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The Nigerian Air Force (NAF), through its 107 Air Maritime Group (107 AMG), has conducted a fire emergency drill at Benin Airport, Edo State, to strengthen preparedness and improve emergency response.

The exercise, held on Friday, August 28, was organised in collaboration with the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) as part of efforts to enhance airport safety and protect passengers, personnel and critical infrastructure.

The NAF disclosed this in a statement on its official X handle on Sunday, explaining that the Third Quarter Fire Emergency Drill Rehearsal was designed to assess the readiness of relevant agencies to respond swiftly and effectively to fire emergencies.

The simulated emergency tested several response procedures, including emergency communication, passenger evacuation, firefighting operations and post-incident assessment.

According to the Air Force, the exercise also provided an opportunity to strengthen coordination and interoperability between the 107 AMG and FAAN while identifying areas requiring improvement in emergency response procedures.

The NAF stressed that regular emergency preparedness exercises were essential to ensuring that trained personnel could respond with speed, coordination and professionalism whenever lives were at risk.

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Ogbuku said the directive followed an inspection of the Benin-Agbor and Benin-Warri corridors by the Minister of Works, David Umahi, amid growing concerns over the deteriorating condition of the major road.

"We are here because Mr President gave a directive to the NDDC to work on the road," Ogbuku said.

He explained that the commission had obtained the project design from the Ministry of Works and was preparing to commence the reconstruction.

The NDDC boss also apologised to residents and motorists affected by the poor condition of the road, assuring them that the commission would take steps to address the situation.

Two contractors are expected to handle the reconstruction project.

The Delta representative on the NDDC board, Monday Igbuya, said the deplorable state of the road had effectively isolated Sapele from Warri and other parts of the state.

Igbuya also appealed to the commission to extend its intervention to other failed roads in the area, including the Eku Road, which he said had made movement difficult for residents and students.

The development comes days after Umahi issued a 14-day ultimatum to the China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) to repair severely damaged portions of the Benin-Asaba Highway.

During an inspection of the road, the minister ordered the contractor to urgently restore damaged sections around Ubulu-Okiti and Onicha-Ugbo.

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A queue at an Abuja filling station

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The development comes despite a recent decline in international crude oil prices, with crude reportedly falling from about $92 per barrel to $87.31 per barrel.

The Dangote Refinery increased its gantry price from N1,165 per litre to N1,185, before further adjustments to N1,200 and N1,265 within the past week. The latest increase represents a N65 rise from the previous price of N1,200 per litre.

Checks in Abuja on Sunday showed that several filling stations had reviewed their pump prices upward, leaving motorists to pay more for petrol.

AY Shafa, for instance, increased its price from N1,250 to N1,270 per litre, while Optima raised its pump price from N1,260 to N1,300 per litre.

The Nigerian National Petroleum Company Limited (NNPC) also adjusted its pump price from N1,250 to N1,270 per litre.

The development has raised concerns over the impact of rising fuel prices on households and businesses.

An economist, Samson Ogunjimi, described the situation as a growing financial burden on Nigerians, saying many people were struggling to cope with the wider economic consequences of higher petrol prices.

Ogunjimi urged the Federal Government to urgently take steps to stabilise fuel prices and reduce the pressure on citizens.

Similarly, the National Publicity Secretary of the Independent Petroleum Marketers Association of Nigeria (IPMAN), Chinedu Ukadike, said the latest pump price adjustments were a response to successive changes in the Dangote Refinery's prices.

According to him, petroleum marketers cannot continue to sell below the replacement cost of the product.

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27 Motorists Prosecuted For Traffic Offences In Jigawa

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The Jigawa State Police Command has prosecuted 27 motorists arrested for allegedly violating various traffic regulations across the state.

The motorists were apprehended during the ongoing Operation Velvet, an enforcement initiative aimed at improving road safety and ensuring compliance with traffic laws.

The Police Public Relations Officer, SP Shiisu Lawan Adam, disclosed this in a statement issued to journalists on Sunday.

According to him, the offences committed by the motorists included overloading, driving without valid licences and using unauthorised tinted permits, among other violations.

He said the vehicles involved were impounded in accordance with the law, while the suspects were subsequently arraigned before the appropriate courts.

The Commissioner of Police in Jigawa State, CP Tijjani Murtala, said the enforcement operation was not targeted at any individual or group but was designed to promote discipline among motorists and protect lives and property.

Murtala urged motorists to always carry valid driver's licences, avoid overloading and ensure that their vehicles meet registration and roadworthiness requirements.

He also cautioned motorists against using unauthorised tinted permits, stressing that all road users must operate within the provisions of the law.

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Dangote Refinery Moves To Restrict Fuel Sales To Importing Marketers

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The Dangote Petroleum Refinery and Petrochemicals is considering restricting the sale of Premium Motor Spirit (PMS) to major petroleum marketers that continue to import petrol into Nigeria.

The proposed move, which could take effect as early as this week, is subject to further consultations and possible intervention by relevant stakeholders.

The refinery's position is reportedly driven by concerns over product quality, market transparency and the integrity of petroleum products sold under the Dangote brand.

Sources familiar with the matter said the refinery was particularly concerned that some marketers may be blending imported PMS of questionable quality with products purchased from Dangote Refinery before distributing them to consumers.

According to the sources, such practices could make it difficult to distinguish between products supplied directly by the refinery and those subsequently blended or handled by third parties.

The refinery also expressed concern over the adequacy of quality-control infrastructure for imported petroleum products, including the capacity of regulators to independently verify and certify the specifications of petrol entering the Nigerian market.

The development comes as Nigeria's downstream petroleum sector continues to shift from heavy reliance on imported refined products towards increased domestic production.

With a refining capacity of 700,000 barrels per day, Dangote Refinery has become a major supplier of refined petroleum products to the Nigerian and international markets.

The United States Energy Information Administration recently identified the refinery as a major contributor to the increase in Nigeria's seaborne petroleum product exports.

Nigeria's seaborne petroleum product shipments averaged 561,000 barrels per day in the second quarter of 2026,

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Umahi gave the directive during an inspection of the ongoing project at the weekend, assuring residents and other stakeholders that the government remained committed to completing the strategic highway while limiting its impact on host communities.

The minister said Section One of the project covers about 123 kilometres from the Ebonyi axis to the Ebonyi-Benue boundary, while Section Two spans approximately 173.4 kilometres through parts of Benue, Enugu and Kogi states, terminating at the Benue River and Nasarawa boundary.

According to him, the two sections have a combined length of about 300 kilometres and are designed for a speed of 100 kilometres per hour.

Umahi said the completed highway would significantly reduce travel time and

Senator Umahi

improve connectivity across the South-East, North-Central and South-South regions.

He added that the project would strengthen agricultural supply chains, facilitate trade and expand commercial activities across communities along the corridor.

The minister also highlighted the security benefits of the project, noting that improved road connectivity would enhance the movement of security personnel and link communities that were previously difficult to access.

Umahi disclosed that Section One, which is currently being constructed as a single carriageway, would eventually be upgraded to a dual carriageway and integrated with other legacy infrastructure projects of the Tinubu administration.

He further said an approximately 8.9-kilometre bypass around Afikpo towards the Timbershed area would also be dualised under the broader intervention.

Expressing satisfaction with the commitment of the contractor handling Section Two, the minister said the Federal Government remained determined to complete the project despite financial constraints arising from the volume of road infrastructure projects being executed nationwide.

The Project Manager of Section Two, Rabih Munayer, said the contractor was complying with the minister's directive to minimise property damage and avoid unnecessary demolition along the alignment.

Munayer said the 173.4-kilometre section remained subject to adjustments as the ongoing design review progressed.

He added that the contractor would deploy additional pipes and temporary measures, particularly during the rainy season, to maintain trafficability and ensure construction activities continued without unnecessarily disrupting communities.

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Zagah-Suntai Road Collapse Cuts Off Taraba Communities

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Several communities in Bali Local Government Area of Taraba State have been cut off following the collapse of a section of the Zagah–Suntai road.

The road, which links rural communities with other parts of the state, became impassable after a portion that had shown signs of deterioration finally gave way.

The collapse has disrupted the movement of residents and goods, with locals reporting difficulties accessing essential services such as healthcare, education and markets.

Community leaders had reportedly appealed to the Taraba State Government about three weeks ago to intervene after the road began showing signs of failure.

However, with the affected section now completely impassable, residents have renewed their calls for urgent government intervention to restore access and ease the hardship caused by the collapse.

The development has also highlighted the challenges posed by deteriorating road infrastructure in rural parts of Taraba State, where communities rely heavily on limited road networks for transportation, trade and access to public services.

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The collapsed Zagah-Suntai road

NRC, NSCDC Foil Vandalism Attempt In Osogbo

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The Nigerian Railway Corporation, in collaboration with the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps, has foiled an attempt to vandalise railway infrastructure at a siding serving the Dangote Steel Rolling Mills in Osogbo, Osun State.

The incident occurred at a railway siding formerly used by the Osogbo Steel Rolling Mills, which is currently non-operational.

The NRC said its Principal Track Officer in Osogbo received a report on Friday, August 28, 2026, about the ongoing vandalisation of railway track materials at the location.

Acting on the report, the officer proceeded to the site alongside security personnel, including operatives of the NSCDC Railway Command.

According to the corporation, the suspected vandals fled after sighting the security team.

A subsequent search of the area led to the recovery of nine oxygen gas cylinders allegedly being used by the suspects to cut and remove railway materials.

The NRC said the recovered materials and the surrounding area had since been secured by security personnel.

Reacting to the development, the NRC Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Dr Kayode Opeifa, commended the security operatives for their vigilance and prompt intervention.

Opeifa described the operation as another significant success in the corporation's ongoing efforts to protect railway infrastructure from vandalism and activities capable of undermining the nation's economy.

He directed security personnel to intensify surveillance and enforcement at the Dangote Steel Rolling Mills siding and other railway corridors across the country.

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Oyetola: Maritime Agencies' Revenue Rises 160% To 1.83trn

Oyetola

The Minister of Marine and Blue Economy, Adegboyega Oyetola, has said ongoing reforms in Nigeria's maritime sector have driven revenue generated by agencies under the ministry to a record ₦1.83 trillion in 2025.

Oyetola disclosed this while presenting the ministry's three-year scorecard, highlighting key reforms and interventions implemented since the establishment of the Federal Ministry of Marine and Blue Economy in August 2023.

According to him, the 2025 revenue represents a 160 per cent increase from the ₦700.79 billion generated by the agencies in 2023.

He attributed the growth to regulatory reforms, improved revenue assurance, digitisation and measures introduced to block financial leakages across the maritime sector.

Oyetola said the reforms had delivered improvements in port infrastructure, maritime security, regulation, indigenous shipping, human-capital development, fisheries and inland-waterway safety.

He said the Federal Government was leveraging Nigeria's 853-kilometre coastline and extensive inland waterways to make the marine and blue economy a major driver of revenue, trade, investment, security and employment.

The minister identified the approval of Nigeria's first National Policy on Marine and Blue Economy in May 2025 as one of the major achievements of the administration.

He explained that the policy provided a unified framework for shipping, fisheries, offshore energy, marine biotechnology and other emerging opportunities, while creating greater certainty for private-sector investment.

On port development, Oyetola said modernisation projects were ongoing at Apapa, Tin Can Island, Onne, Rivers, Calabar and Warri ports.

He said the projects covered channel improvements, modern cargo-handling infrastructure and increased digitisation of terminal operations to improve efficiency and boost the capacity of Nigerian ports to handle international trade.

The minister added that the World Bank and S&P Global Market Intelligence had ranked Tin Can Island Port 10th and Lagos Port Complex, Apapa, 12th among the world's 20 most improved container ports between 2020 and 2025.

He said measures such as the electronic truck call-up system, dedicated holding bays and expanded inland barging had also helped reduce congestion around the Apapa port environment.

According to him, the Nigerian Ports Authority's acquisition of modern tugboats, pilot cutters and dredging equipment had further strengthened port operations.

Oyetola said the government was also pursuing additional deep-seaport projects in Akwa Ibom, Cross River, Bayelsa, Ondo, Lagos and Rivers states.

He disclosed that the operationalisation of inland dry ports, including the Funtua Inland Dry Port in Katsina State, was aimed at bringing cargo-handling and clearance services closer to businesses in the hinterland while reducing pressure on coastal ports.

The minister said regulatory reforms had also saved port users more than ₦86 billion in unjustified demurrage, while nearly 300 commercial disputes had been resolved through Alternative Dispute Resolution.

He said the government had introduced measures to eliminate unauthorised shipping charges and strengthen freight and foreign-exchange verification to reduce leakages and curb capital flight.

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ARTMA Relocates Bus Stop, Ease Traffic Gridlock At Regina Junction

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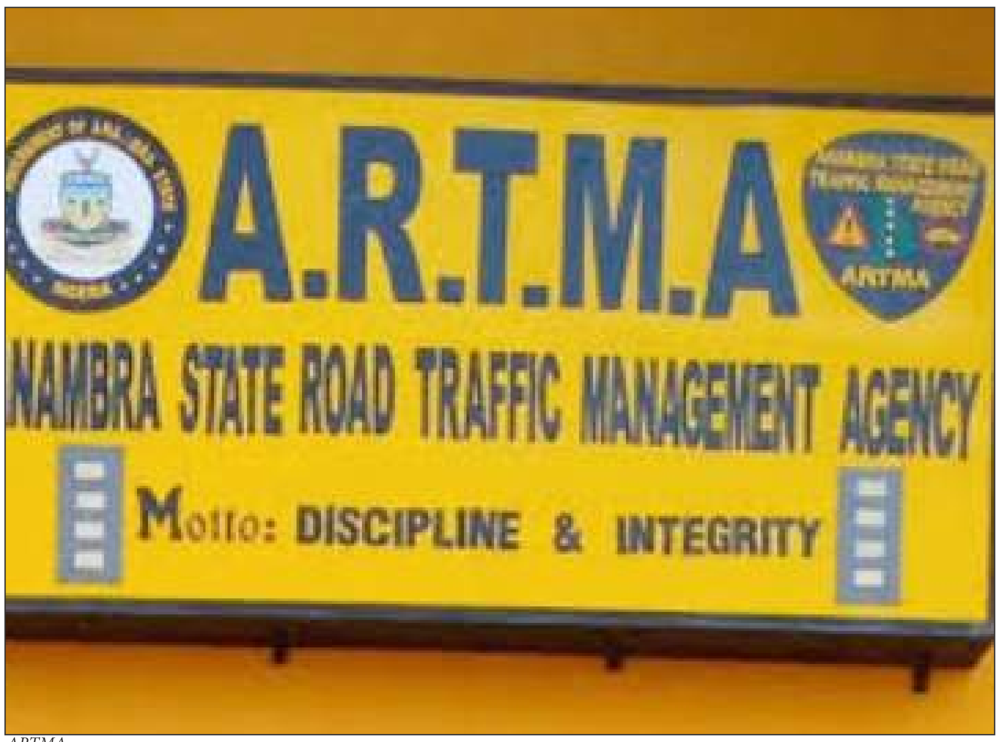
The Anambra State Road Traffic Management Agency (ARTMA) has introduced new traffic measures to end persistent congestion and reduce accidents at Regina Junction in Awka, the state capital.

Regina Junction, located along the Enugu–Onitsha Federal Highway, has for years experienced heavy traffic involving pedestrians, commercial buses, tricycle operators and other road users.

The situation was worsened by commercial vehicles that routinely stopped, waited, loaded and offloaded passengers indiscriminately around the junction, creating congestion and contributing to road crashes, some of which resulted in fatalities.



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The Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of ARTMA, Hon. Engr. Okonkwo Emeka Konti, said the state government was determined to end the situation because of the danger it posed to motorists, passengers and other road users.

Konti announced that commercial vehicles were now prohibited from stopping, waiting, loading or offloading passengers around Regina Junction on the Awka–Enugu lane.

According to him, the designated stopping point has been relocated about 100 metres from the junction, immediately after Access Bank.

He explained that commercial buses had previously formed multiple queues around the junction, making it difficult and dangerous for motorists approaching from intersecting roads to safely access the expressway.

He added that the congestion often forced motorists to enter the expressway through the speed lane instead of the service lane, increasing the risk of serious accidents.

ARTMA appealed to passengers to cooperate with the new arrangement by walking the short distance to the designated bus stop to board commercial vehicles.

The agency said it was also working with relevant ministries and agencies towards establishing a permanent bus terminal along the route.

ARTMA further urged motorists to obey road markings, stressing that the markings serve as important safety guides that indicate where road users should drive, stop and appropriately share the road.

The agency said strict compliance with road markings would reduce confusion, prevent crashes and contribute to safer roads for all users.

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172 Host Communities Trust Incorporated Under PIA - NUPRC

Eyesan

The Nigerian Upstream Petroleum Regulatory Commission (NUPRC) has disclosed that 172 Host Communities Development Trusts (HCDTs) have been incorporated by oil and gas companies operating across Nigeria.

The NUPRC Chief Executive, Oritsemeyiwa Eyesan, disclosed this while addressing the leadership of the Revenue Mobilisation Allocation and Fiscal Commission (RMAFC) in Abuja.

Eyesan said the Commission had continued to enforce the provisions of the Petroleum Industry Act (PIA), particularly those relating to host communities and the obligations of oil and gas companies operating in the country.

Under the PIA, oil and gas companies, known as settlors, are required to contribute three per cent of their operating expenditure from the preceding financial year to a Host Communities Trust Fund for the development and benefit of their host communities.

According to Eyesan, the NUPRC has established regulations and procedures to streamline the incorporation and management of the trusts.

“So far, we have registered 172 HCDTs and we have been able to manage contributions by settlors,” she said.

She explained that the trusts had financed the construction of schools, hospitals and other community infrastructure, while also helping to promote peace and stability in communities that had previously experienced conflicts.

Eyesan noted that the improved stability had contributed to increased oil production in some areas.

She, however, disclosed that some HCDTs were facing litigation over disagreements concerning the composition of their Boards of Trustees.

The NUPRC boss said the Commission was working to resolve the disputes and ensure that the trusts operate effectively, adding that its Alternative Dispute Resolution Centre had played an important role in addressing some of the grievances.

She also clarified that while the RMAFC's interest in host communities was appreciated, oversight of the management of HCDT funds remained under the exclusive responsibility of the NUPRC.

Eyesan further pledged to investigate the lingering dispute between Sterling Oil Exploration and Energy Production Company (SEEPCO) and its host community in Anambra State.

Responding, the RMAFC Chairman, Dr Mohammed Bello Shehu, commended the NUPRC for implementing reforms in the upstream oil and gas sector, which he said had contributed to growth in oil production.

Shehu said the Commission considered the upstream oil and gas sector crucial to the Nigerian economy because of its significant contribution to revenue accruing to the Federation Account.

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