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From the Chairman Editorial Board

Governor Badaru and Fiscal Discipline In Jigawa State

Jigawa has been adjudged the least-indebted State in the country according to statistics from the Debt Management Office (DMO). The state's low debt stock has been attributed to fiscal discipline, transparency and accountability in the application of resources as demonstrated by Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar in managing the affairs of the state.

The administration of Governor Badaru has de-emphasized borrowing while plugging leakages and boosting internally-generated revenue.

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Muhammadu Buhari's administration for the initiative.

Further applauding the SFTAS programme for supporting Jigawa State to instill fiscal transparency, accountability and sustainability in the management of

the state resources, Badaru said its application had helped in giving timely position of available funds.

The Governor noted that the State is implementing all the nine Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs), which are derived from the country's 22-Point Fiscal Sustainability Plan (FSP) which have helped the State greatly to go far in managing its resources very well which translates to achieving more in terms of development in the state.

To buttress Governor Badaru's claim, the National Programme Coordinator, SFTAS, Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning, Mr. Stephen Okon, said Jigawa is one of the three top states in the implementation of the SFTAS programme.

Okon, who was represented by the Deputy National Coordinator, SFTAS, Mr. Ali Mohammed, noted that prior to SFTAS's emergence, the Badaru's administration had initiated a number of programmes that enshrined fiscal discipline, due to its



The Chairman Editorial Board and Commissioner of Information,
Alhaji Bala Ibrahim

consistent progress, Jigawa State has benefited from the first and second \$750 million performance-based grants from the Federal Government to states, which achieved the Annual Eligibility Criteria and the Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs).

Shedding more light on what Badaru's fiscal discipline has brought to Jigawa, the Commissioner of Finance and Economic Planning, Alhaji Babangida Umar said Jigawa State had performed creditably well in the SFTAS programme and benefited from grants to the tune of N13.5 billion so far in the 2018 and 2019 assessments, adding that the state expects to surpass previous assessments in the forthcoming exercise.

This and many more efforts have clearly shown that fiscal prudence has become the hallmark of the present administration of Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar and the people of Jigawa State should expect more developmental projects.

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NULGE to Badaru: You are an Exceptional Governor

From: Yusuf Suleiman



National President of NULGE, Comrade Akeem Ambali Olatunji presenting the Award to Governor Badaru

The Nigerian Union of Local Government Employees (NULGE) has honored Governor, Muhammed Badaru Abubakar with the 'Labour Governor of The Year 2021' award for being exceptional in payment of salary and pensions as at when due.

The National President of the Union, Comrade Akeem Ambali Olatunji made the presentation of the award to the Governor when he led the National, Zonal and State Executives of the Union to Government House, Dutse.

He said they considered him for the award because he has been the most workers' friendly Governor. Comrade Ambali commended the Governor for giving adequate priority to the payment of civil servants salary and entitlements describing him as the "Most Workers Friendly Governor"

According to him the leadership of NULGE is at the Government House Dutse to present an award of honour to Governor Badaru who has been so honoured as "Labour Governor of The Year 2021" by the Union.

He explained that, the Governor was chosen for the award in consideration of his performance and good relationship with workers whom he regarded as key partners in governance.

Akeem explained further that, as reports shown how activities have been paralyzed in many Local Government Secretariats across the country, in Jigawa state the story is different, all the 27 Local Governments are kept busy and vibrant by the Governor Badaru's good policies.

"We are aware that, Governor Badaru was the first Governor to

implement the 30,000 minimum wage, adding also that he never failed in paying workers salary since assuming the mantle of leadership in the state.

"The payment of workers' pensions, gratuity and other entitlements in Jigawa state is up to date, therefore we must commend the Governor and also present this award in appreciation to his passion for workers welfare. In his response Governor Badaru expressed appreciation/happiness for the honor describing it as a source of encouragement.

The Governor promised to continue collaborating with civil servants who are the engine room of government for effective public service delivery in the state.



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Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar

Governor Badaru Attributes Low Debt Stock to Fiscal Discipline

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According to Badaru, his Deputy, Malam Umar Namadi and Commissioner of Finance and Economic Planning, Alhaji Babangida Umar who are both Chartered Accountants said fiscal prudence has become the hallmark of the present administration such that Jigawa State currently has the lowest debt stock in the country.

The Governor noted that his administration decided to de-emphasize borrowing while plugging leakages and boosting internally-generated revenue, adding that borrowing is sustainable with a solid tax revenue base which his government is pursuing vigorously.

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JGSG Reiterates Commitment Towards De-emphasizing Borrowing

Jigawa State Government has reiterated its commitment towards de-emphasizing borrowing while plugging leakages and boosting internally generated revenue.

Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar made the disclosure while inspecting one of the proudly private sector



Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar

investments established in Gumel Local Government Area of the state. The Governor said the benefits of a private investment cannot be overemphasized as it provides employment and economic activity to the people especially the host community.

This was contained in a press statement signed by the Special Adviser to the Governor on Media and Public Relations, Alhaji Habibu Nuhu Kila.

The statement further said that Jigawa State Government through its investment and promotion agency will continue to facilitate and support private sector investment in the state.

To this regard over 500 hectares of land was provided to WACOT limited to develop a sesame

academy that will enhance the technical capacity of sesame farmers not only in Jigawa but in the whole of the sesame producing region of West Africa. Governor Badaru therefore commended WACOT Limited for their dogged commitment by creating an organic sesame farm, farmer's academy, a dripping irrigation, sesame cleaning plant and warehouse.

Earlier the Managing Director of WACOT Limited, Mr. Bibhu Nandu expressed his appreciation to the Governor for all the necessary support accorded to them and promised to compliment Government Programmes towards food production and economic empowerment to the people.



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Celebrating International Water Day: Water Supply in Jigawa State Under Governor Badaru's Administration

By Habibu Nuhu Kila

In Jigawa state, the administration of Muhammad Badaru Abubakar maintain that, the ultimate goal of Water sector is to achieve universal access to safe drinking water and sanitation services, safeguard public health and ensure that the people live in a more qualitative and productive life.

Water is one of the most important aspects of life that has a significant correlation with health and the general welfare of people, government, as such regards the availability of portable water supply to the people as a critical factor for life and livelihoods, which also provides good sanitation for a healthy community. Jigawa state government acknowledges the positive correlation between improved water and sanitation services and health status of the population is self-evident.

Better hygiene and improved access to safe drinking water and sanitation accelerate progress toward the reduction of infant and child mortality rates and improve



Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar

productivity among the population. Conversely, poor hygiene and poor access to safe drinking water and sanitation services increase mortality from preventable diseases particularly among women, children and other poor segments of society. The link between water and sanitation and the various manifestation of poverty is clear and provides both a context and framework for policies and interventions in

Water Supply and Sanitation Programmes, Perhaps the most critical aspects of this correlation are

Water and sanitation related sicknesses put severe burdens on health services and keep children out of school. Human waste poses tremendous social and environmental cost through pollution of rivers and groundwater. High proportion of household budgets are spent on water and Income earning potentials are reduced due to poor health, time spent on collecting water or lack of opportunity for businesses requiring water inputs. The Jigawa State Water Sector comprises of the Ministry of Water Resources and its three Agencies, Jigawa State Water Board (JSWB), Small Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Agency (STOWA) and Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency (RUWASA).

The vision is to provide portable



Greater Dutse Solar water project at Daina



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water supply and adequate sanitation that will contribute to eradicating water related diseases and poverty in Jigawa State.

By so doing it will promote water resources development and facilitate the provision of safe water and sanitation to the people through effective and efficient autonomous water administrations.

According to the latest Water, Sanitation and Hygiene National

survey reports that Jigawa State has 49% of its households having access to basic hygiene services which is the highest among the States in the Country. In addition, presently Jigawa State has 18



One of the numerous Hand Pumps constructed across the state



One of the several Solar water schemes constructed across the state

Outcome Routine Mapping Exercise published by the National Bureau of Statistics with support of UNICEF and other Development Partners, access to safe drinking water in Jigawa State is now assessed to be 92% which is second highest in Nigeria (after Lagos State). The same

indicate the results of government's continued investments in the Water and Sanitation Sector over the years. Total

Local Governments certified as attaining the Open Defecation Free (ODF) status which is also the second highest in the Country. These feats clearly

75% access to sanitation services by the end of year 2022. Some of the specific outputs achieved during the year included,

Rehabilitation of 193 Motorized and Solar-powered Water Supply Schemes, Upgrading and conversion of 20No. motorized water supply schemes to solar powered, Construction of 80 new Solar powered water supply schemes,



Newly acquired generators for pumping water



Another type of solar water scheme constructed at Maigatari

capital investments in this Sector in 2021 amounts to about N4.1 billion with appreciable progress towards achieving universal access to Safe drinking water and about

Provision of about 300 Hand Pump Boreholes in Rural Areas, Improvement of Water Supply in the State Capital and all the 27 Local Government Headquarters, Rehabilitation of both solar and motorized schemes in 193 small towns.

Kila is the Special Adviser on Media and Public Relations to the Governor



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Governor Badaru's Basket of Awards and Laurels

By Ahmad Muhammad Danyaro

Thomas Mann once declared that 'the destiny of man presents its meaning in political terms. That is to say, in our contemporary experience, it is difficult to make clear separations or distinctions between the politics of life and the life of politics. Once again, Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar MON, mni (Sardaunan Ringim and Walin Jahun) add triple caps to his feather as he receive the title of "Dokajin Machina in Yobe State", Award of Excellence from Hadejia Ina Mafita and Nigerian Union of Local Government Employees (NULGE) award as "Most Labour Friendly Governor" the first governor to be so honoured by the union.

Earlier in the life of the administration, Badaru identified the mindset of the human element as material in the building of the Jigawa State of his dream. The new Jigawa paradigm is properly articulated re-orientation initiative, aimed at preparing the people to face the challenges of the new thinking consistent with the government's renewal agenda. In Jigawa today he has secured an orientation shift that promotes "business unusual" policy as a veritable platform to build a state as envisioned by Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar's Calculative Philosophy".

Often times, our human inhibitions tend to make us think that real leaders are mortals with messianic mission. That perception or thinking is totally flawed as our daily experience demonstrates that real leaders are just ordinary people with extraordinary amount of



Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar

determination. However, Mohammed Badaru Abubakar so stands on a different pedestal as he added a triple awards and laurels within a short period.

Jigawa State Government under the leadership of Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar famously known as "Baba Mai Calculative" has been aggressively been pursuing a well-articulated vision of aspiring to be a leading a Nigerian state with prosperous, healthy and well educated citizens living in harmony with people and nature and pursuing their legitimate

interests in freedom moderated by good governance. Explicit in this unique vision is a proven roadmap of where we are, where we want to be and how to get there. His administration places very high premium on education and skills development as education is pivotal to human capital development. Considering the fact that no state would develop, without quality education because educated citizens are rationale pillars and promoters of development.

There is no doubt that many aspects of development by



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individuals and nations have been fired and propelled by vision which is regarded as an indispensable ingredient and catalyst in the dynamics of human existence. This is why Woodrow Wilson once emphasized that “no one that does not see vision will ever realize any high hope or undertake any high enterprise”, a pragmatic statement reinforced by that of Ralph Waldo Emerson who said, “Where there is no vision, a people perish”.

To the governor's credit, many reputable media agencies ranging from the media, academia, community, labour and even the most cynical transparency/budget rating organizations, he has been praised to high heaven for living up to his bailing on good governance and adequately awarded with laurel of honour by such reputable bodies.

Even his implacable enemies and those who see nothing good in the way he governs the state could attest to the fact that he is not employing executive fiat to milk the treasury of the state as he only uses his swagger stick to scupper corruption and ensures prudence. In a letter signed by His Royal Highness, Alhaji (Dr) Bashir Albishir Bukar Machinama, Mai Machina on the conferment of the traditional title “Dokaji of Machina” on Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar stated that “this is in recognition of your standing commitments towards peace and economic empowerments of Jigawa State in particular and Nigeria at large”.

According to Chairman of Hadejia Ina Mafita Initiative, Baidi Muhammad Elleman “we are honouring and awarding the Jigawa State governor, His Excellency, Alhaji Muhammad

Badaru Abubakar as “beacon and most fulfilling trustworthy leader and silent achiever”, in recognition of his outstanding projects carried out in our area and Jigawa State as a whole that uplift and scale Jigawa on top and ahead of its contemporaries in numerous fields; economically, agriculturally, health wisely, infrastructure and road networking among several others. In Jigawa North-East senatorial district apart from the establishment of 14 numbers of senior secondary schools, many JSS were also established in addition of renovation and construction of new blocks of classroom. Various capital projects were undertaken at Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa as well as conversion of Bilyaminu Usman College of Agriculture to Bilyaminu Usman Polytechnic. In Jigawa North-East zone over 400kms of roads (including feeder roads) were constructed.

The foresighted leader who calculatedly reduced high cost of recurrent cost of administrative governance as well as review of all inherited liabilities and commitments that lead to save as much as N8.28 billion through soliciting and bargaining for discounts. This made it possible to complete all of the inherited projects and accomplishment of unprecedented landmark recorded despite the daunting challenges of economic recession and COVID-19 pandemic.

It is not gain saying that Governor Badaru's administration have embarked on the empowerment of youth and women in various aspect of trade through the provision of requisite technical and financial support i.e.

disbursement of working capital, equipment and other business inputs such as tailoring, welding, poultry, rice milling, aqua culture. Etc.

The Labour Friendly Governor and Award of Excellence to Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar by Nigeria Union of Local Government Employees (NULGE) was due several reasons as postulated by the union. They include; Periodic elections of council chairmen & councilors and democratic consolidation, direct funding of local government councils, prompt and up to date payment of salaries and allowances and composition of substantive Local Government Service Commission. Others are improvement and sustenance of operations of the State and Local Government Contributory Pension Scheme, implementation of 30,000 National Minimum Wage and non-retrenchment, non-rationalization or sacking of workers, Support to ALGON and close collaboration. This is the first the union has given out such an award to any governor in its history since its establishment in 1978.

By any benchmark one deploys to assess him, and in whatever clime in our firmament of the planet earth, Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar, is a stunning success, a unique gift to Nigeria and he deserve to be celebrated by all and sundry within the Nigerian geography as he received accolades upon accolades.

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JGSG Constitutes Committee on the Implementation of Ten- year Strategic Development Plan

From: Yusuf Suleiman



Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar

Governor Mohammed Badaru Abubakar has constituted implementation committee for the Kano-Jigawa Professional Forum 10-year Strategic Plan in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic (ANNOBA PROJECT) under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Governor, Malam Umar Namadi while the Permanent Secretary Government House, Malam Adamu Gurun Gabas is to serve as the committee's secretary. Governor Badaru constituted the committee at the Presentation and Launching of the 10-year Strategic Plan (ANNOBA PROJECT) report by the officials of the forum led by its Chairman, Dr. Shamsuddeen Usman at the Council Chamber of Government House, Dutse.

Senior Special Assistant (Print Media), Ahmad Muhammad Danyaro who was at the meeting

reports that the Governor who was delighted with provisions in the report, restated his commitment for its full implementation including all governance structure even beyond his

administration. He added that the interim report submitted in January 2021 guided the state executive council in taking key decisions which included allocating over 48 percent of the total budget to the key human development sectors of education and health in the 2022 budget which was far above the UNESCO recommendation and Abuja declaration respectively.

"The implementation committee is saddled with the mandate of giving general direction to the implementation of the report and the report will be submitted to all relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies who will report back within a week with their actionable plan on the report". Badaru stated.

Earlier in his speech, Chairman of the Forum, Dr. Shamsuddeen Usman who was a former

Minister of Finance disclosed that the ANNOBA Project by the KJPF was conceived out of the desire and providing lessons from negative effects of the pandemic and turning crisis into opportunities for the socio-economic growth and development of Kano and Jigawa States.

The Chairman commended Governor Mohammed Badaru for the acceptance of the interim report submitted last year and his commitment to sustaining the tempo for the actualization of the initiative.

He further stated that the project has made critical assessment of the prevalent situation of the pandemic in the two states and for the first time 150 professionals of diverse endeavors from Kano and Jigawa States were involved in the project, adding that the project covers eight work streams namely; education, health, governance, social & economic, infrastructure & logistics, technology, legal and regulatory and media & communications.

In his address at the presentation, the Deputy Governor, Malam Umar Namadi noted that the strategic plan was in line with the strategic vision of the Badaru's administration to put the state on a solid development platform through a coordinated and sustainable development strategy. Dr. Shamsuddeen Usman was accompanied by the Director General of the Forum, Kuliya Zubair, Arch. Ibrahim Haruna and Mallam Baba Dantiye.



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Why Jigawa is Peaceful - Badaru

From: Yusuf Sulciman



Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar

Governor Muhammed Badaru has said that the reason why the state is peaceful is because it had identified the root cause of such insecurity.

Speaking when he received the Presidential Enabling Business Environment Council's (PEBEC) 'Business Made Easy, Badaru said previous administrations created policies that allowed Fulani herdsmen to use cattle grazing routes and even forest reserves.

This he said kept the state free of clashes between farmers and herders witnessed in states in the North-East.

According to him, the administration of Governor Saminu Turaki between 1999 and 2007 "allowed the Fulani to use cattle routes and to some extent forest reserves, while disputes between farmers and herders were

discussed and resolved amicably.

"When Sule Lamido came, he continued with the initiative, he started providing water in grazing reserves and building schools for nomads. When I came in, I continued with the provision of water and demarcation of cattle routes," Badaru added.

"We introduced mobile veterinary services in 30 wards that enable the herders to get veterinary services in their own villages, giving the herders a sense of belonging.

"If suspicious characters come to Jigawa, we get information from resident Fulanis that such people have arrived and we don't trust them," he said.

The Governor also said the State Government is working tirelessly to improve ranking of easy of doing business through provision

of cheap and efficient infrastructure.

The Governor added as result of collaborative effort with Federal Government, the State is now enjoying improved electricity supply in the state which attracted setting up of rice milling companies across the length and breadth of the state.

According to the Governor, "to improve on success recorded in electricity supply, government has already designed another four major electricity substations to be established in Kazaure, Babura, Birninkudu and Gwaram Local Government Areas of the State.

He stressed that more solar power stations were also on the way in the state soon, which "will be done under the Northern Governors' Forum, led by the Kaduna State Governor, Nasiru El-Rufai."

Badaru said, "today in Jigawa State, there are many industries springing up around Gagarawa/Gumel axis because of the 24-hour electricity supply being enjoyed in that area from Gagarawa power station."

Also speaking at the occasion, the Special Adviser to the President on Business Made Easy (BME), Dr Jumoke Ojuwale said there was a tangible collaboration between the Federal Government and the State on the Ease of Doing Business (EDB) programme.

To avoid unnecessary delay, she said FEDEC always assists various businessmen and women to export their goods through the Exports Promotion Council and other related agencies responsible for exporting goods and services out of the country.



From Deputy Governor's Office

Federal Government to Support JGSG

From: Wada'u Suleiman Jahun

The Federal Government says it will assist Jigawa State to secure a loan facility to enable it complete the ongoing projects being executed by the State Government through Islamic Development Bank, World Bank and other donor agencies.

The Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namadi made this known when he received a delegation from the Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning on a courtesy call in his office.

He said Jigawa State Government is one of the few states with a lower source of revenue that made it necessary to seek for Federal intervention to have the loan facility to enable it complete the ongoing constituency projects the state.

Malam Umar A. Namadi commended the Federal Government for its continued support to the State Government to enable it discharge its responsibilities.

Earlier the team leader of the delegation, Alhaji Abdulfatah Abdul salam said they were in the state to work with officials of the State Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning to ascertain the level of the State Government commitment towards securing the loan facility from the Islamic Development Bank, World Bank and other donor agencies.

He then commended the State Government for the warm reception accorded to them during their arrival and stay in the state and also commended the Governor Badaru administration for the achievements recorded from inception to date.



Deputy Governor, Malam Umar Namadi

Deputy Governor Condoles Ward Head Family, Others

From: Wada'u Suleiman Jahun

The Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namadi has condoled the family of late Ward Head of Gagulmari, Alhaji Auwalu Wada Hadejia over the death of the Ward Head.

Also condoled was the NPI Manager of Guri Local Government Area, Alhaji Ahmad Ibrahim over the death of his mother, Hajiya Hajara Ibrahim as well as the family of a staff of Miga Local Government Area, Alhaji Abba Salisu who died in a motor accident along with his four children.

In a related development the Deputy Governor also condoled the family of Alhaji Sha'aibu Ibrahim Yalaman who died after a protracted illness at Yalaman town of Kaugama Local Government Area. He prayed that Allah in his infinite mercy grant them Jannatih Fridausi and the

family the fortitude to bear loss. Earlier the Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namadi attended the wedding fatiha at Hadejia central mosque and Auyakayi village in Auyo Local Government Area.

JGSG Ready to Support Nigerian Army

From: Wada'u Suleiman Jahun

Jigawa State Government says it is ready to assist the Nigerian Army in its effort towards ensuring security of lives and properties in the State.

The Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namadi stated this when he received a high powered delegation from the Nigerian Army saddled with the responsibility of establishing an Army Barrack in the State capital, Dutse.

He told the committee that already the State Government has provided a land for the Army Barrack at Yargaba village in Dutse Local Government Area.



From Deputy Governor's Office

He assured the committee headed by Brigadier General Habu Abubakar that State Government will do everything possible to support the committee to succeed on its assignment.

He commended the efforts of the Chief of Army Staff for his urgent response to the State Government's request towards ensuring smooth take off of the Army Barrack in the state.

Earlier the team leader Brigadier General Habu M. Abubakar said they were in the state on the instructions of the Chief of Army Staff with a view to ensure smooth take off of the Army Barrack project in the State.

He expressed satisfaction with efforts of the State Government in the provision of land for the project and reaffirmed the commitment of the Nigerian Army towards the success of the project.

The courtesy call had the State Head of Service, Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila, Secretary to the State Government and the Commissioners of Education, Local Government, Commerce, Agriculture and Works and Transport in attendance.

JGSG Applauds

Development Partners

From: Wada'u Suleiman Jahun

The State Government says it is satisfied with efforts and the roles being played by the development partners on provision of health care, education and investment promotion in the state.

Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar stated this in a message to the opening ceremony of a four days interactive session organized by the United Kingdom Foreign and Common Wealth Development Office for Commissioners, Permanent

Secretaries, Heads of Extra Ministerial Departments and Directors held at Sir Ahmadu Bello Hall, State Secretariat Complex Takur, Dutse.

Governor Badaru who was represented by his Deputy, Malam Umar A. Namadi said the State Government has benefited a lot from the support of the development partners.

He further announced that with the support of the development partners on agriculture the State Government is currently the leading producer of sesame, rice, wheat, hibiscus and other crops being produced in the country.

The Governor commended the efforts of development partners towards their support to the State Government in ensuring smooth take off of cash transfer to pregnant women last year and recruitment of 4,500 NCE holders for J-teach programme to address the shortage of manpower at Basic education level.

Earlier the Regional Coordinator in charge of Jigawa and Katsina, Mr. Fidelix Nchewi Ekom said the interactive session was organized by the development partners to remind commissioners and permanent secretaries the roles to be played by ministries, department and agencies, on mutual accountability frame work for Jigawa state, aimed at reducing poverty, enhancing economic growth, promoting good governance and investment promotion in the state.

In his presentation the sub-national team leader, Mr. David Ukagwu announced that for over twenty years the state was collaborating with development partners on education, water resources, agriculture, economic growth and environmental

sanitation aimed at ensuring the development of the state on every aspect of people's lives.

The ceremony was attended by the State Head of Civil Service, Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila, Secretary to the State Government, Alhaji Adamu Abdulkadir Fanini and Commissioners of Finance, Information, Education, Women Affairs and Commerce among others.

In a related development the State Government has commended the efforts of development partners towards their support to achieve its desired objectives of provision of social amenities to the people.

The Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namdi made the commendation at the opening ceremony of four days interactive session with 27 Local Government Chairmen and Directors of Planning, Research and Statistics at Sir Ahmadu Bello Hall, State Secretariat, Dutse.

He said the State has received many grants and support from the United Kingdom Foreign and Common Wealth Development Office and other development partners which has transformed the lives of Jigawa people.

Earlier the Commissioner for Local Government, Alhaji Kabiru Hassan expressed satisfaction with the support Local Government Councils are receiving from development partners.

JGSG Commends NEMA

From Wada'u Suleiman Jahun

The State Government has commended the effort of the National Emergency Management Agency for establishing Local Emergency Management Committee in all



From Deputy Governor's Office

Local Government Areas of the State.

The Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namadi made the commendation during the formal inauguration of the nine member Local Government Emergency Management Committees held at Sir Ahmadu Bello Hall, Dutse.

He said the formation of the committees have become imperative so as to map out strategies aimed at reducing the reoccurrence of emergency cases at local level.

He therefore called on the National Emergency Management Agency and the State Emergency Management Agency to work as a team to educate and mobilize the local government emergency management committees on ways of tackling emergency cases such as flood, fire and other emergencies in their localities.

The Deputy Governor called on the committee members to work hard to justify the confidence repose on them by the government.

Earlier the Director General, National Emergency Management Agency, Mustapha Habib Ahmed represented by the Zonal Coordinator Kano and Jigawa, Dr. Nura Abdullahi said similar committees were inaugurated at Kano and Kaduna States.

He commended the efforts of the State Government for giving urgent attention towards the formation of the local government emergency management committees and assured that they would assist the committees to achieve their goals.

Also speaking the Commissioner for Local Government, Alhaji Kabiru Hassan Sugungun called

on the committee members to work as a team to ensure the reduction of disaster cases in their areas and called on Local Government Chairmen to support the committees to enable them discharge their assignment effectively.

The Local Government Emergency Management Committees' composition have the Local Government Vice Chairmen, District heads, Divisional Police Officers (DPO), DSS, Civil Defense, National Orientation Agency Officers, Information officers, Director Administration and General Services, and Local Government Secretaries as members.

Jigawa - Katsina States Relationship Cordial - Deputy Governor

From: Wada'u Suleiman Jahun

The State Government has described the relationship between Katsina and Jigawa states as very cordial and would enhance exchange of ideas on civil servants training and capacity building.

The Deputy Governor, Malam Umar A. Namadi stated this when he received a delegation from the Katsina State Government headed by the Permanent Secretary Cabinet Office and Security Matters, Office of the Secretary to the State Government, Alhaji Suleiman Yakubu Safara on study tour to the state, on Medium term strategic frame work and social protection policy.

He said Governor Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar and Aminu Bello Masari of Katsina State work as a team towards supporting and encouraging their civil servants to secure

knowledge and build their capacity for effective service delivery in the two states.

Malam Umar Namadi further announced that the two states share a common border which led to the exchange of tradition, culture and marriage with each other for the development of the two states.

He assured the delegation that the two states will continue to remain united and support each other for the common good of all.

The Deputy Governor commended United Nations Children's International Emergency Fund and the Department for International Development and other Development Partners for their support and encouragement to Jigawa and Katsina states.

Also speaking the representative of the United Nations Children's International Emergency Fund (UNICEF), Mrs. Ramatu Iguda Aliyu said they organize the retreat and sponsor the study tour to Jigawa with a view to supporting Katsina State civil servants to learn procedures of medium term budget frame work preparation and social protection policy programme.

Earlier the leader of the delegation, Alhaji Suleiman Yakubu safana said they were in Jigawa state on a study tour and capacity building training on medium term budget frame work and child protection policy sponsored by UNICEF and expressed satisfaction with the reception accorded to them in the state.

He described Jigawa State civil servants as dedicated and hard working.



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IDPs Receive Assistance from SEMA

From: Hambali Idris

About 80 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Budume village, Aujara District of Jahun Local Government Area, who came from Issa Local Government Area in Sokoto State, have recently



ES, SEMA (right) presenting relief materials to one of the beneficiaries

received assistance from the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA).

Materials received by the IDPs from the Agency included: 80no mats, 80no blankets, 80no rubber buckets, 80no mosquito nets and 40bags of millet and g/corn, 20 bags each.

In his speech during the exercise, the Executive



Cross section of the beneficiaries

Secretary of the Agency, Alhaji Yusuf Sani Babura said that, the Agency had got the report of the IDPs' presence in the village through the District Head of Aujara who said, "the IDP's have blood relationship with the people in the village".

Yusuf Sani said the Agency has carried out necessary assessment on the IDPs and has reached conclusion to provide the assistance to them.

He commended Budume community for the warm



Some of the relief materials

reception and hospitality accorded to the IDPs.

In his welcome address earlier, the Village Head of Budume, Malam Salisu Yahuza, thanked the State Government for providing the assistance, while the District Head of Aujara who was represented by Sarki Dankawu, Magatakardar Dan Mallam, called on the IDPs and their host to live in peace, urging the beneficiaries to make judicious use of the materials given.

Commissioner of Information Inspects Ministry's Library

From: Suleiman Adamu DP/MAC/19/074; Zainab Mamuda DP/MAC/19/061, Maryam Shu'aib Ibrahim DP/MAC/19/031, Khadija Maikudi Musa DP/MAC/19/12, Aisha Aliyu Muhammad DP/MAC/19/41

The Commissioner of Information, Youths, Sports and Culture Bala Ibrahim has expressed his determination to develop the Ministry's library for improved services. He stated this during a brief tour of the library which was aimed at identifying the progress and issues facing the library.

The Commissioner, who was accompanied by Directors of the Ministry, was conducted round by the Librarian Hamza Baffa Abdullahi, who mentioned some of the challenges facing the library



Commissioner of Information, Youth, Sports and Culture, Alhaji Bala Ibrahim inspecting the Ministry's library



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and requested for additional shelves, tables and chairs.

Responding, the commissioner directed for the procurement of additional materials and equipment lacking in the facility. The Audio Visual materials, the commissioner added, will also be developed. He directed the Audio Visual department to liaise with the former chief photographer of the Government House to obtain documentaries and other materials that were recorded on VHS cassettes for conversion into DVD and other digital formats for ease of access.

The Commissioner as well, directed for the compilation of the monthly publication of the Ministry; Jigawa State Newsletter *This Moment magazine* from 2015 to date into volumes for proper documentation. It will also serve as reference material to scholars and whoever wishes to have information about the Badaru administration from 2015 to date.

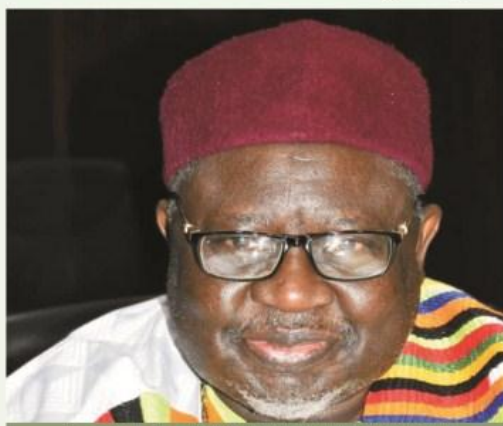
On the issue of staff shortage, the commissioner instructed the staff officer to repost two NYSC members and two SIWESS students to the library to be assisting in the day to day conduct of the facility.

Governor Badaru Appoints Chairmen, Board Members for 4 Agencies

From: Ismaila Ibrahim Dutse

Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar has approved the appointment of Chairmen and Board Members of four Government Parastatals, Boards and Agencies as part of its continued efforts to strengthen Jigawa State Government Structures.

This was contained in a statement signed by the



Secretary to the State Government, Alhaji Adamu Abdulkadir Fanini

Secretary to the Jigawa State Government, Alhaji Adamu Abdulkadir Fanini.

The newly appointed Chairmen and Board Members include:

Agency for Mass Education

1. Dr. Abubakar Muhammad Sani, Chairman Governing Board
2. Hussaini Abdullahi, Board Member
3. Ya'u Adamu Burko, Board Member
4. Faisal Jazuli Kazaure, Board Member

Agency for Nomadic Education

1. Nasiru Modi Hadejia, Chairman Governing Board
2. Malam Ya'u Bajida, Board Member
3. Ali Manu, Board Member
4. Umar Auno, Board Member

Jigawa State Research Institute, Kazaure

1. Prof. Usman Haruna, Chairman Governing Board
2. Ahmad Dauda Abubakar, Board Member
3. Abdulkarim Zargina, Board Member
4. Magaji Abdullahi Jahun, Board Member

Invest Jigawa

1. His Excellency Alhaji Umar A. Namadi, Chairman Governing Board
2. Dr. Muhammad Sagagi, Vice Chairman
3. Honorable Commissioner, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, Board Member
4. Honorable Commissioner, Ministry of Justice, Board Member
5. Honorable Commissioner, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Board Member
6. Honorable Commissioner, Ministry of Commerce, Board Member
7. Honorable Commissioner, Ministry for Local Government, Board Member
8. Honorable Commissioner, Ministry of Information, Youth, Sports and Culture, Board Member
9. Honorable Commissioner, Min. of Lands, Housing, Urban Development and Regional Planning, Board Member
10. Prof. Hannatu Sabo, Board Member
11. Aliyu Yusuf Madobi ALYUMA, Board Member
12. Barr. Suleiman Jahun, Board Member
13. Lami Zubairu Babura, Board Member

The statement said both appointments are with immediate effect.

Task Force Committee for Handing over Hadejia Wetlands National Park to FG Submits Report

From: Ismaila Ibrahim Dutse

The task force committee constituted by the Jigawa



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Government for the smooth handover of the Hadejia Wetlands National Park to the Federal Government has submitted its report.

Submitting the report to the Secretary to the Jigawa State Government, Alhaji Adamu Abdulkadir Fanini, the Chairman of the committee who is also the Permanent Secretary, Administration and Finance, office of the Secretary to the Jigawa State Government, Alhaji Muhammad K. Dagaceri said the committee had came up with recommendations that would ensure smooth handing over of the Park to the Wetland National Commission.

He thanked the State Government for finding them worthy for the assignment.

Receiving the report, the Secretary to the Government of Jigawa State, Alhaji Adamu Abdulkadir Fanini thanked members of the



The SSG (centre) in a group photograph with the committee members

committee for a job well done and assured them that he will forward the report to Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar for possible implementation of the recommendations.

He said already the Federal Government has approved the upgrade of Hadejia Wetlands Game Reserve to a National Park under the National Park Service Act of 1991.

He commended Senator Ibrahim Hassan Hadejia for showing interest and concern towards successful handover of the Park.

Members of the committee were drawn from the Hadejia Emirate Council and Ministries of Environment and Justice, Police and DSS.

Others are the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Lands who is also the State's Surveyor General, Alhaji Abdullahi Hassan, as well as Chairmen of Kirikasamma, Guri and Auyo Local Government

Councils.

Retirees Rate Jigawa Best on Administration of Pension Scheme

From: Ismaila Ibrahim Dutse

Retirees have described the Jigawa State Government as the best in administering Pension Schemes in Nigeria.

They stated this in an interview with newsmen during a three day verification exercise at Hadejia Local Government Secretariat.

The Pensioners expressed satisfaction with the conduct of the verification process in Hadejia Local Government Area.

Also speaking shortly after inspecting the exercise, the Executive Secretary of the State and Local Government Contributory Pension Scheme Alhaji Kamilu Aliyu Musa said the board had so far verified over 3,000 pensioners.

According to him, the board had verified 3,250 State, Local Government and Local Education pensioners in 8 Local Government Areas.

He pointed out that, the verified pensioners were from Birnin Kudu, Buji, Gwaram, Miga and Jahun Local Government Areas. Others were Kafin Hausa, Guri while Hadejia Local Government Area.

He expressed appreciation with the way and manner the exercise was going.

He therefore commended the Association of Pensioners and Local Government Chairmen for the support and cooperation given to the verification exercise.

Also in an interview with Jigawa State This Moment Magazine, the Chairman of Hadejia Local Government, Alhaji Bala Umar who was also verified, commended the state pension scheme for the conduct of the exercise.

"The insight, determination and commitment demonstrated by the Governor and the Executive Secretary in the verification of pensioners is unequalled and highly commendable by Hadejia Local Government and other stakeholders" Bala T.O said.

He therefore urged pensioners to continue to cooperate with the officials of the board in order to achieve the desired objectives.

JGSG Pays over N39.4bn Terminal Benefits, Pension

From: Ismaila Ibrahim Dutse

The Jigawa State Government has paid over thirty nine point four billion naira terminal benefits and



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monthly pension from 2015 to February this year. The Executive Secretary of the State Local Government Contributory Pension Scheme Board, Alhaji Kamilu Aliyu Musa disclosed this while receiving the National President of NULGE, Comrade Ambali Akeem Olatunji who was on a two-day official working visit to the State.

He explained that of the amount, over fourteen billion naira was paid as terminal benefits.

He further said over twenty-five point one billion naira was paid as monthly pension during the period under review. According to him, 3,376 workers and



ES, State Local Govt Contributory Pension Scheme Board, Alhaji Kamilu Aliyu Musa

5,967 pensioners benefitted from the scheme while commending Governor Badaru for the financial and moral stride to the scheme at all times.

Earlier, the National President of NULGE expressed delight over the activities of the scheme.

Mr. Ambali had also paid a similar visit to the State Head of the Civil Service, Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila where he commended Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar for being workers friendly Governor.

MDI Partners NITDA, NYSC, Federal Institute of Manpower Development and Training

From: Ismaila Ibrahim Dutse

The Board of Directors Manpower Development Institute Dutse has paid a working visit to three Federal Government Parastatals to source for capacity building programmes.

The parastatals visited include the National Information Technology Development Agency, the Federal Institute for Manpower Development and Training and National Youth Service Corps.

Chairman of the board, Alhaji Muhammad Inuwa Tahir announced this to Jigawa State This Moment



Jigawa State Head of the Civil Service, Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila

Magazine.

He said the delegation met and had fruitful discussion with Heads of the three agencies on the activities and facilities available at the institute.

Alhaji Muhammad Inuwa Tahir said NITDA which has been conducting its workshops in the institute could use the available facilities to hold its zonal meetings.

At the Federal Institute for Development and Training, Alhaji Muhammad Inuwa Tahir asked the Institute to use the MDI facilities to conduct examinations and seminars for the Federal Government staff in the North-West geo-political zone.

Similarly, at the Headquarters of the National Youth Service Corps, the delegation enjoined the NYSC management to patronize the institute for its routine annual conference.

Education Commissioner Inaugurates Mega and Santami International Schools Committee

From: Wasilu Umar Ringim

The Commissioner of Education, Science and Technology, Dr. Lawan Yunusa Danzomo has inaugurated a 14-member committee for the taking over and commencement of academic activities at Mega Schools and Santami International School, Garki.

While inaugurating the committee, the Commissioner said the State Government has established the schools with the aim of producing qualitative students that will compete with any state in the federation in terms of quality education.

He said the present administration is giving emphasis



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Commissioner of Education, Science and Technology, Dr. Lawan Yunusa Danzomo

on education sector which is the key for the development of any society, he therefore charged the members of the committee to justify the confidence reposed on them by giving positive recommendations that will help in the smooth running of the schools.

The committee was charged with the responsibilities of defining the type of school to operate and the category of the students to be admitted.

Other responsibilities vested on the committee include criteria for admission, nature of administration and staffing, working out modalities of getting hardworking school managers to run the schools as well as to look into the possibility of enacting law to govern the schools among others.

The committee has Hajiya Safiya Muhammad as Chairperson and Dr. Abbas A. Abbas as Co-chairman, while Kamilu Ibrahim Director Special Duties is to serve as the secretary.

In his acceptance speech on behalf of the Chairperson, the Co-chairman of the committee Dr. Abbas A. Abbas thanked the State Government for finding them worthy to serve in the committee and promised to work hard and to justify the confidence reposed on them.

The committee was given four weeks to submit its report.

In another development, the Commissioner of Education, Science and Technology, Dr. Lawan Yunusa Danzomo has inaugurated the Governing Board for the Agency of Nomadic Education.

The governing board of the agency has Alhaji Nasiru Mudi as chairman.

The Commissioner had also received a report on school up grade (Numeracy, Literacy and Hand writing), known as "JIMLA" as proposed by the committee.

Speaking after presenting the report to the Commissioner, the Chairman of the committee, Malam Abdullahi Hudu thanked the commissioner on behalf of the entire members of the committee for giving them the opportunity to contribute their quota for the development of education in the state.

In his remarks, the Education Commissioner, Dr. Lawan Yunusa Danzomo thanked the committee members for their dedication and promised to implement their recommendations and professional suggestions for the betterment of younger generations.

SEMA Disburses Over Nine Million Naira to 139 Flood Victims in Basirka

From: Hambali Idris

Jigawa State Government through the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) has disbursed over nine million naira to 139 last year's flood victims in Basirka community, Gwaram Local Government Area.

In his speech during the exercise at the District head's palace, the Executive Secretary SEMA, Alhaji Yusuf Sani Babura said that the Agency had received the information on the incident through the Executives of the Multi Purpose Association, Basirka and that it directed its staff to assess the situation and came up with the figure of the victims.

He said having looked at the situation the victims had found themselves in, and the urgent action needed, the Agency reached a conclusion to give out thirty thousand naira each to the victims to cushion their



ES, SEMA (second right) presenting cash assistance to one of the beneficiaries



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hardship.

He then commended the District head of the community and the Executives of Multi Purpose Association, Basirka, for their effort and concern to the victims in seeing that they get succor.

In his welcome address earlier, the Chairman, Multi Purpose Association, Malam Iliyasu Shuaibu called on the beneficiaries to make the best use of the money given to them.

In a vote of thanks the District head of Basirka and the Dan Amar of Dutse, Alhaji Muhammad Sulaiman, expressed appreciation to the State Government on behalf of the beneficiaries and called on them to use the financial assistance for good.

Ramadan: JGSG Reduces Working Hours for Staff

From: Ismaila Ibrahim Dutse

Jigawa State Government has approved the reduction of official working hours in the State by two hours during the 2022 Ramadan fast.

This was contained in a statement signed by the State Head of the Civil Service, Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila.

The statement said Civil Servants in the State would now report to the office at 9am and close by 3pm between Monday and Thursday instead of 5pm.

"Furthermore, workers would report to work on Fridays by 9am and close by 1pm as usual".

He explained that the gesture is aimed at providing more opportunities to civil servants to prepare for their Ramadan break and also to have more time to observe spiritual activities of the holy Month.

Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila stated that it is hope that



Jigawa State Head of the Civil Service, Alhaji Hussaini Ali Kila

Civil Servants in the State would use the Ramadan Period to pray for God's guidance and blessings for the State.

"It is also hope that Civil Servants would use the fasting period to pray for the peace and economic prosperity of the State and Nigeria at large".

FG Begins Mass Vaccination Against Trans-boundary Animal Diseases

From: Zubairu Suleiman Birnin Kudu

The Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development have begun a nationwide 2022 free mass vaccination campaign against trans-boundary animal diseases (TADs) in the North West zone of Nigeria.

The exercise took place at Maigatari, a border town in Jigawa State as part of Federal Government's policy to contain livestock diseases and achieve herd immunity for prevention and possible eradication.

The targeted diseases include contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, (CBPPV), foot and mouth disease (FMDV), Pest Des Petits Ruminants (PPRV) and



Representative of Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Maimuna Abdullahi Habib Abubakar, Director/Chief Veterinary Officer of the Federation

Newcastle disease (ND).

Flagging off the exercise, the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Dr. Muhammad Mahmood Abubakar, said it would be replicated in other geopolitical zones of the country.

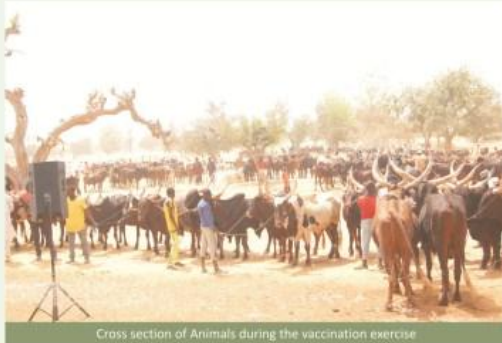
Represented by the Director/Chief Veterinary Officer of the Federation, Dr. Maimuna Abdullahi Habib Abubakar described livestock production as a major means of livelihood of Nigerians, which employs about 70 per cent of its population.

Besides, he said the livestock industry provided economic and food security, nutrition and means of livelihood for majority of our rural dwellers.

"Livestock supplies the much-needed protein for the growth of our children, spendable income and cash



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Cross section of Animals during the vaccination exercise

reserves for use in times of emergency, and are handy to fulfill cultural and religious obligations, he stated. "Furthermore, the byproducts from these animals, like hides and skin are used in the production of belts, shoes and bags, amongst others, in addition to the excellent organic fertilisers that come from animal wastes for crop production," he said.

The Minister said the Federal Government, through the ministry, would be supporting states in the zone with 1.5 million doses of CBPP vaccines, one million doses of PPR vaccines, 357,567 doses of Newcastle disease vaccines and 830,000 doses of FMD vaccines. Out of the figures, Jigawa is allocated 252,000 doses of CBPP vaccines, 120,000 doses of FMD vaccines, 152,000 doses of PPR vaccines and 51,081 doses of ND vaccines.

The Minister said Nigeria currently has about 22.3 million cattle, 53.06 million sheep, 99.8 million goats, 9.2 million pigs and over 425.7 million poultry spread across the six geopolitical zones of the country.

"The full potentials of these animals and the attendant socio-economic benefits they provide cannot be guaranteed unless they are in a state of good health, which can only be achieved through vaccination against the killer diseases. Therefore, Nigeria would continue to support and collaborate with states in carrying out annual vaccinations against these trans-boundary diseases in our livestock population in order to achieve the much-desired herd immunity for prevention and possible eradication," he further explained.

Governor Badaru Abubakar, who was represented by the Commissioner for Agriculture, Mohammed Alhassan, noted that the State Government had vaccinated over 3.5m cows; 2.6m sheep and goats; 1.1 million local poultry and 153,450 dogs against CBPP, PPR, ND and rabies respectively since the

inception of his administration in 2015.

He said, "Due to these exercises, reports of disease outbreaks have declined drastically and I believe that with continuous vaccination, these preventable diseases would either be eliminated or brought under control."

Due Process and Project Monitoring Bureau Conducts E-Procurement Training

From: Bello Sule Dutse

The Director General Due Process and Project Monitoring Bureau, Engr. Ado Hussain, says by May ending this year all awarded Contracts and Bidding documents will be accessed through the Bureau's Website.

He made the statement during a Two Day Virtual Training organized by the Jigawa State Government through the Due Process at Manpower Development Institute, in its efforts to change its activities from Analogue to Digital aimed at ensuring effective and efficient service delivery.



DG Due Process Project and Monitoring Bureau, Alhaji Ado Hussaini

Engr. Ado Hussain, added that several training had been carried out in order to make procurement officers well equipped with knowledgeable of their duties.

The MDA's selected for the training are; Ministry of Works, Education, Health and Water resources. He hoped that the remaining MDA's will benefit from the training next year.

He also called on the procurement officers to make the best use of what they have learnt during the training.



**Text of the Acceptance Speech of H.E Senator Abdullahi Adamu, CON,
(Turakin Keffi), National Chairman of the All Progressives Congress,
Eagle Square, Abuja**

PROTOCOLS:

On behalf of my colleagues, the newly elected members of the National Working Committee of our great party, the All Progressives Congress (APC), I like to express our gratitude to the Almighty God, our very sincere thanks to our leader, the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, Governors in the fold of our Party, the Chairman and Members of the Caretaker/Extraordinary Convention Planning Committee, (CECPC), delegates to the convention, to all our leaders at various levels, as well as to all members of our great party nationwide for electing us into these positions of very high responsibility.

We accept the onerous responsibility that you have placed on our shoulders and we will work hard to ensure that we fulfill your expectations for the greater good of our great party and of our dear country.

I wish to also congratulate the great party men and women who also aspired to occupy these national offices of our great party. They did not succeed this time but in God's time, many of them will yet realize their ambitions to serve our party and country in many other positions of responsibility. As politicians we are not strangers to gains, losses and disappointments with the outcome of every political contest. Let us show maturity and good sportsmanship and accept the outcome of this Convention with grace. Our party needs all hands on the steering wheel so that together we can steer the ship



H.E Senator Abdullahi Adamu, CON, (Turakin Keffi), National Chairman of the All Progressives Congress

of state through the inclement weather of our divisive national politics to the Promised Land. I thank all of them very much for their spirit of sportsmanship and we will continue to count on their cooperation as loyal party members and patriots.

As we conclude this very successful convention of our great party, I know that our opponents in PDP and other opposition parties are now sulking, wearing long faces of sadness, bewilderment and dismay. They had been hoping and praying to make a fortune out of our misfortunes. They were also hoping and praying to capitalize on assumed failures of our party to

reap political benefits.

For almost seven years now, APC Administrations at the Federal, state and local levels have been battling night and day in order to enhance the livelihood of Nigerians through various policies, programmes and projects.

We need to renew our faith in our party and its leadership at all levels in order to herald a new dawn. We need to commit to the resolution of our crisis within the confines of our party constitution. We must resist the temptation to blow every minor personal disagreement into a major party crisis. It is time for us to do things differently. When we quarrel, we



open our flanks to our rival political parties that are only too eager to exploit them for their own benefit.

I promise you here and now that we shall heal any wounds in our party; we shall effect lasting reconciliation among our members, and we shall go into the next general elections as a strong and united party. I offer my hands of friendship to all our members. I want to assure you that my colleagues and I will run an open door policy to all members of the party.

No Administration in the history of Nigeria has performed as much as we did in building key infrastructure and in uplifting the living conditions of the Nigerian people. Projects that once existed only in the dreams of Nigerians such as the Second Niger Bridge, complete rehabilitation of the Lagos-Ibadan dual carriageway, the Lagos-Ibadan express rail, the Abuja-Kaduna express light rail, the Ajaokuta-Kaduna-Kano pipeline and many others, have either been started and completed during our Administration or have been inherited in abandoned conditions and have made rapid progress in the last seven years.

No government can satisfy everybody, however hard it works. Some work will always be left undone and every work done will continue to need maintenance, expansion and improvement. We are however satisfied that APC has fulfilled its covenant with the Nigerian people. Of the three main pillars of its promises to the Nigerian people in 2015, that is, security, economy and anti-corruption, much progress has been recorded in all three areas and many more.

APC is set to do much, much more when Nigerians continue to bestow on us their love, support

and confidence in next year's general elections.

My dear compatriots, the eyes of the nation are on us; the eyes of Africa are on us; the eyes of the world are on us. This is a historic moment. There is no room for false steps. Our first step is to make our party the bastion of internal democracy. If a party is not internally democratic, it cannot offer the country true democracy.

Together, let us rise and march towards the sunrise in our party and in our country. The time has come for us to show statesmanship to arrive at the new dawn. The time has come for us to be patriotic in words and deeds. The time has come for us to affirm our being the party of the people, for the people and by the people.

At this point, I wish to appeal to our journalists and media houses to revive and uphold the patriotic spirit of the founding fathers of their profession such as Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe, Chief Obafemi Awolowo, Malam Abubakar Imam, Alhaji Alade Odunewu and other media pioneers. Those great pioneers of Nigerian journalism always put the interests of Nigeria and its people above all other considerations and they always worked for the peace, progress and prosperity of Nigeria.

Journalists and everyone else in Nigeria should uphold this spirit of selflessness and patriotism and continue to work hard for the success of the Nigerian project. It is not correct to assume that it is the work of political leaders alone that will make Nigeria great, that other citizens can sit on the sidelines and just observe and criticize. We should all remember the wisdom in the saying that the chain is no stronger than its weakest link.

Mr. President, Your Excellencies,

distinguished delegates, once more, I thank you very much for the confidence reposed in us and I solemnly promise that I shall not disappoint you, I shall not disappoint the APC and the nation. I shall not disappoint Africa. I shall not disappoint the world. So help me, Allah.

Thank you very much for your kind attention.

The Election Committee of the just concluded APC National Convention, has commended President Muhammad Buhari and other stakeholders of the party for making its assignment less difficult during the convention.

The chairman of the committee and Governor of Jigawa State, Alhaji Muhammad Badaru Abubakar who made the commendation in Abuja, noted that the intervention of the President and elders of the party, made the committee to do election in some positions and also adopt the consensus formula which was agreed upon by contestants.

He said the mutual respect, loyalty and understanding exhibited by the contestants during the convention was clear indication of putting the interest of the party above personal interest.

Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar, also thanked Members of the committee, Security agencies, Party leaders and supporters, and the press for their tremendous contributions towards making the Convention hitch free and successful.



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Gumel Emirate Council Donates Patrol Vehicle to NDLEA

From: Kabiru I. Dutse

Gumel Emirate Council have donated new patrol vehicle Ford Ranger model to National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) Gumel Area Command. Presenting the keys to the Secretary Emirate Committee on Social Vices, the Emir of Gumel Alh. (Dr) Ahmad Muhammad Sani II CON,



Representative the Emir of Gumel, Galadima of Gumel Alh. Usman Maje Muhammad, presenting the key of the vehicle to the NDLEA Area Commander

through the Galadima of Gumel Alh. Usman Maje Muhammad, urged them to use the vehicle towards reducing the menace of drug abuse to the barest minimum, through constant patrol in all nooks and crannies of the four LGAs in the Emirate.

While handing over the keys to the Area Commandant, the Secretary of the Emirate Committee on Social Vices, Salisu Mazge Gumel cautioned them against misuse of the vehicle

In his response, the Area Commandant Kingsley Effiong thanked the Emirate Council for the gesture,



The donated vehicle

he also assured to put in their best towards eliminating the crimes of drug abuse in the Emirate. Mr Effiong further solicited for continued support from the four LGAs and well-meaning citizens in the Emirate to achieve success.

JGSG Conducts Free Eye Surgery

From: Fahad Muhammad

Jigawa State Ministry of Health in collaboration with Eye plus Consultant has conducted free Eye surgery and distribution of medical glasses to patients in Kaugama Local Government Area.

Speaking at the flag-off of the ceremony at Kaugama Primary Health Centre, the chairman of Kaugama Local Government Council, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin, commended Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar for his commitment to healthcare delivery services in the state.

He re-affirmed the determination of the Local Government to support the initiative.

Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin called on traditional rulers and relevant stakeholders to mobilize their subjects with eye related problem to visit the nearest designated center so as to benefit from the surgery exercise.

On his part, the Head of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Department of the Local Government, Alhaji Mansur Tijjani Babura said over 300 people are expected to benefit from the exercises.

He said the Local Government has designated five centers for easy coverage, comprising Kaugama, Gurbobo, Dakayyawa, Yalo and Marke PHCs respectively.

Kaugama LGC Sensitizes Public on Open Defecation

From: Fahad Muhammad

Traditional rulers in Kaugama Local Government Area have been urged to work together with personnel working against open defecation in their respective domains.

The Chairman of the Local Government Council, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin made the call while receiving report from the Local Government Area Steering Committee on the ongoing campaign against open defecation.

He said his council will not hesitate to deal with any household that refuse to cooperate in digging toilets at their houses.

He reassured of his council determination to support the campaign by forming supervision teams across all the towns and villages in the four districts to ensure total compliance.



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The Chairman Kaugama LGA, Alh. Idris Mati Hadin (centre) during the event

The chairman also assured the State Agency on Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (RUWASA) of his council's determination to win the certificate of free from open defecation from the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

In his remarks the Managing Director, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency, Engr. Labaran Adamu said the exercise started with only 36 percent of households having toilets but in just two weeks of enlightenment campaign the percentage has reached up to 60.

He called on the LGA taskforce committee to double their efforts with a view to recording higher percentage.

Earlier the UNICEF representative, Miss Loglil Easter pointed out that the LGA has about 385 open defecation sites which must be cleared, so as to have a clean environment.

She commended the efforts of the Council's Chairman, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin for his commitment towards achieving the result.

Also speaking the District Head of Marke, Durbin Hadejia, Alhaji Daudu Suleiman who spoke on behalf of other District Heads assured of their support and cooperation in sensitizing their subjects to construct pit latrines in their houses.

Meanwhile, the on-going monitoring exercise against open defecation in Kaugama Local Government Area has identified some villages that are yet to comply with the policy, the villages are, Gidan Habu, Marke Tsallake, Yalleman Tsallake, Unguwar Makama, Rigat Ada, Yardiyo and Gidan Habu Rabi'u.

Briefing newsmen at the Local Government Secretariat, Mrs. Loglil Easter, lamented the attitude of the communities and called for more

enlightenment campaign on the importance of digging pit latrines by households.

She said UNICEF would continue to strictly monitor the exercise until full compliance is achieved and would rate each Local Government on its ODF performance.

In his speech, the Managing Director of RUWASA, Engineer Labaran Adamu assured that they would leave no stone unturned to make the last five Local Government Areas open defecation free.

Also commenting, the Chairman of the council, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin said the Local Government taskforce on the exercise would embark on house to house enlightenment campaign on the exercise and warned that action would be taken against defaulters. He urged traditional rulers and relevant stakeholders to ensure that they enlighten their subjects to comply fully with the on-going ODF exercise to ensure its full success.

ODF: Kaugama Local Government Council Expresses Satisfaction with Full Compliance

From: Fahad Muhammad

Kaugama Local Government Council has expressed satisfaction with the full compliance of households in the area on digging pit latrines.

Addressing members of the Steering Committee on the Free Open Defecation in the area, the Chairman



The Chairman Kaugama LGA, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin



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of the Council, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin said most of the house-holds in the defaulting villages have complied with the directive to provide toilets in their houses.

He expressed optimism that the exercise would be fully successful in the area.

In his speech, the Managing Director of RUWASA, Engineer Labaran Adamu said UNICEF Monitoring team would soon visit the Local Government to assess the situation and rate its performance.

Also speaking the Head of Water and Sanitation in the LGA, Alhaji Mansur Tijjani Babura said the Taskforce had conducted house to house sensitization in its effort to make the ODF successful in the area.

In his remarks the Local Government Education Secretary, Malam Rabi'u Danbaba reaffirmed the commitment of his department to rejuvenate the education sector.

Education: Birniwa LGC Warns Teachers

From: Fahad Muhammad

Birniwa Local Government Education Committee has warned Primary and Junior Secondary School Teachers to desist from the habit of absconding from their schools.

The Secretary of the Committee, Hassan Haruna gave the warning while on assessment tour of

Primary and Junior Secondary Schools across the Local Government Area.

He urged the Schools-based Management Committee (SBMC) to mobilize parents to send their children to schools.

He said during the assessment tour the committee has noted with dismay the attitude of some parents towards enrolling their children to schools.

He applauded the effort of Birniwa Local Government Council Chairman, Alhaji Umar Baffa Birniwa for initiating the committee aimed at boosting enrolment in schools and educational development in general.

He added that, the Local Government Council has provided teaching materials in schools and undertaken renovation of some classrooms.

In his remarks the LGEA Secretary, Rabi'u Danbaba reiterated his department's commitment to rejuvenate the education sector.

Birniwa Local Government Education Committee has warned primary and junior secondary schools' teachers to desist from absconding from duties.

The Secretary of the Committee, Malam Hassan Haruna gave the warning after an assessment tour to some primary and junior secondary schools in the area.

He urged members of School-based Management Committees to mobilize parents on the importance of enrolling their children to school and monitor their academic activities.

He said the committee noted with dismay during the tour the attitude of some parents who refused to enroll their children to school.

He applauded the efforts of the Chairman of Birniwa Local Government Council, Alhaji Umar Baffa Birniwa for establishing the committee.

Hadejia Emirate Launches 2021 Zakkat Distribution

From: Fahad Muhammad

Hadejia Emirate Zakkat Committee has launched the distribution of the 2021 Zakkat of farm produce to the needies in Birniwa Local Government Area.

Speaking at the inaugural ceremony, the Emir of Hadejia, Alhaji Adamu Abubakar Maje urged wealthy individuals in the society to give out Zakkat being one of the five pillars of Islam.

He reiterated the determination of Hadejia Emirate Council to collect the proceeds from wealthy individuals and distribute it to the needies.

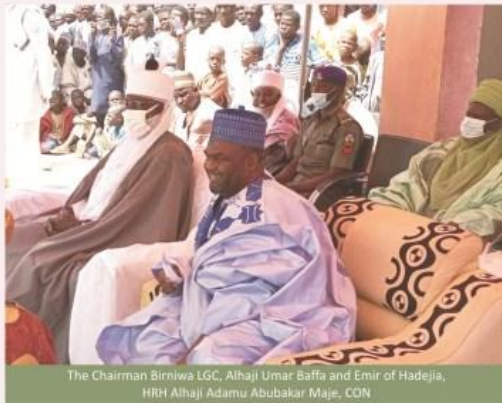
He further urged wealthy individuals across the Emirate to bring forward their Zakkat to the



The Chairman Birniwa LGC, Alhaji Umar Baffa



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The Chairman Birniwa LGC, Alhaji Umar Baffa and Emir of Hadejia, HRH Alhaji Adamu Abubakar Maje, CON

committee for proper distribution.

On his part the Chairman of Birniwa Local Government Council, Alhaji Umar Baffa commended traditional institutions and Hadejia Emirate Zakkat Committee for their commitment in the collection and distribution of Zakkat annually. The Chief Imam of Hadejia, Malam Yusuf Abdurahaman and Dr. Umar Nasarawa preached on the importance of assisting the needy in the society



Cross section of dignitaries at the event

more importantly through collection and sharing of Zakkat.

Earlier, the Chairman of Hadejia Emirate Zakkat Committee, Talban Hadejia, Barrister Abdulfatah Abdulwahab said his committee would visit all the districts in the emirate for distribution of farm produce, animals and cash collected as zakkat. He said farm produce and animals estimated to cost over 13.7 million naira were distributed to the needies in Birniwa LGA.

Birniwa LGC Reiterates Determination to Provide Basic Social Amenities

From: Fahad Muhammad

Birniwa Local Government Council has reiterated its determination to provide basic social amenities to its people.

The Local Government Council Chairman, Alhaji Umar Baffa Birniwa stated this while receiving a delegation from Garin Tudun of Machinamari ward in his office.

The Chairman said he is always ready to listen to people's complaint with a view to finding a solution to it.

He then called on the people of the area to contribute their quota towards the development of the Local



The Chairman Birniwa LGC, Alhaji Umar Baffa

Government Area.

He directed the department of water and sanitation to address the problem of the village's water system.

Earlier the Councillor of Machinamari ward, Alhaji Musa Bukar who led the delegation, said they were in the office of the Chairman in order to seek for the Local Government's support to repair their hand pumps and Solar water scheme overhead tank.

He then commended the effort of the Local Government Council Chairman for the monthly supply of hand pumps materials and supply of Diesel to various water stations for the provision of clean water to the people of the area.

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Government Area Secretary, Alhaji Ya,u Hussein Kachallari has assumed duty.

Receiving the Secretary in his office, the council's Chairman, Alhaji Umar Baffa Birniwa said the appointment of the Secretary was based on merit.

He said the Secretary has contributed immensely to the development of his locality and promised to work together with him for the development of the Local Government Area.

In his remarks, the LGA Secretary, Alhaji Ya,u Kachallari pledged to justify the confidence reposed in him.

Birniwa LGC to Supports Qualified Candidates with JAMB Scratch Cards

From: Fahad Muhammad

The Chairman of Birniwa Local Government Council, Alhaji Umar Baffa has donated three hundred thousand naira to Birniwa Youths Initiative to buy JAMB scratch cards to poor and orphanage students in the area.

He reaffirmed his council determination to support the less privileged students to acquire qualitative education through gaining admission into Universities and other tertiary institutions across the country.

He urged the executives of the association to be just and fair in selecting the students and to send the list of selected students to the Local Government Education Committee for follow up of the admission. Earlier, the Chairman of Birniwa Youths Initiative, Aliyu Usman expressed satisfaction with the efforts of the Local Government Council Chairman for his support to education.

He assured the chairman that only candidates who qualified will be given the free JAMB scratch cards.

RUWASA Celebrates World Water Day in Kaugama

From: Fahad Muhammad

The Jigawa State Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency, RUWASA in collaboration with Development Partners has celebrated this year's World Water Day in Kaugama Local Government Area.

The theme of this year's celebration is "Ground Water Making the Invisible Visible".

In his welcome address, the Chairman of Kaugama Local Government Council, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin, represented by his Deputy, Alhaji Ibrahim Usman expressed appreciation to the development partners



The Chairman Kaugama LGC, Alhaji Idris Mati Hadin

and RUWASA for selecting Kaugama to host the event.

He commended Governor Muhammad Badaru Abubakar for his commitment to provide portable water to the people in the state under Water Improvement and Sanitation Enhancement Project.

In his message to the occasion, the Commissioner for Water Resources, Alhaji Ibrahim Garba Hannun Giwa, who was represented by the Managing Director RUWASA, Engineer Labaran Adamu said two out of three people in Nigeria do not have access to safe drinking water.

He said Jigawa state, is second in the country in terms of safe accessible water supply after Lagos state.

Also speaking WISE team leader, Mr. G. Emmanuel, said the project is being supported by the United States to improve provision of portable water and sanitation enhancement in Kano and Jigawa states.

According to him, the United Nations has set aside March 22, every year as World Water Day.

Engineer Ibrahim Marke, and Magaji Abdusalam, made presentations on Regulating Exploration for Conservation as well as Sustainability and Contamination of Water through Open Defecation.

In his closing remarks, the representative of the District Head of Kaugama, Alhaji Isma'ila Mukaddas urged village and ward heads in the area to mobilize their subjects to avoid open defecation.



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Achievements of Local Government Council Chairmen

From: Information Officers Compiled by Director of Information

The June 26th 2021 Local Councils election conducted by Jigawa State Independent Electoral Commission (JISIEC) brought in new crops of leaders in the Local Government administration. One thing common to almost all of them is being youth and responsible. Immediately after their swearing-in, the Chairmen swung into action, thereby delivering the mandate of the Badaru administration enshrined on them in their respective Local Government Areas.

A number of projects were executed by the Chairmen in the last six months of stewardship in their respective Local Governments. The achievements according to the chairmen were not only in fulfillment of their respective campaign

promises, but it is in continuation of the giant strides of the Badaru administration in taking the state to the next level of development. The Chairmen applauded Governor Badaru for the support and backing given to them at all times.

The achievements cut across all sectors of human desires, depending on demands from respective communities and sometimes at the chairmen's will or when Councilors express requests for one project or another from their constituencies.

It is glowing to know that projects such as construction of boreholes, hand pumps, Daily or Jumu'at Prayer Mosques and even construction of link/feeder roads were executed by the Local Councils. Other projects are renovation of mosques, classroom blocks,

clinics and other important public facilities. The Chairmen, in the last six months also procured and distributed hand pump materials, medicines, chalk and other stationeries for Primary and Junior Secondary Schools in their areas.

Nevertheless, this report is neither a comparison nor a competitive analysis, but rather a spotlight on the projects executed by Local Government Councils in the last six months of stewardship. The aim is to intimate the public on the achievement recorded within the period under review, it is envisaged that the public will appreciate the Badaru administration's policies and programmes at Local Government level.





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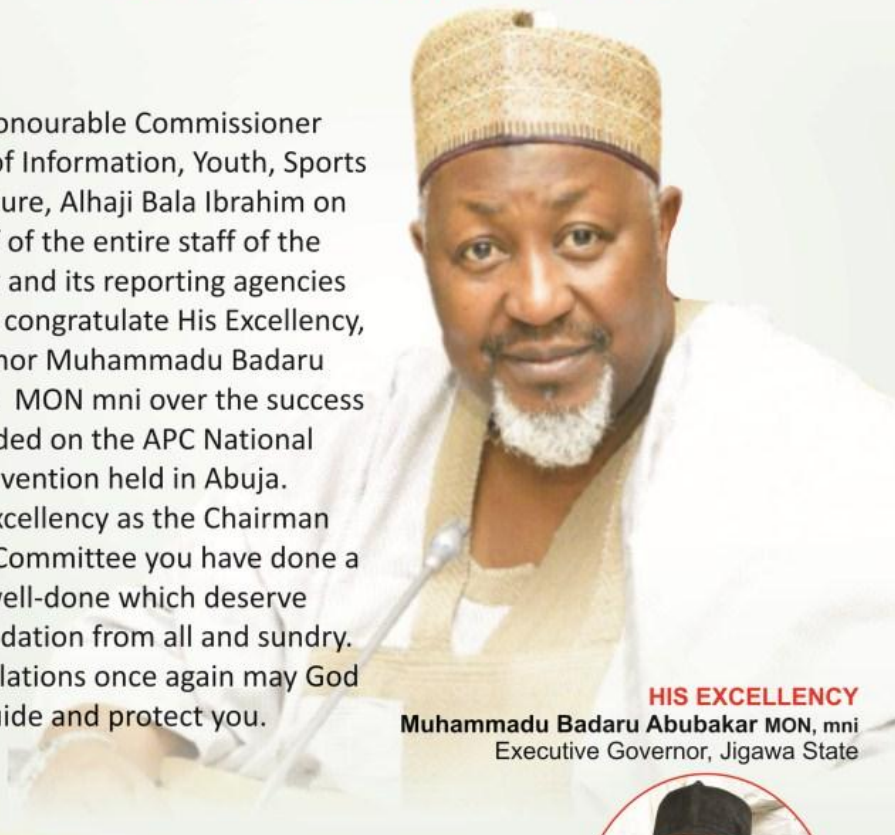
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Governor Muhammadu Badaru
Abubakar MON mni over the success
recorded on the APC National
Convention held in Abuja.

Your Excellency as the Chairman
Election Committee you have done a
job well-done which deserve
commendation from all and sundry.
Congratulations once again may God
guide and protect you.



HIS EXCELLENCY

Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar MON, mni
Executive Governor, Jigawa State

Signed:

**Alhaji Bala Ibrahim,
Commissioner of Information, Youth,
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