available company information, the group developed its business through activities linked to cargo handling, marine transportation, shipping logistics, and industrial support services.

Industry materials associated with the

company indicate that its operations are concentrated in maritime services, dredging activities, and infrastructure support systems, particularly within coastal communities in Lagos State.

The company's shipping division, Panuel Shipping, is engaged in cargo logistics, freight coordination, marine transportation, and shipping-related services. Company documents also highlight logistics support operations connected to cargo movement and maritime coordination systems.

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The Presidential Enabling Business Environment Council, PEPEC, has announced plans to commence a two-day clean-up and enforcement exercise along the Lagos port corridors as part of efforts to improve trade facilitation and enhance efficiency at the nation's seaports.

The operation, scheduled for May 14 and 15, 2026, will be carried out through PEPEC's Ports and Customs Efficiency Committee, PCEC, and is aimed at restoring order within the Apapa and Tin Can port corridors, regarded as critical maritime and logistics hubs in the country.

In a statement issued by the Director General of PEPEC, Princess Zahrah Mustapha Audu, the council said the exercise forms part of the Federal Government's broader reforms targeted at creating a more transparent, efficient and investor-friendly business environment.

According to the statement, the enforcement operation will address longstanding challenges affecting the

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port access roads, including persistent traffic congestion, illegal checkpoints, indiscriminate parking of trucks, environmental degradation and other unregulated activities that have continued to hinder cargo movement and raise the cost of doing business.

PEPEC noted that the initiative is expected to improve traffic management and ease the movement of cargoes in and out of the ports, while reducing delays experienced by port users and businesses.

The council also said the exercise would enhance environmental sanitation and public order within the corridors through the removal of illegal structures and operational obstructions.

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Police Partner NURTW To Tackle Crime In Delta Transport Sector



Police partner NURTW in Delta Transport Sector

Delta State Commissioner of Police, Yemi Oyeniyi, on Monday held a strategic meeting with leaders of the National Union of Road Transport Workers and other transport stakeholders across the state as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen security collaboration and enhance crime prevention.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the meeting followed a directive from the Inspector-General of Police, Olatunji Disu, calling for the engagement of key stakeholders whose activities directly affect public safety and security.

A statement issued after the meeting and signed by the Police Public Relations Officer for

Delta State Command, SP Bright Edafe, said "those in attendance comprised representatives of Local Government Chairmen, officials of the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW), Road Transport Employers Association of Nigeria (RTEAN), Commercial Tricycle and Motorcycle Owners and Riders Association (COMTOA), Tipper Union, transport company operators, and other stakeholders in the transport sector".

Speaking at the engagement, the Commissioner of Police, Yemi Oyeniyi, "appreciated the support and partnership of the transport unions", noting that the Command had continued to record operational successes through intelligence gathering and stop-and-search operations across the state.

He added that "Area Commanders and Divisional Police Officers have also been directed to sustain similar engagements within their respective areas".

The Commissioner said "the meeting was convened to educate transport operators on emerging criminal tactics and to strengthen collaboration between the Police and transport stakeholders".

According to him, "criminal elements often exploit transport systems to move arms, illicit drugs, and ransom payments linked to kidnapping activities".

He urged transport operators and park managers to remain vigilant and avoid being used by criminal elements.

The CP stressed that "properly organised parks and effective passenger documentation, including accurate manifests containing passengers' phone numbers and addresses, would greatly assist security operations and crime prevention efforts".

He also warned against the activities of touts and individuals with criminal backgrounds within motor parks, while discouraging roadside pick-up of passengers outside designated parks, noting that such practices expose

commuters to attacks and hinder effective monitoring.

He further appealed to stakeholders to provide credible information to the police and ensure that illicit drugs and other criminal activities are not tolerated within parks and loading points.

The Commissioner added that the engagement would be sustained, saying continuous community collaboration would support ongoing efforts to reduce crime across the state. He assured stakeholders that police visibility would remain strong across Delta State through increased patrols on land and waterways.

Speaking at the meeting, the State Chairman of the NURTW, Francis Arhiyor, highlighted challenges associated with passengers refusing parcel searches and reluctance to provide proper details in manifest logs.

He called for increased public sensitisation through radio, television and social media on the importance of passenger identification and parcel checks.

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Commissioner for Transportation, Oluwaseun Osiyemi, disclosed this on Monday during the 2025 Ministerial Press Briefing held in Alausa to commemorate the second-term seventh anniversary of the administration of Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu.

Osiyemi revealed that the state recorded 737,340 traffic violations through its Automated Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera system within the review period, highlighting the government's increasing reliance on digital surveillance and intelligent traffic monitoring to curb traffic offences and improve compliance on Lagos roads.

According to him, the deployment of smart



Oluwaseun Osiyemi

transport systems has become a major component of the administration's long-term strategy aimed at building a safer, more efficient, and globally competitive transport network capable of meeting the demands of the rapidly growing megacity.

The commissioner further stated that the Lagos State Vehicle Inspection Service had strengthened enforcement of the "No Vehicle of 1,114,080 road-

Inspection, No Roadworthiness Certificate" policy through technology-enabled operations targeted at removing unroadworthy vehicles from the roads. He disclosed that a total of 1,114,080 road-

worthiness certificates were issued during the review period, reflecting increased compliance by motorists and vehicle owners with safety regulations.

Osiyemi also announced plans by the state government to introduce a Lagos State driver's licence as part of broader reforms designed to improve traffic administration, reduce delays in documentation processes, and enhance road safety.

He explained that the proposed Lagos-issued licence would operate alongside the existing federal driver's licence under a collaborative arrangement with relevant federal authorities.

According to the commissioner, motorists would have the option of obtaining either the federal driver's licence or the Lagos State driver's licence, noting that the initiative is intended to simplify access to licensing services and strengthen transport regulation in the state.

Osiyemi reaffirmed the commitment of the Sanwo-Olu administration to sustaining ongoing transportation reforms and introducing innovative measures to address the increasing mobility and traffic challenges facing Lagos.

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Airlines Mull New Strategies To Drive Business Sustainability



United Nigerian Airlines

Nigerian airlines are reviewing their business and operational strategies in response to rising aviation fuel costs and persistent economic pressures threatening the sustainability of flight operations across the country.

The development comes as the Federal Government intensifies efforts to position Nigeria as a stronger player in the global aerospace market, projected to exceed \$900 billion in value within the next few years.

Industry operators said the sharp increase in the price of Jet A1 aviation fuel has disrupted airline operations, forcing several carriers to cut flight frequencies, suspend routes, and explore cost-saving measures to remain

viable.

Among the airlines considering operational adjustments are Ibom Air, Air Peace and Rano Air.

Air Peace recently announced a reduction in its Abuja–London operations to three weekly flights, citing fuel supply challenges, while Rano Air said it may temporarily suspend some routes due to soaring operational costs linked to the Jet A1 crisis.

According to the airline, the increase in aviation fuel prices has rendered some routes commercially unsustainable, forcing a review of its network operations.

Industry stakeholders noted that airlines are now focusing on commercially viable routes, reducing operational costs, and restructuring flight schedules to survive the current market conditions.

The Federal Government, meanwhile, is pursuing strategic partnerships aimed at boosting Nigeria's participation in the

aerospace value chain.

Discussions are ongoing with major aircraft manufacturers, including Boeing, Airbus, Embraer and Bombardier, to support local airlines with improved aircraft acquisition arrangements.

As part of the initiative, the government signed a strategic partnership agreement with Airbus to facilitate aircraft access, training, sustainable aviation fuel development, and technical cooperation.

The Federal Executive Council also approved the establishment of a national aircraft leasing company designed to provide domestic airlines with more accessible leasing options under a private-sector-led Special Purpose Vehicle framework. Minister of Aviation and Aerospace Development, Festus Keyamo, said the government is implementing reforms aimed at repositioning Nigeria's aviation industry along a sustainable and globally competitive

path.

He stated that the administration is focusing on aviation infrastructure, workforce development, aircraft acquisition support, and stronger international partnerships to modernise the sector.

During a recent visit to France, Keyamo led a delegation comprising officials of the Ministry of Aviation, the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority, and private sector stakeholders to engage Airbus executives on aircraft acquisition opportunities and capacity development.

The delegation toured Airbus assembly facilities in Toulouse and Marseille, where discussions centred on investment opportunities, training partnerships, and aircraft financing options for Nigerian airlines.

The minister also secured commitments to support Nigerian institutions through student exchange programmes and technical partnerships.

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Singapore Airlines Expands Munich Operations With Three Additional Weekly Flights

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Singapore Airlines will increase its flight operations between Munich Airport and Singapore Changi Airport from the start of the 2026 winter schedule in late October, adding three more weekly services to the German hub.

The airline said the expansion will raise its Munich frequency from seven to 10 weekly flights, introducing new evening departures on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The additional flights are expected to provide passengers with more overnight travel options between Germany and Asia.

Under the revised schedule, the new evening service will depart Munich at 8:30 p.m. local time and arrive in Singapore at 3:15 p.m. the following day. The airline's existing daily midday service from Munich will



continue alongside the new flights.

Singapore Airlines noted that the increased operations are part of its joint venture partnership with Lufthansa Group.

Together, both carriers will offer 17 weekly services between Munich and Singapore. Including flights from Frankfurt, Singapore Airlines will operate a

total of 24 weekly flights connecting Germany directly to Singapore.

The carrier said the additional evening departures are designed to improve onward

connections through Singapore to destinations across Asia and the Pacific, including Bangkok, Bali, Jakarta, Ho Chi Minh City, and several cities in Australia

and New Zealand.

Senior Vice President Aviation at Munich Airport, Oliver Dersch, described the move as a stronger commitment by Singapore Airlines to Munich as a premium aviation hub, adding that passengers would benefit from greater flexibility and improved connections to Asia-Pacific destinations.

Also commenting, Alastair Haycampbell, General Manager of Singapore Airlines for Germany, Austria and Switzerland, said the new schedule would strengthen the airline's presence in the German market while providing customers with more travel choices.

The expansion further reinforces Singapore Airlines' long-haul network strategy in Europe and reflects sustained demand for premium travel services between Central Europe and Asia.

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Georgia is launching a large-scale overhaul of its railway system aimed at boosting capacity, efficiency, and regional connectivity, Economy Minister Mariam Kvrivishvili has said.

"We are embarking on a historic renewal of Georgian Railways –

a process that will fundamentally transform the company," Kvrivishvili said during a presentation of the reform plan.

The strategy focuses on three key directions: infrastructure development, strengthening freight transport, and

Georgia Launches Railway Modernisation Plan - Kvrivishvili

modernizing passenger services, combining operational and infrastructure upgrades into a single system.

The minister said the company's financial performance has improved, with an optimization effect exceeding ₾230 million over the past year and net profit rising to 30%. Operating profit margins increased from 25% to 36%.

Rail capacity has also expanded, with throughput on the main line up 30% and transit time across the country reduced by 20%.

Kvrivishvili said Georgia plans to purchase 50 new locomotives and 1,500 wagons, with more than ₾1 billion in investment. The upgrades are expected to cut transit time from 24 hours to 12 hours and double overall transport capacity.

Passenger services are also set for expansion, with new trains planned to increase ridership and improve travel speed and comfort.

Major infrastructure works are underway. Rehabilitation of the Tbilisi-Batumi railway and Tbilisi-Akhaltshikhe railway lines is expected to be completed by August 2026, reducing travel

time to Batumi to around four hours and halving journey times to Akhaltshikhe.

The historic Borjomi-Bakuriani railway line is also set for rehabilitation, with completion planned for winter 2027.

Kvrivishvili linked the railway upgrades to broader regional connectivity plans, including the Anaklia deep-sea port project, which she describes as a key component of Georgia's logistics network. Construction of connecting road and rail infrastructure is expected to begin soon.

She added that growing global demand for alternative trade routes has increased the importance of the Middle Corridor, positioning Georgia as a key transit partner between Europe and Asia.

The minister said modernization of major railway stations across the country is already underway, aimed at aligning infrastructure with modern standards and passenger needs.

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NEMSA, NDPHC Partner To Raise Nigeria's Power Infrastructure Standards

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The Nigeria Electricity Management Services Agency (NEMSA) and the Niger Delta Power Holding Company (NDPHC) have reaffirmed their commitment to closer collaboration aimed at ensuring that materials, equipment, and engineering installations deployed across Nigeria's electricity value chain comply with global standards and international best practices.

The renewed commitment was made during a courtesy visit by the Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of NEMSA and Chief Electrical Inspector of the Federation, Olusegun Adesayo, to the Managing Director/CEO of NDPHC, Jennifer Adighije, at the company's headquarters in Abuja.

Speaking during the meeting, Adighije stressed the urgent need for durable, safe, and standard-compliant infrastructure as Nigeria continues to grapple with persistent electricity challenges and a widening infrastructure deficit.

She described NDPHC as a strategic institution within the power sector because of its broad mandate covering electricity generation, transmission, and



Nigeria Electricity grid

distribution. According to her, the company remains one of the largest public-sector investors in Nigeria's power infrastructure, with major investments in transformers, substations, transmission lines, switchyards, and line bay extensions across the country.

Adighije noted that these installations are critical national assets that must meet stringent technical and safety standards to

ensure efficiency, reliability, and long-term sustainability. According to her, "NEMSA's regulatory oversight and inspection responsibilities are critical to ensuring quality assurance, operational safety, and technical compliance throughout the electricity industry," she said.

She explained that every new project introduced into the power sector must not only align with international best practices but must also

be designed and executed to withstand the test of time. "NEMSA's regulatory oversight and inspection responsibilities are critical to ensuring quality assurance, operational safety, and technical compliance throughout the electricity industry," she said.

The NDPHC boss further emphasised that the relationship between both institutions extends beyond routine regulation.

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JAMB Releases Cut-Off Mark For University Admissions

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The decision was announced on Monday during JAMB's annual Policy Meeting on Admissions held in Abuja, where key stakeholders in the education sector gathered to deliberate on admission guidelines for tertiary institutions across the country. According to the board, the benchmark was adopted following a vote by vice-chancellors present at the meeting.

The cut-off mark means candidates seeking admission into Nigerian universities through the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) must score at least 150 to qualify for consideration by institutions.

JAMB's policy meeting is convened annually to determine admission procedures, minimum entry requirements and other guidelines for universities, polytechnics and colleges of education.

Although 150 remains the national minimum benchmark approved by stakeholders, universities are expected to retain the discretion to set higher cut-off marks for competitive courses such as Medicine, Law, Pharmacy and Engineering.

The retention of the benchmark comes amid ongoing discussions within the education sector over admission standards, access to tertiary education and the quality of candidates seeking university placement.

Education stakeholders at the meeting stressed the need to balance wider access to higher education with the maintenance of academic standards in Nigerian universities.

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EU Backs Tinubu's Agenda, Urges Impact On Nigerians



President Bola Tinubu

Culled:
The diplomatic community in the country has thrown its weight behind President Bola Ahmed Tinubu's "Renewed Hope Agenda," describing it as a strategic blueprint for tackling Nigeria's economic and

security hurdles.

They however stressed the need for all the reforms to quickly translate into "tangible improvements" for the average citizen.

The endorsement came during an interactive session in Abuja, chaired by the Governor of Imo State and

Chairman of the Progressive Governors' Forum (PGF), Senator Hope Uzodimma.

The forum served as a strategic bridge between the Federal Government's policy direction and the diplomatic corps' expectations for subnational implementation.

Speaking on behalf of the European Union, the EU Ambassador to Nigeria and ECOWAS, Gautier Mignot, lauded the agenda's focus on inclusive growth.

"The Renewed Hope Agenda aligns with the aspirations of Nigeria's international partners and reflects a people-oriented governance approach capable of driving inclusive growth and democratic consolidation," Mignot stated.

While expressing optimism, the Ambassador was clear that the success of the policy would be measured by its impact on the ground. He urged the government to ensure that reforms lead to visible changes in job creation, social welfare, and economic stability.

"We see Nigeria as a country of opportunity," Mignot added, while stressing that the diplomatic community is keeping a close watch on the country's democratic trajectory and upcoming elections to ensure transparency and inclusiveness.

A central theme of the engagement was the critical role of state governors in actualizing the President's vision.

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Famadewa

Tinubu Appoints Famadewa As Special Adviser On Homeland Security

Culled: President Bola Tinubu has approved the appointment of Major General Adeyinka A. Famadewa (Rtd) as Special Adviser on Homeland Security.

Famadewa's appointment was announced on Monday in a statement electronically signed by Chris Ugwuegbulam, Head, Information & Public Relations in the Office of the Secretary to the Government of the Federation.

Ugwuegbulam explained that his appointment is in recognition of his exceptional record of service, strategic expertise, and outstanding

contributions to Nigeria's national security architecture.

"In a circular signed by the Secretary to the Government of the Federation, Sen. George Akume, which was issued by the Permanent Secretary General Services Office, Dr. Ibrahim Abubakar Kana, the appointment underscores the commitment of the administration of Bola Ahmed Tinubu to strengthening internal security coordination, enhancing intelligence-driven operations, and deepening inter-agency collaboration in addressing emerging security threats across the country," the statement read.

Major General Famadewa(Rtd) is a highly decorated retired General with over three decades of distinguished military and intelligence service spanning national security strategy, intelligence fusion, counter-terrorism operations, and international security diplomacy.

His career reflects a rare blend of operational excellence, strategic foresight, and institutional leadership in safeguarding Nigeria's territorial integrity and national interests.

As Principal General Staff Officer to the National Security Adviser at the

Office of the National Security Adviser (ONSA) from 2015 to 2021, he played a pivotal role in shaping Nigeria's modern intelligence coordination framework.

He spearheaded the establishment of the Intelligence Fusion Centre (IFC) at ONSA, creating an integrated multi-agency intelligence platform that brought together the Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA), National Intelligence Agency (NIA), Department of State Services (DSS), the Nigeria Police Force, and the Armed Forces to improve national threat assessment and strategic response coordination.

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FG Flags-Off Cooperative Bank Share Capital Mobilisation

The Federal Government has flagged-off the South-West Zonal Engagement of the Ministerial Advocacy Tour on the Cooperative Bank of Nigeria Share Capital Mobilisation and the Cooperative Sector Digitalisation Drive.

Dr. Aliyu Sabi Abdullahi, Minister of State for Agriculture and Food Security who flagged-off the engagement in Lagos on Monday, said it was aimed at repositioning the cooperative sector as

a major driver of inclusive economic growth, financial inclusion, enterprise development, food security, job creation, and poverty reduction in line with President Bola Ahmed Tinubu's Renewed Hope Agenda and the national aspiration of building a One-Trillion-Dollar Economy.

Abdullahi, who is also the Supervising Minister of Cooperative Affairs, said the event marked the formal commencement of two major

initiatives under the _Renewed Hope Cooperative Reform and Revamp Programme (RH-CRRP) 2025-2030, as approved at the 8th Regular Meeting of the National Council on Cooperative Affairs (NCCA) in March 2026.

He said: "Commencing this tour in the South-West is a symbolic return to the roots of the cooperative movement in Nigeria.

"This is where it all began in 1937 with

Gbedun Cooperative, and it is fitting that we relaunch our reform agenda here,".

He revealed that the kick-off of nationwide sensitisation for the establishment of the Cooperative Bank of Nigeria, designed to provide accessible and affordable financial services to cooperators, farmers, artisans, traders, SMEs, youth, women, and Persons with Special Need.

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