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Nigeria will be Great Again with NIPR's Initiatives – Gov. Otu

By Irene Bassey



Cross River State is gearing up to host the national body of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) Nigeria, for a major two-day event scheduled for April 15th and 16th, 2026, in Calabar.

The announcement was made following a courtesy visit by CILT members to the office of the Honourable Commissioner for Transportation, Hon. Pastor Ekpenyong Cobham.

During the visit, Pastor Cobham on

behalf of the government of Cross River State welcomed the Institute's leadership and shared his personal connection to the sector, revealing that he came from the logistics and transport industry himself.



He noted that he now considers it a privilege to serve as Commissioner, overseeing transportation across land, air, marine, and pipeline networks in the state.

Speaking frankly about the state of the industry, the Commissioner

stressed the need for unity among stakeholders.

"Transportation has reached a point where if we don't cooperate, it will certainly be degraded," he said. "Given how dynamic and strategically important this sector is, we must give it the attention it deserves. It is

very imperative that all hands are on deck."

He used the opportunity to guarantee the State's support for the Institute's upcoming event in Calabar.

Pastor Cobham also spoke on the importance of professionalism,



arguing that setting and maintaining standards is the only way the transport industry can truly move forward.

He assured the delegation of the his personal attendance at the April event and

promised that the government of Cross River State would do its part to ensure a successful outing.

Dr. Anie Iton, Chairman of the Cross River State chapter of CILT, led the delegation and began by thanking the Commissioner

for granting them audience, especially given the short notice and the fact that proper protocols were not fully observed.

She went on to educate those present about the Institute's standing,



explaining that CILT is an International body registered in about 43 countries worldwide.

While it was established in the United Kingdom several decades ago, many Nigerian professionals are already International members.

Dr. Iton clarified that the institute's focus goes beyond logistics, extending to regulations and professionalism across the entire

transport industry, which she described as part of everyone's daily life.

On a local note, she shared that she is making deliberate efforts to encourage more indigenes of Cross River State to register with the Institute.

Speaking about the upcoming national event, she revealed that it promises to be a massive gathering, with the national chairman and all national executive members expected to be physically present in

Calabar.

The courtesy visit also drew attendance from key stakeholders in the maritime sector, including representatives from the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA), the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA), FEDOF Shipping, and BRIGHTFLOW Shipping, signaling broad-based support for the Institute's mission in the state.





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PRESS RELEASE

2027 polls: Resign on or before March 26th, 2026 -Gov Otu Orders Exco Members

His Excellency, Bassey Edet Otu, Governor of Cross River State, has directed that any member of the State Executive Council and all political appointees intending to contest in the 2027 general elections must resign from office on or before March 2026.

The Governor gave the directive on Wednesday during a meeting of the State Executive Council, stressing the need for clarity of purpose in governance. "Any member of this Council who harbours political ambitions for the 2027 elections must, in the interest of propriety and focus, tender his or her resignation on or before March 2026," he declared.

Underscoring the ethical basis of the decision, Governor Otu stated, "Public office is a sacred trust. It must not be conflated with personal political pursuits. We owe our people undivided attention, and this administration will not compromise on that principle."

He further emphasized the need for undistracted governance, noting that "our mandate at this critical time is to serve diligently, to deliver on our promises, and to ensure that governance is not encumbered by premature political engagements." He added, "We must remain resolute in our duty to the people who entrusted us with this responsibility."



On the broader democratic imperative, the Governor remarked, "This directive is not punitive; it is principled. It is in line with global best practices and is intended to guarantee a level playing field for all aspirants, while protecting the integrity of government institutions."

Reaffirming his administration's development agenda, he stated, "We will continue to pursue economic diversification, strengthen our strategic partnerships, and enhance our internally generated revenue. Our focus remains on building a resilient and prosperous Cross River State."

Governor Otu urged full compliance with the directive, concluding, "I expect absolute adherence to this position. Together, let us remain committed to accountability, discipline, and service. The progress of Cross River State must, at all times, supersede personal ambition."



Linus Obogo

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Nigeria will be Great Again with NIPR's Initiatives – Gov. Otu



Governor of Cross River State, Sen. Bassey Otu has said the Nigerian Institute of Public Relations (NIPR) has the required competence towards making Nigeria great again, stating that the Institute's current

reputation projects will reposition the nation for global competitiveness. Stressing the importance of perception and reputation in nation-building during his investiture as Patron of NIPR in

Calabar on Tuesday, Gov. Otu commended the Institute for the establishment of Nigeria Reputation Management Group (NRMG), first University of Public Relations and Leadership (UPRL),



and winning of the hosting right for 2026 World Public Relations Forum (WPRF). "Your investiture is completely different from others and the difference is clear. I will be a very active patron because what you are doing is apt and good. For the events you have mentioned, we will participate in all of them. The challenge of manning our

reputation gate as a nation is a very serious one, but when you move in as an Institute and with the calibre of people I am seeing here, the story will change and our nation will be on a path of visible growth." Earlier, NIPR President, Dr. Ike Neliaku said the Institute as part of efforts to achieving its mandate of regulating the practice of public relations in Nigeria is presently seeking collaboration with

credible leaders and institutions to build solid reputational asset for the country. Dr. Neliaku applauded Gov. Otu for his commitment to quality service delivery, noting that his human-centred projects across the state, covering education, agriculture, roads and other developmental infrastructure demonstrate leadership capacity



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C'River Flags Off Distribution Of Literacy And Numeracy Textbooks To Strengthen Basic Education

By Patricia Ogbeche



The Cross River State Governor, Senator Dr. Bassey Edet Otu, has flagged off the distribution of Literacy and Numeracy textbooks

alongside Teachers' Guide materials for public primary schools for the 2025/2026 academic session under the Project HOPE GOV./World Bank Project.

The official flag-off ceremony took place at the PCN Primary School Akim Qua Town Calabar Municipal, where the Commissioner for Education, Senator Professor



Stephen Odey Esq, represented the State Governor Senator Dr. Basseyy Edet Otu launch the initiative in the presence of ministry of education management staff and key education stakeholders.

Speaking during

the event, Senator Professor Odey disclosed that the state government has provided textbooks of the academic centres across the state, describing the initiative as a significant step toward strengthening the education sector.

The Commissioner

further explained that the programme aligns with the administration's "People First" mantra, which focuses on ensuring that every child in Cross River State has access to quality and adequate education. "The Cross River



State Government is committed to providing essential infrastructural facilities and instructional materials, including textbooks and other learning resources, to improve teaching and learning in our schools, the commissioner

stated.

He noted that the distribution of the literacy and numeracy textbooks supported by the Trace and Track digital platform under the Project HOPE GOV. initiative, forms part of the government's broader education

reform aimed at enhancing learning outcomes across the state.

Professor Odey further explained that the event marks another milestone in the governor's achievements in the education sector and reflects the



administration's dedication to improving learning standards.

Commissioner Odey commended the Governor Senator Dr. Bassey Edet Otu for making the initiative possible through Project HOPE GOV. and the World Bank-supported

programme, emphasizing that the distribution of the textbooks and teachers' guide materials would significantly improve teaching effectiveness in public primary schools.

The commissioner also expressed appreciation to the governor for his unwavering commitment to

raising education standards and ensuring that pupils across Cross River State have access to the resources needed for effective learning.

C' River Expands Traceability Advocacy to Central and Northern Senatorial Districts

By Blessing Enagu



The Cross River State Government has expanded its sensitisation campaign on the Agricultural Traceability Programme to stakeholders in the Central and Northern Senatorial Districts as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen the State's agricultural value chains and ensure compliance

with emerging global market requirements.

The engagement, organised by the State Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation Development in collaboration with PULA Advisors, the lead consultant for the traceability programme, followed the earlier flag-off of the first phase statewide

sensitisation exercise in Calabar for stakeholders from the Southern Senatorial District.

The sensitisation meetings were held in Ikom for the Central Senatorial District and later in Obudu for the Northern Senatorial District, bringing together farmers, processors, aggregators, cooperative leaders



and other key actors across the cocoa, coffee and oil palm value chains.

In her welcome remarks, the Chairman of the Multi-Stakeholder Committee on

Cocoa, Coffee and Oil Palm Development, Prof. Susan Ohen, emphasised the importance of the traceability programme to the future of the state's agricultural sector. She noted that the

initiative would enhance transparency in the value chain, strengthen the credibility of Cross River's agricultural produce, and position farmers to access premium international



markets. She urged stakeholders to embrace the programme, stressing that collective commitment and collaboration would be critical to its success.

Prof Ohen appreciated Gov. Bassey Edet Otu for the visionary leadership and the Commissioner for Agriculture, Hon. Johnson Andiambey Ebokpo for driving the process passionately.

Also speaking, the Country Representative of PULA Advisors, Dr. Mike Enahoro explained that the traceability initiative is aimed at positioning Cross River State to meet



international standards, particularly the requirements of the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), which mandates proof that agricultural commodities entering the European market are not linked to deforestation. He noted that the system would enable proper farm mapping, accurate data capture and improved transparency within

the agricultural value chain, thereby strengthening farmers' access to premium international markets.

Participants were subsequently taken through detailed presentations on the objectives, benefits and operational framework of the traceability system, including the process of integrating farmers into a transparent and globally recognised supply

chain.

In Ikom, cocoa stakeholders were also exposed to measures for improving their marketing opportunities in view of the current global market situation. In a presentation titled "From Price Decline to Market Resilience: Strengthening Cocoa Production and Export through Traceability and Stakeholders Collaboration," the

State Coordinator of the Nigerian Export Promotion Council (NEPC), Dr. Osas Damian Omorogbe, highlighted strategies for strengthening cocoa production and export. He placed strong emphasis on traceability as a key solution for securing a sustainable premium market and improving the competitiveness of Nigerian cocoa in the global marketplace.

Pledging their commitment to the initiative, stakeholders took turns to share their perspectives on the programme. The State Secretary of the Cocoa Farmers Association of Nigeria (CFAN), Mr. Jones Ekwom,

commended the Governor for what he described as a visionary intervention aimed at strengthening the cocoa value chain in the state.

Similarly, the Ikom Coordinator of the Oil Palm Growers Association of Nigeria (OPGAN), Chief Anuhobi Anaru, noted that oil palm is widely cultivated across the local government areas in the district, adding that farmers are eager to participate in programmes that will improve their productivity and market opportunities. He called for deeper mobilisation of farmers within the value chain to ensure broad participation.

The State Chairman of the National

Coffee and Tea Association of Nigeria (NACOFTAN), Dr. Assam Assam, welcomed the renewed attention given to coffee development in the state, assuring that coffee farmers were ready to key into the programme and actively participate in its implementation. In her remarks, the Vice Chairman of Ogoja Local Government Council, Hon. Mrs. Otoro Mary Illah, stressed the importance of timely implementation of the programme, noting that the success of the initiative would depend largely on the speed and efficiency with which it is rolled out. She pledged commitment to

mobilising farmers across Ogoja Local Government Area to actively participate in the programme.

The National Secretary General of the Cocoa Association of Nigeria (CAN), Mr. Goddy Ukwu, described the traceability initiative as a strategic step toward protecting Nigeria's cocoa export market. "The introduction of traceability is timely and strategic. It demonstrates the commitment of the state government to ensure that our cocoa meets international sustainability standards and remains competitive in the global market," he said.

The meetings also had in attendance the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation Development, Elder Dr. Odey Ikongah; Vice Chairman of the Multi-Stakeholder Committee, Prof. Damian Agom; Chairman of the Cocoa Farmers Association of Nigeria (CFAN), Obudu Chapter, Mr. Godwin Agim; Chairman of CFAN, Obanliku Chapter, HRH Abila Sylvester; Chairman of the Cocoa Association of Nigeria (CAN), Obudu/Obanliku Chapter, Mr. Richard Udie; Director of Operations, Cross River Geographic Information Agency (CRGIA), Mr. Jesam Iwara; Director of Cocoa and Coffee, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation Development, Mr.

Williams Ifere; Director of Extension, Cross River Agric. Development Programme, Elder Ubi Obeten and Director of Forestry, Cross River State Forestry Commission, Mr. Donatus Adie, among other stakeholders.

The sensitisation exercise which is to get stakeholders' buy-in, forms part of the state government's broader strategy to enhance transparency in agricultural production, improve farmers' access to premium international markets and promote sustainable agricultural practices across the cocoa, coffee and oil palm value chains.

SACA DG Commends A Foundation for Empowering Women in Cross River

By Asari Eso



women's empowerment, citing their essential role in driving gender equality and economic stability within the state.

Dr. Iwara gave the commendation during a recent International Women's Day event hosted by the Olayinka Nicole Odewumi

The Director General of the Cross River State Agency for the Control of AIDS (CR-SACA),

Dr. Charles Iwara, has lauded the efforts of non-governmental organizations dedicated to



Foundation at Jorany Hotel, Calabar.

The event, themed "Give to Gain," gathered stakeholders and residents to celebrate female resilience and foster a culture of philanthropy.

Represented by Mrs. Lilian Abang, the Director General praised the foundation's commitment to social justice and community development. He noted that the state's progress in sectors like

agriculture and entrepreneurship is a direct result of intentional policy choices.

"Cross River State has made notable strides in advancing women's economic empowerment," Iwara stated. "Our progress reflects deliberate policies that prioritize women within the agricultural value chain and ensure equitable access to land."

He further urged other organizations to emulate these initiatives and called on women to

remain "their neighbors' keepers" by advocating for systemic change and supporting one another's growth. Commitment to the Grassroots

Earlier, the State Coordinator and spokesperson for the foundation, Gift Oghale, explained that the initiative was born out of a desire to recognize the profound contributions of women to the fabric of society.

She emphasized



that the Olayinka Nicole Odewumi Foundation is specifically structured to bridge the gap for those at the grassroots level.

According to her their mission includes: providing a "helping hand" to vulnerable women, partnering with well-meaning

individuals and corporate bodies to reinvest in local communities as well as Grassroots engagement and advocacy for the underprivileged.

Highlighting the "Give to Gain" theme, the foundation provided direct financial support to twelve women during the

event. Seven beneficiaries were selected based on specific empowerment criteria, while five others were chosen via a raffle draw. Each recipient received a cash grant to support their personal or business endeavors.

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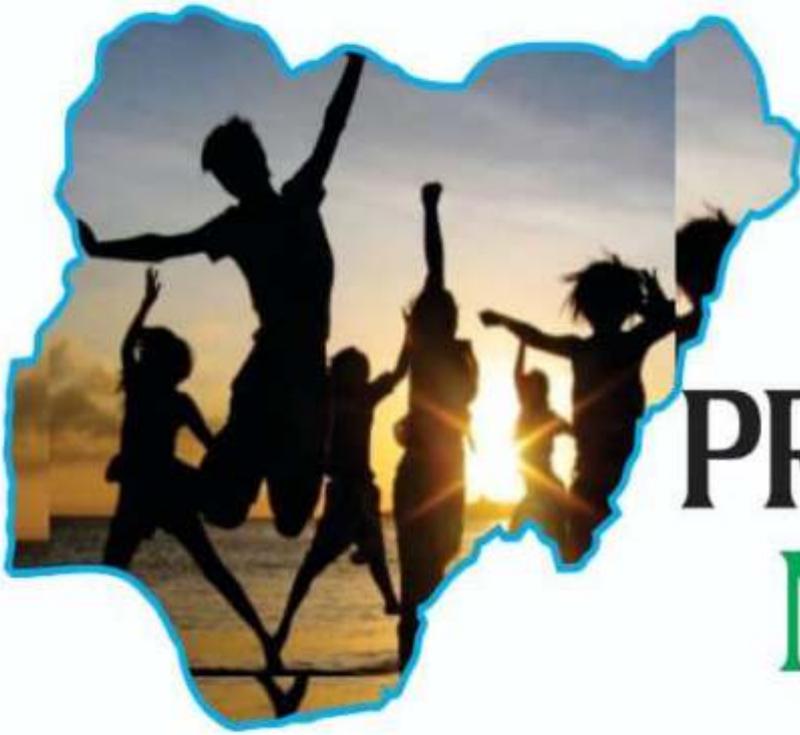
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Government of Cross River State, Nigeria

23rd February, 2026

PRESS RELEASE

SUSPENSION OF ALL SCRAP-RELATED ACTIVITIES IN CROSS RIVER STATE

The Cross River State Government expresses grave concern over the alarming rise in vandalism, theft, and the destruction of public infrastructure and private property across Cross River State. Critical assets, including public utilities, road installations, and essential community facilities, have been deliberately targeted, resulting in service disruptions, economic losses, and heightened threats to public safety.

Investigations and security reports have established a direct nexus between these destructive acts and the activities of scrap dealers, scavengers, and their agents operating within the State.

Given the urgency and severity of the situation, His Excellency, the Governor of Cross River State, Senator Prince Bassey Edet Bassey Otu, has directed the immediate review of all laws, policies, and regulatory frameworks governing scrap-related activities in the State and as an urgent interim measure to halt further damage, restore order, and safeguard State and private assets, His Excellency has further approved the immediate suspension of all scrap-related activities in Cross River State for an initial period of 6 (six) months.

This suspension applies comprehensively to all forms of scrap dealing, including but not limited to trading, scavenging, transportation, and any related operations within, into, or out of the State. Any individual, group, or entity found in violation of this directive shall be dealt with in accordance with the law and

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shall face the full force of legal sanctions. All law enforcement bodies and relevant security agencies are hereby mandated to ensure strict compliance and enforcement without exception.

The Cross River State Government remains resolute in its duty to protect public infrastructure, defend private property, and ensure that residents feel safe and secure. These measures are necessary to prevent further sabotage of critical assets and to maintain public confidence.

The full cooperation of all residents, stakeholders, and lawful business operators is expected and appreciated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping, fluid strokes that form the name 'Ededem Charles Ani'.

Ededem Charles Ani, Esq.
Attorney-General and Commissioner for Justice



16th February, 2026

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to notify the general public that the recently Inaugurated Cross River State Planning and Development Control Enforcement Team has commenced the enforcement of compliance with town planning and development control laws across the State.

To this end, all property owners, developers and contractors are required to make available their duly approved building plans issued by the State Ministry of Lands, Town and Urban Planning at all ongoing and completed project sites.

Likewise, persons who have developed and are occupying government land without proper documentation and approval, are advised to do so forthwith.

Any development without approved plans, or failure to present same upon request, will attract penalties including stop-work orders, fines and possible demolition.

The public is thereby enjoined to cooperate with enforcement officers in the interest of orderly, safe and sustainable urban development.

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Chairman,

Cross River State Planning & Dev. Control





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CROSS RIVER STATE PLANNING COMMISSION CIRCULAR NO. 3/2026

COLLABORATION WITH THE STATE BUREAU OF STATISTICS ON ALL STATISTICAL SURVEYS AND DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES

In order to mend the observed fragmented and unco-ordinated data production across sectors in the State, it has become imperative to issue this circular, as a reminder of the need for compliance by all MDAs and other organizations with government's subsisting guidelines/Laws on the conduct of statistical surveys and data collection activities in the State.

It is noteworthy that the authorized Agency to provide overall strategic direction and clearance on the conduct of statistical surveys and data collection in the State is the State Bureau of Statistics.

Regrettably, most MDAs/Organizations embark on statistical surveys and data collection exercise in the state without collaboration with, or due clearance of the Bureau. Thus, undermining the State Bureau of Statistics Law, our commitment to producing high quality, productive and mutually acceptable data for evidence driven governance, and ultimately the socio-economic development of our dear State.

Accordingly, in order to strengthen the quality, comparability, and utility of any statistical data originating from the State, all MDAs and our development partners intending to



collaborate closely with the State Bureau of Statistics in planning, designing and implementation of their surveys and data collection activities.

Any data generated and disseminated at any level without due involvement or clearance of the State Bureau of Statistics shall not be accepted as official statistical data of Cross River State.

The Planning Commission in collaboration with the Bureau of Statistics is committed to supporting in building MDAs Institutional Capacity for data collection.

The contents of this circular should be brought to the notice of all concerned.

This circular takes immediate effect.

Thank you, and please, be assured of our esteemed regards.



Dr. Bong Duke

Vice Chairman/CEO

Cross River State Planning Commission



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This is to inform all prospective applicants seeking admission into College of Agriculture, Science & Technology Obubra, that application forms are now available on the College website. Applicants are required to pay a non-refundable application fee of **Twenty-Five Thousand Naira (N25,000.00)** only into the College Account with **United Bank for Africa (UBA), Account No: 1028613027, Account Name: College of Agriculture.** Proof of payment, completed application form and credentials should be uploaded via the College portal at www.castobubra.ng/applications

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Signed: **Dr. Gabriel Ojie Osang** - Registrar

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Extension of Early Bird Registration – NPRW 2026

Dear **Professional** Colleagues,

Following the overwhelming number of requests received by the National Planning Committee from various chapters across Nigeria regarding an extension of the Early Bird registration deadline, we are pleased to announce that a one-week extension has been approved.

We encourage all members who are yet to complete their registration to take advantage of this additional opportunity.

Please note that the new deadline for Early Bird registration is midnight, 8th March 2026.

We look forward to your active participation.

National Planning Committee NPRW 2026



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HEAD OF SERVICE CIRCULAR NO. 1/2026

PAYROLL AUDIT, CREDENTIALS/PROGRESSION VERIFICATION FOR SERVING OFFICERS AND PENSION VERIFICATION FOR PENSIONERS

The attention of all Civil Servants in the State Public/ Civil Service is hereby drawn to the approval of His Excellency, the Governor of Cross River State, authorising the Office of the Head of Service to conduct a comprehensive Payroll Audit and Pensioners Verification for the State Public Service.

The exercise is aimed at:

- Ensuring the integrity and accuracy of the State payroll.
- Verifying Staff credentials, appointments, promotions and progression records.
- Eliminating payroll irregularities and strengthening personnel management systems.

The Payroll Audit will be conducted simultaneously with Credentials and Career Progression Verification for serving officers. While a Pension Verification Exercise will be carried out for pensioners. The Nigerian Union of Pensioners (NUP) is hereby notified accordingly.

All serving officers are directed to immediately collate and present copies of their service records to the administrative heads of their MDAs, but not limited to:

- Letter of First Appointment
- Letter of confirmation of appointment
- All Promotion Letters up to current grade level
- All Educational Certificates used in the course of service
- Any other official personnel records as may be required

Further details on the schedule, modalities and documentation requirements for the exercise will be communicated in due course.


Orók Bassey Oken
Head of Service





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- 1** Obtain an Application Form at CRGIA's Office, Old Secretariat Road, Off Murtala Mohammed Highway, Calabar, Cross River State
- 2** Submit Application Form with Required Documents
Fill and submit the form along with necessary documents, e.g. Registered Title Document, survey plan, identification, etc.
- 3** Assessment and Payment of Fees.
The office will assess applicable charges, registration fees, processing fees, etc. Make the required payment.
- 4** Inspection and Publication (for private land)
Property is inspected by LUAC officials
Notice of application is published for 21 days to allow for objections.
After clearance, Governor's Approval in Principle is obtained.
- 5** C of O (Certificate of Occupancy) Engrossment and Signing
The Certificate of Occupancy is prepared (engrossed) and signed by the Governor or delegated authority.
- 6** Registration and Delivery
Final registration is completed at the Lands Registry.
Registered documents are delivered to the applicant (client).

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