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TRANSPORT SAFETY

FRSC Boss Calls For Activation of Inter-Modal Transport System

he Corps Marshal of the - Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Dr Boboye Oyeyemi has advised that the only solution to the problems of Nigeria's transportation challenges is to adopt a multi-modal system, stressing that the pressure on the road system is too high.

Dr Boboye also decried nonimplementation of the National Transport Policy (NTP), 29 years after it was drafted.

Speaking on the topic: "Improving Nigeria Transportation Systems: The Way Forward" at the 8th Nigeria Annual Transport Lecture held recently at Sheraton Hotel, Dr Oyeyemi said there is need for improvement of the

Boboye warned that the road system is not only dominant but its preference, totaling 95 per cent of all modes, has serious road safety concerns in the form of traffic crashes and infrastructure decays

inter-modal transport system.

Noting that road crashes have



Special Marshals with the Lagos State Sector Commander of the FRSC, Segun Ogungbemide

increased, the Corps Marshal said "the pressure is too much on the road. Fatality has been on the high. We used to have an average of 100 lives lost on the roads weekly. Speed is a major aspect we need to address".

The FRSC boss maintained that utilising other modes of transport, perspective.

including air, water, road, pipeline a balanced development of the and rail as an alternative will country's transportation system, decongesting traffic gridlocks in pointing out that increase in road coastal cities in the country, and also construction activities and some has the potential to boost the developmental challenges being economy from travel tourism experienced by the other sectors of transportation, the movement of According to him, there has not been people, goods and services is dominated by road transport.

Special Marshals RS2.1 Lagos Elects New Excos

By CliffSimeon Akalonu

he Special Marshal RS2.1Lagos Sector . Command, has elected new leadership to pilot the affairs of the group in Lagos state. The event was recently held at the FRSC Sector Command's parade ground, Ojodu Lagos, with accreditation of eligible voters and contestants.

Speaking after the election and inauguration of new exco members of the RS2.1 Special Marshals, the newly elected State Coordinator, SM Segun Akintan, thanked everyone on behalf of the newly elected state executives for safe conduct in electing leaders of choice to steer the affairs of the Special Marshal RS2.1, Lagos.

Special Marshals who emerged winners are: State Coordinator, SM. Segun Akintan. (Pastor); Deputy State Coordinator; SM. Kuku Lekan; State Secretary, SM. Olabisi O Dennis; Assistant State Secretary, SM. Adeleye Agiri; and Financial Secretary, SM. Adebiyi Emmanuel Olufemi.

Tips for River Safety

- **Tell someone** where you are going, when you expect to return, and where to call if you don't.
- NEVER BOAT ALONE. Be sure your whitewater/boating skills and experience are equal to the river and the conditions.
- Wear a properly fitted Personal Flotation Device (PFD) at all times when you are in or near the river.
- 4. Know your limits of swimmers rescue and self rescue on whitewater rivers. Know when and

how to swim for an eddy.

- Be prepared for extremes in weather, especially cold. Know about the dangers of hypothermia and how to deal with it. Know early signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and dehydration in hot weather.
- Reduce threat of injury by wearing protective footwear and proper clothing.
- Carry a first aid kit and 7. know how to use it. Learn or review medical aid responsibilities and CPR.
- Never run a rapid unless

you can see a clear path through it. Watch out for new snags after winter and spring floods.

- Allow the **craft ahead of you** to pass through the rapid before you enter it. This will avoid a double disaster if the leading boat blocks the channel.
- 10. When in doubt, stop and **scout**. If you are still in **any doubt?** Portage!
- Review these tips with your guests before you set out.

Others are Treasurer, SM. Bola Olupitan; Public Enlightenment Officer, SM. Jimmy Amusu (Pastor); Welfare Officer, SM. William Ainabe; Provost, SM. Ndupu Alex and Auditor, SM. Obuzor Nduka.

Your Position is Key for Airbag Safety

T Tearing your seat belt every time you're behind the wheel plays a major role in your overall safety during an accident. However, your position to the airbag is something to factor in also. During airbag deployment, serious head injuries and trauma happen when people are not sitting in the correct position or fail to use their seat belt properly if at all.

To minimize your risk and maintain the benefits of having an airbag when driving, position yourself as far back from the center of the steering wheel as possible while still having the ability to control how you operate the pedals. You may have to adjust your steering wheel for optimal safety.

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8th Nigeria Annual Transport Lecture (Lectures, Exhibitions & Awards)

he 8th Nigeria Annual Transport Lecture (Lectures, Exhibitions & Awards) held at Sheraton Hotel, Ikeja, Lagos-Friday, May 21, 2021. Organised by Transport Day Newspaper, it was graced by prominent personalities (both public and private sectors) from the Transport/Logistics and allied industries. Visit www.translecture.com.ng to access more details as well as Papers presented.

















- 1. The Editor of Transport Day, Mr. Frank Kintum (Left) and some of those who presented papers-Corps Marshal of Federal Road Safety Corps, Dr. Boboye Oyeyemi; Chairman of Governing Council, Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology, Olorogun John Onojeharho; National President of Association of Nigeria Licenced Customs Agents, Hon Tony Nwabunike; and the Lagos State Coordinator of SMEDAN, Mr. Adeyinka Fisher
- 2. Corps Marshal of Federal Road Safety Corps, Dr. Boboye Oyeyemi making a presentation
- 3. Chairman of Governing Council, Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology, Olorogun John Onojeharho
- 4. Lagos State Coordinator of SMEDAN, Mr. Adeyinka Fisher

- 5. National President of Association of Nigeria Licenced Customs Agents, Hon Tony Nwabunike
- 6. Anchor of the event, Mr. Steve Ipalibo Lawson
- 7. L-R: FRSC Zonal Commanding Officer Lagos/Ogun States, ACM Peter Kibo; Mr. Bawo Charles Omagbitse of PAN Nigeria Limited and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum. When PAN Nigeria Limited received the Best New Auto Entrant (Commercial Vehicle) Award won by Higer Bus
- 8. Julius Berger Nigeria Plc Media Relations Manager, Barrister Moses Duku (middle) receiving the Julius Berger Nigeria Plc award as Engineering Construction Company of the Decade. Right is FRSC Public Enlightenment Officer, ACM Bisi Kazeem and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.

EDITORIAL

As Lagos-Ibadan Standard Gauge Rail Line Is Commissioned

inally, the long reality. awaited Lagosbeen commissioned and opened for both passenger and cargo operations.

This feat which was achieved by the current President Muhammadu Burahi emulation.

uncountable number of missed proposed commissioning dates due to many factors, chief among them being the covid-19 pandemic, it is welcoming that the project is now fully a

Ibadan Standard delayed the project Gauge railway line has includes heavy rains, vandalisation of railway fittings, re- reduce the pressure on by a \$1.3 billion loan settlement of locals, general elections etc.

It would be recalled that road crashes on that and about \$182 million the \$1.53 billion contract was awarded in Expectations are also government. Project 2012 to the China Civil high that the project scope was later government is worthy Engineering will boost economic adjusted to start from of commendation and Construction Corporation for corridor as the number a c c o m m o d a t e Though we recall that construction of 156 km the project has suffered of the standard gauge railway by 2016.

> After delays, a groundbreaking ceremony finally took place on 7 Rotimi Amaechi, who billion 2,733 kilometer March 2017, and on directly supervised the Lagos-Kano standard-June 10, 2021, the project from the gauge north-south project was beginning to the end for rail way being commissioned.

With

commissioning, it is the between Lagos and toes. Ibadan will drop and The project is funded corridor.

activities along the Apapa with time.

Meanwhile, we The Lagos-Ibadan line t h e doggedness in ensuring CCECC.

C C E C COther factors that expected that the contractors were volume of road traffic constantly on their

> the roads, which may from the Exporttranslate to reduction in Import Bank of China from the Nigerian of passengers grow evacuation of cargo from the sea ports.

> commend the Minister is a critical section of of Transportation, Hon. the broader \$11.1 his steadfastness and constructed by

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TYRE WATCH



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Six 'Top 10' EV car makers fitting Continental Tyres



ontinental has announced that it is expanding its market share in the tyre segment for fully electric vehicles, with six of the world's ten highest-volume manufacturers of electric vehicles selecting the brand as original equipment.

These included Tesla with its Model 3 and Model S and Volkswagen with the ID.3. Also Asian manufacturers, for example BYD, one of China's largest car producers, rely on Continental tyres as original equipment for their electric vehicles, said the tyre maker in a release.

Continental said, low rolling resistance is particular in demand for electric cars that focus on efficient driving. In this case, many manufacturers rely on the EcoContact 6, in which it uses the Green Chili 2.0 rubber compound.

The special compound of natural rubber and other components shows significantly improved behavior during mechanical deformation. This results in lower rolling resistance and therefore lower energy consumption.

When developing the EcoContact 6, Continental was able to reduce rolling resistance by 15 percent compared with its predecessor, added the company.

According to the tyremaker, with the PremiumContact 6, it is offering a balance between efficiency, sportiness and comfort. The SportContact 6 is a tire for the topperformance segment with a focus on handling and steering precision. Thanks to its stability and brake performance, it is designed for safety at high speeds.

The engine noise is no longer present,

so electric car drivers attach greater importance to low rolling noises. High-quality vehicles with a high level of comfort therefore also use ContiSilent technology when it comes to their choice of tires.

A special foam layer absorbs the

vibrations of the road and therefore reduces the transmission of noise into the vehicle interior. This is particularly important for electric vehicles, as there are no engine noises and the motor runs very quietly.

The Infinity Tyres Advantage

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Pirelli launches world's first FSC-certified tyres for BMW's hybrid model

talian tyremaker Pirelli sys it was producing the world's first FSCcertified range of tyres, which it designed for BMW's X5 xDrive45e plug-in hybrid model.

The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) is an international non-profit organisation which sets standards for environmentally responsible management of forests and certifying environmental policies.

Goodyear completes acquisition of Cooper Tyre & Rubber Company

New Delhi: Goodyear Tyre & Rubber Company has completed its acquisition of Cooper Tire & Rubber Company, finalising the merger agreement made public on February 22, 2021. The combination unites two leading tyre companies with complementary product portfolios, services and capabilities to create a stronger US-based leader in the global tyre industry.

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AVIATION

FAAN Commissions Bird/Wildlife Management Equipment

n a bid to improve on safety of flight operations by effectively managing birds/wildlife hazards at the nation's airports, the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) has commissioned some birds/wildlife equipment.

At an event held at FAAN's headquarters annex in Lagos, the Managing Director of the Authority, Captain Rabiu Yadudu, who was represented by the Director of Commercial and Business Development, Alhaji Sadiku Rafindadi noted that the equipment are some of the best you can get around, as the Authority procured them on the recommendation of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

According to the MD, the deployment of these equipment will usher in an era of safe flight operations, as incidents relating to birds strikes will now be a thing of the past.

In his remarks, the Authority's Director of Airport Operations, Captain Muktar Muye expressed his delight at the arrival of the equipment. He noted that what was being commissioned is not just the equipment but a complete package that also include the recommended storage facility, patrol vehicle and trained personnel in line with ICAO/s Standards and Recommended Practices.

Some of the hitech equipment commissioned include three different



models of bird scaring gas canons, Dayboxes for carrying pyrotechnics during Operations for safety, 15,000 rounds of 12G (heavy caliber bird scaring pyrotechnics), Hi-tech bird laser, Personal Protective Equipment for staff dealing with wildlife, Purpose built TYPE IV explosive storage magazine, Brand new Hilux jeep for Runway wildlife patrol, amongst others.

The event climaxed with a practical demonstration of the use of some of the equipment by the representative of the MD/CE and the Director of Airport Operations.

Green Africa to connect seven cities

reen Africa has announced its launch route network ahead of entry into service. With plans to commence operations from its Lagos base at the General Aviation Terminal (GAT), Green Africa will launch flight operations to connect seven cities after completing its ongoing Air Operator Certificate (AOC), currently at advanced stages at the Nigeria Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA).

Plans are already underway to establish two more operational bases outside Lagos to stimulate air travel and provide more options to customers.

To facilitate increased economic and trade activities within Nigeria, Green Africa will offer new direct connections from the commercial hub of Lagos (LOS) into Akure, Ilorin, Abuja, Enugu, Owerri and Port Harcourt.

Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Green Africa, Babawande Afolabi, said they are crafting a network plan that will allow more customers to pursue their economic interest or simply spend more time with family and friends.

Green Africa recently received its first aircraft with the second and third aircraft expected to arrive soon. Facilities and infrastructures are now in place to support commercial flight, and airport operations.

NAHCO Wins United Airlines' Handling Contracts

igeria's foremost ground handling service provider, Nigerian Aviation Handling Company, (NAHCO) Plc, has won the handling contract for United States-based United Airlines for the next three years.

Air Peace personnel foil attempt to traffic two babies out of Lagos

ir Peace airline's personnel have foiled an attempt to traffic two babies by a man and a woman at the Murtala Muhammed Airport, Terminal 2, Lagos.

According to the Spokesperson of the airline, Stanley Olisa, Air Peace's Passenger Service Executives and Security Personnel smelt a rat when the two adults, travelling to Asaba, were being checked-in at the counter. Olisa said: "On June 7, 2021, at MMA2, around 12:00 hours, a man

and a woman, carrying two babies, approached our counter for check-in. Our Passenger Service Executive, being suspicious of the duo's behaviour, questioned them about the babies. They said the babies belonged to them and were traveling to Asaba".

"As the suspicion intensified, the two adults, who hinted that the babies were 3 months old each, were further questioned by another counter attendant and a security personnel but they gave a different narrative".

United Airlines, which exited Nigeria in 2016, is returning in November, while appointing NAHCO as its preferred partner to provide passenger and ground handling services.

NAHCO's Group Executive Director, Business Development and Commercial, Prince Saheed Lasisi, described the feat as a boost for the industry.

"We welcome United Airlines back to our airspace, and we are ever ready to provide the airline quality handling at all times, as being currently provided to our numerous client airlines," he said.

In the same vein, the company signed a five-year contract with Qatar Airways in Abuja, as well as renewed the Lagos contract for another five years.

The newly renewed contracts cover all service areas, as it will see NAHCO provide passenger, cargo, and ground handling services to Qatar Airways. It also includes the provision of crew transportation and other ancillary services to the respected airliner.

AVIATION

Reasons Why You and Your Family Should Fly Private



ne thing you have to do in your lifetime is fly private with your family. It is an experience like no other, and if you need convincing then here are 5 good reasons why you should fly private with your family.

1. Easier Onboarding Process

When you fly economy class there is a long onboarding process as you have to arrive at the airport hours in advance and then you have to face endless security and check-in queues. If you have children then this can be an extremely tedious experience for them and their behavior becomes poor. Which is a parents' worst nightmare at the airport and it can take away from the positivity of the trip.

However, when you fly privately the onboarding process is far more relaxed and efficient. You will get to stay in a lounge whereby the flight crew will escort you to your plane when it is ready. What's more, you will never have to worry about losing your luggage again as flying privately makes luggage transportation a lot easier and cuts out any **common logistical mistakes** that are associated with commercial

airlines.

2. Experience Pure Luxury

Probably the most obvious reason why you and your family should fly privately is for the luxury. There will be wide, comfortable seats with plenty of legroom and you won't have to worry about a child kicking you in the back of your chair for the entire flight. There are plenty of luxury flight options that will free you from being squished next to strangers on commercial planes. You will have room to stretch out, relax and chat with your family. There will be no random coughing from other flyers and no screaming babies in your ear for the entirety of the flight. Flying can be a stressful ordeal but when you travel privately the experience is smooth and enjoyable, so much so that it feels like a part of the holiday.

3. Make the Most of Your Trip

Flying privately allows you to make the most of your trip as you get to unwind and spend quality time together with your family. When you fly commercially, it can be difficult to find seats next to each other, whereas private aviation allows you to sit together with plenty of space. It does not matter how big or small your family is, there will also be a private option that is perfect for you and your family.

The fun can start right away as you can play games together on the flight, enjoy good quality food and drink, and even have a nap. You will arrive at your location fully relaxed and ready to keep the good times coming. Overall, the tranquil environment and smooth experience will allow you and your family to start creating special memories right away.

4. Customizable Catering

Another big perk that comes with private aviation is the option to customize the catering to your and your family's needs. If you have a child who is a picky eater or any allergies, you can ensure that they are catered for. This is especially important if you or anyone in your family has serious allergies because in a commercial flight you can be exposed to these allergens as there are so many people on board.

Plane food is always at the but of the joke, but if you opt for private aviation you will feel as though you are eating in a fancy restaurant. This

can save you from the potential headaches of your children being served food that they actively hate. All in all, flying privately will ensure the safety of your family as well as given your gourmet cuisine and sublime service.

5. It Makes Your Life Easier

Overall, flying privately with your family will make your life significantly easier. You get to cut out waiting times, queues, crowds, and boring plane food, which makes a huge difference to your traveling experience. Nobody wants to start a trip off by being stressed out and your children will be a big factor in this. If they are flying privately they will be less agitated which will hopefully mean no family arguments. So if you are flying to get away and have a nice vacation, you may as well begin the process of relaxation right away.

Travel in style and fly privately. You and your family will feel comfortable, relaxed, and have a stress-free travel experience which is the best way to start any trip as it sets the tone for something special. By **Allen Brown**

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AUTO

Hyundai Unveils All-new More Powerful CRETA Vehicle in Nigeria



yundai Motor Nigeria has launched its all-new CRETA vehicle in Nigeria with a redesigned and more powerful SUV model set to create unparalleled driving experiences for customers across the region.

Unveiled during the press launch, the second-generation CRETA has been transformed into the ultimate subcompact SUV for any terrain.

Building on the success of the first model, the fresh-look CRETA is more spacious, boasts improved features and utilizes state-of-the-art technologies to meet the complete needs of working professionals, young peer group and families.

Central to Hyundai's vision of delivering a superior experience is

performance and the CRETA is installed with highly evolved powertrain engines, bringing incredible power and cleaner emissions.

Mr. Gaurav Vashisht, Head Sales and Marketing at Hyundai Motors Nigeria, said: "Developing high-quality vehicles are at the core of our vision and this is reflected with the all-new Hyundai CRETAmodel.

"Since the first model was launched, the CRETA has become one of the most popular vehicles and the latest version is set to be a game-changer in the sub-compact SUV segment. From top to bottom, we have crafted the car carefully, pushing the boundaries to ensure that it stands out

on the road and is equipped with a wide range of improved features that will deliver even more fun-loving driving experiences.

"Ultimately, the new CRETA is like no other vehicle. It's a true urban crossover with loads of versatility that is modern, sensuous and sporty in design."

The all-new Creta comes with a choice of three engines. The Smart stream G1.5 (maximum power of 115ps/6,300rpm and maximum torque of 14.7kgf.m/4,500rpm) and the Kappa 1.4T-GDI (140ps/6,00-3,200rpm) are both gasoline engines, providing better fuel economy on the roads. More on www.transportday.com.ng

Nigeria Committed to Electric Car Revolution, Cleaner Environment-Jelani Aliyu

he Director General of the National Automotive Design and Development Council (NADDC), Mr. Jelani Aliyu, has stated that Nigeria is committed to electric car revolution and cleaner, sustainable environment.

Jelani Aliyu made this assertion whiling delivering a paper virtually at the recently held 8th Nigeria Transport Lecture who took place at the Sheraton Hotel, Ikeja, Lagos.

He recalled that "On the 5th of February, 2021 remarkable history was made, when the Honourable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Otunba Adeniyi Adebayo, unveiled the first Nigerian Assembled Electric Vehicle in Abuja.

"Two months later, on April 8th, 2021, incredible history was again made when the National Automotive Design and Development Council commissioned Nigeria's first Solar Powered EV Charging Station in Sokoto.

"With these two bold events, Nigeria courageously joined the league of nations committed to the Electric Car Revolution, committed to protecting the environment and ensuring a cleaner and more sustainable future", adding that the NADDC is excited

and honoured to be championing and pioneering these developments.

According to Jelani, the NADDC is not just promoting the local production of traditional automobiles, but also seriously committed to the adoption and production of highly advanced technological transportation solutions.

In this vein, the NADDC boss explained the Council is currently strategizing with the following initiatives and programs: Electric Vehicle Policy Development; NADDC direct Research and Development; and Promotion and support of stakeholders production.

Julius Berger Wins Nigeria's 'Engineering Construction Company Of The Decade' Award

Rigeria Plc added another feather to its colorful corporate hat of meritorious awards as it clinched the Engineering Construction Company of the Decade award at a well-attended 8th Nigeria Annual Transport Lecture, Exhibitions and Awards held at Lagos Sheraton Hotel and Towers, Ikeja, Lagos.

Organised by TransportDay, a frontline specialist newspaper, the award according to the publisher, Mr. Frank Kintum is "an annual event designed to acknowledge and honour individuals, organisations and governments that have positively impacted on the people and community in significantly positive measure."

For Julius Berger, Mr. Kintum said, "for over a decade, we have keenly followed the operations of the company, and we have observed that this company has so positively impacted on lives and living in Nigeria through the company's core engineering construction work as well as through its uncommon and helpful CSR activities nationwide. Therefore, to ignore recognising and honouring such an organisation would have been some form of unfairness and injustice. This award is our own serious way of saying thank you Julius Berger for standing up for the Nigerian citizens' and communities' well being, progress and real development."

Both Mr. Kintum and Federal Road Safety Corp (FRSC) Public Education Officer, Assistant Corp Marshal Adebisi Kazeem presented the award to the representative of the Managing Director, Group Head, Media Relations, Julius Berger Nigeria Plc, Prince Moses Duku in Lagos. Duku thanked the organizers of the award for the recognition accorded Julius Berger, saying that the company remains committed the country's progressive development. At the lecture that preceded the

Awards session, Corp Marshal of the Federal Road Safety Corp, FRSC, Dr. Boboye Oyeyemi, Chairman, Governing Council, Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology, Olorogun John Onojeharho, National President, Association of Nigerian Licenced Customs Agents, Hon. Tony Nwabuike and Coordinator, SMEDAN Lagos, Adeyinka Fisher among several others were also present.

AUTO

Fuel-efficient Driving Techniques



Luel-efficient driving can save you hundreds of dollars in fuel each year, improve road safety and prevent wear on your vehicle. Adopt these 5 fuel-efficient driving techniques to lower your vehicle's fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emissions by as much as 25%.

1. Accelerate gently

The harder you accelerate the more fuel you use. In the city, you can use less fuel by easing onto the accelerator pedal gently. To be as fuel-efficient as possible, take 5 seconds to accelerate your vehicle up to 20 kilometres per hour from a stop. Imagine an open cup of coffee on the dashboard. Don't spill it!

2. Maintain a steady speed

When your speed dips and bursts, you use more fuel, and spend more money, than you need to. Tests have shown that varying your speed up and down between 75 and 85 km per hour every 18 seconds can increase your fuel use by 20%.

Consider using cruise control for highway driving, where conditions permit. Be mindful, however, that little variations in speed can actually be good when gravity does the work. Where traffic patterns permit, allow your speed to drop when you travel uphill, then regain your momentum as you roll downhill.

3. Anticipate traffic

Look ahead while you're driving to

see what is coming up. And keep a comfortable distance between your vehicle and the one in front of you. By looking closely at what pedestrians and other cars are doing, and imagining what they'll do next, you can keep your speed as steady as possible and use less fuel. It's also safer to drive this way.

4. Avoid high speeds

Keep to the speed limit and save on fuel! Most cars, vans, pickup trucks and SUVs are most fuel-efficient when they're travelling between 50 and 80 km per hour. Above this speed zone, vehicles use increasingly more fuel the faster they go.

For example, at 120 km per hour, a vehicle uses about 20% more fuel than at 100 km per hour. On a 25-km trip, this spike in speed and fuel consumption would cut just two minutes from your travel time.

5. Coast to decelerate

Every time you use your brakes, you waste your forward momentum. By looking ahead at how traffic is behaving, you can often see well in advance when it's time to slow down. You will conserve fuel and save money by taking your foot off the accelerator and coasting to slow down instead of using your brakes.

Take the free online ecoDriving course to learn more about how fuel-efficient driving can help you save money and reduce your greenhouse

gas emissions.

More ways to use less fuel

Here are more easy ways you can reduce your fuel consumption and costs:

Avoid idling your vehicle

Turn off your engine when you're stopped for more than 60 seconds, except when in traffic. The average vehicle with a 3-litre engine wastes 300 millilitres (over 1 cup) of fuel for every 10 minutes it idles.

Measure your tyre pressure every

Driving a vehicle with tyres underinflated by 56 kilopascals (8 pounds per square inch) can increase fuel consumption by up to 4%. It can also reduce the life of your tyres by more than 10,000 kilometres. Find the right tyre pressure for your vehicle on the tire information placard. It's usually on the edge of the driver's door or doorpost. Learn more about tire maintenance.

Don't carry unnecessary weight

Remove items such as salt, sand and sports equipment from your vehicle. The less it weighs, the less fuel your vehicle will use. The fuel consumption of a mid-size car increases by about 1% for every 25 kilograms of weight it carries.

Remove roof or bicycle racks

Streamline your vehicle by taking off

the racks when you're not using them. Aerodynamic drag can increase fuel consumption by as much as 20% on the highway.

Use air conditioning sparingly

Air conditioning can increase a vehicle's fuel consumption by as much as 20%. Open the windows when you're driving in the city, and use the flow-through ventilation system with the windows up on the highway. If you do use air conditioning, use the re-circulate option. It will minimize the impact.

Use a fuel consumption display

See the impact of the 5 fuel-efficient driving techniques firsthand with the help of a fuel consumption display, a feature now standard on many vehicles. (Some newer vehicles come equipped with even more sophisticated displays that analyze speed variations, shift points for manual transmissions, and driving behaviours such as acceleration and braking times.)

Many drivers consume 15% less fuel by acting on the feedback that fuel consumption displays provide.

Track your fuel consumption

How long can you go without filling your tank? Two weeks? Amonth? Challenge yourself to refill as seldom as possible and your monthly costs will come down.

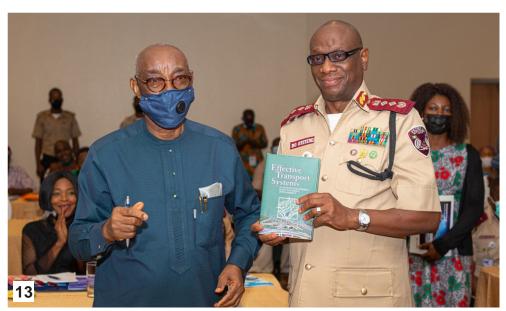
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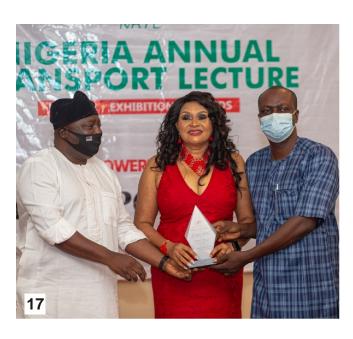




- 9. Mr. Sunday Okeowo of Toyota Nigeria Limited (middle) receiving the award of Toyota brand as Most Popular Auto Brand of the Decade. Right is FRSC Public Enlightenment Officer, ACM Bisi Kazeem and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.
- 10. Mr. Mahendra Pratap of Simba Group (middle) receiving the Tricycle Brand of the Year award for TVS. Right is FRSC Zonal Commanding Officer Lagos/Ogun States, ACM Peter Kibo and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.
- 11. L-R: Chief (Engr) Wale George, Vice National President, Shipping Zonal Council; Frank Kintum, Editor, Transport Day Newspaper; and Comdr. John Okpono Aleakhue, Secretary General, when the Award of Maritime Association of the Year was presented to the Nigeria Merchant Navy Officers and Water Transport Senior Staff Association in Lagos
- 12. Across session of participants at the event
- 13. L-R: Former CEO of the Nigerian Shippers' Council Dr. Kingsley Usoh and Corps Marshal of the FRSC, Dr. Boboye Oyeyemi appreciating the book

- written by Usoh- Effective Transport System-A Catalyst for Nigeria's Socio-Economic Development
- 14. FRSC Zonal Commanding Officer Lagos/Ogun States, ACM Peter Kibo (middle) receiving the Distinguished Road Safety Personality of the Decade award on behalf of the FRSC Corps Marshal Dr. Boboye Oyeyemi. Right is Barrister Moses Duku, of Julius Berger Nigeria Plc and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.
- 15. Head of Public Relations of the National Automotive Design and Development Council (NADDC), Madam Felicia, receiving the Distinguished Auto Personality of the Year award on behalf of the DG of NADDC, Mr. Jelani Aliyu
- 16. Mr. Firdous Ahmad of Dag Industries Limited (middle) receiving an award for Outstanding Contributions in Sales/Marketing. Right is FRSC Zonal Commanding Officer Lagos/Ogun States, ACM Peter Kibo and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.

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- 17. Dr. Ebele Okoye, GM, Customer Service, FAAN, (middle) receiving the award of Excellence in Aviation Services Delivery. With her are FRSC Public Enlightenment Officer, ACM Bisi Kazeem (right) and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.
- 18. Funmi Abiola, Head, Marketing/Communications Massilia Motors/CFAO Automotive receiving award for Excellence in Marketing/Communications Delivery. With her are FRSC Public Enlightenment Officer, ACM Bisi Kazeem (right) and Transport Day Editor, Frank Kintum.
- 19. ACM Bisi Kazeem, HOD, Public Enlightenment/Media, FRSC (middle), receiving award for Excellence in Media Relations & Communications Delivery. With him are Barrister Moses Duku, Head of Media, Julius Berger Nigeria Plc (right) and Transport Day Assistant Editor, Ignatius Ushie
- 20. Leonard Oru, Publisher of Oru Media (second left) receiving the award of Distinguished Transport/Logistics Personality of the Year on behalf of Dr. Paul Adlikwu of the Federal Ministry of Transport.

- 21. Theodore Opara, Transport Editor of Vanguard Media (middle), receiving the award of Transport Journalist of the Year. With him are (L-R)-Leonard Oru; Frank Kintum; Rasheed Bisiriyu of NewsTrends; and Steve Ipalibo Lawson
- 22. Engr. Jerry Oche, NRC Lagos District Manager (right), receiving an award for Excellence in Transport & Logistics Managerial Duties
- 23. Dr. Paul Adalikwu, Director, Federal Ministry of Transport accepting his award from Leonard Oru
- 24. Representatives of Engr. Sarat Braimah, Lagos Area Manager, NIWA, receiving award for Outstanding Contributions to the Transport and Allied Sectors
- 25. Engineer Nath Okoro PhD, Former MD, Nigerian Railway Corporation, receiving award for Outstanding Contributions to Railway Development from Editor, Transport Day, Mr. frank Kintum
- 26. Mrs. Olatokunbo Fagbemi, GMD, NAHCO Aviance, receiving her award as the Aviation GMD of the Year from the Editor, Transport Day



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UNIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, INSTITUTES

Merchant Navy wins Nigeria Transport Award

he Nigeria Merchant Navy Officers and Water Transport Senior Staff Association has bagged the Nigeria Transport Awards as the Maritime Transport Association of the year. The association is among other organizations and individuals honoured at the 8th Nigeria Annual Transport Lecture featuring Lectures, Exhibitions and Awards.

According to the Editor of Transport Day newspaper (organisers of the event), Mr. Frank Kintum, Transport Day Newspaper after much research on this year's award deemed it fit to recognize the association as the best Maritime association in the year under review.

The Editor added that the award is a meritorious one, because during the process of nominations a lot of other associations were also nominated, but after a pain staking research with the boards of editors, the association was selected.

Chief (Engr.) Wale George, Vice National President Shipping Zonal Council and Comdr. John Okpono Aleakhue, Secretary General, received the award plaque on behalf of the visionary leader of the association, High Chief (Engr.) Bob Joseph Yousuo.

Responding, the Secretary General stated that his association appreciates the honour and will continue to contribute positively to the



L-R: Chief (Engr) Wale George, Vice National President, Shipping Zonal Council; Frank Kintum, Editor, Transport Day Newspaper; and Comdr. John Okpono Aleakhue, Secretary General, when the Award was presented to the Nigeria Merchant Navy Officers and Water Transport Senior Staff Association in Lagos

development of the Maritime sector in the country.

Also at the handing over ceremony were senior Captains and Chief Enginers. Capt. Umuarama Michael; Chief Engr. Sese Mike Atina; Capt. Adewale Ajayi; Capt. Victor Banjo, S A to National President on Maritime; Comr. Ifeanyi A. Chukwu, Admin/Asst Secretary Shipping Zonal Council;

Comr. Mohamed Suleiman, Asst Secretary General Operations and Jeremiah Obadiah. Others were Asst Secretary General Admin, Comr. Ijeoma Dickson, and Admin Officer, Deck Cadet Sunday Odiri.

Universal Insurance parleys Abuja Keke Riders

Insurance Plc has launched its Keke Pass product in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) to insure both riders and owners of motorcycles and tricycles. With the product, keke riders can get up to N150,000 in compensation with lower premium rate.

At the product launch at the Nyanya Keke Park in Abuja, the union leaders expressed commitment to spreading the insurance policy.

The unions include the Amalgamated Commercial Motorcycle Riders Association of Nigeria (ACOMORAN), Tricycle Owners Association of Nigeria (TOAN) and National Commercial Tricycle and Motorcycle Owners and Riders Association (NACTOMORAS).

The company's Managing Director/CEO, Mr. Benedict Ujoatuonu, said the product became necessary because the conventional insurance products do not cover the ordinary Nigerians.

"Keke Pass is Keke Passenger Assurance Safety Scheme and it is intended to provide some personal accident cover for the keke riders and their passengers in terms of injury, death and third party liability while riding their keke.

"I want to encourage every keke rider in this country to buy this insurance. This is something they are yearning for and now they have the solution provided by Universal Insurance. It is not available from any other country. It is unique to us," he said.

Nyanya Area Chairman, Bello Abdullahi Kautal Hore, said they would embrace the insurance product and take advantage of it.

Sanwo-Olu unveils 500 mini buses

he <u>Lagos State</u>
<u>Government</u> has
unveiled 500 mini
buses to ensure efficient
intra-city transportation in the
state.

The 500 shuttle buses, known as First and Last Mile (FLM), are the first phase of the planned 5,000 mini buses a i med at boosting transportation system in Lagos State.

Speaking at the unveiling of the First and Last Mile (FLM) Bus Scheme at Ikeja, Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu said that buses would take care of commuting between the main transit corridors and the hearts of the communities, where the bulk of people reside and where the high



capacity buses would normally not pass through.

Mr Sanwo-Olu said that bus scheme was an important milestone to achieving the intermodal transport system which would give the people the choices they deserved, reducing congestion and journey times, and improving the quality of life.

90% of Trucks in Nigeria Over 30 Yrs - FRSC

he Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) says 90 per cent of trucks in the country are over 30 years.

The FRSC Corps Marshal, Dr Boboye Oyeyemi, disclosed this in an interactive session between the Nigerian Shippers' Council (NSC), the FRSC and Haulage operators recently in Lagos.

Oyeyemi called for an improvement on the maintenance and standardization schemes for vehicles as most of them lacked safety measures like lighting, reflectors and other parts.

He stressed the need for an intervention from the Federal Government to ensure truckers had fleet renewal as vehicles that had been on the road for 30-years should be scrapped.

Oyeyemi pointed out that "due to the age of the trucks, they frequently breakdown on the road prolonging the days goods spend on the road before getting to its destination."

INTERVIEW

Trackers and Fuel Monitoring Devices very Important in Fleet Management- Gambus MD

Gambus Energy is a telematics company that provides advance remote control and monitoring of assets. It deploys Operational Expense (OPEX) Solutions to help clients work from home remotely, save more money and grow businesses. Its services include-Fleet Monitoring, Generator Intelligence, Engine Monitoring, Power Monitoring, Fuel Motioning, Marine Solution and Rail monitoring.

In this interview with Cliffsimeon Akalonu, the Managing Director of Gambus Energy Limited, Mr. Ayoola Olaitan (a lawyer by profession, and a solicitor of England and Wales who was also the Founder and COO of CTracks) speaks on the importance of having trackers and fuel monitoring devices in trucks and fleets.

As it regards to transportation, how is Gambus Energy Nig Ltd coping with the current economic situation in the country?

I think the current economic situation is good for people like Gambus because we are interested in making business easier and cheaper to maintain for our clients For instance; the cost of fuel is expensive and we know what drivers do with fuel. We have a solution that allows you to monitor how much fuel that was bought, what the vehicle consumed and how much was claimed.

With the kind of technology we have, you can be able to monitor your trucks on route to Sokoto and other long distance routes within Nigeria and beyond, know when they are over speeding, fuel consumption and it can also give you access to monitor your container/goods on transit against theft and other abuses, because we have cameras that allow you to view and monitor. So, I will say that the current economic situation in the country are for companies who are helping entrepreneurs to work smartly, faster and cheaper.

What are the challenges facing Gambus Energy and the Fleet management side of it?

I think the biggest challenge so far is foreign exchange. We don't



manufacture trucks here not even the parts, in fact nothing is been produced here and most of our tools and products are sourced abroad. The exchange rate is inimical to our business because we do pass through hell to source for foreign currency to do business. In the areas of fleet management, I will say that the challenge here is inability to learn new things. This days we no longer have illiterates, what we have now are literates like doctors, engineers and others but the problem is how they can forget what they were taught in the universities and learn a new thing that was not taught in the universities.

Can you mention some of the benefits attached with telematics?

The greatest benefit is that it allows you to have your eyes on your goods and properties. For example, your truck is loading at Apapa, it will allow you to know what time it arrives Apapa, when it leaves Apapa. It will also give long span to your trucks because it allows you to have a time schedule of a truck when it is due for maintenance as well as monitor drivers behavior. The speed limiting device that was introduced by the FRSC was not just to reduce over speeding but to save the life of a

driver and that of the passengers. So telematics, if you don't have it and you are in business you are a joker and that is the problem most logistics companies have.

Are Nigerians embracing telematics?

If Nigeria is two hundred million people, practically, one hundred million people are using phones.

For example when your phone or vehicle got lost, is it not through the phones that items of such get tracked, no matter the distance? So automatically Nigerians has embraced it already because very soon, we will be moving from this level to the next level where we will now be using electric cars, so you can see that very soon we no longer be monitoring engines but batteries. The beauty of telematics like I told you, is the telephone; as long as there is GPS and GSM. Like our padlock, if anything happens where there is no GPS, it will also alert you when the GPS comes up that your container was opened with key at so so point and hour, this is special with our Gambus Padlock.

How are you coping with the variety of services you render, ranging from oil & gas, rail,

marine and land transportation?

Like every other business in Nigeria, owners must look for a way to cope. We dont believe much in advertising here and there, but we believe in word of the mouth. You know the problem in this country is not how to render services but how to maintain services and this is our unique selling point because we maintain services.

Can you explain more on fuel monitoring because it seems that most companies and fleet owners are not conversant with it and do not know about it and how it works, is there more we need to know about it?

Ok. Let me ask, what is the most expensive recurrent expenditure in logistics business? Is fuel! As a haulage and logistics man, 40percent is your fuel expenses and even at this point you are also losing 10 percent to pilferage, supply or bad

fuel.

Under supply is when you have paid for hundred litters and they brought eighty litters. Over supply is when there is still fuel in the truck, for example when you are heading to Sokoto or to Maiduguri and it gets to the middle of the road and call you that there is no fuel in the car and you beg him to use his money that you will refund him back, on arrival but if you have the monitoring device attached in that vehicle automatically you will know if he is telling you the truth or false. So if you are saving on that you can as well divert the money into another thing else.

How would you want the government to support the telematic companies and operators in Nigeria?

I am one who doesn't care about what the government supports with, I am only interested on how the government can support local and private businesses by providing enabling and business friendly environment.

Your advise to your customers and others of transport concern

Be smart, be safe, make more money with less stress and run your office from your arm chair.

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RAIL

Buhari Flags Off \$1.5bn Lagos-Ibadan Rail Line For Commercial Operations

By Ignatius Ushie

President Muhammadu Buhari has flagged off for operations the \$1.5 billion Lagos-Ibadan standard gauge railway project.

The latest project marks the third standard gauge rail project commissioned by President Muhammadu Buhari in the last five years after Abuja-Kaduna and Itakpe-Warri rail line.

The 157 kilometers rail line runs from Apapa-Wharf in Lagos through Ogun state and terminated at Ibadan, the Oyo State capital.

Buhari while inaugurating the rail line described the project as another milestone in the drive of Nigeria to revitalize the railway system and establish it as a choice mode of transportation for both passengers and freight.

The President promised that his administration would continue to prioritise the railway system as a transportation backbone that can transform industrial and economic activities in the country.

Speaking on the benefits of the Lagos-Ibadan corridor as well as other on-going railway projects across the country, President Buhari said: "This vital line establishes an end-to-end logistic supply chain in railway transport within its short corridor, Lagos Ibadan, as goods to the hinterland would now be transported by rail directly from the Apapa port Quayside straight to the Inland Container Depot located in Ibadan from where it can be distributed to other parts of the country.

"In clear recognition of the challenges posed to our economic growth by absence of strong and effective infrastructure, we have in the rail sector, further to other ongoing railway infrastructure projects, embarked on the completion of the outstanding segment of the Lagos Kano railway, which is Ibadan Kano.

"The Lagos Kano railway project when completed will link the Kano Maradi line at Kano and a rail link from the Nigeria southern ports of Lagos to Maradi in Niger Republic will be achieved.

"The connection through rail would position Nigerian ports as the choice for import and export business of the people of landlocked Niger Republic.

"This would be beneficial to the economy through employment from new business opportunities and wealth creation."

The President expressed delight that his directive to the Federal Ministry of Transportation and Ministry of Finance on reaching financial agreements with appropriate co-financiers to partner with the Federal Government for the development of the Ibadan Kano railway was yielding results, adding that Ibadan-Kano project would have a connection to the Tin Can Island port as well as the West East Coastal rail line from Lagos to Calabar linking Onitsha, Benin, Warri, Yenagoa, Port Harcourt, Aba and Uyo.

According to him, "From the beginning of this administration, railway infrastructure development has been given the priority it deserves and various milestones have been reached, right from when the Abuja Kaduna railway was flagged-off for commercial operation in 2016 to this Lagos Ibadan railway project being





commissioned today for full commercial operation," he said.

While commending the Minister of Transportation, Rotimi Amaechi, for his drive and tenacity in achieving the milestone recorded, the President praised the "wonderful team in the Ministry" for a job well done.

Shortly after he inaugurated the project, President Buhari took a ride from Ebute Metta Station to Energy Nature Light (ENL), Terminal, Apapa Port, Lagos.

He was joined by the Speaker House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabiamila, Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu of Lagos State, Governors of Ekiti, Oyo, Ogun and the Deputy Governor of Ondo, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of State Transportation, Sen. Gbemisola Saraki, other Ministers as well as some government officials.

Earlier, Hon. Rotimi Amaechi, the Minister of Transportation, expressed profound gratitude to President Muhammadu Buhari for summoning the courage to take the loan from China Exim bank to execute the rail project.

Amaechi also thanked the Chinese government for the loan while expressing hope that the Asian country also approve the loan for the Ibadan to Kano axis stressing that the Buhari administration intends to start and complete the project before the end of its tenure.

According to him, "We are grateful that the Chinese government through the China Exim bank was able to give us the loan at a concessionary rate to construct from the seaport down to Ibadan. We hope that we get money to be able to construct from Ibadan to Kano so that we can complete the track and make

sure that business takes place".

Amaechi specifically expressed satisfaction with the cooperation enjoyed from Lagos, Ogun and Oyo state governments, stressing that at Ogun state alone over 1000 houses were demolished in the course of the construction.

Ibrahim Alhassan Musa, the Chairman Nigerian Railway Corporation governing board, in his remarks, recalled that the infrastructure development project had faced so many challenges in the course of its execution and delivery.

He noted that without the full support and steadfast encouragement of President Buhari, the project would not have been completed.

He also expressed thanks to the NPA, NNPC, Lagos MOT, LAMATA, Lagos Water Corporation, Oil serve whose cooperation facilitated the timely completion of the project.

MARITIME

Insecurity threatens maritime's contribution to economy

he National President of Association of Nigeria Licensed Customs Agents (ANLCA), Tony Nwabunike, has said the country's maritime domain suffered setbacks of general insecurity due to lack of priority attention, inadequate security platforms like patrol boats, aircrafts, supporting technology gadgets as well as an absence of adequate personnel to implement waterway security measure.

Speaking at the eighth edition of the

Nigeria Yearly Transport Lecture organised by Transport Day Newspaper recently, the ANLCA President, said piracy, sea robbery, oil theft and kidnapping on waters have been copiously recorded in the domain that should be contributing to the nation's economic wellbeing. While delivering a paper on 'Blue Economy: Pathway for Nigeria's Economic Diversification, the ANLCA President, Nwabunike said there was an array of untapped opportunities holding back not less

than 300,000 immediate jobs if Nigeria's maritime and inland waters are safe for legitimate business activities.

Nwabunike said government at all levels to engage youths in coastal communities to support security operatives in the fight against sea robbers and other criminal elements along the inland waterways.

He affirmed that the 853km long Nigeria coastline runs through seven of the Southern States of the Federation, Lagos, Ondo, Delta, Bayelsa, Rivers, Akwa Ibom and Cross Rivers bordering the Atlantic Ocean, pointing out that these are aside other states that are linked by inland waters for copious sociocultural and commercial activities.

Nwabunike further pointed out that the safety of vessels, cargoes and crews in the maritime space have direct impacts on the overall economy since the maritime sector is critical in the areas of trade, investment, employment and recreation.

Moghalu Seeks Collaboration Of Police On Cargo Movement

By Cliffsimeon Akalonu

s part of the preparative and protective measures taken by National Inland Waterways Authority (NIWA) to have a seamless exercise in the shipment of cargoes from Lagos Ports to Onitsha River Port, the Managing Director of NIWA, Chief Dr George Moghalu, paid a working visit to the Acting Inspector General of the Police (IGP), Usman Alkali Baba at the force's headquarters in Abujarecently.

During the visit, the MD of NIWA seeked the collaboration and cooporation of the police in providing adequate security for the second testrun of cargo shipments from Lagos to Onitsha River Port in a bid to decongest the Ports in Lagos State.

In his words, Moghalu said "the purpose of our visit is to seek for collaboration and cooperation of the police force to build a synergy in our inland waterways operations, most importantly now that we are about to commence the second phase of the test-run of shipping cargoes from Lagos to Onitsha."

The MD of NIWA said that "NIWA is a Federal agency saddled with the responsibility of regulating and developing activities on the Inland waterways of the nation with a headquarter in Lokoja, Kogi State, with 22 area offices across the nation and waterways links across 28 states in the federation."

He added that "statistics have shown that about sixty percent of cargoes coming into Nigerian Ports are destined to the South East of the country."

Moghalu thanked the IG for the kind cooperation the force has been rendering to NIWA Inland Police Command, and also appealed for more cooperation in some areas of challenges the Authority is facing such as lack of gun boats, accoutrement and anti-riot equipments.

He asked the IG to help vacate some police officials illegally occupying some of the organization's premises



which is by law under NIWA's right of way at Onitsha Area Office, so that the Authority can make better use of the place. Responding, the Acting IG of Police Usman Alkali Baba, thanked the Managing Director of NIWA and his management team for the visit. He said "I thank you for coming to congratulate me and intimate me with the developments and challenges you have in your organization."

SIFAX Group Appoints Eniola-Jegede Executive Director

IFAX Group, a group of companies with investment in Maritime, Aviation, Oil & Gas, Haulage & Logistics, Financial Services and Hospitality, has announced the appointment of Wunmi Eniola-Jegede as the Executive Director, Business Development and Strategic Planning.

Eniola-Jegede, with over 20 years' experience in human resources and strategic planning, was until her appointment the Director, HR, Admin and Strategic Planning at the Ondo State Development and Investment Promotion Agency (ONDIPA).

Prior to that, she had worked as HR Consultant to the Ondo State Internal Revenue Service; Revenue Manager, Lagos State Internal Revenue Service as well as HR & Admin Manager at Surveillant Fire Limited

She holds a Bachelo r's degree in English from the University of Ado-Ekiti, Certific ate in

Business Management from the Houston Community College Systems, Houston, Texas and an MBA in Human Resources (Distinction) from the Devry University, Keller Graduate School of Management, Houston, Texas.



She is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Personnel Management. Bode Ojeniyi, Group Executive Director, SIFAX Group said the appointment was to further strengthen the company's executive management team for improved performance.

"SIFAX Group recognises the correlation be tween peak performance and quality human capital. To drive

business growth and deliver excellent services to the satisfaction of our clientele, we need first-class materials and that's why we continue to add quality staff to the company at all levels.", he said Page 16 Transport Day, June 2021

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Performance classification: Dexron Type A, Suffix A

Specification introduced in 1957. It requires the oil to meet certain limits regarding its kinematic viscosity.

Dexron IID

General Motors Dexron®-IID Specification. ATF issued in 1975. Contained ATF cooler corrosion requirements not listed in Dexron®-II.

Dexron IIE

General Motors Specification Dexron®-IIE. ATF issued in 1991 requiring improved low temperature performance compared to Dexron®-IID, 20 000 cP at minus 40 °C.

Dexron IIIF

GM specification for Automatic transmission oil introduced in 1994. Successor of Dexron IID and IIE.

Dexron IIIG

Successor of Dexron III(F) automatic transmission fluid. This has the same low temperature characteristics as Dexron IIE, but with modifications to antioxidancy and friction material. Introduced in 1997.

Dexron IIIH

Dexron III license H was introduced in June



2003 to replace the Dexron III G fluid. It has an oxidative stable base oil (group 2 or group 3). Oils according to this specification have longer maintenance of friction properties and antishredder properties, better foam control and a longer fluid life.

Dexron VI

Specification introduced in 2005 to replace Dexron IIIH. This specification requires better stayin-grade properties, oxidative stability and anti-foam characteristics. Oils meeting this specification can be used with extended drain intervals and are energy conserving.

Mobil ATF 220 (in 1L and 208L pack) meets Dexron IID specification.

Mobil ATF 320 (in 1L, 4L and 208L pack) meets Dexron IIIG performance specification

Some Best Practices for a Periodic Car Service



ne of the major concerns for any new or potential car owner is the service cost affiliated with the brand they plan on purchasing. This means, potential car buyers generally opt to buy economically priced cars or cars offered by a well established automaker. But that needn't always be the case. New automakers are designing their latest offerings to provide competitive maintenance costs and with minimalistic attention you can bring down the service costs for your adored ride.

We've also compiled 10 simple steps that you can take to harness prolonged and efficient service from your car.

Regularly Check the Condition of **Engine Oil**

A driver should ensure that the engine oil is regularly inspected and changed on prescribed time intervals. This is one of the most economical precaution that one can take to ensure longevity of their engine's service. Over the course of time the engine oil deteriorates, especially organic engine oils in comparison to the relatively expensive synthetic oils. Old oil can put engine components through unwarranted friction and stress that will eventually cause wear and tear of components.

Top-up Engine Oil

Engines, even modern engines are designed to function effectively in optimum conditions. One of these conditions is the availability of necessitated quantities of engine oil. When an engine runs on depleted or

insufficient quantity of oil, it is may vary according to their subjected to strain that might cause it performance attributes) will make to overheat, which may lead to metal sure that your cooling system the oil. These metal bits can harm the engine beyond repair by causing excess friction.

Change Coolant Periodically

The cooling system should be flushed and coolant should be refreshed according to recommended time intervals. Even modern engine components are designed to function at specific optimum temperatures and old coolant may cause overheating of the vehicle, which may result in a complete breakdown.

Check Coolant

A 50/50 mix of distilled water and coolant (usually, as in some car this

components breaking of and entering function in its optimum shape. This will also ensure prevention from corrosion and prevent deposit buildups inside cooling system, as the coolant act as a lubricant for the moving parts in the system.

Refreshing Differential and **Transmission Oils**

Transmission and differentials are components that act as a bridge between the power developed by the engine and momentum gained by the wheels. These parts do not require frequent service but in order to maintain transmission efficiency their fluids must be changed according to the service intervals prescribed in the user manual.

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- 27. Chief Emeka Obidike, Executive Secretary, LUPAN (second left), receiving award for Outstanding Contributions to the Transport and Allied Sectors. With him are Mr. Bawo Charles of PAN Nigeria Limited; Mr. Firdous Ahmad; and Mr. Frank Kintum, Editor, Transport Day
- 28. Theodore Opara of Vanguard Media; Bawo Charles of PAN Nigeria and Suleiman Suleiman of PAN Nigeria Limited
- 29. Innocent Orok (Second left) receiving the award of Distinguished Maritime Personality of the Year on behalf of Hon. Tony Nwabunike, National President of ANLCA
- 30. Some lucky participants went home with some gift items
- 31. Chief Boniface Nwachukwu, Chairman, Bonny Way Transport (left), receiving award for Outstanding Contributions to the Transport/Logistics Sectors
- 32. Visitors looking at exhibition stands
- 33. Frank Kintum, Editor Transport Day and the Lagos State Computerised Vehicle Inspection Service (LACVIS) team.
- 34. Some of the awardees in a group photograph

BUSINESS & ECONOMY

Total now TotalEnergies

otal announced a name change to TotalEnergies in compliance with the resolution made at its recent Ordinary and extraordinary and extraordinary shareholders' meeting. The company stated that

The company stated that the name change was in line with the current energy transition to cleaner sources.

It said would be adopting

a new visual identity alongside the name change in its strategic transformation into a broad energy company.

TotalEnergies would become a full-fledged energy company that would produce and market globally oil and biofuels, natural gas and green gas, renewables and electricity, according to the company.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of TotalEnergies, Patrick Pouyanné, stated that "Energy is life. We all need it and it's a source of progress."

"So today, to contribute to the sustainable development of the planet facing the climate challenge, we are



TotalEnergies

moving forward, together, towards new energies. Energy is reinventing itself, and this energy journey is ours."

"Our ambition is to be a world-class player in the energy transition. That is why Total is transforming and becoming TotalEnergies," he added.

The company said that the new name and visual identity embodied the course TotalEnergies had resolutely charted for itself, which was into that of a broad energy company committed to producing and providing energies that were ever more affordable, reliable and clean

UberX Hourly Officially Live In Nigeria



berX Hourly is now officially available in Nigeria, giving riders an option of requesting a driver by the hour as they complete essential errands or deliveries during this period. Uber Hourly is an alternative to on-demand, point-to-

point trips that allows riders to book a driver-partner and car by the hour to help get all their essential travel done in one go. Hourly will also provide riders with added convenience with no need to re-book their ride. From a trip to the office to the pharmacy, or supermarket, this new option is designed to give riders peace of mind. Through the Uber app, not only are riders able to access safe trips, but new income opportunities are also unlocked for drivers by providing more avenues for meaningful economic opportunities, while

transport sector.

Tope Akinwumi, Uber's country manager for Nigeria explains: "At our Global Go Get global consumer virtual event, we announced that this product would be available in Nigeria in the coming months, and we are proud to have kept our promise.

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We are excited to bring innovations designed to help people get anywhere and get anything as cities start to move again, while we continue to ensure that riders and businesses no longer have to navigate to multiple locations. Uber is continuously looking for ways to improve the experience for their communities and this is just the start!" Uber is an operating system that connects Nigeria to the places, people, and moments that matter to them. Moving forward, Uber will continue to leverage its technology to quickly adapt and meet the changing needs of businesses and customers, wherever they are.

Uber's responsibility doesn't end at merely providing this service and have kept safety in mind by providing relevant health information with drivers to ensure they are well-trained in COVID-19 related safety protocols and have been provided with hand sanitisers for use during trips.

Coscharis Mobility Offers Vehicle Finance Scheme

n order to facilitate easier access to quality mobility, both Coscharis Mobility Limited and Coscharis Motors Plc respectively, have unveiled a unique offering to delight their numerous loyal customers and potential new converts. In a media parley jointly addressed by Christian Chigbundu, the Managing Director Coscharis Mobility Limited, and the General Manager, Marketing and Corporate Communication of Coscharis Group, Abiona Babarinde, it was stated that "scarcity of cash flow with both individuals and corporate entities has been a challenge towards purchase of some necessities and needs courtesy of so many factors most especially the sudden disruption of the entire world courtesy of the Covid 19 pandemic in 2020.

"Such needs clearly include the purchase of automobiles which is the solution we are offering Nigerians today with our fantastic offer of "pick any vehicle brand of your choice from any Coscharis Motors showrooms nationwide and leverage on installmental payments courtesy of Coscharis Mobility".

The Managing Director added that "Surely, you cannot afford to miss out in this window of opportunity to own a vehicle at this period with ease and peace of mind.

"This collaboration between two sister companies within the Coscharis



L-R: Olaleke Oyeniran, Financial Controller, Coscharis Mobility Limited; Christian Chigbundu, Managing Director, Coscharis Mobility Limited; and Abiona Babarinde, General Manager, Marketing & Corporate Communications, Coscharis Group, during the Launch of Vehicle Finance Scheme for existing and potential customers nationwide...the event held Thursday, May 20 at the Ikeja GRA, Lagos office of Coscharis Mobility Limited.

Group is definitely going to be a watershed within the auto sector in Nigeria going by the strong pedigree the two entities has as industry leaders in auto sales, after-sales and logistics amongst others".

Coscharis Motors' impressive portfolio as the exclusive representative of globally respected iconic auto brands in Nigeria like the Rolls-Royce, BMW, Mini, Jaguar LandRover, Ford, Renault and Morris Garages provides several options for discerning buyers to pick from as a matter of choice.

While Coscharis Mobility has the

exclusive franchise representing the renowned respected brand when it comes to logistic business globally which is SIXT in Nigeria. Explaining the simple steps a potential customer can use to participate in the mouth watering scheme, the Managing Director said, the first thing to do is to "identify the vehicle of your choice in any of our Coscharis Motors showrooms nationwide; Make an initial deposit ranging from 10% -30%; The vehicle will become yours then; Pay the balance over a period of time.

