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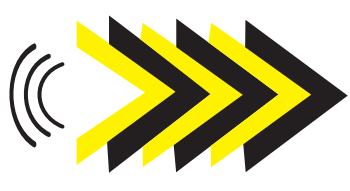
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Ondo Restricts Okada, Tricycle Operations Around Government House

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The Ondo State Government has imposed fresh restrictions on the operations of commercial motorcycles and tricycles around the Government House axis in Alagbaka, Akure, as part of measures to strengthen security and improve traffic management in the state capital.

The Special Adviser to the Governor on Transportation, Muyiwa Ogunyemi, disclosed this on Tuesday while speaking with journalists in Akure.

Ogunyemi said commercial motorcycle operators, popularly known as Okada riders, would no longer be allowed to operate freely around the Government House area, stressing that designated routes had been mapped out to regulate their movement.

He explained that Okada operators approaching the Government House axis would only be permitted to proceed towards the Police Officers' Mess, while the route through First Bank in Alagbaka would terminate around the

Teaching Service Commission area.

The government also directed commercial motorcycle and tricycle operators around the Post Office area to relocate, saying the move was aimed at decongesting major roads and restoring order to traffic flow.

Ogunyemi warned that the government would no longer tolerate the use of roads, bus stops and other public spaces for trading, workshops or other unauthorised business activities.

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Governor Aiyedatiwa

Container Truck Rams Into Six Vehicles On Lagos-Ibadan Expressway

*Culled*  
A 40-foot container truck has crashed into six vehicles at Kara Bridge, inward OPIC, along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, with the Lagos State Emergency Management Agency (LASEMA) confirming that no life was lost and no injury was recorded.

The accident occurred in the early hours of Tuesday after the container truck, which had no registration number, reportedly developed a mechanical fault while in motion and subsequently lost control before colliding with the other vehicles.

According to LASEMA, its LRT Tiger Squad stationed at C3 was alerted to the incident through a distress call and was dispatched to the scene at about 6:05am.

The agency, in a statement issued by its Permanent Secretary, Dr Olufemi Damilola Oke-Osanyintolu, said the emergency team arrived within the projected response time and immediately activated its incident

management protocol to coordinate the rescue and recovery operation.

LASEMA said a total of seven vehicles were involved in the crash. They included the container truck, a white Toyota Hilux with registration number BDG-422XY, a white interstate bus marked GBY 784XY, a Hyundai Odyssey with registration number AAA 48BP, a Sienna without a registration number, a Toyota Highlander marked EKY 491HB and a Mitsubishi Hilux with registration number JJJ 977JT.

The agency said its personnel worked alongside officials of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA) and the Nigeria Police Force to manage traffic around the accident scene and prevent further incidents.

“With the support of private towing trucks, coordinated recovery operations were carried out and all affected vehicles were successfully evacuated from the carriageway to the roadside,” LASEMA said.

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FG Unveils Port Modernisation Plan To Boost Nigeria’s Maritime Competitiveness

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The Federal Government has unveiled a comprehensive plan to modernise Nigeria's seaports as part of efforts to strengthen the country's position as a major maritime hub in West and Central Africa.

The Minister of Marine and Blue Economy, Adegboyega Oyetola, disclosed this while outlining the government's strategy to upgrade critical infrastructure at Apapa, Tin Can Island and other ports across the country.

Oyetola, who was represented by the General Manager, Corporate and Strategic Communications of the Nigerian Ports Authority, Seyi Iyawe, said the modernisation programme had received government approval and was designed to improve port efficiency, accommodate larger vessels and reduce cargo handling costs.

According to him, the objective is to develop ports capable of moving cargo more efficiently, reducing vessel turnaround time and lowering the cost of



Maritime reporters

doing business for operators and importers.

“Our objective is to create ports that can move cargo, accommodate larger vessels, reduce turnaround time and lower the cost per unit of cargo handled,” he said.

The minister also stressed the need to expand Nigeria's deep-sea port capacity, noting that the country could no longer rely solely on its traditional ports to meet the demands of growing international trade.

He said the government was investing in modern marine equipment, including tugboats, mooring boats and pilot boats, to enhance vessel movement, safety and operational efficiency within Nigerian waters.

Oyetola further identified improved

maritime security as a key component of the government's strategy to attract more international trade and investment.

He said Nigeria had recorded four consecutive years without piracy incidents in its territorial waters, adding that improved security and regulatory compliance had helped restore confidence in the country's maritime sector.

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## FRSC Begins Three-Day Special Patrol On Abuja-Kaduna Highway

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The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) has commenced a three-day special patrol operation along the Abuja-Kaduna highway as part of efforts to curb traffic violations and reduce road crashes on the busy corridor.

The operation, code-named “Operation Whirlwind,” began on Monday, September 14, and is scheduled to end on September 17, with enforcement activities commencing daily from 6am.

The Kaduna Sector Command said the exercise would focus on major traffic offences identified as contributing to road crashes and fatalities, including excessive speeding, overloading and route violations.

The FRSC Staff Officer, Public Education, Kaduna Sector Command, Route Commander Usman Garba, disclosed this in a statement issued in Kaduna.

According to him, the special patrol was initiated in response to persistent traffic violations along the Abuja-Kaduna route and is aimed at ensuring greater

compliance with road safety regulations among motorists.

Garba said the operation involved personnel from the FRSC Kaduna Sector Command, Kakau Unit Command, the Nigeria Police Force and the Nigerian Army.

He added that enforcement officers would strictly enforce existing traffic regulations throughout the exercise, while a mobile court would also be deployed to facilitate the swift prosecution of motorists found violating the law.

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FRSC officials

## Delta Police Launch Operation Velvet After Over 50 Die In Road Crashes

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More than 50 people have reportedly died in road crashes and other preventable incidents across Delta State between July and the second week of September 2026.

The development has prompted the Delta State Police Command to launch a statewide enforcement operation, code-named Operation Velvet, to tackle reckless driving and other traffic violations.

The operation, which commenced on Tuesday, will focus on motorists who drive against traffic, popularly known as one-way, operate unregistered vehicles or violate other road safety regulations on highways and major roads across the state.

The command's spokesperson, SP Bright Edafe, disclosed this on Monday, expressing concern over the rising number of fatalities recorded within the period.

Edafe said several of the deaths were linked to road traffic crashes and other preventable or induced incidents,

stressing that greater caution and compliance with traffic regulations by motorists and other road users could have prevented some of the fatalities.

He warned motorists against driving against traffic, saying anyone caught committing the offence would be arrested and prosecuted.

According to him, the enforcement operation is not aimed at inconveniencing law-abiding motorists but at protecting lives and restoring discipline on the state's roads.

The police spokesperson also directed vehicle owners and operators to ensure that their vehicles were properly registered and complied with all statutory requirements before being put on the road.

“There will be no mercy for anyone caught,” Edafe warned.

He said officers deployed for Operation Velvet had been directed to enforce traffic regulations without fear or favour, adding that the exercise would cover highways and major roads across Delta State.

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# NIMASA Reaffirms Cabotage Priority, Backs Indigenous Maritime Capacity

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The Director-General of the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency, Dr Dayo Mobereola, has reaffirmed the Federal Government's commitment to strengthening indigenous capacity in Nigeria's maritime sector through effective implementation of the Cabotage regime.

Mobereola stated this on Tuesday during a working visit and inspection tour of Marine Platforms Limited's African Pioneer Lagos Vessel in Lagos.

The inspection, according to NIMASA, was part of efforts to promote safety, regulatory compliance and operational standards across the country's maritime industry.

The African Pioneer Lagos Vessel, with IMO Number 9808613, is a Nigerian-flagged offshore Diving Support Vessel measuring approximately 143 metres in length and with a deadweight of about 8,000 metric tonnes. The specialised vessel is equipped for deep-water subsea construction, diving, inspection and offshore oil and gas operations.



Dr. Mobereola on a working visit and inspection tour of Marine Platforms Limited

Speaking after inspecting the vessel, Mobereola expressed satisfaction with its capacity and stressed that Nigerian-flagged vessels should receive priority in the country's maritime operations.

“I'm quite happy at what I have seen today after the tour of this 8,000 metric tonnes African Pioneer Specialised Vessel. A vessel such as this flying the Nigerian flag should have priority over any foreign vessel,” he said.

The NIMASA boss disclosed that the agency was automating the Nigerian Ship Registry as part of measures to make it more attractive to shipowners and encourage more vessels to register under the Nigerian flag.

He said the initiative would contribute to expanding Nigeria's indigenous maritime capacity while creating more opportunities for local professionals and seafarers.

Also speaking, the Chief Executive Officer of Marine Platforms Limited, Taofeek Adegbite, said the company had benefited significantly from the Cabotage regime and the Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board Act.

Adegbite said Marine Platforms acquired its first vessel, MT African Vision, in 2012 and had since continued to benefit from policies promoting indigenous participation in the maritime and offshore sectors.

“Since 2012, when we got our very first vessel, MT African Vision, we are happy and proud to say NIMASA's Cabotage Regime and the Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board Act has played a major role in ensuring that our vessels have contracts on a regular basis,” he said.

He expressed satisfaction with the decision to fly the Nigerian flag on the company's vessels operating in Nigerian waters, urging other shipowners to register their vessels with the Nigerian Ship Registry.

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## Container Truck Crash Injures Three On Lagos-Ibadan Expressway

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Three people were injured on Tuesday after a 40-foot containerised truck crashed on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, inward Mowe, Ogun State. The crash occurred on the Kara Bridge, near ENYO Filling Station, around the expansion joint, according to the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority. LASTMA said the accident involved the lone truck, which reportedly suffered brake failure before crashing into the road demarcation blocks and other vehicles at the exit of the bridge. The three injured persons were rescued and conveyed to an emergency centre for medical attention. Following the crash, the entire carriageway inward OPIC was initially cordoned off as traffic management personnel introduced counterflow measures to ease vehicular movement and prevent further disruption. LASTMA personnel, supported by officers from the Isheri Police Division and officials of the Federal Road Safety

Corps, were deployed to the scene to manage traffic and coordinate the recovery operation. In a subsequent update, LASTMA announced that the recovery and evacuation operations had been completed and the roadway fully cleared. The agency, however, said a backlog of vehicles remained on the route, while its personnel continued to manage traffic and facilitate the restoration of normal vehicular movement.



The fallen container truck

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*Culled*  
The Ebonyi State Government has completed more than 627 kilometres of roads across the state since the administration of Governor Francis Nwifuru assumed office in 2023. The State Commissioner for Works, Engr. Stanley Mbam, disclosed this on Monday while briefing journalists after an independent facility tour organised by the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ), Ebonyi State Council, as part of activities marking the 2026 Press Week. Mbam said the projects were being executed in line with the governor's "People's Charter of Needs" manifesto, which he described as the administration's development blueprint. According to him, the government's infrastructure programme has covered urban renewal, rural road construction and bridge projects, with attention given to communities outside the state capital, Abakaliki. He said the administration had deliberately avoided concentrating development in the capital, noting that road and bridge projects had been

## Ebonyi Completes 627km Of Roads, Says Works Commissioner

extended to rural communities to improve transportation and strengthen economic connectivity across the state. "About 627 kilometres of roads have been completed, while many others are actively ongoing," the commissioner said. Mbam also provided an update on the Vanco Flyover and Underground Tunnel project, describing it as a complex infrastructure scheme comprising a double-deck flyover, underground tunnel, ancillary access roads and a dedicated bypass. He expressed confidence that the project would be completed within the scheduled timeframe, saying the Ministry of Works, resident engineers and contractors were working according to plan.

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## Commuters Seek Durable Repairs On Warri-Sapele Road



The deplorable Warri-Sapele road

Commuters and motorists plying the Warri-Sapele-Benin Expressway in Delta State have called on the Niger Delta Development Commission, NDDC, to ensure that its planned reconstruction of deteriorated sections of the highway is executed to a high and lasting standard. The appeal followed the recent flag-off by the NDDC for the reconstruction of bad portions of the highway, with motorists expressing relief over the intervention but cautioning against another cycle of temporary repairs. The road, particularly sections around Ajomata, Ibada-Elume, Amukpe, Sapele, Mosogar and Oghara, has suffered prolonged deterioration,

leaving commuters to contend with potholes, flooding, broken-down vehicles and prolonged traffic gridlocks, especially during the rainy season. A trailer driver, Haruna, who recently spent hours trapped in traffic between Ajomata and Sapele, urged the NDDC to match its elaborate flag-off ceremony with quality construction that would withstand heavy traffic and adverse weather conditions. According to him, motorists have endured repeated interventions on the highway without a permanent solution to the problem. "This time the NDDC should match the elaborate flag-off ceremony at the Amukpe roundabout with top-quality jobs," he said. Other motorists and residents who spoke on the condition of the road expressed similar concerns, saying a durable reconstruction would spare road users the recurring hardship associated with the highway. For many travellers, particularly during the rainy season, the journey along the

Warri-Benin route has become a source of frustration, with motorists sometimes spending several hours on sections that should ordinarily take only a fraction of that time to navigate. A motorist, Frank, said he recently spent about four hours between Elume and Amukpe after a trailer fell on the road, further worsening the gridlock. "I spent four hours recently between Elume and Amukpe. A trailer fell that day. There are big holes on the road and when it rains, it is a problem for trailers," he said. The deteriorating condition of the highway has also forced some motorists travelling between Warri and Sapele to abandon the main route and divert through the Eku-Sapele axis and adjoining community roads. The diversion has increased travel distances and contributed to higher transport fares between Warri and Sapele. A Sapele resident, Felix Okotie, said he regularly uses the Eku-Sapele route and connects to Warri through roads within neighbouring communities

because of the poor condition of the main highway. Trailer drivers, however, face restrictions on some of the community roads because residents fear that the heavy vehicles could damage roads that were not designed to carry such traffic. A trailer driver, Nasiru Musa, said heavy-duty vehicles travelling through the Eku-Sapele axis are sometimes stopped from using internal community roads. A community resident, Ovo, explained that the restrictions were necessary to protect the roads from premature deterioration. "Our community roads were not built for tankers and trailers. We had to set blockades to stop them from driving through," he said. The Warri-Sapele-Benin highway has experienced several interventions over the years. Residents recalled that the NDDC had previously worked on some portions of the road, including the Ajomata/Ibada-Elume-Amukpe-Oghara section in 2023.

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# Karu Residents Applaud Tinubu, Wike As 15km FCT Road Project Ends Traffic, Flooding

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Residents and commuters along the Karu corridor of the Federal Capital Territory have commended President Bola Tinubu and FCT Minister, Nyesom Wike, following the completion of a 15-kilometre road project aimed at easing traffic congestion, tackling flooding and improving economic activities in the area. The completed project, executed by indigenous contractor Abdul-Val Nigeria Limited, stretches from the Karu Interchange on the Abuja-Keffi Expressway to Customs Clinic Junction. Awarded on August 22, 2025, the project also covers DSS Road, NIA Road, EFCC Road, Primus Hospital Road and Old CBN Quarters Road.

The corridor had previously been notorious for prolonged traffic congestion and flooding, particularly during the rainy season, causing difficulties for residents, motorists, businesses and other road users.

However, residents who spoke on the



President Bola Tinubu, Minister Nyesom Wike

completed project said positively impacted And our businesses, by the improved road businesses, particularly the grace of God, is even network had significantly with the installation of better than before,” she transformed movement streetlights. said. a n d c o m m e r c i a l “Before, the road wasn't Similarly, a teacher, Anita activities in the area. all that good. And there Ogunwunmi, said the A shop owner, Mrs was nothing like the street project had reduced her Chinyere Obasi, said the lights. But now, as you commuting time and new infrastructure had can see, the road is okay. made movement easier, project.

especially during rainfall.

“Before, the congestion on the road was so bad. When rain falls like this, we can't pass here, but now, everywhere is free. It's better. We are happy,” she said.

A motorist, Johnpaul Adamu, described the transformation as remarkable, particularly the improved road lighting and general infrastructure.

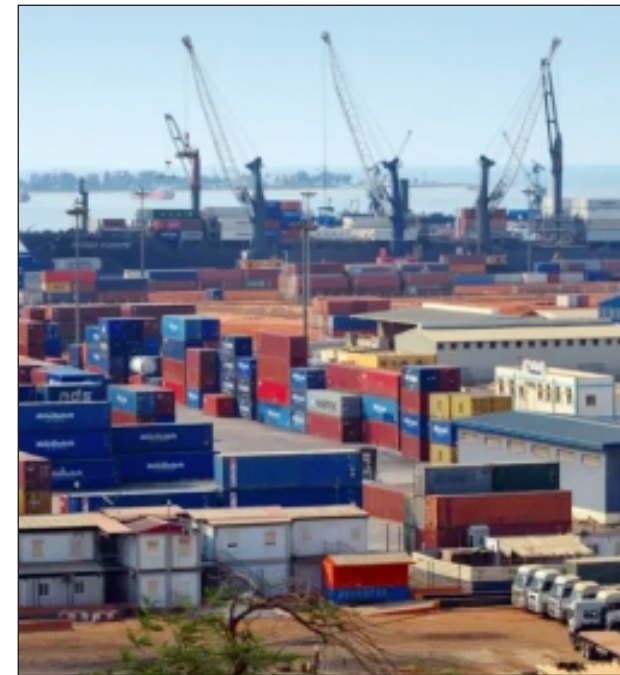
“Now, wow, this is city now. We are happy. The infrastructure is working, there's streetlights. If you come here by 12 midnight, you'll think this is afternoon,” he said.

Adamu also praised the FCT Minister's infrastructure programme, describing Wike as the best minister he had seen in the FCT.

Meanwhile, Project Manager of Abdul-Val Nigeria Limited, Hacı Cengiz, said the project demonstrated the ability of indigenous contractors to execute major infrastructure projects to standard.

Cengiz disclosed that the company had also completed the 18-month Ushafa road project in seven months before undertaking the Karu project.

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Seaports

Lagos ports handled an estimated N35.07 trillion worth of Nigeria's merchandise trade in the second quarter of 2026, accounting for about 84.6 per cent of the country's total trade valued at N41.44 trillion.

The latest Foreign Trade in Goods Statistics released by the National Bureau of Statistics showed that Nigeria's merchandise trade during the quarter comprised N27.02 trillion in exports and N14.42 trillion in imports.

The figures further highlighted Lagos' dominance as Nigeria's major gateway for international trade, with Apapa Port, Lekki Deep Sea Port and Tin Can Island accounting for the bulk of the transactions.

## Lagos Ports Account For 84.6% Of Nigeria’s N41.4trn Trade

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Apapa Port recorded the highest trade volume at N25.53 trillion, comprising N19.07 trillion in exports and N6.46 trillion in imports.

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On the export side, Apapa maintained its position as the country's leading gateway, handling N19.07 trillion, representing 70.57 per cent of total exports recorded during the quarter.

Lekki Deep Sea Port followed with N5.03 trillion, accounting for 18.62 per cent of exports.

Combined, the two ports accounted for 89.19 per cent of exports recorded among the leading customs ports and posts.

Apapa also led on the import side, with N6.46 trillion worth of imports, representing 44.76 per cent of Nigeria's total imports during the quarter.

Tin Can Island ranked second with N2.17 trillion, equivalent to 15.07 per cent, while Lekki Deep Sea Port recorded N1.61 trillion, representing 11.15 per cent of total imports.

The data underscores the heavy concentration of Nigeria's international trade activities around Lagos, where the major ports continue to serve as the country's principal gateways for the movement of goods.

Other ports also recorded significant trade volumes during the period.

Port Harcourt Area-1 handled about N1.40 trillion in combined exports and imports, comprising N1.17 trillion in exports and N229.77 billion in imports.

The Onne facility recorded approximately N2 trillion in trade, with exports valued at N802.72 billion and imports put at N1.20 trillion.

The distribution of trade across the various ports highlights the strategic importance of Nigeria's seaports to the national economy and the continued dominance of Lagos in the country's maritime and commercial activities.

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Train services across the Netherlands were severely disrupted on Tuesday after railway authorities discovered what they described as a coordinated act of sabotage targeting the country's rail network.

ProRail, which manages the Dutch railway infrastructure, said security systems had been deliberately interfered with at more than 30 locations, preventing trains from operating safely across several parts of the country. Railway workers discovered the first sections of pipe attached to railway tracks during inspections at about 5:30 a.m. One train collided with a pipe at Steenwijk, although no injuries were reported.

According to ProRail, the sabotage appeared to be continuing, with additional pipes discovered at some locations where railway personnel had already

# Dutch Rail Network Hit By Coordinated Sabotage, Train Services Disrupted



removed materials earlier in the day.

ProRail spokeswoman Joke van der Cruysen said there was clear evidence that the materials had been

intentionally placed on the tracks.

She said the immediate priority was to remove the objects, preserve evidence for investigators and restore

train services as quickly as possible.

The disruption was particularly severe on routes north of Utrecht, although railway operator NS warned that services

across the country could be affected. NS said it hoped to resume services through Amersfoort, Zwolle and Deventer after midday, depending on the

progress of safety checks and repairs.

ProRail explained that the pipes, some measuring up to two metres long, had been attached to rails in a way that triggered railway safety systems designed to detect trains on the tracks. The interference caused signals to turn red and brought train operations to a halt.

At least five locations in Gelderland were reported to have been affected by the placement of steel pipes.

The disruption also affected the Reisplanner journey-planning application during the morning rush hour, leaving passengers with limited access to travel information. NS advised travellers to check for updates before beginning their journeys and said replacement buses could not be arranged because of the widespread nature of the disruption.  
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Siemens Mobility has commenced live trials of its Signaling X digital signalling platform in urban public transport, marking the technology's first deployment in a real-world urban operating environment in Germany. The trial is being conducted in

partnership with Rostocker Straßenbahn AG (RSAG) on the tram tunnel beneath Rostock Hauptbahnhof. The section is used by tram routes 2, 3, 5 and 6.

As part of the project, Siemens has installed a software-defined interlocking system for the

## Siemens Begins Live Trial Of Digital Signalling System In Germany

tunnel, moving Signaling X from testing into operational use on an active urban rail line.

Unlike conventional railway interlocking systems, which typically depend on dedicated signalling hardware, Signaling X runs its safety-critical software on standard IT servers. Siemens said the approach could make signalling infrastructure easier to modernise and scale while reducing dependence on proprietary hardware.

The trial follows testing of the platform at the Singapore Rail Test Centre in 2025, where Siemens introduced Signaling X for the metro market.

Siemens launched Signaling X in September 2024 as a digital signalling architecture designed for both mainline and urban rail systems. The platform separates signalling applications from proprietary hardware, enabling them to operate on commercially available servers.

The company said the architecture could support faster technology upgrades, simplify maintenance and reduce the impact of individual hardware lifecycles on railway operations.

Commenting on the deployment, Siemens Mobility's CEO of Rail Infrastructure, Marc Ludwig, described the project as an important step in the digitalisation of rail transport.

He said the live deployment would provide a foundation for faster innovation cycles, simpler system modernisation and more efficient long-term railway operations.

A key objective of the Rostock trial is to demonstrate that safety-critical signalling applications can operate reliably on standard servers while meeting CENELEC Safety Integrity Level 4 (SIL 4), the highest safety integrity level used in railway signalling.

Siemens said cybersecurity requirements applicable to critical infrastructure have also been incorporated into the installation.

For RSAG, participation in the project is aimed at supporting improvements in operational safety, particularly in urban environments where tram systems operate in close proximity to road traffic.

Dirk Glauner, Team Lead Railway Power Systems at RSAG, said safety remained a major challenge for mass-transit operators because of the risks associated with rail operations and interaction with road traffic.  
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# Stakeholders Call For Stronger Youth Role In Nigeria’s Nutrition Policy

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Stakeholders in Nigeria have called for increased youth participation in nutrition advocacy and policymaking to ensure that community-level concerns are translated into effective policies and measurable action against malnutrition.

The call was made on Tuesday at the virtual inception meeting of the Scaling Up Nutrition Civil Society (CS-SUNN) Youth Leaders for Nutrition (YL4N) Nigeria network.

The meeting brought together youth advocates, civil society organisations, government representatives, academics, researchers and other stakeholders to deliberate on strategies for strengthening youth-led action in nutrition.

Speaking at the meeting, CS-SUNN Project Manager, Ridwan Awosanya, said the initiative was designed to build on previous advocacy achievements by translating nutrition interventions into measurable outcomes at national, state and community levels.

Awosanya said the Youth Leaders for Nutrition project would create stronger links between grassroots



Nutrition advocacy

nutrition concerns and policymakers through evidence-based advocacy. He identified capacity building, youth-led community dialogues, evidence documentation and presentation of recommendations to policymakers as major components of the programme.

According to him, participating youth leaders would be equipped with practical skills in advocacy,

dialogue facilitation, safeguarding and reporting to enable them to identify nutrition challenges in their communities and develop practical policy recommendations.

He said the project had been expanded to 10 locations across the country, namely Cross River, the Federal Capital Territory, Enugu, Nasarawa, Kaduna, Oyo, Bauchi, Lagos, Ebonyi and Kano states.

Awosanya added that the

initiative would also promote meaningful youth representation in the governance of civil society alliances and nutrition decision-making processes.

The Director and Head of the Nutrition Department, Federal Ministry of Health, Mrs Olufunmilola Adegbite, expressed the ministry's willingness to collaborate with the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Youth Movement to advance nutrition outcomes.

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# Kanu Urges Return To Grassroots Talent Discovery

*Culled:*  
Former Super Eagles captain, Kanu Nwankwo, has called for a deliberate return to grassroots sports development to identify and nurture young football talents across Nigeria. Kanu made the call while speaking ahead of plans to host the Governor's Cup in Adamawa State, stressing the need for football development to extend beyond major cities and reach rural communities where many promising players remain undiscovered.

The former Arsenal striker said talented youngsters in rural areas were often disadvantaged by the lack of organised competitions, professional scouting networks and adequate training opportunities.

According to him, Nigeria needs to “return to the drawing board” and establish a structured system through which young footballers can be identified early, properly trained and exposed to opportunities that could lead to professional careers.

He said the country should create clear pathways that would enable players to progress from community-level football to professional clubs and eventually the national teams.

The Governor's Cup, which is expected to involve participants from Adamawa's 21 local government areas, is designed to provide a platform for grassroots talent discovery across the state.

Kanu said outstanding players from the competition would be given opportunities to gain exposure to professional clubs and other football development programmes.

He noted that initiatives of this nature could help bridge the gap between grassroots football and the professional game while giving young players a realistic opportunity to develop their careers.

The Adamawa State Government has expressed its support for the competition, with Governor Ahmadu Fintiri assuring the organisers of the government's backing.

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# Nigeria Commissions New NDPC Headquarters In Abuja



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Nigeria has commissioned a new headquarters for the Nigeria Data Protection Commission (NDPC) in Abuja, as the country strengthens its regulatory framework for data privacy and protection amid the rapid growth of the digital economy. The facility was commissioned on Monday by the Minister of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy, Dr Bosun Tijani. The property, which was

previously recovered by the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC), was allocated to the NDPC after receiving government approval in July 2025.

Renovation work on the facility commenced in March 2026.

Speaking at the commissioning ceremony, Tijani said the new headquarters would address the commission's growing operational needs and provide an environment that reflects its expanding responsibilities in Nigeria's digital economy.

He said the conversion of the recovered property into a government facility demonstrated the Federal Government's commitment to putting recovered public assets to productive use.

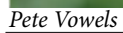
According to the minister, the facility, once linked to the consequences of corruption, had now been transformed into the headquarters of an institution responsible for protecting Nigerians and strengthening trust in the country's digital economy.

Tijani noted that the importance of data protection had increased significantly as government agencies, businesses and other organisations continued to collect and process growing volumes of personal information.

He also stressed the need for stronger safeguards as artificial intelligence becomes increasingly integrated into Nigeria's economy and society.

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