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# Prof. Odey Emerges Chairman Commissioners' Forum, Cobham to Serve as Secretary

By Nakanda Iyadim



SNAPCIAL

**T**he Forum of Commissioners in Cross River State on Wednesday elected Prof. Stephen Odey,

Commissioner for Education, as its new Chairman.

The election followed a unanimous

decision by members to change leadership in order to reposition the Forum for a more robust and result-



oriented trajectory.

The seat had remained vacant for several months following the resignation of Mr. Victor-Felix Idem, Commissioner for Local Government Affairs.

The Vice Chairman and Commissioner for Health, Dr. Egbe Ayuk, who officially announced the vacancy, presided over the election of the new leadership.

The newly elected executive

members are:  
Chairman: Sen. Prof. Stephen Odey, Vice Chairman: Hon. Edema Irom, Secretary: Pst. Hon. Ekpenyong Cobham, Welfare Officer: Hon. Dr. Helen Egodo, Financial Secretary: Hon. Etieka Lawrentia Ita and Treasurer: Capt. Eno Inah (Rtd) while Publicity Secretary: Hon. Patrick Egede.

Members also observed a moment of silence and commiserated with the Governor and the people of Cross River State

over the passing of their colleague, Hon. Dr. Eka Williams, who served as Commissioner for Power and Renewable Energy.

The forum later paid a condolence visit to the Governor's residence, where the Forum briefed His Excellency on the outcomes of the meeting and received remarks on the way forward.



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# Arikpo Reaffirms Govt Commitment to Community Development as Group Congratulates Him

By Gift Otudor



**T**he Cross River State Government has reaffirmed its commitment to initiatives that promote community development and improve the

wellbeing of the people, with the Commissioner for Special Duties and Intergovernmental Relations, Hon. Dodeye Ikpi Arikpo, assuring individuals and community-based organisations

of government's support for programmes that contribute to the growth of the state.

Arikpo gave the assurance on Tuesday when

members of the Exquisite Royal Pearls Club of Ugep (ERPCU) paid him a congratulatory visit at the headquarters of the Ministry of Special Duties and Intergovernmental Relations in Calabar.

The Commissioner said the government remained interested in initiatives that complement its efforts to improve communities and create opportunities for people to contribute to societal development.

He urged the club to remain consistent in its programmes and encouraged its members to take

active interest in political and civic activities, noting that such participation would provide opportunities to engage key stakeholders and contribute meaningfully to the development of society.

Arikpo said the government would continue to support programmes capable of advancing the growth and development of Cross River State and improving the wellbeing of its people.

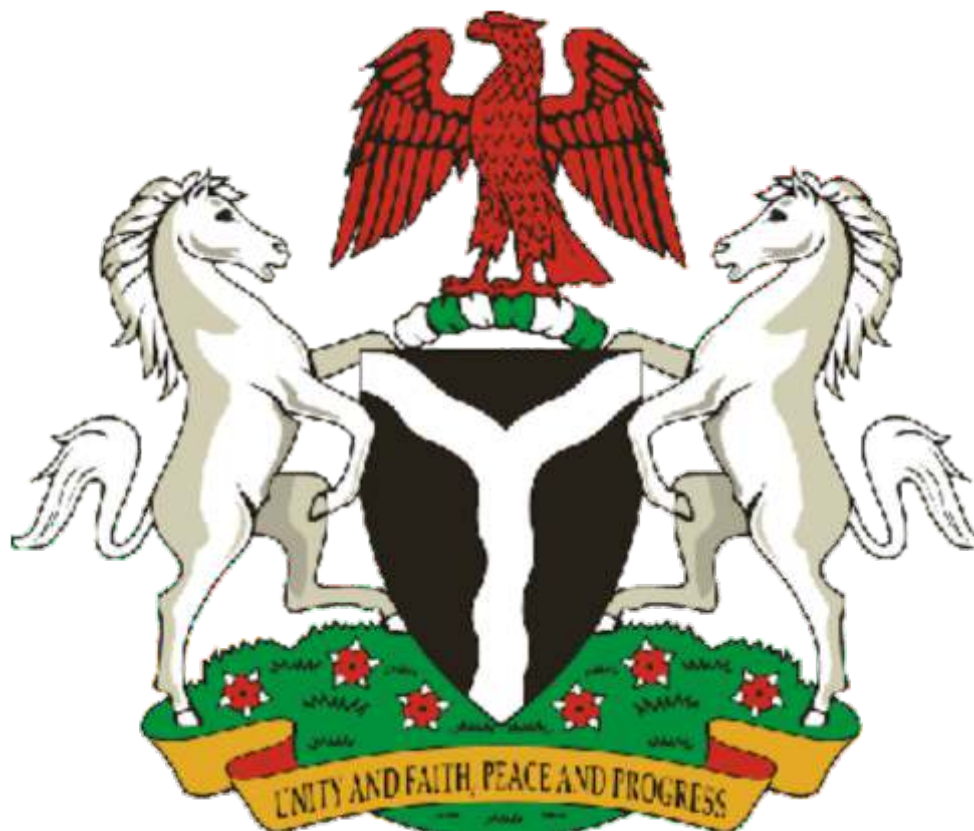
"I sincerely appreciate you for coming to congratulate me and for identifying with me at this time. Your gesture is encouraging, and I commend the club for the good work it

is doing in the community," he said.

Earlier, President General of the Exquisite Royal Pearls Club, Mrs. Gift Nnana Netus, said the visit was to congratulate Arikpo on his appointment and identify with him as he assumes his new responsibility.

"We are here to congratulate you on your appointment and to identify with you as you begin this new responsibility. We believe that leadership is an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the people," Netus said.

She said caring for the less privileged remained one of



the major priorities of the club, adding that its programmes were focused on promoting compassion, empowerment and community development.

“Our commitment is to promote compassion, empowerment and community development. We want our activities

to have a meaningful impact on the lives of the people, particularly those who need support,” she said.

Netus disclosed that the club was planning a programme to commemorate the forthcoming International Day of the Girl Child, with a focus on supporting and empowering the girl

child.

She also disclosed that the organisation was involved in the ongoing construction of a civic centre in Ugep, describing the project as part of its contribution to the development of the community.

# Healthy Billionaires Seek NUJ Support for Walkathon on Unity and Sustainable Devt.

By Daniel Nsa



**T**he Healthy Billionaires group has solicited the support of the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ), Cross River State Council, for its forthcoming Calabar Walkathon themed around unity and sustainable development.

The Chairman of the Planning

Committee, Mr. Samuel Usoro, made the appeal during a courtesy visit to the NUJ Secretariat in Calabar. He said this year's walk is aimed at breaking political, ethnic, religious and tribal barriers and encouraging citizens to speak with one voice to demand sustainable development.

According to him,

the walk comes at a crucial time as the country approaches another election cycle, a period often marked by division.

"People are allowed to choose who they want and vote for who they want. But the most important thing is to be united before and after the elections," Usoro



said.

He explained that the annual walk is more than a

fitness exercise. It is a platform to spark conversations around pressing social issues and

push government, corporate organisations and citizens to pursue lasting solutions.

"We are going to break all those barriers of division and speak with one voice, asking people in authority, corporate leaders and even ourselves to do things that are sustainable for our economy and society," he said.

This year's theme is "A Walk for Unity and Sustainable Development." Usoro said the initiative will be deliberately non-partisan, with participants setting aside political differences to walk for a common cause.

"We are opening our doors to everybody. You might see people from different political divides walking alongside

one another. We are not talking politics that day," he added.

He appealed to journalists to amplify the message and help take the advocacy beyond Calabar, noting that the media remains central to public enlightenment and mobilisation.

"We have come to the NUJ because we know we cannot do without you. The whole concept of advocacy comes from you. We are asking you to lend your voice," he said.

Usoro disclosed that the walk will kick off at 7 a.m. on Saturday from Millennium Park, following the carnival route before returning for a wrap-up. He added that a post-event press

conference may be held to highlight outcomes.

He recalled that previous editions focused on issues such as drug abuse, mental health, autism and neurological disorders. Those campaigns, he said, helped spotlight gaps in rehabilitation facilities and specialised services like speech therapy in the region.

"We don't necessarily have the resources to solve every problem, but we start the conversation and bring the players into the same circle. We bring the media spotlight and those saddled with the responsibility

together," he said.

He added that the group also tracks progress after its interventions and engages relevant stakeholders, including military and paramilitary formations, who are expected to participate and sensitize the public on responsible citizenship.

Responding, the Chairman of NUJ Cross River State Council, Comrade Archibong Bassey, commended the group for consistently using its walk to draw attention to societal issues. She noted that sustainable development cannot be achieved by government alone and requires citizens' participation, unity

and reorientation, especially in the age of social media.

She also called for follow-up mechanisms to ensure that conversations from the walks translate into measurable outcomes.

During the interaction, concerns were raised about overcrowding in correctional facilities. Victoria Omini, who recently visited a correctional centre in the State, disclosed that a facility built for about 450 inmates was housing about 784 inmates, with a high number of awaiting-trial persons and minors allegedly held alongside adults due to lack of juvenile facilities.

The Healthy Billionaires acknowledged the concerns, saying such sensitive issues would require careful engagement with relevant stakeholders before being taken up as advocacy themes.

The 2026 Calabar Walkathon is expected to bring together citizens, government officials, corporate organisations, security agencies, civil society actors and other stakeholders in a symbolic show of unity and a collective call for sustainable development.



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# Humanitarian Day: C'River Govt Urges Stakeholders to Turn Compassion into Lasting Impact

By Nakanda Iyadim



**T**he Cross River State Government has called on humanitarian actors, development partners, civil society organisations and individuals to move beyond ceremonial celebrations and deepen commitment to

transforming the lives of vulnerable people across the State.

The call was made during the commemoration of World Humanitarian Day and Humanitarian Awards ceremony held in Calabar, where officials and stakeholders emphasised the

need for stronger partnerships, compassion, accountability and sustainable interventions.

Representing Governor Senator Prince Bassey Edet Otu, the Commissioner for Establishment, Training and Pension, Eti Eka Lawrence Ita, described



humanitarian action as a shared responsibility requiring collective efforts of government, humanitarian organisations, development partners, civil society, traditional and religious institutions, the private sector, the media and affected communities.

She said the gathering provided

an opportunity not only to recognise humanitarian actors but also to reflect on the effectiveness of interventions and renew commitment to ensuring assistance reaches those who need it most in a timely, transparent and sustainable manner.

Governor Otu stressed the importance of moving beyond emergency relief to

building resilience, dignity and self-reliance among vulnerable populations, noting that sustainable solutions require effective coordination, innovation, accountability and meaningful community participation.

He also highlighted the interventions of the First Lady, Bishop Dr. Mrs.



Eyoanwan Bassey Edet Otu, describing her as a humanitarian icon whose Humanity Without Borders Initiative has demonstrated sustained commitment to supporting the vulnerable.

In his remarks as Chairman of the occasion and Commissioner for Information and Orientation, Pastor Ekpenyong Ene

Cobham, described humanitarian service as an expression of the true essence of life, stressing that society loses meaning when people abandon compassion, love and sacrifice.

Cobham said the Humanitarian Awards provided an opportunity to honour individuals and organisations whose sacrifices have restored hope

and dignity to people in difficult circumstances, urging recipients to see the recognition as a call to do more.

In his goodwill message, the Commissioner for Education and Chairman of the Forum of Commissioners, Senator Stephen Odey, commended the Commissioner for Humanitarian Affairs, Dr. Mrs.



Helen Isamoh Egudu, and her team for consistently bringing humanitarian actors together.

Odey urged the Ministry to use the annual event for stocktaking by assessing its achievements and measuring the number of lives and communities positively impacted by its interventions.

Other Speakers collectively called for humanitarian responsibility to

extend beyond government and specialised agencies, urging individuals to reach out to the less privileged and contribute to building a more compassionate and resilient society.

The event featured recognition of humanitarian actors, volunteers, organisations and institutions whose contributions have made meaningful differences, while participants in the World Humanitarian Day Walk were commended for

demonstrating the power of collective action.

The State Government reaffirmed its commitment to improving humanitarian response mechanisms, strengthening partnerships and investing in preparedness, prevention, resilience and empowerment, with the goal of ensuring that no vulnerable person or community is left behind.



Earlier in her welcome address, the Commissioner for Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Alleviation, Dr. Helen Isamoh, described the event as an important gathering of humanitarian actors, partners, institutions and stakeholders committed to improving the lives of vulnerable people in our communities.

"Today is also a day of recognition. The Humanitarian Awards provide an opportunity to

celebrate individuals, organisations and institutions whose dedication to humanitarian service has made a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

"Their contributions remind us all that acts of kindness, whether large or small, can restore hope, dignity and confidence to people facing difficult circumstances.

"Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, as we celebrate

humanitarian service today, let us renew our commitment to building a society where no vulnerable person is left behind. Let us continue to work together to promote humanity, dignity, inclusion and resilience across our communities," she added, thanking Governor Otu for demonstrating a spirit of humanity since his assumption of office.



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# Environment Ministry, CSO Collaborate on Forest Protection

By Sylvia Okoi



The Cross River State Ministry of Environment has expressed readiness to collaborate with environmental rights organisations and other stakeholders to strengthen environmental governance and

address deforestation and other environmental challenges in the State.

The Commissioner for Environment, Barr. Bassey Offiong Mensah, stated this when he received a delegation from We The People

(Centre for Social Studies and Development) on an advocacy and familiarisation visit to his office in Calabar on Tuesday, September 15, 2026.

The delegation, led by the Head of We The People's Calabar



Office, Ukeme Ekong, called for stronger collaboration with government and an urgent review of the State's existing forestry laws to address deforestation and environmental degradation.

Ekong highlighted the organisation's concerns over

waste management, pollution control, sustainable urban development and climate adaptation, stressing the need for policies that promote environmental and social justice.

She said the organisation was ready to collaborate with

the Ministry in advancing innovative policies and community-driven initiatives aimed at improving environmental governance in the State.

Also speaking, a Project Officer with the organisation, Nsikak Udofot,

expressed concern over the loss of forest cover in Cross River State, noting the State's importance as a biodiversity-rich region.

Another Project Officer, Augustine Uka, raised concerns over land tenure practices which, according to him, could encourage deforestation by linking tree clearing to land ownership.

Uka disclosed that We The People, in collaboration with legal experts, environmental lawyers and academic associations, had prepared a draft review of the Cross River State Forestry Law for consideration by

the State Government.

Responding, Commissioner Mensah acknowledged the challenges posed by unauthorised logging and other activities affecting the State's forest reserves.

He assured the delegation of the Ministry's willingness to work with stakeholders whose interventions would add value to environmental protection and governance in the State.

On the proposed review of the forestry law, the Commissioner said the Ministry would study the draft and explore appropriate channels for advancing the

proposed legislative reforms.

He said his office could facilitate further engagement with relevant authorities, including the State House of Assembly, once the proposed amendments had been properly reviewed.

The visit climaxed with the presentation of a research document and a draft review of the Cross River State Forestry Law to the Commissioner for appraisal.

# C'River Launches Statewide Survey on Persons with Disabilities



**T**he Cross River State Bureau of Statistics has flagged off the Persons with Disabilities and Social Inclusion

Survey, a statewide data-gathering exercise designed to provide accurate information for inclusive planning and service delivery for

persons with disabilities.

Speaking at the flag-off ceremony, the Statistician-General of the State, Mrs.



Akedoh Edet Okoi, said the survey goes beyond collecting numbers and seeks to understand the lives and experiences of persons with disabilities across the State.

She said the exercise would provide information on where persons with disabilities live, the challenges they face, their access to essential services, and their participation in the social and economic life of their communities.

The Statistician-General appealed to residents to cooperate with enumerators by providing accurate



information, while urging the field teams to conduct the exercise with professionalism, dignity and compassion.

She stressed that the data would enable government and relevant stakeholders to identify gaps, design targeted interventions, and allocate resources more effectively, thereby building a more inclusive State.

She disclosed that

the survey would cover all 18 Local Government Areas, adding that enumerators would list households in selected enumeration areas and interview households with persons with disabilities on issues including education, health, employment, social protection, and community participation.

In his remarks, the Vice Chairman of the State Planning Commission, Pastor Bong Duke,

who was represented by the Permanent Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Kingsley Eyibio, said the exercise aligns with Governor Prince Bassey Edet Otu's "People First" agenda.

He noted that persons with disabilities form an integral part of families, communities and the workforce, stressing that government cannot plan effectively for



people whose realities it does not fully understand. The survey, he said, would strengthen planning, budgeting and policy decisions while supporting more targeted interventions.

Also speaking, the Director-General of the Cross River State Geographic Information Agency, Mr. William Archibong, described the initiative as a

critical step towards generating inclusive data that would feed into national planning and future census exercises.

He added that the Agency would provide geospatial support, including mapping the locations of persons with disabilities, their living conditions and gaps in essential services, to support evidence-based planning, resource allocation and inclusive

development across the State.

Representing persons with disabilities, the Chief Social Welfare Officer, Mr. Etim Esuk, commended the State Government for promoting the inclusion of persons with disabilities under the administration of Senator Prince Bassey Edet Otu.

The flag-off marks the beginning of a process expected to produce



reliable evidence to ensure that no resident of Cross River State is left invisible in data or left behind in development.

The ceremony, held at the Geographic Information

Agency in Calabar, brought together officials of the State Planning Commission, the National Population Commission, the National Bureau of Statistics, Ministries, Departments and Agencies,

organizations of persons with disabilities, development partners, the media, and field enumerators.

# Electric Auto-Bike Company Seeks Partnership with C'River State

By Orok Orok



**A** renowned electric motorbike supplier, LBDR, has expressed readiness to partner with the Cross River State Government for

the supply of auto-bikes and laptops to enhance effective and efficient service delivery in the State.

The team, led by the Marketing Manager of the

company, Mr. Ambrose Oju, paid a courtesy visit to the Commissioner for Science, Technology and Innovation, Associate Professor Justin

Beshel, where he explained that the purpose of the visit was to present a supply chain initiative aimed at supporting civil servants through the provision of laptops and electric motorbikes.

Mr. Oju commended the Commissioner for his efforts in improving service delivery in the Ministry and restated the company's willingness to explore areas of partnership with the State Government.

He said the initiative was designed to enhance the efficiency and productivity of civil servants in their various fields of

responsibility, noting that providing them with necessary technological tools would complement the ICT training they have undergone and enable them to perform their duties more effectively.

Mr. Oju expressed the company's readiness to partner with the State Government in implementing the initiative, stressing that access to modern technological equipment would significantly improve service delivery.

Responding, the Commissioner for Science, Technology and Innovation, Associate Professor Justin Beshel, thanked the LBDR team for the initiative and their interest in

supporting the State Government.

He commended the company for coming forward with a proposal capable of positively impacting the productivity of civil servants and promised to advance the initiative to the next level towards possible execution, in line with the interests of the State Government.

The Commissioner further emphasized the importance of technology-driven solutions in strengthening public service delivery and advancing the State's development agenda.

# C'River Shines with Eight Honours at 2026 e-Government Excellence Awards

By Orok Orok



**C**ross River State has clinched eight awards at the 2026 Nigeria e-Government Excellence Awards in Lagos, affirming its leadership in digital governance and innovation.

The State was recognized in the

following categories:

- \*Governor of the Year – Digital Revenue & IGR Innovation\* – His Excellency, Senator Prince Bassey Edet Otu
- \*State Digital Policy Leader of the Year\* – Associate Professor Justin

- Beshel, Commissioner for Science, Technology and Innovation
- \*Best State Mobile Government Initiative\*
- \*Most Improved State e-Government Service Deployment\*



- \*GovTech Innovation of the Year\* – My Cross River App
- \*Best Government Payment Solution\* – My Cross River App by Nugi Technologies
- \*Technology Partner of the Year\* – Nugi Technologies
- \*Startup of the Year\* – Nugi Technologies

The awards highlight the administration's drive to use technology to improve service delivery, boost internally generated revenue, and make governance more accessible.

The recognition validates the State Government's investment in digital transformation under Governor Bassey Otu,

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# College of Health to Partner Ministry of Science on Technology Innovation

By Orok Orok



The Cross River State College of Health Sciences and Technology has sought collaboration with the State Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation to promote technological advancement, strengthen academic activities and enhance Information and

Communication Technology (ICT) capacity in the institution.

The Rector of the Polytechnic, Dr. Ita Ikpeme, who led the management team on a courtesy visit to the Ministry, said the institution was keen to establish a stronger working relationship with the Ministry, particularly in the areas of technology,

innovation and ICT.

Dr. Ikpeme explained that the institution has evolved from a monotechnic to a polytechnic, resulting in an expansion of its academic programmes beyond basic health-related courses to include management sciences, science,

health sciences and technology.

He noted that the expanded mandate of the institution under the administration of His Excellency, Senator Prince Bassey Edet Otu, has made collaboration with the Ministry increasingly imperative.

According to him, the partnership would help the Polytechnic strengthen its technological capacity while equipping students with relevant ICT and technical skills needed to compete effectively in the modern economy.

Responding, the Commissioner for Science, Technology and Innovation,

Associate Professor Justin Beshel, assured the delegation of the Ministry's commitment to support the institution within the framework of available government resources and programmes.

The Commissioner disclosed that the Ministry has been collaborating with various institutions, including the National Association of Technologists and Engineers (NATE) and the University of Cross River State (UNICROSS), adding that the College, now a Polytechnic, would not be left out.

He emphasized that a key objective of the Ministry is to advance educational institutions and the

civil service through technology, innovation and capacity building.

Prof. Beshel expressed optimism that the proposed partnership would create opportunities for knowledge sharing, technical development and improved ICT capacity for both staff and students of the institution.

The meeting ended with both parties expressing commitment to exploring practical areas of collaboration to promote education, technology and innovation in Cross River State.



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| 2.  | African Action Congress                 | <b>AAC</b>  | Omoyele Sowore                 | Magashi Haruna Garba           |
| 3.  | African Democratic Congress             | <b>ADC</b>  | Atiku Abubakar                 | Rotimi Amaechi                 |
| 4.  | Action Democratic Party                 | <b>ADP</b>  | Abbas-Bin Aliyu                | Ike Chinazam                   |
| 5.  | All Progressives Congress               | <b>APC</b>  | Bola Ahmed Tinubu              | Kashim Shettima                |
| 6.  | Allied Peoples Movement                 | <b>APM</b>  | Seyi Makinde                   | Ibrahim Adamu Bala             |
| 7.  | All Peoples Party                       | <b>DP</b>   | Yusuf Kabiru                   | Ofordile Peace Egobia          |
| 8.  | Boot Party                              | <b>BP</b>   | Adenuga Sunday                 | Mustapha Usman Turaki          |
| 9.  | Democratic League of Africa             | <b>DLA</b>  | Memeh Samuel                   | Balogun Alex                   |
| 10. | Labour Party                            | <b>LP</b>   | Okereke Sunday Chibuzor        | Konto Hajja Bintu              |
| 11. | Nigeria Democratic Congress             | <b>NDC</b>  | Peter Obi                      | Rabiu Musa Kwankwaso           |
| 12. | National Democratic Party               | <b>NDP</b>  | Okwori Ada Elizabeth Frederick | Chikwuemeka Uchenna Anthony    |
| 13. | New Nigeria Peoples Party               | <b>NNPP</b> | Dikwa Suleiman Mohammed        | Abubakar Isah                  |
| 14. | National Rescue Movement                | <b>NRM</b>  | Okereke Iken Esther            | Samuel Magdalene Gali          |
| 15. | Peoples Democratic Party                | <b>PDP</b>  | Senator Sandy Onor             | Umaru Babangida                |
| 16. | Peoples Redemption Party                | <b>PRP</b>  | Donald Duke                    | Buba Musa                      |
| 17. | Social Democratic Party                 | <b>SDP</b>  | Adebayo Adewole Ebenezer       | Bugaje Usman Mohammed          |
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Campaign opens  
**19 August 2026**



Campaign closes  
**15 January 2027**



Election day  
**16 January 2027**



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Campaign opens  
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Campaign closes  
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Election day  
**6 February 2027**



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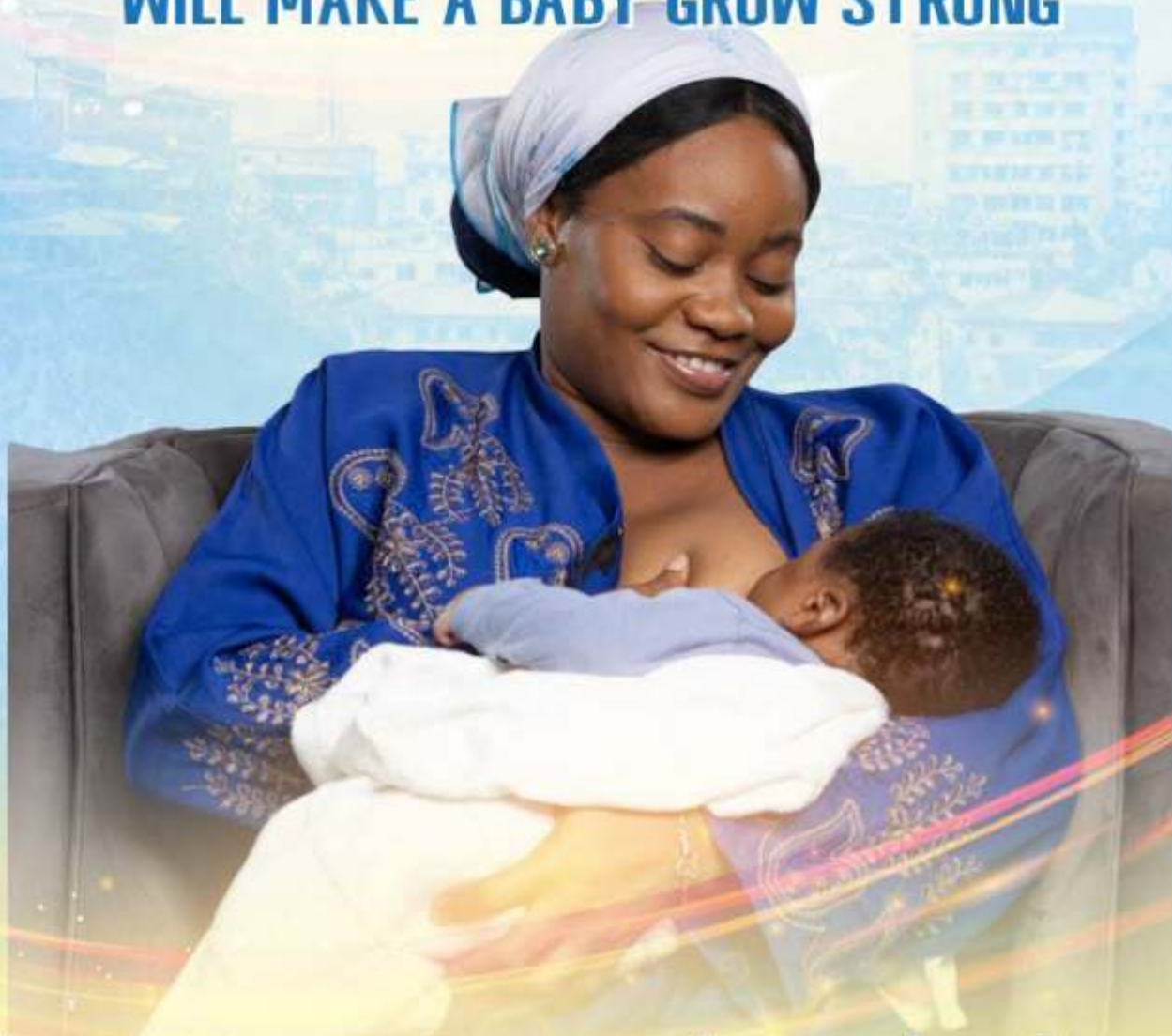


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# SIX MONTHS OF BREASTFEEDING IS POSSIBLE, Even With Work!



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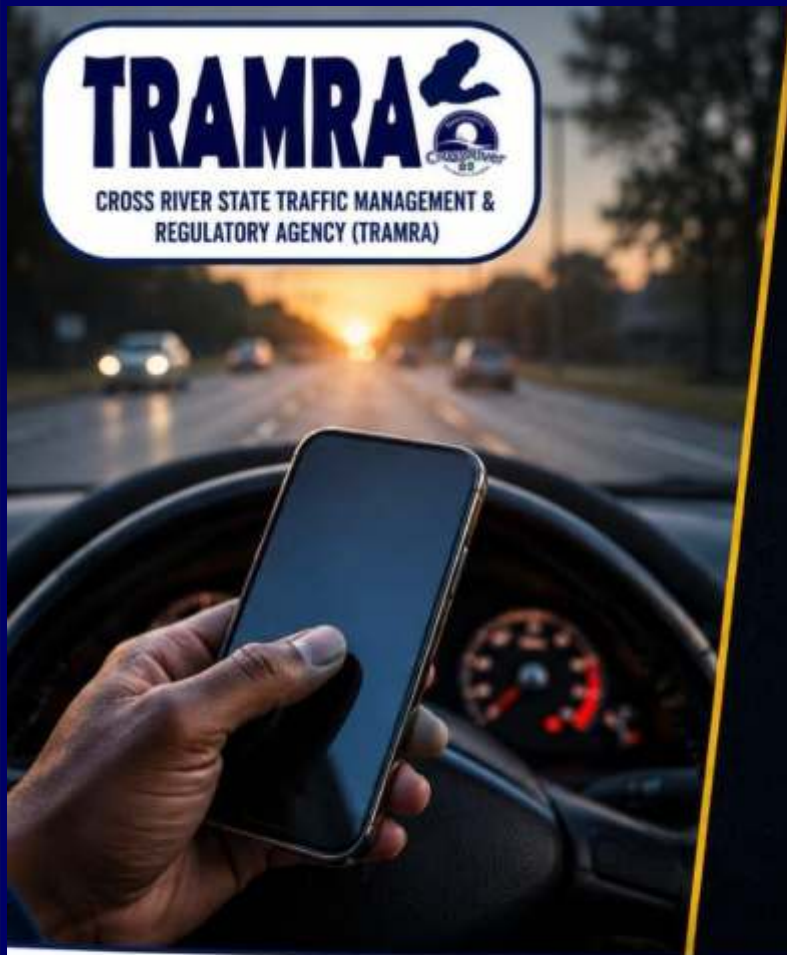


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**STAY UPDATED ON  
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

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**DO NOT WALK OR  
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Government of Cross River State, Nigeria

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

## PRESS RELEASE

### EXTENSION OF THE SUSPENSION OF ALL SCRAP-RELATED ACTIVITIES IN CROSS RIVER STATE

Further to the Press Release dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February 2026, communicating His Excellency, Senator Prince Bassey Edet Otu's approval of the suspension of all scrap-related activities, the Cross River State Government hereby notifies the general public that the suspension has been extended for a further period of one (1) month expiring on the 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026.

As stated in the previous Press Release, the suspension was necessitated by the increasing incidents of vandalism, theft and destruction of public infrastructure by scavengers, scrap dealers and their agents, and the significant security threat posed to the State. This extension is intended to enable Government conclude the ongoing review of the laws, policies and regulatory framework governing scrap-related activities in Cross River State. The objective is to strengthen the regulatory regime, identify and protect legitimate operators, and implement measures that effectively prevent the infiltration of criminal elements into the sector.

Government regrets any inconvenience caused to legitimate businesses and law-abiding operators. However, the protection of public infrastructure, the preservation of public order and security remain paramount. Members of the general public are accordingly informed that the suspension remains in full force and that any person or organization found engaging in scrap-related activities in contravention of this directive shall be dealt with strictly in accordance with the law.



**Ededem Charles Ani, Esq**

Attorney General & Commissioner for Justice



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# PUBLIC ADVISORY



## RAINY SEASON DRIVING STAY SAFE. ARRIVE ALIVE.

### KEY SAFETY TIPS



#### REDUCE YOUR SPEED

Wet roads,  
longer stopping  
distance.



#### KEEP SAFE DISTANCE

Leave enough  
space between  
vehicles.



#### USE HEADLIGHTS

Improve visibility  
during rain.



#### AVOID FLOODED ROADS

Water hides  
dangers.



#### NO MOBILE PHONES

Stay focused.  
No distractions.



#### CHECK YOUR VEHICLE

Tyres, wipers,  
brakes & lights  
must be good.



#### WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT

Protect yourself  
and your  
passengers.



#### USE INDICATORS

Signal before  
you turn or  
change lanes.



#### AVOID OVERTAKING

Be patient.  
Drive  
responsibly.



#### POOR VISIBILITY?

Pull over safely  
and wait for  
conditions  
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DRIVE SAFELY.  
**ARRIVE ALIVE.**

*E-signed :*

**ASP EITOKPAH SUNDAY AKATA,** anipr, misma  
Police Public Relations Officer  
Cross River State Police Command





**FEDERAL ROAD SAFETY CORPS**  
**RS6.2 CROSS RIVER SECTOR COMMAND**

# RAINY SEASON DRIVING TIPS

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- ✓ Avoid sudden braking and sharp turns.
- ✓ Do not overtake on wet or slippery roads.
- ✓ Pedestrians: Use walkways and cross at safe points.
- ✓ Motorcycle riders: Wear your helmet and rain gear.
- ✓ Commercial drivers: Do not overload.
- ✓ Take breaks and stay rested.

## SAFE DRIVING TIPS



**01**

### CHECK YOUR VEHICLE

Ensure your wipers, headlights, brake lights, tyres, brakes and windscreen are in good condition.



**02**

### REDUCE SPEED

Wet roads reduce tyre grip. Drive within the speed limit and adjust to road and weather conditions.



**03**

### KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE

Maintain a longer following distance. It gives you more time to react and stop safely.



**04**

### USE YOUR LIGHTS

Switch on your headlights even during the day to improve visibility and help others see you.



**05**

### AVOID FLOODED ROADS

Do not drive through flood water. You may not know how deep it is. Turn back or find a safer route.



**06**

### STAY FOCUSED

Avoid distractions. Do not use your phone while driving. Keep your eyes on the road at all times.



**07**

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| AUG. 12TH                         | AUG. 18TH                                  | SEPT. 14TH                                | OCT. 2ND                      |
| CARNIVAL<br>FITNESS<br>JAM        | AWARDS OF<br>PRIZES (ESSAY<br>COMPETITION) | FIRST<br>DRY RUN                          | CARNIVAL<br>FITNESS<br>JAM    |
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| DEC. 13TH                         | DEC. 26TH                                  | DEC. 26TH                                 | DEC. 27TH                     |
| PARADE OF<br>THE BANDS            | BIKERS<br>CARNIVAL                         | STREET PARTY/<br>COLOUR RUNS              |                               |
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**S**ECTORIAL STRIDES is a special analytical column that chronicles and evaluates the achievements of the administration of Governor Bassey Edet Otu under the People First Agenda. Written by Kingsley Agim, the column takes readers beyond headlines and project commissioning ceremonies to examine the impact of government policies, programmes, and interventions across key sectors of the state's economy and public service.

Each edition will spotlight a specific sector, providing a fact-based assessment of milestones recorded by ministries, departments, and agencies, while highlighting how these achievements are

improving the lives of Cross Riverians and advancing the state's development objectives.

From infrastructure and healthcare to education, agriculture, tourism, economic development, and social welfare, etc, Sectorial Strides offers a comprehensive account of the administration's journey, achievements, and legacy, one sector at a time.

The inaugural edition focuses on the Infrastructure Cluster, examining the transformative investments in roads, power, water resources, transportation, aviation, and border community development that are helping to reshape Cross River State's socio-economic landscape.



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## INFORMATION SECTOR

# Gov. Otu: Repositioning Cross River's Information Sector for Transparency, Digital Governance, Global Visibility



Kingsley Agim, anipr

Information is the lifeblood of governance. It shapes public perception, inspires confidence, preserves history and connects government with the governed. Recognising this reality, Governor Bassey

Edet Otu made the revitalisation of Cross River State's information ecosystem a strategic component of his People First Agenda, transforming what had long been regarded as a routine government communication apparatus



into a dynamic instrument for transparency, citizen engagement and institutional efficiency.

Three years into the administration, the information sector has emerged as one of the state's most improved sectors, recording remarkable progress in digital transformation, public communication, media relations, broadcasting, institutional strengthening and archival documentation. The reforms implemented between 2023 and 2026 have not only modernised government information management but have also significantly enhanced Cross River

State's visibility on the national and international stage.

Prior to 2023, many of the structures responsible for government information management had suffered years of neglect. Critical communication infrastructure was outdated, public engagement had diminished, digital platforms were inactive, and the Ministry of Information operated with severe manpower and technological limitations.

Governor Otu's administration responded with deliberate investments





aimed at rebuilding the Ministry into a modern public communication institution capable of meeting the demands of contemporary governance.

For the first time in well over a decade, the Ministry underwent comprehensive institutional revitalisation. Modern ICT equipment was procured, digital workflows introduced, and office operations significantly improved through technology-driven systems. Equally significant was the recruitment of 20 new personnel (information officers), ending a manpower deficit that had persisted for more than 13 years and injecting fresh capacity into government information management.

These reforms improved operational efficiency while

laying the foundation for a more responsive and professional information service.

Perhaps one of the administration's most visible achievements has been the deliberate repositioning of Cross River State within the national media landscape.

Under Governor Otu, the Commissioner for



Information maintained consistent appearances on leading national television networks including Channels Television, AIT, ARISE News, TVC, NTA and other major platforms. These engagements provided opportunities to explain government policies, address public concerns, counter misinformation and showcase development initiatives across multiple sectors.

According to official records, Cross River's national media visibility rose dramatically from approximately 28 percent in 2022 to about 78 percent by 2025, representing one of the most

significant improvements in government media presence in recent years.

Beyond publicity, the initiative strengthened transparency, improved policy communication and restored public confidence in government information.

One of the landmark achievements of the administration was the revival of the Ministry of Information's official website, [www.moi.cr.gov.ng](http://www.moi.cr.gov.ng), which had remained inactive since 2015.

The restoration of the website was



accompanied by the establishment of official social media platforms on Facebook, Instagram and X (formerly Twitter), creating an integrated digital communication ecosystem capable of reaching citizens both within Nigeria and across the diaspora.

These platforms now provide timely updates on government activities, policy decisions, public announcements and developmental projects, ensuring that citizens receive information directly from official sources.

Government estimates indicate that the

digital platforms currently account for approximately 70 percent of the Ministry's publicity reach, with a target of increasing coverage to 95 percent by 2027 through full integration with the state's official digital platforms.

The daily publication and electronic distribution of government news bulletins to Ministries, Departments and Agencies have further strengthened real-time information dissemination and inter-agency communication.

One of the less publicised but highly significant reforms has been the



restoration of official government documentation.

For years, several statutory government publications had suffered irregular production, affecting record keeping and legal documentation.

The Otu administration reversed this trend through the commercial printing and publication of Government Gazettes, White Papers, Tender Journals and all enacted state laws, including the 2025 Appropriation Law.

These publications have strengthened

institutional memory, improved legal documentation, enhanced transparency and preserved important government decisions for future generations.

Similarly, the resumption and sustained production of official government bulletins since January 2023 has restored a vital information channel that had previously become inactive.

Another landmark achievement has been the revival of Giant Strides Magazine, the Ministry's flagship publication showcasing government projects, programmes and development



initiatives.

The magazine, which had not been published since July 2017, resumed publication in October 2023 and has remained consistent.

Within three years, seven editions have been completed, and more than 13,000 copies have been distributed across Nigeria.

Beyond public enlightenment, the publication now serves as an enduring documentary record of the Otu administration's developmental journey and a valuable archival resource for future generations.

Governor Otu's administration also demonstrated an appreciation for strategic storytelling as a tool for investment promotion and image building.

The production and nationwide broadcast of the documentary "Governor Otu @2" represented a significant milestone in government communication.

Aired on Channels Television, AIT, ARISE News, TVC, NTA and other national networks between May and June 2025, the documentary highlighted achievements across multiple sectors, projecting Cross River State to a nationwide audience and strengthening

investor confidence in the state's development agenda.

Combined with regular press briefings and sustained media engagements, these initiatives have ensured that government activities remain accessible, verifiable and visible.

While embracing digital communication, the administration equally recognised the importance of grassroots engagement.

Through sustained mass mobilisation campaigns, coordinated press releases, Information Officers deployed across Ministries, Departments and Agencies, and the Village Square Broadcast Programme, government information

reached communities that traditionally had limited access to digital media.

The Village Square initiative particularly strengthened communication with traditional institutions, promoted indigenous values and ensured that government policies were explained in culturally relevant ways.

This combination of digital innovation and community engagement has significantly expanded the reach of government communication across urban and rural communities alike.

## CRBC's Digital Revolution

If the Ministry of Information experienced institutional renewal, the





Cross River Broadcasting Corporation underwent a complete technological transformation.

Over the last three years, CRBC evolved from a conventional broadcasting station into a modern multimedia organisation.

The Corporation introduced a fully paperless digital newsroom, enabling

real-time news production and significantly improving operational efficiency.

To guarantee uninterrupted broadcasting despite Nigeria's persistent power challenges, four television and radio studios were equipped with inverter systems, virtually eliminating on-air interruptions caused by electricity



outages.

Additional investments included the installation of a new 20/2-kilowatt radio transmitter, a 13KVA electrical substation, comprehensive remodelling of radio studios, reception areas, conference facilities and newsroom infrastructure, as well as the acquisition of a new operational vehicle.

These improvements have substantially enhanced staff productivity and broadcast quality.

Perhaps the most transformative

achievement at CRBC has been the expansion of its audience beyond traditional terrestrial broadcasting.

Television services were migrated to satellite and Free-to-Air platforms, while Radio Garden integration enabled global online radio streaming.

The launch of the Naija TV mobile application, migration to the GOtv platform and government-supported NIGOSAT carriage services further expanded access to Cross River programming.

Today, CRBC reaches audiences across more



than ten local government areas while simultaneously serving viewers and listeners across Nigeria and the international diaspora.

For the first time, Cross River's stories are being told simultaneously to local communities and global audiences.

Understanding the changing media landscape, has CRBC established a modern podcast studio through collaboration with diaspora media partners in the United States.

This initiative has opened new opportunities for digital content production while positioning the Corporation to compete within today's evolving multimedia environment.

Equally important was the expansion of indigenous language programming following the acquisition of National Broadcasting Commission thematic language licences.

Combined with tourism-focused programmes, these initiatives have strengthened cultural preservation while

promoting Cross River's rich heritage to wider audiences.

## Strengthening Institutional Capacity

Beyond infrastructure and technology, the administration has invested heavily in institutional development.

Participation in national fora of Information Commissioners under the Progressive Governors' Forum has enhanced intergovernmental collaboration while improving policy coordination and professional networking.

The remarkable transformation recorded in the information sector has also attracted national recognition for the Honourable Commissioner for Information, Dr. Erasmus Ekpang, whose leadership has earned him several prestigious media and public communication awards from reputable professional bodies and organizations across the country. In further affirmation of Cross River State's growing influence in public communication, the Commissioner was unanimously elected Secretary of the Forum of Commissioners for Information in All Progressives Congress (APC)-governed states, a development widely regarded as a testament to the administration's innovative communication strategy, institutional reforms and outstanding

contributions to information management at both the state and national levels.

Coverage of major state ceremonies, including Democracy Day, Independence Day, Children's Day and anniversary celebrations of the People First Administration, has ensured that important moments in the state's history are professionally documented and preserved.

Meanwhile, the continued publication of over 173 editions of the Nigerian Chronicle and Weekend Chronicle has sustained the state's print media presence and enriched the historical archive of government activities.

Another significant milestone has been the near-completion of the comprehensive restoration of the Cross River State Newspaper Corporation complex, which was extensively vandalised and destroyed during the #EndSARS protests in 2020.

The rehabilitation of the corporation's facilities represents the administration's commitment to rebuilding critical public institutions and restoring the state's capacity for public information dissemination through its flagship newspapers.

In furtherance of this objective, the Otu administration has also procured modern digital printing equipment for the restoration of the Government Printing Press. When fully operational, the facility

will not only guarantee greater confidentiality in the printing of sensitive government documents, gazettes, white papers and other official publications, but will also position the state to generate additional revenue through commercial printing services for public and private organisations.

These complementary investments underscore Governor Otu's broader vision of rebuilding the entire government information value chain, from content creation and documentation to printing, publishing and distribution, while strengthening institutional self-reliance, improving operational efficiency and creating new economic opportunities within the information sector.

Ultimately, the achievements recorded in the information sector extend far beyond improved publicity.

They represent the deliberate construction of an open, digitally connected and citizen-focused governance system.

Through stronger communication channels, modern broadcasting infrastructure, revitalised institutional capacity, enhanced digital engagement, improved archival systems and broader media visibility, Governor Bassey Otu has repositioned information as a strategic instrument for development rather than merely a vehicle for publicity.

The reforms have strengthened transparency, increased citizen participation, expanded access to government information and restored confidence in public communication.

Three years after assuming office, Governor Bassey Edet Otu has transformed Cross River's information sector from a largely analogue, under-resourced system into a modern, technology-driven communication ecosystem.

From reviving dormant digital platforms and modernising government documentation to repositioning CRBC for global broadcasting and restoring Cross River's voice on the national media stage, the administration has demonstrated that effective governance depends as much on how government communicates as on what it delivers.

As the state advances toward deeper digital governance, broader citizen engagement and stronger institutional transparency, the reforms implemented between 2023 and 2026 have laid a durable foundation for an information sector that is not only more efficient and innovative but also better equipped to serve the people of Cross River State in the years ahead.







# SECTORIAL STRIDES









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**Use the skip bins closest to you**



**Dumping refuse outside the skip bins is unpleasant**



**A clean Environment starts with proper waste disposal**



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- 3** Assessment and Payment of Fees.  
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