



# KOGI STATE NIGERIA

**2003-2007**



*His Excellency*  
**ALHAJI IBRAHIM IDRIS**  
THE EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR OF KOGI STATE

**2007 - 2011**

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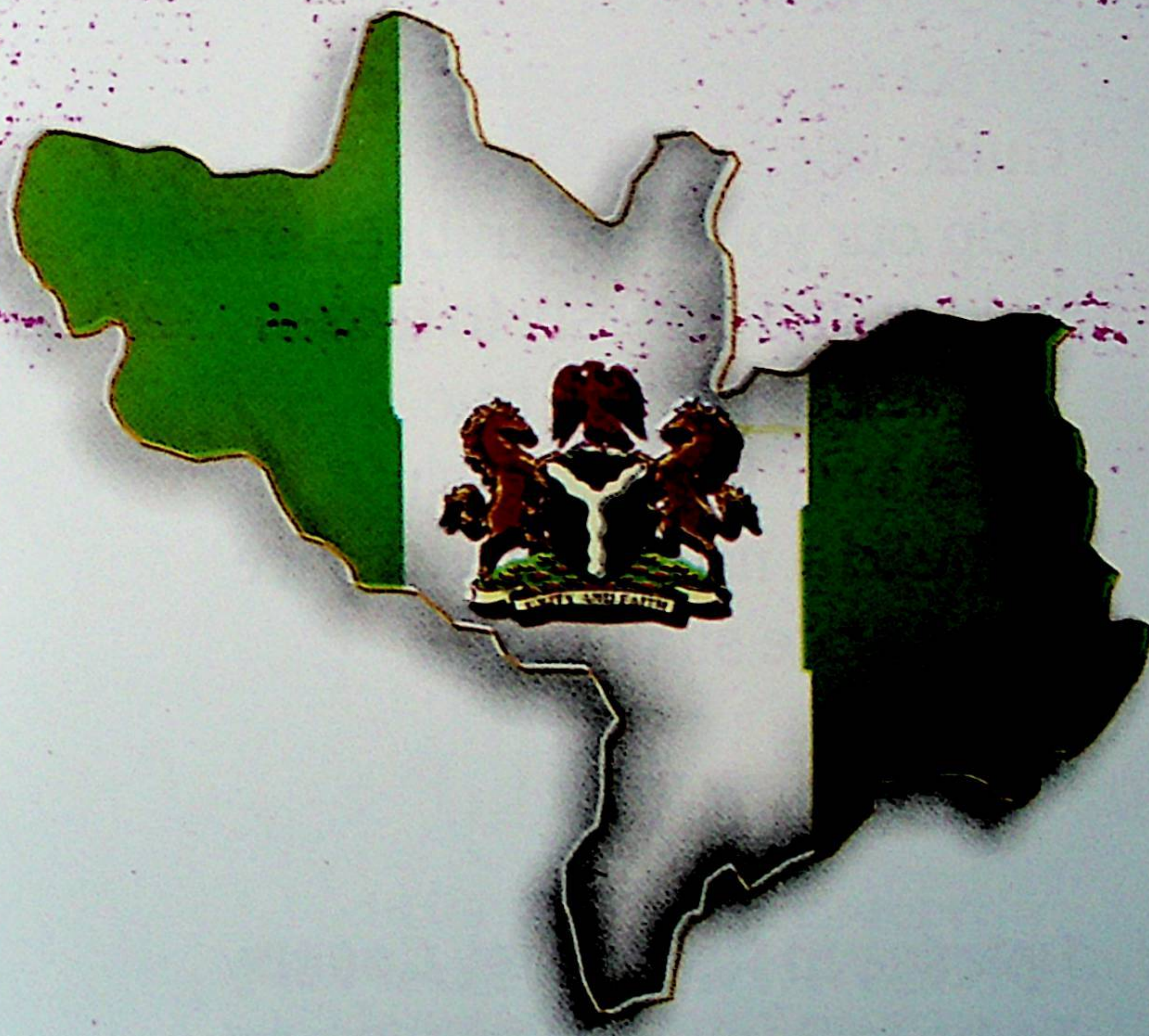






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## NATIONAL ANTHEM

Arise, O Compatriots,  
Nigeria's call obey  
To serve our Fatherland,  
With love and strength and faith  
The labour of our heroes past  
Shall never be in vain  
To serve with heart and might  
One nation bound in freedom  
Peace and Unity.

O God of Creation,  
Direct our noble cause  
Guide our leaders right  
Help our youth the truth to know  
In love and honesty to grow  
And living just and true  
Great lofty heights attain  
To build a nation where peace  
And justice shall reign.

## THE PLEDGE

I pledge to Nigeria, my Country  
To be faithful, loyal and honest  
To serve Nigeria with all my strength  
To defend her unity  
And uphold her honour and glory  
So help me God





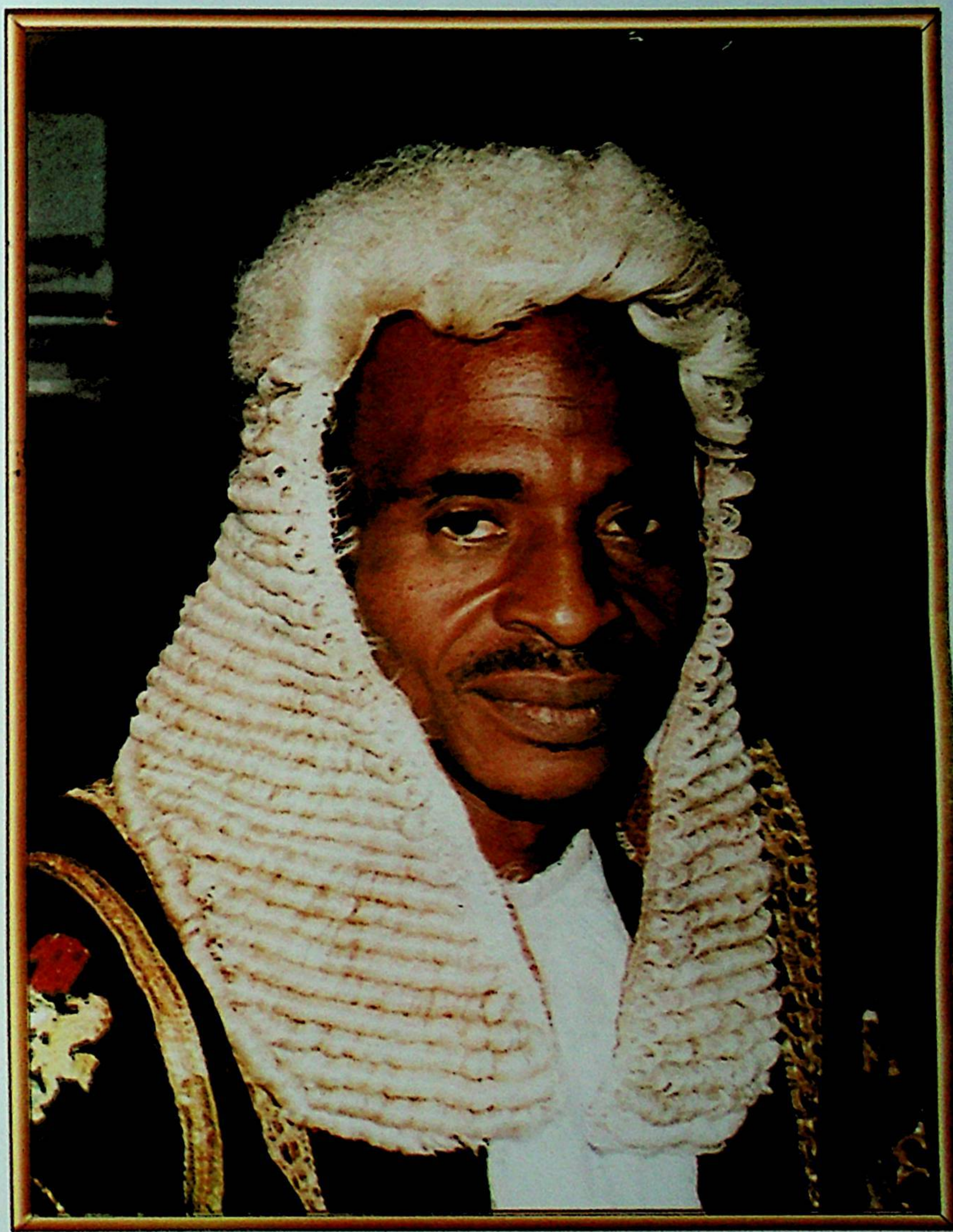
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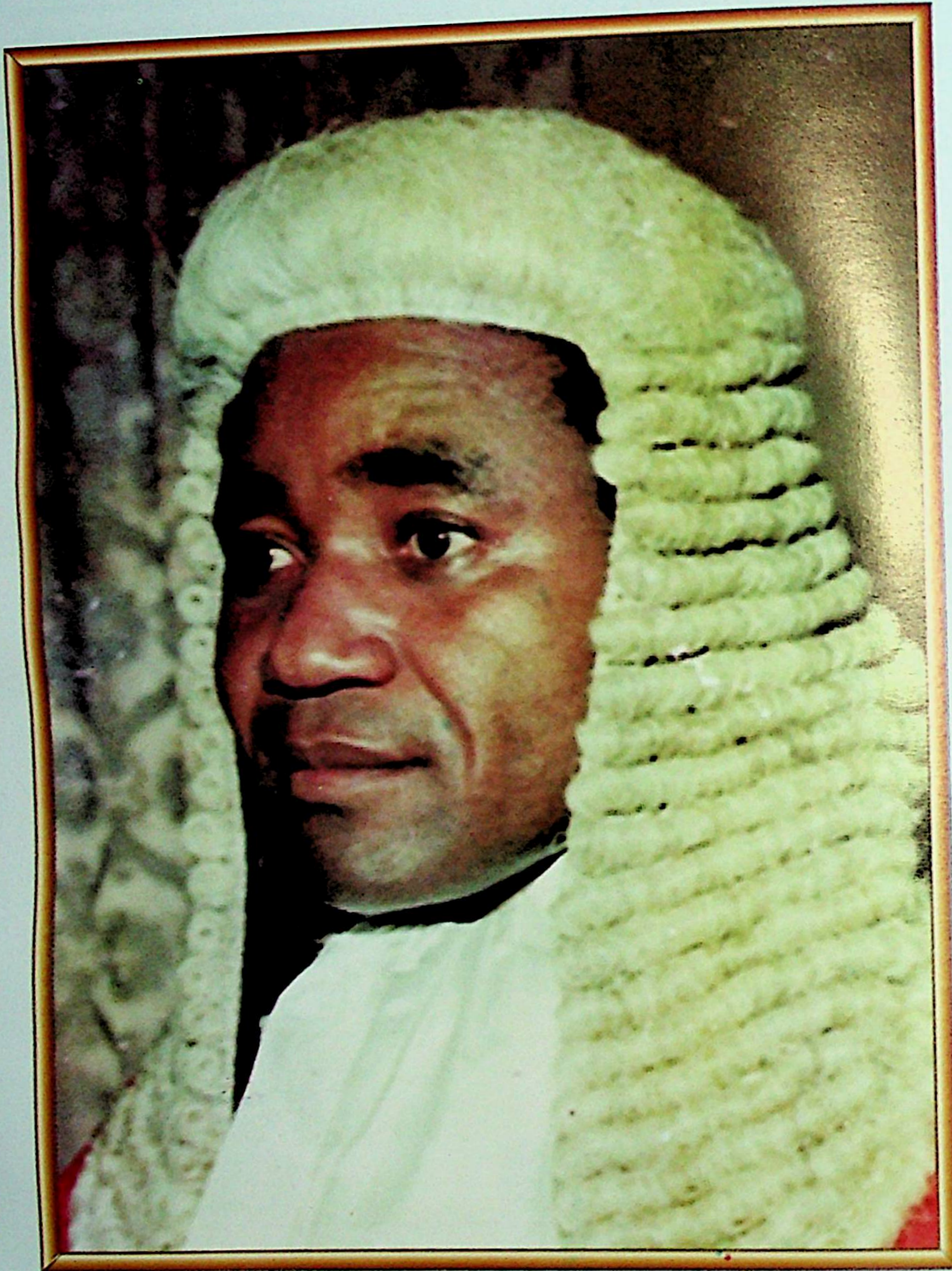
HIS EXCELLENCY  
**MR PHILLIPS OMEIZA SALAWU, (JP)**  
DEPUTY GOVERNOR





**HON SULEIMAN ADAWARI USMAN**  
HON SPEAKER,  
KOGI STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY





**HON. JUSTICE UMARU ERI (OFR)**  
CHIEF JUDGE OF KOGI STATE.





**HON. (CHIEF) SHOLA OJO**  
Secretary to Kogi State Government





**CHIEF YAHAYA AGBENYO (JP)**  
HEAD OF CIVIL SERVICE OF KOGI STATE.





I thank the Almighty Allah, who has fulfilled his promise by making it possible for me to stand before you as the third Executive Governor of Kogi State. The glory belongs to Him. I salute all the people of Kogi State, men, women and youths, who God used in various ways to elect me to pilot the ship of this State for the next four years. May Allah reward each and every one of you bountifully. The race to Lugard House which started a couple of years ago ended on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2003 in a free and fair election which was won and lost. I salute my fellow contestants, especially the immediate past Governor, Prince Abubakar Audu, whose Conduct was devoid of rancour and unpleasanties. In any contest, there can only be a winner. However this victory belongs not only to me or the People Democratic Party, but to all Kogites irrespective of party affiliations.

I am aware that the expectations of our electorate is very high. My experience during my campaign trips showed me the seriousness of the task before us. My administration is inheriting a state whose inhabitants are severely divided against itself on ethnic grounds, frustrated by a comatose economy, extreme poverty and lack of basic amenities. The only viable industry in the State is the highly demoralized, intimidated, politicized and brutalized public service, that had remained docile for effective contribution to growth.

Yet we shall not be daunted or intimidated because we have the human and natural resources to address these political, social and economic problems. We shall not be frustrated by these problems because we individually and collectively have the will and determination to lift our people from the bondage of poverty, hunger, ignorance and disease. Indeed we shall together restore, in no distant future, that confidence and productive spirit in all Kogites, one which has earned us respect, and sometimes envy in the past.

My dear people of Kogi State, even when we are justifiably angered by the situation in Kogi State, we must not lose focus of where we want to get to. On my part, given your mandate and guided by the constitution, rule of law and the fear of God, my administration shall vigorously and steadfastly work towards transforming the State within the corporate entity of a united Nigeria into a viable, sustainable and prosperous geo political economy with the wealth of the

state equitably and fairly shared amongst a people living in peace and harmony, sharing common values and destiny, irrespective of ethnic and religious differences.

To this end, I pledge to run an administration that is open, transparent, accountable, efficient and above all, humane. A critical ally in our pursuit of good governance will be the bureaucracy. We must therefore prepare and strengthen the public service at both the local and State Government levels to provide the necessary back up for my administration. The civil service will be restructured to reflect our commitment to a transparent, accountable, corruption free services to the State. Meanwhile, I have directed an assessment of all outstanding salaries and allowances due to all civil servants with a view to making payments, as soon as possible. Similarly, all payments due to pensioners are being compiled for payment.

To our royal fathers there is no need for them to be afraid. My administration will always respect and uphold the dignity of our traditional institutions and ensure that they are insulated from partisan politics. The injustice in our traditional institution will be addressed to ensure their relevance to their communities. I am therefore soliciting the supports and cooperation of our royal fathers in maintaining security and promoting peaceful co-existence amongst all tribes and religions.

In the coming days ahead, I will address the people of Kogi State to elaborate on my administration policy thrusts with specific pronouncements on some burning issues that will begin to move the state forward. Also I will start intense consultations with members of all sectors of the economy and society for a collective salvage mission of Kogi State.

Finally, I want to pay tribute to the former Governor of the State, Prince Abubakar Audu, for his efforts in the State. He has tried his best. What is left for us is to make a remarkable difference in all aspects of life in Kogi State.

After all politics has to do with power that belongs to God. Divine power in the hands of human being is justified only in view of service, never for domination and less still for personal gains and selfish interest alone. This is my sacred pledge as Governor of Kogi State. May God help us all.



**ADDRESS BY HIS EXCELLENCY, ALHAJI IBRAHIM IDRIS THE EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR OF KOGI STATE AT THE GRAND RALLY TO MARK THE FOURTH YEAR ANNIVERSARY AND INAUGURATION OF THE SECOND TENURE OF HIS ADMINISTRATION ON MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2007**



**COURTESIES**

Almighty Allah has made it possible for this administration to run its first lap of four years during which period showers of blessings permeated all nooks and crannies of the State to the admiration of the entire populace.

This occasion which is the celebration of the fourth Anniversary and inauguration of my second tenure is unique in so many ways and it behoves on me as the Chief Executive to make some remarks. Allah in his benevolence has made it possible for this administration to record unprecedented successes in the last four years. It is worthy of note that this is the fourth time that we are celebrating the anniversary of my administration and on each occasion, I gave a comprehensive account of my stewardship.

Since May 2006, my administration executed projects that have positive bearings on the lives of the people. The re-engineering of the State which started in May 2003 also witnessed a boost during the period covering May 2006 till date. These achievements recorded so far have been made possible by the people of the State who have collectively demonstrated commitment, support and collaboration with the various agencies of Government.

The resources of the State which come mainly from the federation account have been judiciously applied, taking cognizance of priority areas of need.

In the period under review, bold steps were taken by my administration to boost our internally generated revenue. These efforts have recorded a 50% growth. A committee of experts has been put in place to examine our sources of revenue with a view to enhancing same. This step is informed by the fact that the resources from the federation account are grossly inadequate to prosecute the programmes of government. It is my hope that the next four years will witness tremendous growth in our internally generated revenue which will undoubtedly facilitate the expeditious execution of government programmes.

My administration has since inception been conscious of the need to give the people of the State qualitative education at all levels. As at May 2006, 800(Nos) of 3-block classrooms were constructed for pupils across the State, qualified teachers were also engaged to teach in the various schools. The entitlements of primary school teachers in the State have been substantially settled.

Between May 2006 till date, 52 (nos) 3-block classrooms and 75 (nos) 4-block classrooms have been built across the State; all fully furnished. Today all the primary schools in the State have been fully equipped to provide a conducive environment for a solid base in the education sector.

My administration has also paid N177,000,000 (One hundred and seventy-seven million Naira) only as WAEC fees for all final year students of Kogi State Origin in all the colleges in the State. The arrears and other benefits of secondary school teachers have also been substantially settled and steps taken to drastically reduce the incidences of examination malpractices which have bedeviled the Education sector.

Serious attention and huge finances have been committed to the tertiary institution in the past one year. The Kogi State University, Anyigba can now be described as a citadel of learning. It is one of the best Universities in the country and has received commendations and recognition from the Nigeria University Commission (N.U.C.) All the courses in the University have been accredited.

My administration has made a grant of N50m for infrastructural development in Kogi State Polytechnic and steps have been taken to ensure the accreditation of all the courses offered in the institution.

Logistic supports have been given to the College of Education Ankpa and the Federal College of Education Okene. Vehicles and hostels have been provided for the schools of Nursing Egbe and Obangede and also for the College of Health Technology, Idah. A total sum of N181,000,000.00 (One hundred and Eighty-one million Naira) only was committed to the payment of busary to students of Kogi State Origin in tertiary institutions across the





country.

The health sector has received a boost within the last 12 months. As at date, all Local Government Areas in the State have functional healthcare facilities with adequate provision of drugs and personnel. Medical doctors and other paramedical staff are receiving training in their areas of specialization.

The construction of the Lokoja General Hospital with State of the art medical equipment and mortuary which cost the State Government over One billion Naira (N1 billion) will be commissioned in June 2007. The hospital will service the needs of the people within and outside the State. The health sector has within the past four years witnessed a positive turn around.

So much has equally been done in the Agricultural Sector since the inception of this administration. 250 (nos) tractors, 1,250 (nos) tricycles, several metric tones of fertilizer, herbicides, seedlings and other agricultural inputs have been placed at the disposal of our farmers. Kogi State Agricultural Trust Fund in collaboration with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), has made soft loans available to our farmers to enable them prosecute their farming activities. The necessary impetus has been given to the fishing sub-sector. My administration has paid all counter-part funds to facilitate Government's access to World Assisted Programmes in the Agricultural Sector.

In the Housing sector, my administration has completed and allocated 500 units of 1, 2 and 3 bedroom bungalows to civil servants and 50 units massionettes to High Court Judges and House of Assembly members in the State. Land has also been acquired and cleared in all the Local Government Areas by the State Government for the construction of 20 unit houses each for civil Servants and Local Government Workers.

In 2003 when I took over the administration of Kogi State, the status of Lokoja, the capital city, was that of an old town lacking basic facilities. Today, the capital city has witnessed a tremendous growth with the dualisation of all major roads and the provision of street lights. The Water Board now pumps about 2

million gallons of water daily as against 700,000 gallons before the inception of this administration. This has been made possible as a result of the installation of packaged water treatment plants. Government has also awarded the contract for the feasibility study of the greater Lokoja water project. Several motorized boreholes with overhead tanks have been provided in designated parts of the city. Electricity transformers have been provided in several areas of the town. All these facilities have been extended to the Local Government Areas of the State.

The Lokoja International Market which is to cost the State Government a whopping sum of N3.9billion will be completed within the next one year. The market when completed will undoubtedly boost commercial activities and revenue generation in the State.


The Meme Bridge and access road which was a single lane bridge constructed in the 1950s has been dualized to facilitate free flow of traffic and minimize the incidences of accident on the bridge.

Today Lokoja has now assumed its place of pride as a befitting capital city within the context of the Nigeria Nation. Social amenities have also been provided in all the Local Government Areas of the State details of which are contained in the brochure.

My administration has embarked on several road projects across the State between May 2006 and today and these roads are at various levels of completion.

Prior to May 2003, the energy situation in the State was pathetic. Only Idah and part of Anyigba had electricity supply in the whole Eastern axis of the State. In the Western and Central Zones of the State the energy generated was not high enough to propel most of the electrical gadgets. To ameliorate this situation, my administration has so far provided 150 transformers to various communities to boost energy supply. The Anyigba inter-connection which will hook the Eastern axis of the State to the National grid was awarded at a cost of Two hundred and fifty-four million, six hundred and thirty thousand and eighty-one Naira, forty kobo (N254,630,081.40) only. As at today the energy situation across the State has recorded a tremendous boost. It is expected that the energy sector will further stabilize now that the





Obajana Cement Factory and the Gerégu power stations have been commissioned. Provision of infrastructural facilities which will serve as a catalyst for the industrialization of Kogi State will be one of Government priorities in the coming years.

The Kogi State Transport Company has 50 serviceable buses in its fleet for movement of passengers and goods across the country. Only recently the State Government guaranteed a loan from a Commercial Bank to members of the Nigerian Road Transport Workers Union. The Union purchased 50 vehicles of different brands for their members.

The pains and agonies experienced by people living in the State regarding transportation have been greatly reduced.

The State work force has had a palatable taste of the dividend of democracy as almost all the entitlements of workers including debts inherited from the past administration have been paid. Vehicle loans were given to workers to enable them refurbish their old cars or purchase motorcycles. Civil Servants are being trained and retrained to sharpen their skills. Pensioners of the State and Local Government are being paid their entitlements regularly. Today, Kogi State Civil Service has been repositioned for proper and effective service delivery.

Several programmes have been introduced by my administration to make life more meaningful to our teeming youths. I am happy that the youth empowerment programme of the State has recorded a huge success. My administration is more than ever before determined to address the multidimensional problems of the youth so that they can occupy their place of pride in the society. My attention would be focused on the youths and women in the years ahead with a view to creating wealth for them.

Conscious of the fact that information is power, my administration has awarded the contract for the digitalization of Radio Kogi FM and it is expected that the station will be commissioned in July 2007. We have also supported the Nigeria Television Authority in ensuring that all NTA Stations

within the State are made functional. The people of the State now have access to Global information through the Radio and Television.

The traditional institution has witnessed a complete overhaul after the submission of the Report of the Committee set up by Government to look into ways of uplifting the institution. Today, all the Local Government Areas in the State have First Class Chiefs and several other Chiefs upgraded. Necessary logistic support is also being provided for the Chiefs to facilitate optimal performance.

The monumental achievements of this administration were made possible because of the peaceful environment in which the State has been operating in the past four years. The security agencies in the State i.e the Nigerian Police, State Security Services, the Nigerian Army and Civil Defence Corps have demonstrated total commitment in the discharge of their duties.

The Judiciary under the able leadership of the State Chief Judge, Justice Umar Eri, OFR has operated as an independent arm of Government with necessary logistic supports from the State Government.

The legislative responsibilities of the members of the House of Assembly as an arm of Government have been discharged creditably well. I make bold to say that the Kogi State House of Assembly stands out as one of the best legislative houses in the country.

Fellow Kogites, when I look back at the last four years of this administration in terms of the programmes of government, the cooperation and support of the good people of this State, I have a conviction that the mandate given to my administration in 2003 has been properly executed. It has been a mission well fulfilled. As we look forward to the years ahead, I am once again soliciting the cooperation, collaboration and support of the good people of the State both within and in Diaspora to further stimulate the development of the State. Our State is now a State that we can all be proud of.

Thank you all and God bless.





The success story of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris started on 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003 when he assumed office as the Executive Governor of Kogi State. His mission was clearly spelt out in his inaugural speech.

In his four years in office as the Executive Governor of the State, Alhaji Ibrahim Idris who has always displayed transparency, humility and total commitment to service has transformed the state in all spheres of human endeavour, rekindled the hope of the hitherto traumatized populace and bridged the gap between the privileged and the underprivileged members of the society.

Today, the people of Kogi State have bountifully reaped the benefits of the dividends of democracy and enjoyed an unprecedented atmosphere of peace, mutual trust and confidence amongst themselves. The prudent management of the resources of the State by Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has led to the monumental achievements of his administration. Kogi State has now been placed on a higher pedestal amongst the states of the Federation. It is no wonder that Chief Olusegun Obasanjo GCFR, the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Federal Republic of Nigeria described Alhaji Ibrahim Idris as a

hardworking, transparent and focused Governor who has transformed Kogi State in general and Lokoja in particular. This commendation was made during the Presidential Campaign rally of the Peoples Democratic Party in Kogi State in March 2007.

Alhaji Ibrahim Idris is an ardent believer in the rule of law, separation of powers between the three arms of Government and the establishment of the necessary link for a smooth running of the administration of the State.

This brochure which catalogues the achievement of the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris is produced for the benefit of Kogites and non Kogites. The tenure of the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris between year 2003 and 2007 has undoubtedly been a dream fulfilled for the Governor of the State. The massive votes of the people of the State for the continuation in office of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris for another four years is an attestation of his monumental achievements and a challenge for him to reinvigorate his energies towards the building of a better Kogi State.

**HON. (CHIEF) SHOLA OJO**  
*Secretary to the State Government*





## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

In the last four years, very eventful and significant landmarks have been recorded in the overall Socio-Economic development of Kogi State. Far-reaching measures have been taken to reposition the Civil Service for optimal performance and quality service delivery. Put more succinctly, while the quality of the Civil Service dictates the level of service delivery, its performance depends to a large extent on the level of support and encouragement by the Government. There is no doubt that the present Administration under the leadership of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has impacted positively on the Civil Service which has significantly rekindle the hope of the Civil Servants for a greater tomorrow. The following are some of the areas in which the present Administration has positively touched the lives of the Civil Servants.

### 1. REGULAR PAYMENT OF SALARIES, ALLOWANCES AND IMPREST

One major area in which this Administration has impacted positively on the lives of the Civil Servants is in the area of regular and prompt payment of correct Salaries devoid of illegal deduction and burdensome tax. Infact, this Administration has continued to give priority attention to issues that are related to the well-being of Civil Servants. The Administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has consistently paid monthly imprest, regular annual increment as well as the payment of

arrears of 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 leave bonus.

### 2. VEHICLE REFURBISHING LOAN TO CIVIL/PUBLIC SERVANTS

The release of N350million to High Court Judges, Permanent Secretaries, 100 Directors, 64 Medical Doctors, over 200 Senior Officers and Magistrates as vehicle loans is one of the laudable programmes. We are all aware that this Administration also guaranteed loans for the purchase of 10,000 Motor Cycles for Junior Officers by NLC and NUI. All these acts have endeared this Administration to the Civil Servants.

### 3. PENSION AND GRATUITY

A major achievement of this Administration which has renewed the hope of Pensioners for a greater and brighter tomorrow is the zeal with which this Administration under Governor Ibrahim Idris tackles the debilitating problems faced by Pensioners which has translated to harmonized pension. In other words, the payment of Pensions and Gratuities to retired Civil Servants has been regularized. In addition to monthly release of N32.3million to settle Pension obligations, the present Administration has consistently released additional N5.0m monthly to settle gratuities and pension arrears to retired Officers as against N18m which the immediate past administration used to release for both Pension and Gratuities. In order to make life more meaningful for Civil Servants, payment of pension to retiring Officers has





been made automatic once the pension documents are ready as against the method where civil servants had to wait for months before enjoying their pension. This has greatly reduced the falsification of Record of Service since workers are now sure of regular payment of their monthly Pensions.

#### 4. TRAINING

In the last four years Government has taken far reaching steps to uphold the training legacy of the Civil Service. The programme of Government is to intensify the regular granting of facilities to Civil Servants to enjoy Study Leave With Pay and where possible full In-Service in various Institutions within the country. Over 625 Civil Servants have benefited from the training scheme in the last four years. Our Office has also partnered with such organizations as Nigerian Institute of Management, Kogi State College of Education and other allied bodies to conduct workshops for very Senior Officers in the State Civil Service.

#### 5 PROMOTION/ADVANCEMENT/ CONVERSION

Since the inception of this administration, especially in the last 4 years, attention has been given to regular promotion of staff while the Junior and Senior management Committees of Ministries and Departments conducted interviews for outstanding promotion for

2004 and 2005. Not less than 15 staff were converted to Executive and Administrative Officer Cadres.

#### 6. STAFF DISCIPLINE AND OTHER MATTERS

In consonance with the focus of this Administration, The Office of the Head of Civil Service has taken appropriate measures to ensure and maintain discipline in the civil Service. In this regard disciplinary actions have been taken against Officers who have been involved in one form of misconduct or the other. Officers are now kept abreast of the provisions of Civil Service statutory books to avoid unpleasant consequences. In fact demonstration of adequate knowledge of the contents of these vital books by Officers are used as yardstick for promotion, advancements and conversion.

#### 7. TREATMENT OF SICK OFFICERS

Over six million Naira (N6m) has so far been approved by the State Government to critically sick officers for their treatment in Nigeria and abroad. This is unprecedented in the history of the State.

With all these facilities put in place by the Government, the Kogi State Civil Service has now been repositioned for proper service delivery.





## AGRICULTURE

At the inception of the Alhaji Ibrahim Idris lead administration, the government of Kogi State owed the Federal Ministry of Agriculture N147,000,000.00 on account of the consignment of fertilizer supplied to the immediate past administration. This scenario occasioned the black listing of Kogi State Government by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture.

This situation was unacceptable to His Excellency Alhaji Ibrahim Idris who promptly visited the Federal Ministry of Agriculture to negotiate the repayment of the debt and re-establish the business relationship between the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and the State. This efforts of the Government yielded positive results and the Federal Ministry of Agriculture has since 2005 to date supplied 2.5 million tones of assorted brands of fertilizer to the State Government. The fertilizer were sold to farmers at subsidized rates of

N1,200.00 per bag. Furthermore, government procured 227 Nos 60HP tractors for distribution to Local Government Areas for the benefit of the rural farmers. Assorted seedlings, Herbicides and other farming input were purchased in bulk and supplied to farmers. With all these incentives, the rural farmers have been able to increase farm yields. The rural roads opened up by the Directorate for Rural Development (DRD) have facilitated the movement of farm products within the State.

The State Government also purchased 1,050 tricycle carriers which were distributed to the youths of the State to be used as commuter vehicles and carriers.

Government purchased and distributed 92 Forestry Pass Hammers to check illegal felling of economic trees. 38 hectares of thick plantation has also been established at Olle, Oforachi and Osara.

In the fishing Sub-Sector, over twenty million



Tractors for distribution to farmers



Fleet of 1250 Tricycles Purchased for Farmer and Youths



Fleet of Tractors with implement

encouraged by government to grow beniseed and guinea corn which the government in turns buys from them. Beniseed cleansing machines have also been ordered at a cost of \$86,580.00 for the use of our farmers.

In the Live Stock Sub-Sector, government committed a substantial amount of money in controlling the spread of Avian Influenza (Bird Flu) to Kogi State from some neighbouring States.

For the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris in the first tenure, it has been a dream fulfilled in the agricultural sector.

Naira (N20m) has been released to fishermen as loans to enhance their fishing activities under the ECOWAS FUND accelerated fish production project. Farmers in the State have also been





## CHAPTER THREE

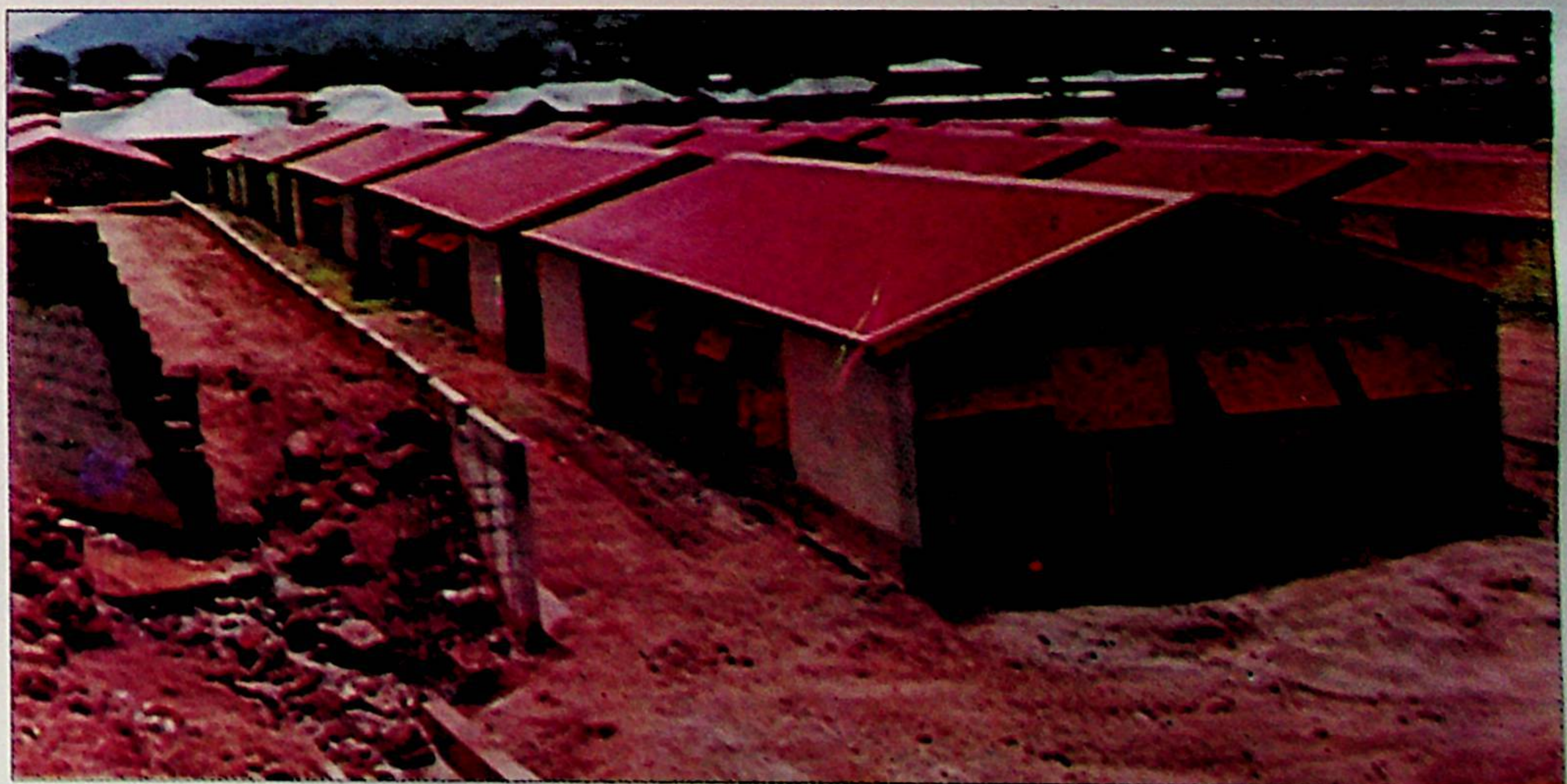
### COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

The administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has kick started the process of re-engineering this sector. Government is assiduously working towards the establishment of a sugar factory at Ibaji and a hydrated Lime project in collaboration with the New Nigeria Development Company (NNDC). Government is also exploring the possibility of establishing a mini steel plant in the State.

Work on the construction of an international market has reached advance stage. This market which will cost the government a whopping sum of N3.9 billion is expected to be completed in year 2008. The market will service the needs of people of the State and the neighbouring States. It is worthy of note that this market has internal road network, lockup shops, police post, and banking facilities.



Lokoja International Market Front Approach



Over View of Lokoja International Market

Government intends to carve out Industrial Layouts on the Lokoja-Kabba, Lokoja-Okene, Lokoja-Ajaokuta and Abuja-Lokoja roads.

electricity and water will be provided in these Layouts which will be allocated to industrialists. It is expected that the next four years will witness the establishment of many industries in the State.





Prior to the advent of this administration, Culture and Tourism formed part of the Ministries of Information and Commerce respectively. His Excellency Alhaji Ibrahim Idris decided to create a Ministry of Culture and Tourism in line with the Federal Government policy of diversifying and strengthening the economy.

Lokoja, the capital city of Kogi State has a rich history behind it and is endowed with abundant natural attractions and monuments. The Culture of the people of the three Senatorial Districts are diverse and attractive.

The Ministry supervises the activities of the Confluence Beach Hotel through which annual income of over ₦20million is realized. The Ministry of Culture and Tourism successfully hosted the Richard Lander Expedition Team from Great Britain in November, 2004. An Interactive Workshop on Tourism development to bring the private and public sector into partnership for the development and promotion of tourism potentials was organized.

The government has identified two Forest Reserves i.e. Ebba Games Reserve in Yagba-East L.G.A., and Okpada Games Reserves in Omala L.G.A. which it intends to develop to serve as centers for the development of ECO Tourism in the State. Government has concluded arrangement to build a Five Star Hotel on the Mount Patti and also develop the extensive beach of the rivers Niger and Benue to cater for tourism.

His Excellency, Alhaji Ibrahim Idris recently demonstrated his love and concern for the Tourism sector by approving the award of contract for many tourism projects. They include:-

- (A) The renovation of European cemetery and construction of Walkways;
- (B) Renovation and fencing of the first Prison Yard in Northern Nigeria, located within the premises of Kogi Hotels;
- (C) Fencing of the European Cemetery II opposite Unity Bank PLC, Lokoja;
- (D) Reconstruction and Fencing of the spot where the British Royal Niger Company flag was lowered for the last time in 1900;
- (E) Fencing of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism.

In November, 2006, the Ministry organized Miss Tourism Beauty pageant at the State level and also participated in the National Final at Abuja. The State participated in the Abuja Carnival 2006.

The State Council for Arts and Culture contingents went to Yanogoa, Bayelsa State for the 2006 National Festival of Arts and Culture. (NAFEST).

It is expected that the State will boost its internally generated revenue through tourism when the potentials are fully tapped.





## CHAPTER FIVE

### DIRECTORATE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DRD)

By the Edict No.4 of 1996, Kogi State Directorate of Rural Development (DRD) is saddled with the responsibility of implementing rural development programmes of the State Government.

It would be recalled that in his policy statement shortly after taking over the mantle of leadership of Kogi State on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2003, Governor Ibrahim Idris identified rural transformation as one of the focal points of his Administration.

In line with this policy statement, the Governor decisively repositioned the State Directorate of Rural Development in July, 2004 with a view to actualizing his dream for rural transformation. Between then and now, unprecedented achievements have been recorded in the three areas of Rural Electrification, Rural Road and Rural Water Supply through the Directorate of Rural Development.

#### A. *Rural Electrification:*

Under the rural electrification programme of this Administration, the following achievements were recorded.

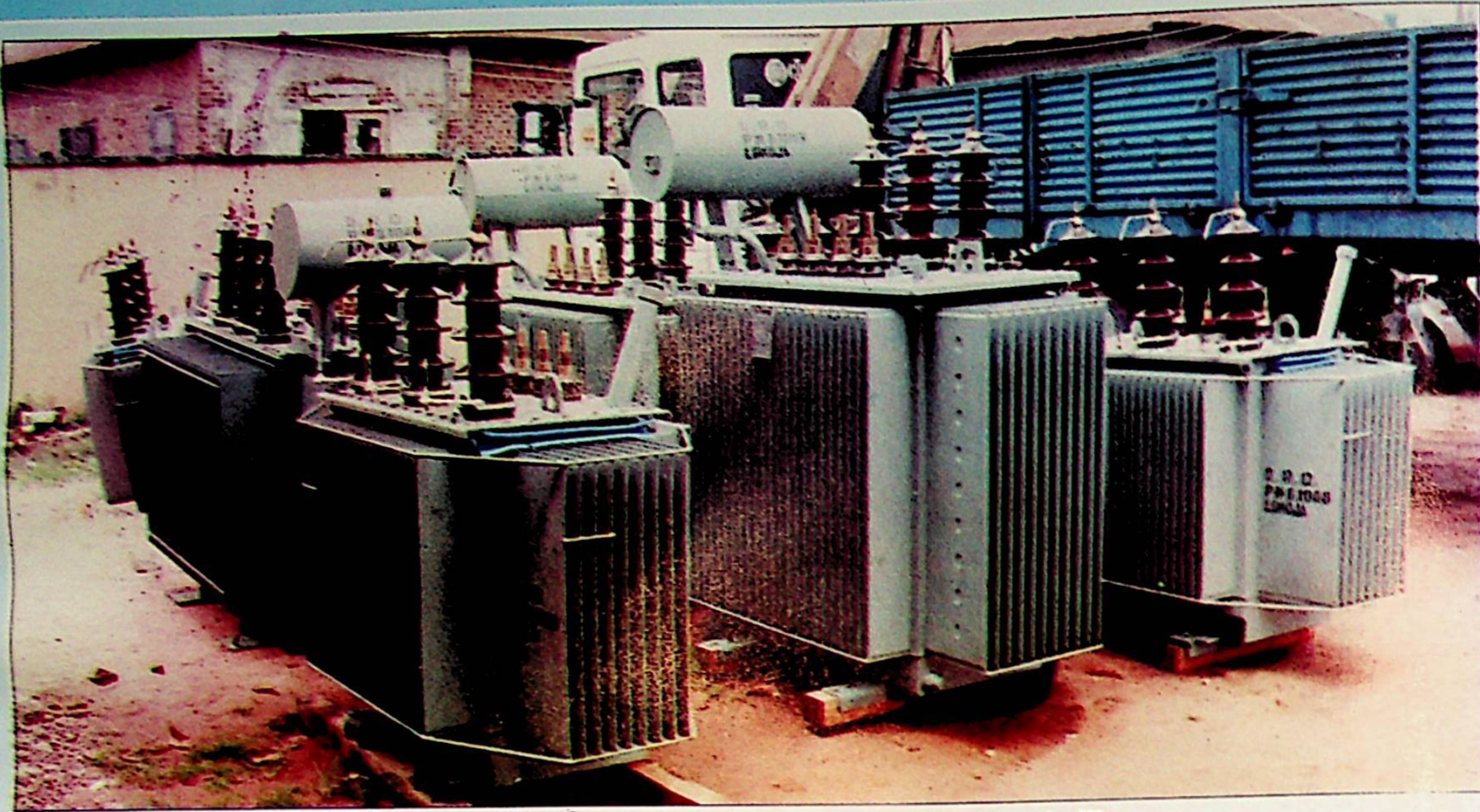
1. An k p a - A n y i g b a power interconnection project has been completed. There is now power supply in Okura, Egume, Anyigba, Agbeji and Ofakaga respectively and efforts are being made to connect other villages between Ankpa and Anyigba.
2. The first phase of Kogi State University electrification master plan has been completed.
3. Imane power improvement project which links Imane to the Cottage Hospital has been completed.
4. Oji-Akpanya electrification project has been completed

5. Abejukolo power improvement and Ibado electrification projects have been completed.
6. Aiyede Amuro electrification project has been completed.
7. A total of Sixty-eight units of transformers purchased for distribution to towns and villages were issued to 40 communities across the State to boost their power supply.
8. Ogepko electrification project has also been completed.



Transformer point at  
Ikuehi-Ihima Okehi LGA





Transformers purchased for distribution to towns and villages

#### B. *Rural Roads:*

Kogi State has 80% of its total road network in rural areas. In realizing the great potentialities and natural resources of the rural areas of the State, the State Government procured heavy duty equipments such as Graders, Rollers, Pay Loaders, Tippers (2No) D7 Bulldozer Compactors and Low Loaders for the rural road construction and rehabilitation programme. The total sum of N150 million has so far been committed to the purchase of these equipments.

The following roads were constructed in 2005.

1. Adankolo new-layout township road Lokoja 2.5km shaping, fully lateriting and grading completed.
2. Ganaja junction new layout Lokoja 1.5km lateriting, grading, compaction completed.
3. Kunawa Crescent GRA 2.5km shaping, grading and compaction completed.
4. Alobi township road 0.7km removal of loose top soil, shaping, grading, compaction completed.
5. Ayikpele-Obagwu-Igebiye-Ikagbo road 25km bulldozed, shaping, spot lateriting, grading and compaction work completed.
6. Ibado Akpacha-Ogodu road 21km, bulldozing, shaping spot lateriting, grading and compaction completed.
7. Abejukolo township road 5km shaping spot latering and compaction work completed.
8. Echa township road 1.2km shaping spot lateriting and grading completed.
9. Ibado township road 1.5km grading.
10. Igodo Ogaji road 2.5km clearing, grading and compaction completed.
11. Abejukolo-Agojeju-Odo road 21km clearing, grading and compaction, on-going.





**C. Rural Water Supply:**

In the area of rural water supply, the Directorate has completed 29 rural water projects through the provision of motorized boreholes and rehabilitation of existing broken down water schemes in the Eastern Senatorial District of the State. The Directorate also tackled the age-long water problem in Ajaka and Ejule through the completion of their respective surface water projects which have all been commissioned for use.

Nine Local Government Areas of the Eastern

Senatorial District have so far benefited from the Rural Water Supply Schemes. The programme include surface water projects and borehole with overhead tanks.

1.	Ankpa	-	3
2.	Bassa	-	3
3.	Dekina	-	4
4.	Ibaji	-	3
5.	Idah	-	3
6.	Igalamela/Odolu	-	3
7.	Ofu	-	3
8.	Olamaboro	-	4
9.	Omala	-	3



Prototype  
Picture of Overhead Tank at Dekina

The amount expended on water in the Eastern Senatorial District on the above programme was N194.94million



**SUMMARY OF COMPLETED SURFACE WATER PROJECTS**

<u>S/N</u>	<u>LGA</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Pump Capacity</u>	<u>Genset Capacity</u>
1.	Ofu	Ejule (Intake Point)	2 No 18.5kw	100KVA
		Ejule (Booster Point)	2 No 18.5kw	100KVA
		Ejule (Treatment Point)	-	27KVA
2	Igalamela-Odolu	Ajaka (Intake Point)	1 No. 50kw	100KVA
		Ajaka (Booster Point)	1 No. 22.5kw	100KVA
		Ajaka (Treatment Point)	-	27KVA

**ROAD PROJECTS EXECUTED BETWEEN 2006 AND 2007  
BY DIRECTORATE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

<u>S/N</u>	<u>NAME OF ROAD</u>	<u>DIST.</u>	<u>TYPE OF WORK DONE</u>
1.	Iyale-Itutulu road	12km	Bulldozing, grading, spot lateriting and compaction
2.	Access road to Abejukolo hill	1.5Km	Bulldozing, grading, lateriting and compaction
3.	Ganaja Junction new layout road, Lokoja	1.5Km	Spot lateriting and grading
4.	Road from St. Anthony junction to Ilona Anthony Street, Lokoja	0.6Km	Spot lateriting and grading.





# CHAPTER SIX

## ECOLOGICAL CONTROL

Control of Ecological problem, has received the attention of the State Government. The Federal Government released funds to the State Government to enable her tackle

ecological problems and the following projects have so far been awarded and the contract executed.

S/No	L.G.A	Location of Project(s)	Value of Project (₦)
1.	Lokoja	Fagge	51,000,000.00
2.	Ijumu	Ogidi	28,700,000.00
3.	Ofu	Ugwalawo	40,000,000.00
4.	Igalamela/Odolu	Ajaka	30,300,000.00
5.	Okene	Ohiana	30,000,000.00
6.	Yagba-West	Igbaruku	30,000,000.00
7.	Idah	Idah	30,000,000.00



Fagge Erosion Control





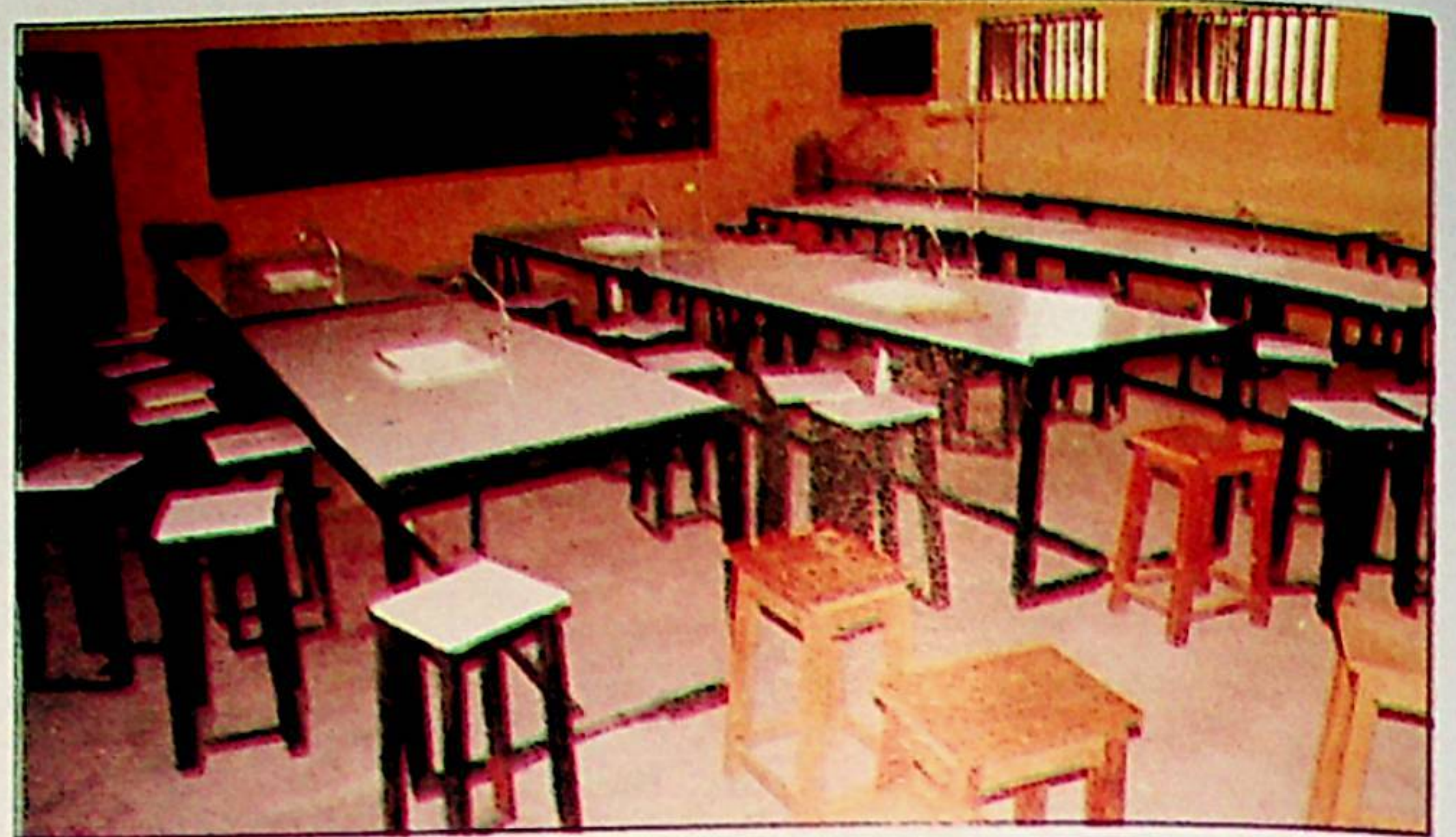
## EDUCATION SECTOR

The Education Sector has witnessed a complete turn a round in the life of this administration. Prior to its inception, the education sector was in comatose as there were no infrastructures, qualified and competent teachers were not engaged, parents went through a lot of stress to train their wards, the morale of the students were at its lowest ebb and the education sector appeared to be collapsing.

Furthermore qualified teachers have been engaged and sufficient teaching aids distributed to the schools.



Dilapidated school used during the Last administration



Science Secondary School Laboratory Okene

In recognition of His Excellency's contribution to primary school education, he was awarded a National Primary School Development Award by the Universal Basic Education (UBE).

Conscious of the need to give adequate attention and priority to this sector, His Excellency Alhaji Ibrahim Idris embarked on projects that have resuscitated the qualities of our education, rekindled the hope of parents and provided the needed environment for our pupils and students to excel.



Prototype primary school classroom



Governor Ibrahim Idris receiving the National Primary School Development Merit Award from an Official of UBE

So far 915 3-blocks of classrooms and 75 4-blocks of classrooms have been constructed and furnished for the use of our primary school pupils.





This administration has in the past 3 years paid WAEC fees for all final year students of Kogi State origin in all the Secondary Schools in the State, the financial implication of which is N177,000,000 million.

This gesture has also been extended to the tertiary institutions as students of Kogi State Origin in all tertiary institution in the country are

paid bursary allowances on yearly basis. In the 2006-2007 academic year, a total sum of N181 million was paid. The Kogi State University, Anyigba has been sufficiently equipped to meet the challenges of providing qualitative education to undergraduates. So far, over N3 billion has been spent for the development of infrastructures and furnishing of same and other amenities provided to create a conducive environment for learning.



Student Hostel, Kogi State University, Anyigba



Twin Theatre Faculty of Natural Science  
Kogi State University, Anyigba



Professors Quarters, Kogi State University, Anyigba



Twin Theatre Faculty of Agriculture,  
Kogi State University, Anyigba



Class Room Block, Faculty of Social Science,  
Kogi State University, Anyigba



Staff Quarters Kogi State University, Anyigba

Today, Kogi State University has all its courses accredited and taken its place of pride as one of the best Universities in the country.

The College of Education Ankpa has been given a grant of N65 million out of which N25 million has been released for the construction of the Provost's Lodge, staff quarters and official vehicles. Almost all the

courses in the college have been accredited

To fill the seeming gap between the students of Kogi State in tertiary institutions and the Government of Kogi State Alhaji Ibrahim Idris provided facilities and sufficient logistics for the National Association of Kogi State Students. Today, the education sector in Kogi State has undergone a complete overhaul.





### Summary of Projects executed in Kogi State University

S/No	Project Title	Amount N
.1.	Office Block for Faculty of Natural Sciences	44,675,436.54
2.	Office Block for Faculty of Law	44,675,436.54
3.	Classroom Block for Faculty of Law	35,938,262.19
4.	Classroom Block for Faculty of Arts and Humanities	35,938,262.10
5.	Classroom Block for Faculty of Social Sciences	35,938,262.19
6.	Twin Lecture Theatre for Faculty of Social Sciences	60,000,000.00
7.	Twin Lecture Theatre for Faculty of Agriculture	60,000,000.00
8.	Laboratory Complex for Faculty of Agriculture	62,822,506.89
9.	Laboratory Complex for Faculty of Natural Sciences	62,822,506.89
10	Office Block for Faculty of Agriculture	44,388,181.74
11	Office Block for Faculty of Arts & Humanities	44,388,181.74
12.	Classroom Block for Faculty of Agriculture	35,938,262.19
13.	<b><u>FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE:</u></b> 1. Office Complex 2. Laboratory Block 3. Twin Lecture Theatre 4. Classroom Block	44,388,181.74 62,822,506.80 60,000,000.00 35,938,262.19
14.	<b><u>FACULTY OF LAW:</u></b>	
15.	Twin Lecture Theatre  Office Complex	60,000,000.00  44,388,181.74
16.	<b><u>FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES:</u></b> Laboratory Block	62,822,506.80

During the period under review, several 3-bedroom and 2-bedroom quarters hitherto abandoned were completed.





Her Excellency, Hajia Zainab Idris wife of the Executive Governor of Kogi State, is the



**Her Excellency, Hajia Zainab Idris,  
The Initiator and Founder of the  
Family Advancement Programme**

founder and initiator of the Family Advancement Programme.

The Family Advancement Programme (FAP) has worked hard towards alleviating the sufferings of the less privileged in the state, especially in the last one year. In the Health Sector it has recorded achievements, some of which include:-

- \* Mass deworming of Children across the Three Senatorial District of the State with drugs worth over N2 million. It also embarked on polio eradication campaign in the State.

- \* HIV/AIDS eradication awareness campaign in ten secondary schools across the State.
- \* Sponsoring of corrective medical surgeries for patients who have goiter, severe degree of burns and accidents at NOMA children's hospital, Sokoto. Well over 300 people have benefited from this programme at the cost of over N30 million.
- \* Establishment of Skill Acquisition Centre for the disabled at Idah.
- \* Payment of medical bills of Kogi State fire victims at the National Hospital, Abuja. FAP also distributed food and cash to over two hundred patients at the Federal Medical Centre, Lokoja.
- \* Distribution of free medical glasses and establishment of HIV/AIDS health clubs in primary schools across the State. FAP achievements in the area of women empowerment in the State include:-
- \* Distribution of micro-credit loans to women in the Three Senatorial Districts of the State. So far, over Four million Naira (N4m) has been disbursed.
- \* Distribution of Fish Fund Loans to fish farmers across the State. Over Twenty-five Fish Farmers Association have benefited from this scheme.
- \* Sponsorship of an enlightenment programme. Family Forum on the Nigerian Television.
- \* Distribution of over N2 million to eight Widows Associations to enhance their income generation activities.



- \* Distribution of 30 tricycles to seventeen Women association to enhance their income generation.
- \* Organized seminars to promote economic empowerment and healthy living among women.

Family Advancement Programme equally engaged in the provision of educational services for the children. In this regard, it has:-

- \* Distributed exercise books to some of the secondary schools in the State.
- \* Bought and distributed 42 motorcycles to Local Government Areas of the State.

- \* Provided structure to serve as vocational centers at Idah and Lokoja where the disabled and less privileged could be educated vocationally at Idah and Lokoja.

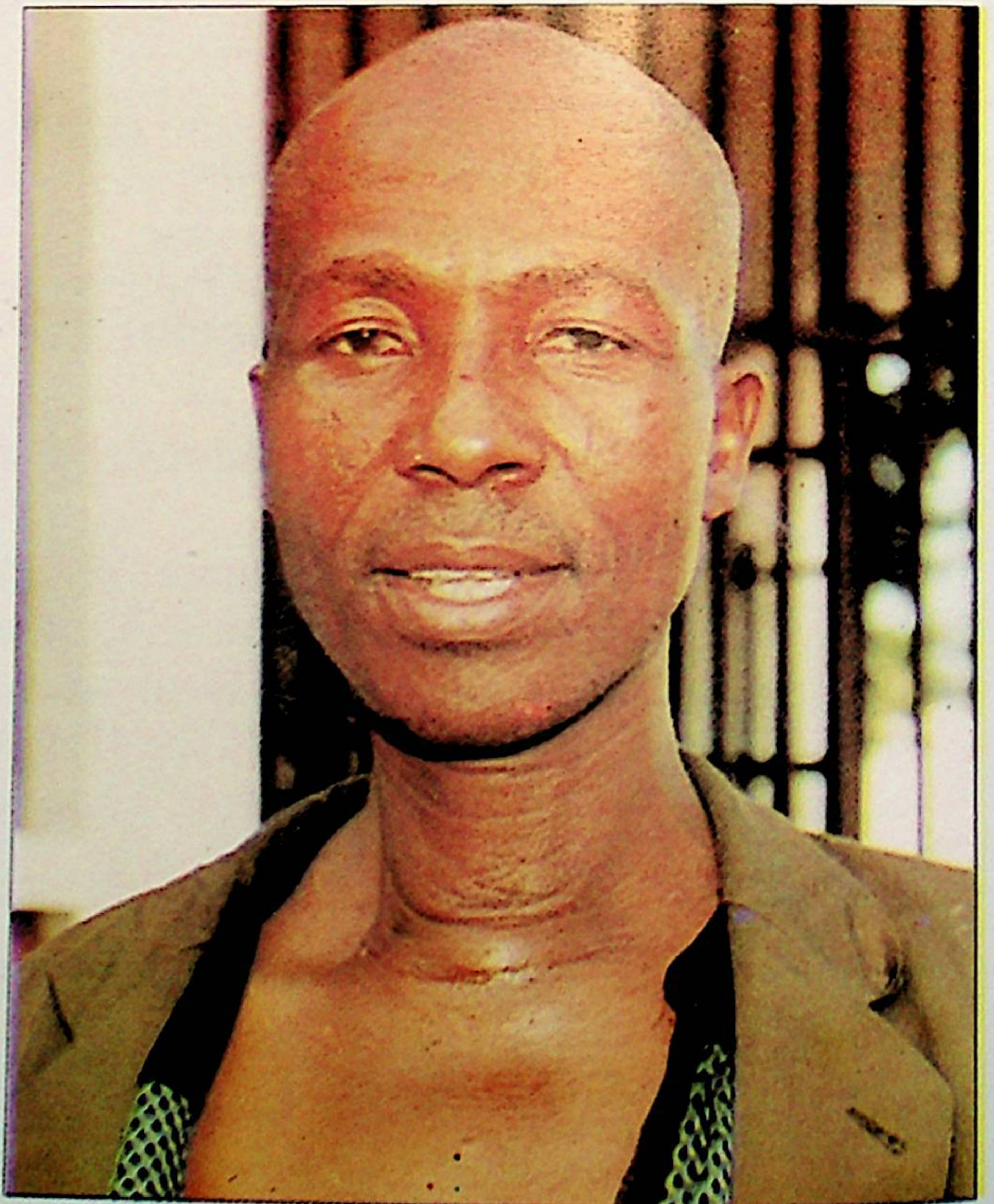
- \* FAP Skill Acquisition Centre at FAREC, Lokoja.

- \* Provided Day Care Centre for the children in Lokoja, the State Capital. Sponsored some disabled children at Iyale disable school. Catered for the orphanage home at Isanlu.

- \* Recently 50 goiter patients were operated free at Kogi Diagnostic and Referral Hospital, Anyigba.



**Goiter Patient before operation**



**Goiter Patient after Operation**





Her Excellency, Hajia Zainab Ibrahim Idris in recognition of her contribution towards uplifting the living standard of the less privileged members of the society has earned several awards which include:-

- (i) Distinguished Achievers Merit Award by Patriotic female Youths of Nigeria.
- (ii) Award of Excellence for outstanding achievement in the upliftment of Children and Women Folk in Kogi State.
- (iii) Award of Women of Substance in recognition of service to humanity by Ijumu Ladies Association.
- (iv) Idah Channels Merit Award Abuja 2004.
- (v) Merit Award for Excellent Services 2004 by the Dove Foundation.
- (vi) Merit Award on Women Empowerment 2004 by Advocate of Women Empowerment of Nigeria.
- (vii) The Public Newspapers Merit Award Women of the Year 2004 and Societal Role Model.
- (viii) Living Heritage Merit Award as Queen Mother of Kogi State.
- (ix) Merit Award in recognition of outstanding contribution to society development in Igala Land by Who is Who.
- (x) Merit Award in recognition of selfless service to humanity and Moslem Ummah by First Aid Group of Fityaniyu, Islam 2005.
- (xi) Award of Excellence by NUJ, Kogi State Chapter, 2004
- (xii) Award of Excellence by the Nigerian College of Accountancy, Jos.
- (xiii) Rotary International District 9130 Nigeria Vocational Award 2005.
- (xiv) Award of Excellence for contributing to the development of Iglala land by the Igala Students' Association, Idah Chapter.

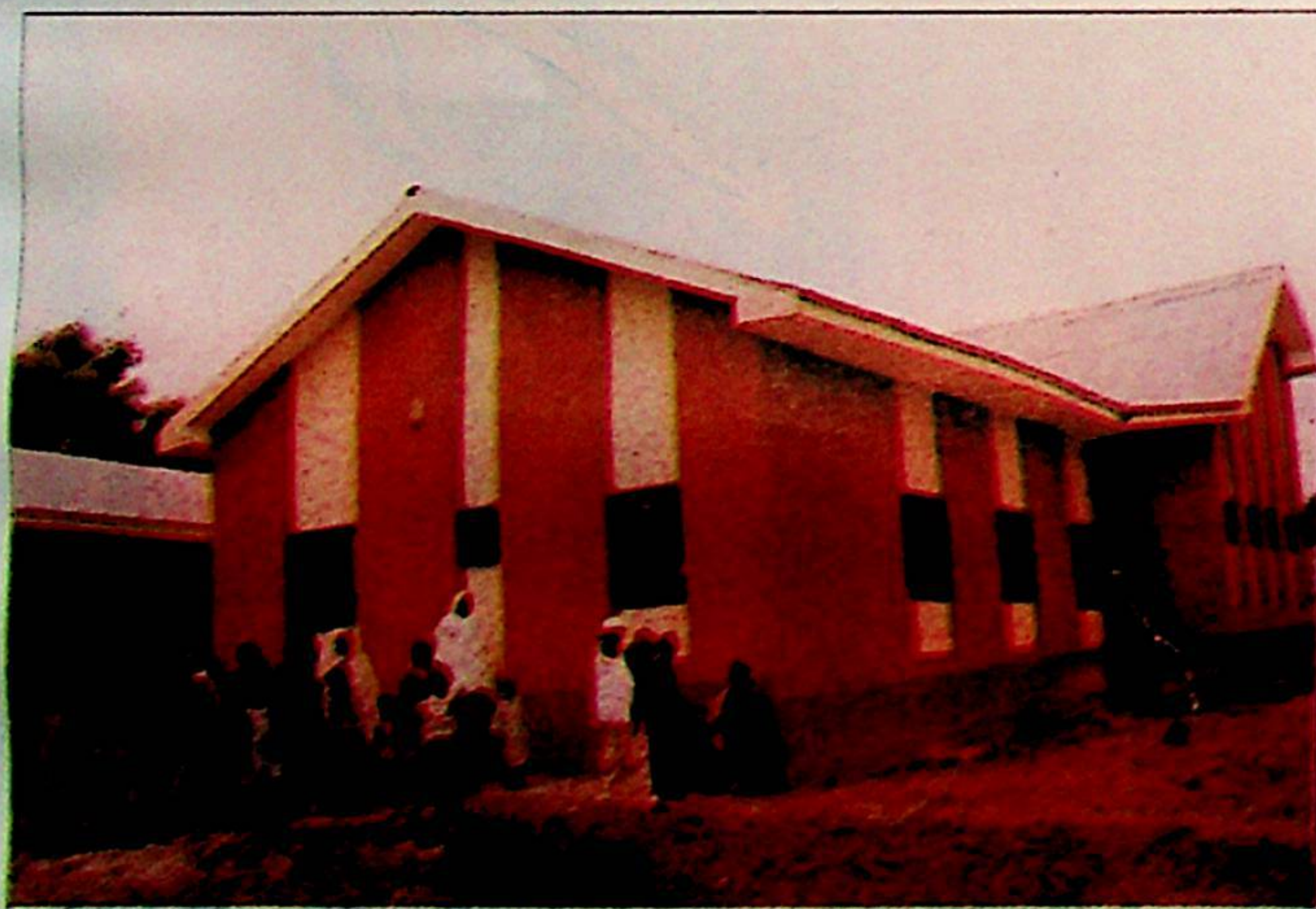
The administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has through the Family Advancement rekindled the hope of the less priviledge members of the society.





Before the advent of the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris, the Health Care Delivery System was pathetic. The General Hospitals in Lokoja, Kabba, Okene, Obangede, Isanlu, Mopa and Koton-Karfe were mere consulting clinics that lacked the basic amenities with which to function effectively. All the hospitals and clinics across the State had no drugs and sufficient manpower. The State had witnessed the exodus of high profile medical doctors and pharmacists to other parts of the country.

As at today, the Alhaji Ibrahim led administration has brought Health Care Delivery System closer to the people. All the Local Government Areas in the State now have Cottage Hospitals and Health Centres with sufficient drugs and highly skilled medical personnel.

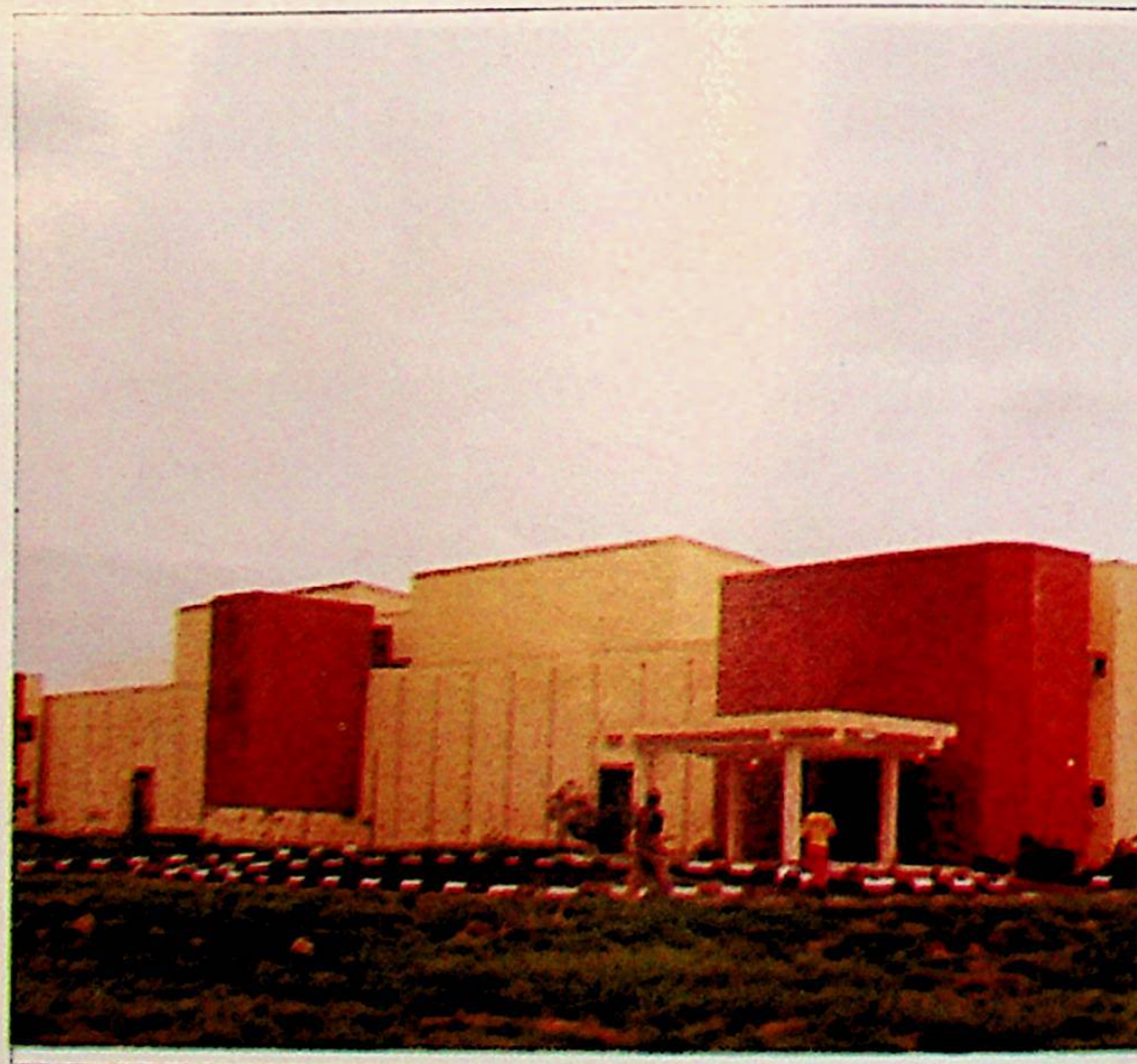


Proto type Cottage Hospital

The administration also embarked on the construction of a modern General Hospital in Lokoja. This hospital which will be due for commissioning in June 2007 has state of the art equipment and a modern mortuary. Medical personnel that are to man the various departments of the hospital have been sent on training to sharpen their skills.



Front View of the General Hospital Lokoja



Side View of the General Hospital, Lokoja.

The essential drug programme has been revived with the injection of a revolving loan of N10million. The Administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has also paid relevant counterpart funds to enable it access funds from international bodies.

The Schools of Nursing at Obangede, Egbe and College of Health Technology, Idah have been provided with classrooms, equipment and a 30 seater coastal bus each.





## PROJECTS EXECUTED IN THE HEALTH SECTOR:

Project	Amount
1. Rehabilitation of Idah General Hospital including X -ray equipments, mortuary, perimeter fencing, admin blocks, pathology/pharmacy, male, female and children amenity and maternity wards.	N12,950,000.00
2. Construction of Cottage Hospital Emewe Opada.	N10,028,792.03
3. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Odu Ikaka.	N10,028,792.03
4. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Ogodu	N10,028,792.03
5. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Olla	N16,604,525.66
6. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Onicha-Igo	N10,769,186.89
7. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Ejule-Ojebe	N8,843,539.74
8. Construction of Staff Quarters Ogori General Hospital	N9,645,879.35
9. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Egbe	N15,992,727.09
10. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Budon	N18,556,356.58
11. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Ohono	N3,920,440.39
12. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Eggan	N10,028,792.03
13. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Jamata	N6,108,351.64
14. Construction of Cottage Hospital, Ikem Ogugu	N10,338,218.20
15. Construction of New General Hospital, installation of equipments, fencing and landscaping Lokoja	N1.5 billion
16. APOC Monitor and supervision of ivemection treatment	N10 million
17. Nutrition-promotion of health and nutritional status of the citizens of the State.	N50 million





18. Roll back malaria community sensitization	N50 million
19. Tuberculosis and leprosy control.	N10 million
20. HIV/AIDS Programme, training of 20 staff on VCCT, 10 site on PMTCT	N1.3 million
21. National programme on Immunization.	N30 million
22. Renovation and upgrading of Primary Health Centres at Iyara, Ogaminana, Ajaka and Onyedega	N82,940,153.34
23. Provision of additional infrastructure at School of Nursing Obangede and Health Technology Idah	N37,197,682.48
24. Renovation and upgrading of 4 No Primary Health Centres to Comprehensive Health Centres at Iyara, Ogaminana, Ajaka and Onyedega.	
25. Purchase and supply of drugs valued at N42 million to the Comprehensive Health Centres.	
26. Purchase of Generators and Buses for Schools of Nursing Egbe, Obangede and School of Health Technology, Idah and Construction of Auditorium, Gate House, Library, Class Rooms and Laboratories	
27. Construction of NPI Office Complex in Lokoja.	
28. Office equipments for the take off of the Health Management Information System Offices at the Local Government Areas.	
29. Construction of Laboratory Block for School of Nursing, Obangede	
30. Upgrading of Abugi Primary Health Centre to Cottage Hospital	10,000,000.00
31. Construction of Fencing and Gen. Set House at Comprehensive Health Center, Ajaka	17,033,196.94
32. Construction of Fence and Gen. Set House at Comprehensive Health Centre, Iyara	11,141,236.26
33. Construction of Fence and Gen. Set House at Comprehensive Health Centre, Ogaminana	10,695,591.94
35. Sinking of productive borehole at Comprehensive Health Centre, Onyedega	12,642,845.25
36. Sinking of productive borehole at Comprehensive Health Centre, Iyara	12,215,114.15
37. Sinking of productive borehole at Comprehensive Health Centre, Idah	9,626,352.00
38. Sinking of productive borehole at Comprehensive Health, Ajaka	7,934,426.85
39. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Abocho	10,183,635.21

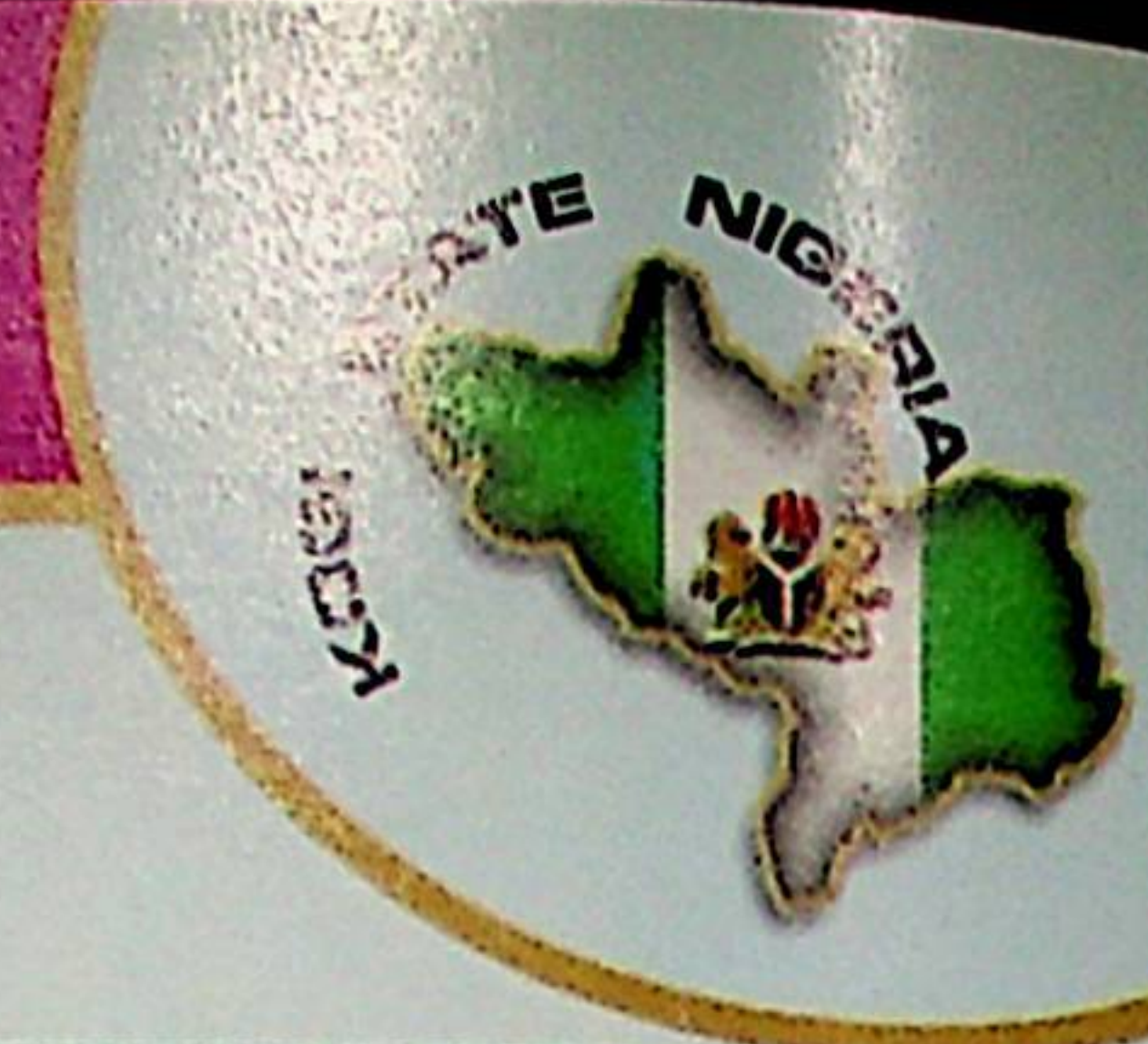




40. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Ohueta	8,764,002.00
41. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Iga-Ike	8,445,963.00
42. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Osara	9,393,016.00
43. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Shintaku	12,847,522.00
44. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Itobe	11,236,914.00
45. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Ajaokuta	11,519,151.00
46. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Aloji	11,026,145.00
47. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Bagana	10,264,060.00
48. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Ugwolawo	10,735,984.00
49. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Ibado-Abacha	11,143,434.00
50. Upgrading of Primary Health Centre, Ozuri	13,220,819.00
51. Upgrading of Cottage Hospital, Adavi-Eba	12,365,762.00
52. Upgrading of General Hospital, Isanlu	12,219,216.00
53. Upgrading of General Hospital, Iyale	5,455,881.00
54. Upgrading of Cottage Hospital, Mopa	8,864,818.00
55. Upgrading of NYSC Hospital, Ogugu	4,640,085.00
56. Installation of Internet Service at the State Ministry of Health	2,592,406.00
57. Supply of Medical Equipments	3,200,000.00
58. Supply of Medical Equipments	35,486,521.88
	\$127,380.47



## HOUSING, ROADS, BRIDGE AND TRANSPORTATION



### Housing:

Kogi State was created in 1991 and the work force had to be deployed from Kwara and Benue States. Officials of government had no residential or office accommodations and the facilities available in the capital city were insufficient. The officials had to make do with what were available. The Housing Units that were built by previous administrations were grossly inadequate and this situation affected the morale of the workers.

This situation was unacceptable to the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris. Aggressive housing programmes were embarked upon and in the four years of the administration, 500 units of 3, 2 and 1 bedroom bungalows were constructed for civil servants. The buildings were allocated to the various categories of workers on owner-occupier basis. Similarly 50 mansionnets were constructed for High Court Judges and Members of Kogi State House of Assembly.

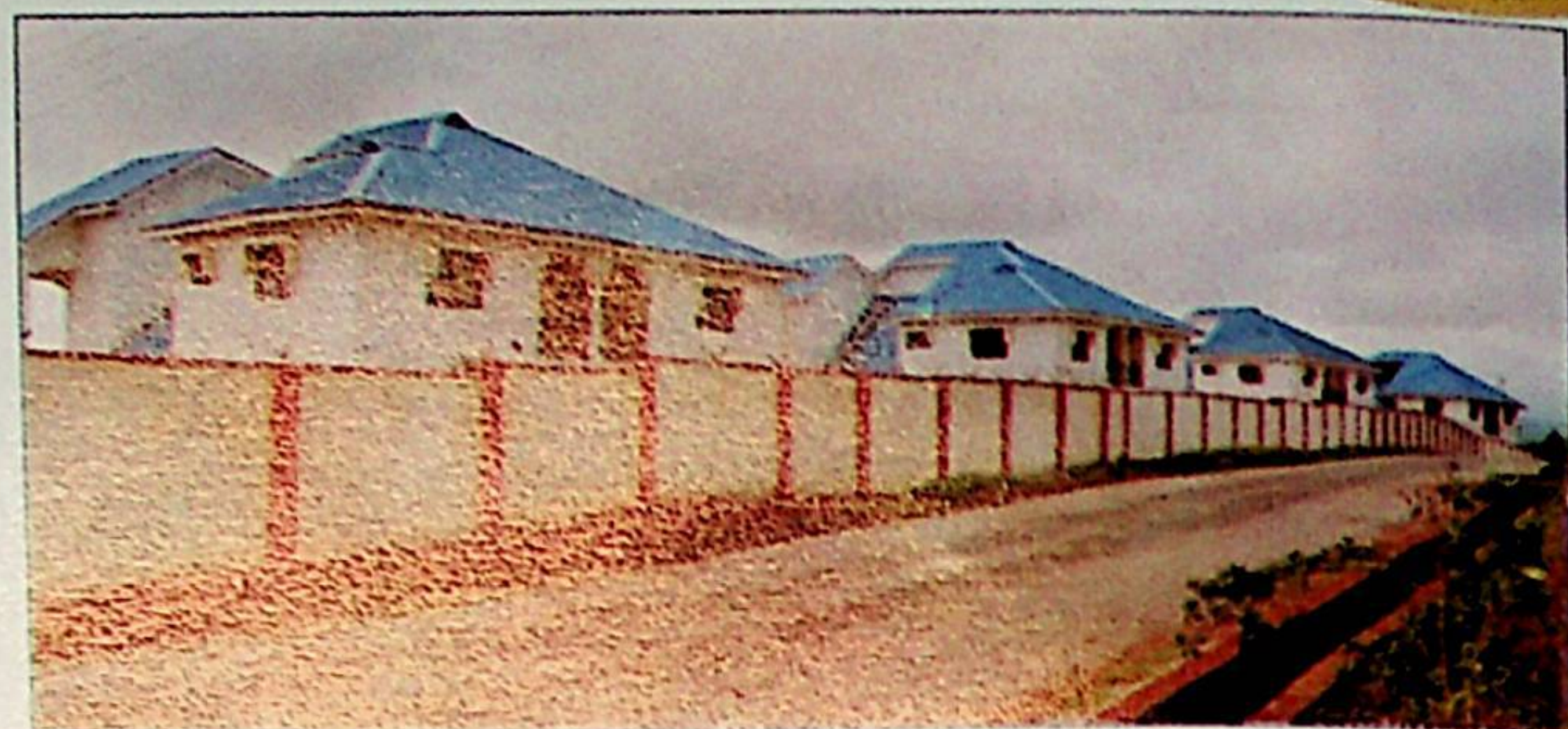
Large expanse of land has been acquired and cleared in all the 21 Local Government Areas



250 Unit of 3,2 and 1 bedroom bungalows Otokiti village



250 Units of 3,2 and 1 bedroom bungalows, Ganaja Road



Legislators' Quarters



High Court Judges Mansionettes

of the State for the construction of 20 Housing Units in each of the Local Government Area.

Kogi Savings and Loans Limited has been recapitalized with the sum of N60million to resuscitate the moribund institution. This bold step by Government will create an avenue for civil servants and other Kogites to access mortgage loans for building their own houses.

### Road and Bridges:

One of the priority areas of the Alhaji Ibrahim Idris led administration is the construction of roads and bridges in all the Local Government Areas of the State. In the first tenure of this administration, roads were constructed in all the Local Government Areas of the State. To ensure that these roads stand the test of time, reputable construction companies were contracted to handle the projects. All the major streets in Lokoja the capital city have been dualized and provided with street lights. The Meme Bridge which was hitherto a single lane bridge has since been dualized to facilitate the free flow traffic. Other bridges were constructed in other parts of the State.





The Ankpa - Abejikolo Bagana road which was hitherto a single lane bridge has since been dualized to facilitate the free flow of traffic. Other bridges were constructed in other part of the State



Ankpa - Abejukolo Bagana Road



Ijowa-Ejuku-Jege Road



Obehira-Ihima-Ayere Road



Obasanjo Square to Old Market Road  
(Obasanjo Way)



Meme Bridge and Access Road.



New Market Obasanjo Square Road  
(Obasanjo Way)

Today the movement of people and goods have been made much easier as a result of the government efforts in the road construction.





**SUMMARY OF ROADS, BRIDGES AND STREET LIGHTS CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN 2003 2007:**

<u>S/N</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>CONTRACT SUM (₦)</u>
1.	Meme Bridge and approach roads.	238,101,812.00
2.	Rehabilitation and Asphalt overlay of Ankpa Abejukolo-Bagana road project	1,899,422,000.35
3.	Construction of Ijowa-Ejuku-Jege road project	1,100,000.000.00
4.	Rehabilitation and asphalt over -lay of Obehira -Ihima-Ayere road project.	893,197,097.00
5.	Reconstruction and Rehabilitation of Lokoja -Ganaja-Ajaokuta Road project	330,759,450.00
6.	Dualization of Stella Obasanjo Library - Government House-Kogi Hotel. Road and Kogi Hotel to Unity Square Road Project	220,989,897.97
7.	Dualisation of Unity Square -Obasanjo Square road project.	175,880,079.37
8.(a)	Construction of Internal roads of 250 Housing Units along Lokoja-Barrack Road.	350,000,000.00
8.(b)	Construction of internal Road of 250 Housing Unit at Ajaokuta road.	518,496,158.30
9.	Dualization of Obasanjo Square -John Holt -Beach Road-Old Market -New Market -Abuja Junction road project.	<del>5,229,90</del>
10.	Construction of Dekina -Olowa-Abocho-Ogbabede road project.	1,452,741,101.00
11.	Construction of Idah-Okpachala-Ajegwu road project.	956,671,087.00
12.	Construction of Kabba-Obelle road project.	388,000,000.00
13.	Construction of Kotonkarfe -Kpareke-Adangere road project.	728,229,915.00
14.	Construction of Ankpa-Ogodo-Acharane Road project.	1,097,056,310.00





15.	Construction of Ibado-Icheke-Ogane-Okwutanobe road project.	1,500,000,000.00
16.	Construction of Ihima-Obangede road project.	267,961,390.00
17.	Construction of Idozumi-Okeneba-Agassaa road project and Idozumi-Benin road project.	153,039,678.75
18.	Construction of Ayere-Ogidi-Kabba road project.	431,608,629.30
19.	Construction of Egume-Elubi-Ogodu-Ofugo Road project.	1,465,000,000.00
20.	Construction of road and all bridges and culverts on Jamata-Budon-Eggan road project.	973,171,237.70
21.	Construction of Egbe-Pategi road project.	153,387,537.12
22.	Construction of Ojokodo Junction-Imane road project.	598,583,948.20
23.	Rehabilitation of Hassan Katsina Road project.	89,373,918.75
24.	Completion of Salihu Ibrahim road project.	55,014,408.75
25.	Completion of Murtala Muhammed road project.	452,541,933.34
26.	Construction of internal roads of Permanent Secretary Quarters along Lokoja-Ganaja-Ajaokuta Road.	64,368,370.00
27.	Installation of Street Light from Obasanjo Square to Secretariat Complex	₦ 128,560.632.00
28.	installation of Street Light from Secretariat Roundabout to 250 Housing units, Otokiti village	30,229,000.00
29.	Construction of Okpo-Agnodaba-Etutekpe Road	198,777,111.75
30.	Construction of Kabba-Olle-Iluke Road	1,499,887,580.63
32.	Construction of Effe-Amuro-Takete Idde-Ahara Road	1,109,991,487.50
33.	Construction of Ankpa Bridge and Connecting roads	200,000,000.00
34.	Additional works on dualization of New Market to Obasanjo Square Road	115,466,340.37
35.	Construction of Idah-Onyedega Road	2,532,894,000.00



## Transportation:

Kogi State Transport Corporation, is a parastatal of government charged with the responsibility of facilitating the movement of goods and persons within and outside the State. This administration inherited the moribund company that had ten dilapidated buses, a workshop without tools and a huge

indebtedness to workers whose future was already bleak. Alhaji Ibrahim Idris resuscitated the company by providing it with 48 new Toyota Buses. With the operations of the company, the back log of salaries and allowances owed workers have been substantially settled. The transport company now has functional outlets in most of the State Capitals of the country.



CONFLUENCE BUSES

Only recently the members of the Nigeria Union of Road Transport Workers accessed bank loan with which they purchased 50

vehicles of different brands for distribution to their members. This facility was guaranteed by the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris.





The success of a government depends on its ability to evolve a credible information network to communicate its programmes to the people. This situation has propelled the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris to carry out some programmes that are aimed at educating the people through information dissemination. This is done through the State owned electronic and print media.

In four years in office, the government has repositioned this sector, the result of which is the access to information by the people of the State. The Graphic Newspaper has been given sufficient logistic support to enable it function properly. This Paper which is a weekly tabloid has improved in quality and distribution network. Today, the people of the State are adequately informed about the happenings within their environment through this medium.

Similarly, the Radio Kogi has been re-orientated in its approach to information dissemination. The hitherto personalized and non-professional style of reporting has been replaced with one that promotes good governance and creates a conducive environment for peaceful co-existence and rapid socio-economic transformation of the State.

Recently, government awarded the contract for the digitalization of Kogi F.M. Radio at a cost of **N210million**. This project is expected to be commissioned in July this year.

The State government has provided sufficient logistic support to the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) in ensuring that its stations in Lokoja, Kabba, Okene and Anyigba take off properly. The bulk of the populace now have access to information disseminated by the Nigerian Television Authority. Furthermore, the State Ministry of Information produces quarterly magazines and Information Digest through which the people of the State are adequately informed about the programmes of government



**Telecommunication House at Kogi State University, Anyigba**



**NTA Transmitter Station, Mount Patti, Lokoja**



**NTA Anyigba, Constructed by the Administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris**

The information sector has undoubtedly received a great boost under the Ibrahim Idris led administration within the past four years



## KOGI STATE AGENCY FOR POVERTY REDUCTION



Kogi State Agency for Poverty Reduction (KSAPR) is the organ responsible for implementing the World Bank-Supported Community-based Poverty Reduction Project in the State. It became effective in 2001 and since then, it has been involved in community-based poverty reduction projects across the State targeted at poverty reduction.

approved projects remains 436 valued at N2,186,062,074.12 with total Agency commitment of N1,924,259,091.05. Of these 436 approved projects, 267 have been fully implemented with a combined disbursement of N1,300,572,728 to date.

The distribution of approved and funded micro projects by sector, value and percentage to date is as shown below:

To date, the cumulative number of

### Sectoral Distribution of Approved and Funded Projects and Values

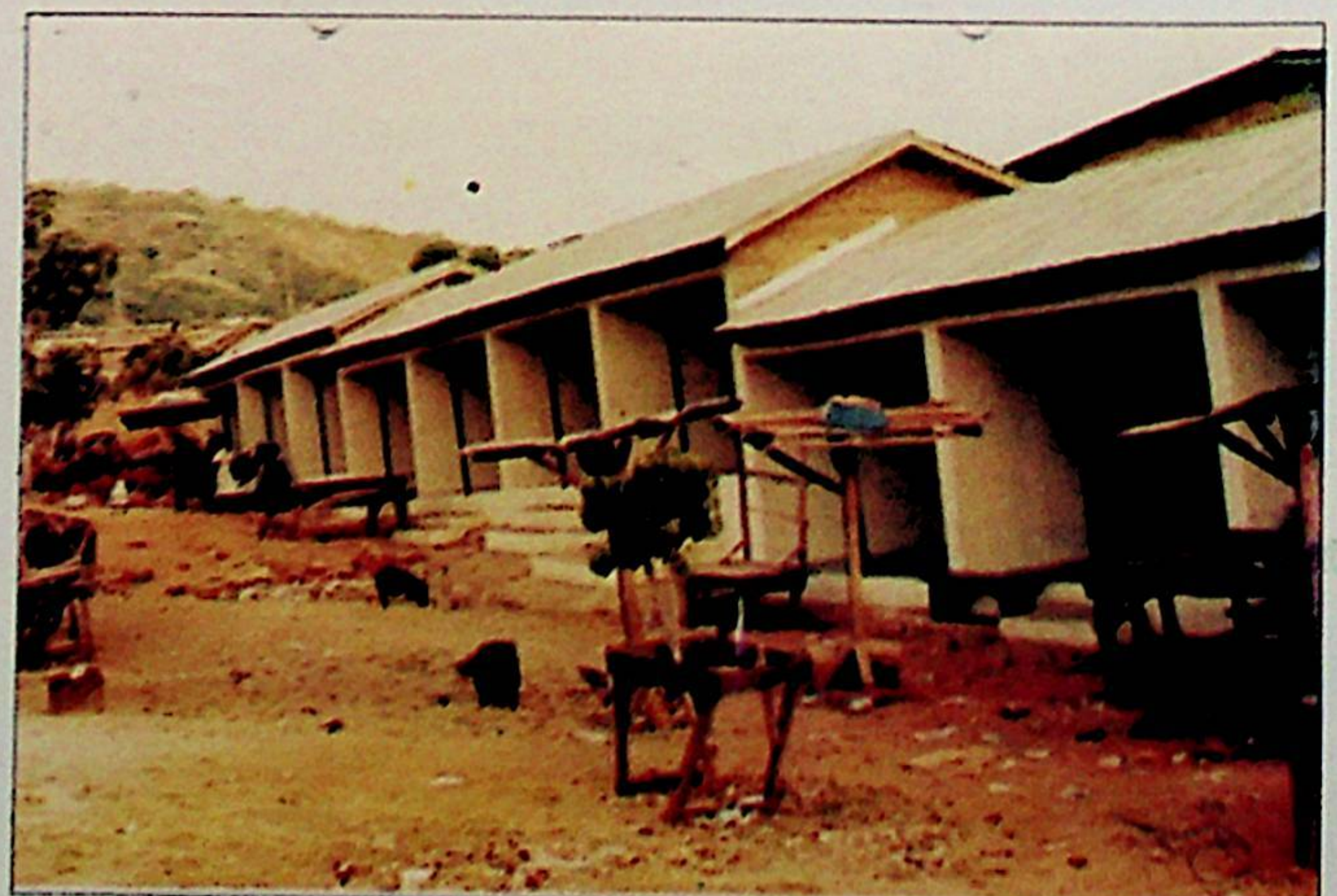
S/N	Sector	Approved Projects			Funded Projects		
		No	%	Value (N)	No	%	Value (N)
1.	Education	145	54%	1,140,892,836.17	232	53%	697,186,135.58
2.	Road	51	19%	444,292,398.43	83	19%	267,947,085.46
3.	Water	29	11%	199,642,969.38	43	10%	130,366,434.63
4.	Health	26	10%	217,829,692.45	45	10%	121,960,163.29
5.	Electricity	8	3%	107,801,322.30	18	4%	41,383,732.80
6.	Market	3	1%	45,925,733.51	9	2%	17,902,833.70
7.	Other (Skill acquisition center, orphanage etc)	5	2%	28,150,736.88	6	2%	23,826,343.38
<b>Total</b>		<b>267</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,184,535,689.12</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,300,572,728.84</b>

Since inception to 2005, Kogi State Government has paid a total counterpart contribution (GCC) of N32.6 million.

### SOME PORVERY REDUCTION AGENCY PROJECT



Luck-up market Stores at Ejiba



Oke-Egbe Market





Ofaina Water Project (Dekina LG)



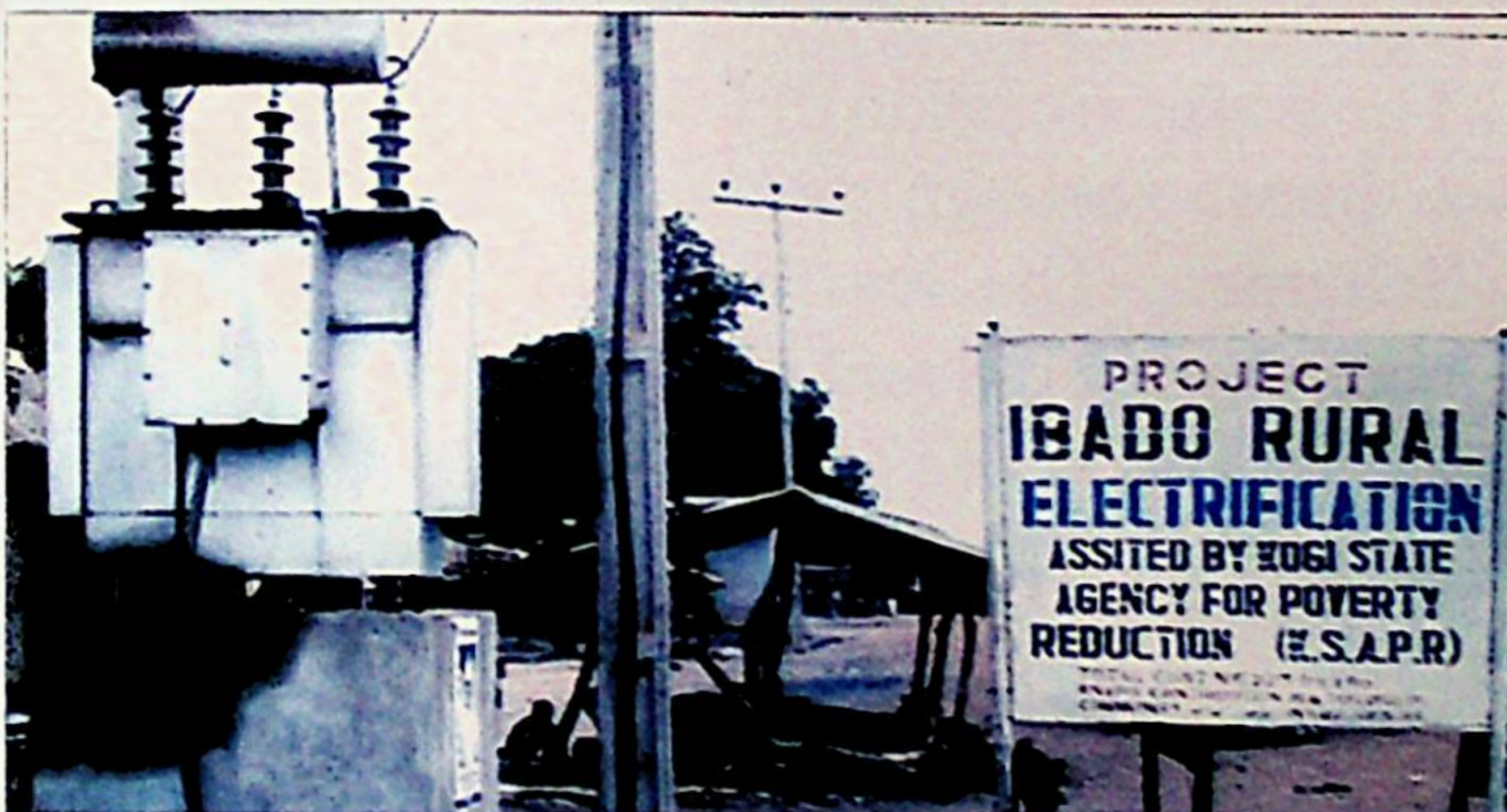
Magongo Library & Civil Centre



Oroke Amuro Sch. Project



Oroke Amuro Sch. Project (Mopa Amuro LGA)



Ibado Rural Electricity Project (Omala LGA)



Okedayo Health Project (Kabba/Bunu)



Ofudu School Project (Igalace LA/Odoju LGA)



Tajimi-Oworo Water Project (Lokoja LGA)

Due to the exhaustion of project funds since August 2005, there has been a lull in Agency activities. However, efforts are in top gear to secure additional funding from the World Bank

to complete outstanding Community projects and take on a few new ones before the end of June, 2007.





## PORTABLE WATER

One of the areas of priority of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris on assumption of office in 2003 is the provision of potable drinking water to the people of the State. This became imperative because of the inability of the immediate past administration to address the issue. Only 700,000 gallons of water was provided to the people of Lokoja the capital city as against the required 5,000,000 gallons per day. There were no functional water schemes in any part of the State.



Ejule Water Treatment Plant

This sector has witnessed tremendous boost in the last four years. People in the urban and rural areas of the state now have access to potable drinking water from motorized boreholes or surface water schemes.



Prototype Motorized boreholes with Overhead Tank

Broken down boreholes and collapsing water schemes have been rehabilitated. As at today, the Water Board in Lokoja is able to pump 2,000,000 gallons of water everyday as a result of the installed packaged water treatment plants



Package Treatment Plant at Lokoja

The water situation in Lokoja will also received a boost through the Greater Lokoja Water Scheme. The feasibility survey has already been carried out and it is hoped that the contract for the first phase of the project will be awarded in due course.

Because of the importance which government attaches to the issue of potable drinking water, the Ministry of Water Resources, the Water Board, UNICEF and DRD are all agencies of government charged with the responsibility of providing water to the people of the State.



Idah Water Works Sedimentation Tank





It is also worthy of note that sufficient chemicals, diesel and generating plants are made available to the agencies to facilitate their operations.

Between May 2003 and May 2006 the following projects have been executed in this sector.

S/N	LOCATION	TYPE/NAME OF PROJECT	VALUE OF PROJECT
1	Okene	Rehabilitation of water works	2,645,520
2	Idah	Rehabilitation of water works	2,907,770
3	Okene	Expansion of pipe distribution Network	5,615,550
4.	(a) Koton-Karfe (b) Package Treatment	Drilling 1No Borehole at General Hospital Koton-karfe	2,400,000
5	Kabba	Rehabilitation of water scheme	3,365,721
6	Adankolo Lokoja	Drilling of 4Nos Boreholes, 1No Overhead tank, Generator house and connection from Overhead tank to power line	18,317,309
7.	Madabo Lokoja	Drilling of 6No. borehole and Overhead tank, generator house and connection from Overhead tank to power line	16,377,225
8.	Army Barrack Lokoja	Rehabilitation and Expansion of water scheme at Chari Maigumer Barracks	1,000,000,000
9	Osara	Rehabilitation of Osara Community borehole	297,552
10	Lokongoma Phase II, Lokoja	Drilling of 2 No motorized boreholes	4,800,000
11	Lokongoma Phase I, Lokoja	Drilling of 2 No motorized boreholes	4,800,000
12	Lokongoma Phase II, Lokoja	Replacement of Overhead tank	1,600,000
13	Water Works Lokoja	Construction of treatment plant	70,539,601
14	Federal Medical Centre	Drilling of 1 No. borehole	2,400,000
15	Water Works	Erection of 135m <sup>3</sup> (300,000 gallons) over head tank.)	6,500,000
16	Aiyetoro Gbede Ijumu	Provision of 2 No. motorized boreholes with 90m <sup>3</sup> over head tank & 1km distance pipe network.	10,804,500
17	Commissioners Qtrs., Lokoja	Drilling of additional 1 No borehole	2,400,000
18	Abejukolo	Rehabilitation of Water Scheme	2,973,000
19	Aiyegunle Gbedde	Drilling of 2 No borehole	4,800,000
20	Ife-Olukotun	Rehabilitation of Water Scheme	1,561,000
21	Felele, Lokoja	Provision of water to Felele and Trade Fair Complex i.e. (2 No boreholes) with over head tank & 1 Gen. House.	9,050,000
22	Egbeda-Egga	Rehabilitation of Water Supply Scheme	1,091,000
24	Ikuehi, Eyika & Ohizenyi	Drilling of 1 No borehole & 1 No over head tank	9,600,000
25	Ipaku & Zariagi	Drilling of 1 No borehole and 1 No over head tank	9,600,000
26	Ebiya & Gbechiniya	Drilling of 1 No borehole and 1 No over head tank	9,600,000





27	Aiyeomi & Obinoyin	Drilling of 1 No borehole and 1 No over head tank	9,600,000
28	Omi Area	4 No treatment plant	24,200,000
29	Anyigba	Construction of 6 No surface water treatment plant	38,500,000
30	Ajaka	Construction of 4 No surface water treatment plant	25,300,000
31	Ejule	Construction of 4 No surface water treatment plant	25,300,000
32	Odolu	Construction of 2 No surface water treatment plant	12,100,000
33	Adejukolo	Construction of 6 No surface water treatment plant	36,300,000
34	Dekina	Construction of 6 No surface water treatment plant	36,300,000
35	Ugwolawo	Construction of 4 No surface water treatment plant	36,300,000
36	Okpo	Construction of 1 No surface water treatment plant	6,500,000
37	Kotonkarfe	Construction of 4 No surface water treatment plant	24,200,000
38	Ogodu	Construction of 1 No surface water treatment plant	6,500,000
39	Umomi	Construction of 2 No surface water treatment plant	12,100,000
40	Idah	Procurement and laying of 6" UPVC pipes class D from GRA tank to Egah market	8,250,000
41.	Waterworks to New market Lokoja	Pipe net work between water works and New market 500 length of 6" G.I. pipe excavation and fittings	15,000,000
42	Ankpa	Water supply to College of Education	6,000,000
43	Idah	Rehabilitation of collapsed sedimentation tanks	14,000,000
44	Gadumo Lokoja	Water supply to Aniebo Housing Estate (1 No borehole)	2,400,000
45	Ganaja Lokoja	Drilling of 4 No boreholes and 90m <sup>3</sup> Overhead	13,600,000
46	Worker's Village Lokoja	Reconstruction of Overhead tank	13,600,000
47	Abejukolo Anyigba, Ejule, Idah, Ajaka Ugwolawo	Fabrication of 6 No Steel tank for storing diesel	1,882,500
48	Ejule	Rehabilitation of Ejule water supply	6,218,140
49	Lokoja New House of Assembly Quarters	Drilling of 3 No motorized boreholes & Erection of 20,000 gallon Overhead tank	11,200,000
50	Lokoja water works	Rehabilitation of Lokoja Waterworks pontoon that sank on 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2005	161,000
51	Okehi Inozioni	Provision of 5,000 gallon Overhead tank	2,400,000
52	12 Locations in Western and Central	Construction of 10,000 litre cylindrical diesel tanks	3,765,000





53.	Idah	Extension of rising mains from Idah water works to GRA tank, Attah's palace and Sabon garri overhead tank	80,000,000
54.	Dekina, Anyigba & Abejukolo	Completion of packaged water scheme	175,004,210
55.	Koton karfe	Completion of surface water scheme	30,145,000
56	Idah	Rehabilitation of water scheme	325,600.00
57.	Egbe	Rehabilitation of Water Scheme	7,121,719
58	Akutupka (Bunu)	Provision of 2 No motorized BHS	4,800,000
59	Isanlu	Rehabilitation of Water Supply Scheme	8,612,262

#### MAY 2006 – MAY 2007 PROJECTS

60.	LOCATION	PROJECT NAME
	(i) Okene	One motorized borehole and overhead tank
	(ii) Idah	-do-
	(iii) Osara	-do-
	(iv) Kabba	-do-
	(v) Army Barrack	-do-
	(vi) Abejikolo	-do-
	(vii) Egbeda-Egga	-do-
	(viii) Mopa	One motorized borehole and overhead tank
	(ix) Takete-Idde	-do-
	(x) Ejule	-do-
	(xi) Egbe	-do-
	(xii) Isanlu	-do-
	(xiii) Ife-Olukotun	-do-
	(xiv) Ekinrin-Adde	-do-
	(xv) Workers Village	-do-
	(xvi) Odo-Ape	-do-
	(xvii) Gadumo Lokoja	-do-
	(xviii) Ponyan	-do-
	(xix) Jege	-do-
	(xx) Idah General Hospital	
61.	(i) Ubiga	One motorized borehole and overhead tank
	(ii) Ofakaga	-do-
	(iii) Ejule	-do-
	(iv) Acharu	-do-
	(v) Ogbogodo	-do-
	(vi) Agada	-do-
	(vii) Attah's Palace	-do-



62	(i) Mobile Police Barracks	One motorized borehole and overhead tank
	(ii) Banda Police Barracks	-do-
	(iii) Galilee	-do-
	(iv) New General Hospital	-do-
	(v) Deputy Gov's resident	-do-
	(vi) Mene Housing Estate	-do-
	(vii) Army Barrachs, Lokoja	-do-
	(viii) Oke Offin	-do-
	(ix) Igbaruku	-do-
	(x) Aiyede-Opa	-do-
	(xi) Okoto-Odo-Eri	-do-
	(xii) Ejuku	-do-
	(xiii) Alu	-do-
	(xiv) Ilai	-do-
	(xv) Mopa General Hospital	-do-
	(xvi) Aiyeteju Agbajogun	-do-
	(xvii) Robomi	-do-
	(xviii) Okpareke	-do-
	(xix) Aiyede Ogale	-do-
	(xx) Aduge	-do-
	(xxi) Iyamoye	-do-
	(xxii) Serkin Numa	-do-
	(xxiii) Adankolo	-do-
	(xxiv) Jakura	-do-
	(xxv) NUJ Press Centre	-do-
	(xxvi) Government House Lokoja	-do-
63.	(i) Yagba East Local Government	Rehabilitation of Hand Pumps 45
	(ii) Kogi Local Government	-do- 33
	(iii) MopaMuro Local Government	-do- 27
	(iv) Lokoja Local Government	-do- 53
	(v) Eastern Senatorial District	-do- 38
	(vi) Central Senatorial District	-do- 58
	(vii) Igbaruku	Reticulation





## CHAPTER FOURTEEN

### SANITATION AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

The law that set up the Kogi State Sanitation and Waste Management Board charges it with the responsibility of ensuring a clean environment within the State. The Board was not able to perform its statutory functions

because it lacked the basic tools with which to work. The watering cans, rakes and brooms that the Board could boast of prior to the inception of this administration had been replaced with Pay Loaders, septic tank emptier and tippers.



Pay Loader



Septic Tank Emptier



Tippers

The work force of the Board has been sufficiently increased for effective discharge of its responsibilities. With the equipment procured for the Board and the motivation of staff, the Board has been able to keep the capital city of Lokoja and the major towns and villages clean. Enough manpower has also been deployed to all Local Government Areas of the State.

Lokoja is one of the cleanest State Headquarters in Nigeria.





The Nigeria Police, State Security Service and the Nigerian Army are all agencies of the Federal Government charged with the responsibilities of maintaining law and order and defending the territorial integrity of the Nation.

Government has collaborated with these

agencies in ensuring that their duties are effectively discharged. Peugeot Station Wagon cars fitted with communication gadgets and pick-up vans have been donated to the Nigeria Police Force to enable them effectively combat crimes. This is aside logistic support given to these agencies.



Fleet of Peugeot 504 Station Wagon Cars



Pick-up Vans donated to Nigeria Police

It is heart warming that today, Kogi State is witnessing a relatively low crime rate. Intra- and inter state boundary disputes have been drastically curtailed by this administration. Government has responded positively to the demands of the security agencies in their times

of need. HF communication sets linking some Local Government Areas of the State have been installed. Today, the people of Kogi State live in an environment where the security agencies ensure that there is relative peace and tranquility.





## CHAPTER SIXTEEN

### SPORTS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The National Youth Service Corps programme is designed by the Federal Government to expose our graduates to other environments different from their places of birth. This programme has been quite successful in Kogi State. The government under the leadership of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has continued to collaborate with the Federal Government by giving financial and logistic support to the Scheme. Two hostels at the permanent site at Asaya, Kabba have been built by government for use of the Youth Corpers. All Youth Corpers serving in government Ministries and agencies are paid N3,000.00 each monthly by government and those that excel are offered employment after their service year. Several units of double-bunk beds have also supplied to the Corp members by government.

In the area of sport, the Kogi United Football Club and the Confluence Queens have been given sufficient motivation by way of payment of salaries, allowances and bonuses and provision of kits to the players.

Furthermore, the Kogi United Football Team has been provided with a 30-seater Coaster bus to facilitate

the movement of the players within and outside the State. Paucity of funds has constrained the government in building a befitting stadium in Lokoja the State capital. However, a design for a modern stadium has been contracted to a consulting firm and it is the intention of government to construct a stadium in the second tenure of the administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris.

In the first tenure of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris government sponsored national championships in Lawn Tennis and Badminton. Sportsmen and women sponsored by government to various national championships have won medals to the admiration of the people of the State.

Sports and Youth development in Kogi State will witness a tremendous boost in the years ahead.





## WOMEN AFFAIRS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development has continued to perform its statutory responsibilities which are geared towards the upliftment of the socio-political and economic status of women, gender mainstreaming and catering for the welfare of orphans, vulnerable children and the disabled.

In ensuring effective development of the State through harnessing women's talent and potentials, the present administration under the able leadership of His Excellency, Alhaji Ibrahim Idris has put in place several measures to promote mainstreaming of gender into developmental programmes of the State. Such measures include;

**Establishment of Kogi State Gender Committee:** This is multi-sectoral in composition. The main thrust of the committee, is to ensure the full integration of women into every aspect of State development and strategize ways of addressing gender issues at every level of programme implementation. Since the inauguration of this Committee, advocacy visits have been carried to authorities like the legislators, traditional, and religious leaders in the State. Plans are on to pass the bills on the Child Right Acts, Female Genital Mutilation and Widowhood practices in the State.

**Poverty Alleviation Strategies:** According to the 1995 Human Development Report, 70% of the World's

poor persons are women. This staggering revelation led to the conclusion by the Human Development Report that poverty has a woman's face. Poverty, most often, presents lack of income and productive resources, limited or lack of access to education and other basic services, homelessness and inadequate housing, unsafe environment, social discrimination and exclusion. It is also characterized by lack of participation in decision-making and in civil/social and economic life. It is against this background that this administration has put in place programmes/projects directed towards poverty alleviation and provision of welfare services to the poor and disadvantaged gender (women) in the State through the State Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development. These include:

- Skills Acquisition Training Programme organized in collaboration with UNICEF 'C' Field Office for women in the six UNICEF Focus Communities of Ibaji, Olamaboro and Kogi LGAs. The communities are Echeno, Ichala-Ajode, Ugbamaka-Igah, Efabo, Omoko and Ugwo. 129 women have been prepared in these communities for micro-credit facilities.
- Training of women Cooperative Groups and Cooperative officer in the LGAs on effective banking system and availability of financial institutions for credit facilities.





Many of these groups have been linked with NACDRD for credit facilities to boost their business outfit thus empowering them. It is also hoped that more women will benefit from the already established micro-credit scheme of the State.

• Very recently, the State Government took delivery of six food processing equipments from the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs for the rural grass root women corporative groups. The distribution of these equipment is one of the several strategies aimed at alleviating the poverty level of the rural women. This is also in response to the basic fact that women need to be empowered to take active roles in economic development of their communities, LGAs and the State in general.

#### **ASSISTANCE TO THE DISABLED:**

Through the assistance of the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs, the administration has received 4 wheel chairs for distribution to disabled persons in the 3 Senatorial Districts of the State. In addition, the government assisted some disabled persons with the sum of N1m.

**Human Development:** The need for human development is also one of the major focus of this administration.

In this regard, Programme Officers in the Ministry have been trained and sponsored to Seminars/Workshops within and

outside the State. This has improved the performance of the Ministry's Programme Officers.

#### **HIV/AIDS:**

Women and children are more vulnerable to HIV/AIDS. In the light of this, the Ministry has sensitized women on HIV/AIDS pandemic both in the Headquarters and rural areas through workshops, seminars and campaigns.

The Ministry has also facilitated the assistance of an abandoned orphan with HIV/AIDS by rehabilitating him at Otutulu under intensive care.

Desk Officers on HIV/AIDS and OVC (orphan and Vulnerable Children) have equally been trained on Leadership Development Programme on HIV/AIDS.

#### **Relief to Disaster Victims:**

Considering the need to be prepared for any emergency (man-made or natural disaster) the State Government has established State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) to handle disaster cases. Through this Agency, relief materials are distributed to those that suffer from disaster.

Within the period under review, the State Government has released about N10m to assist disaster victims in the State.

Furthermore, this administration released food and materials worth N2m





## YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

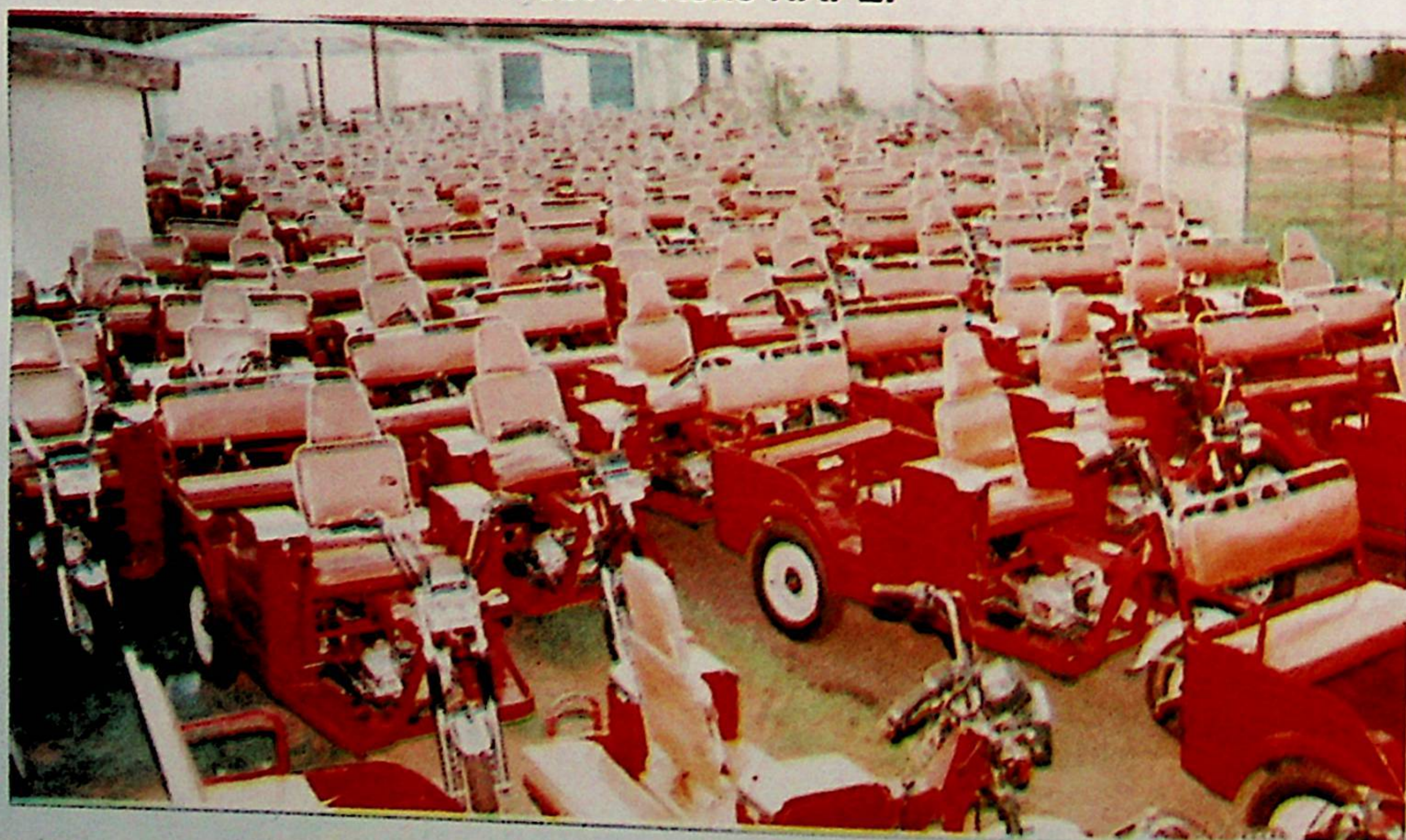
One area of great concern to Alhaji Ibrahim Idris is the emancipation of the Youth. This has propelled him to design the Youth Empowerment Programme which engages 15 youths from each Ward in all the Local Government Areas of the State. These youths undergo vocational trainings in various fields and are paid stipends of N4,000.00 monthly. The Programme has been quite successful since its commencement. The State government purchased 43 (Nos.) Keke NAPEP and 1,050 Tricycles which were distributed to the youths across the State for use as commuter vehicles

and carriers. The youths are also being encouraged to form Cooperative Groups with a view to accessing Small and Medium Scale Enterprises Loans.

The administration of Alhaji Ibrahim Idris is conscious of the fact that a lot still has to be done in the area of Youth Empowerment and it is hoped that programmes that will turn around the fortunes of our youths will be designed and vigorously prosecuted in the second tenure of this administration.



**Fleet of Keke NAPEP**



**Fleet of Tricycles**





The Legislative arm of Government in Kogi State has operated as an independent arm with adequate facilities and logistics provided by government to enable it function properly.

Government has ensured that all budgetary allocation for the smooth running of the House has been released. In the life of this administration, complete renovation was carried out on the Assembly Complex which was met in a dilapidated condition. Sufficient fund was also made available for the purchase of Computers, Electronic gadgets, refrigerators and Television sets. In addition, government promptly pays salaries and allowances of the staff and members.

The administration also rehabilitated the access road to the Assembly. With this

conducive environment provided by the Government, the Legislative arm of government has performed optimally in the first tenure of this administration.

In the year ahead, the administration will collaborate with the legislature in ensuring that all the laws of Kogi State are codified and those that cannot stand the test of time expunged from our statute books.

It is note worthy that residential quarters are being provided by government for honourable members of the House of Assembly.

Finally, it is pertinent to mention that the smooth working relationship between the Judiciary, the Legislature and the Executive has been largely responsible for all the achievements of government.





## JUDICIARY

The Judiciary of Kogi State has fared reasonably well in the past four years of this administration. This arm of Government has operated independent of the Executive arm of government and this has enabled it discharge its duties as the last hope of the common man. The administration of Justice has been made less cumbersome by the enactment of the civil procedure rules which has eliminated all provisions that occasion delay in the administration of justice as it affects civil matters.



*Fleet of Cars for Judges*

In the years ahead, the administration of Alh. Ibrahim Idris, will take further steps in ensuring that judicial officers are properly motivated to ensure their optimal performance.



**High Court of Justice Extension Project**



