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Experience has shown that events when not well chronicled stand the risk of being forgotten or distorted. It is against this backdrop that the publication of this compendium: OGD's Transformation Agenda: Securing The Future of Ogun State is a welcome development. The need for the publication cannot therefore be over-emphasised.

The desirability of the publication becomes more pronounced considering the fact that it is mainly pictorial, which therefore enables the reader to have a vivid appreciation of the landmark initiatives being chronicled.

This is one publication that has succinctly captured the achievements of the OGD administration in its strong determination to lay an enduring foundation for prosperity of the people of Ogun State in its first term in office as well as to assure the achievement of the Agenda for A Secured Future. The crux of this Agenda is to turn the potentials of the Gateway State into a launch pad for the attainment of a life of abundance for its people and the transformation of Ogun State into a model in the Nigerian Federation and beyond.



Mr. Kayode Samuel
Commissioner for Information and Orientation

Acknowledgment

Ogun State has never had it so good since its creation in 1976. That, unreservedly, seems to be the verdict of the people and all stakeholders who have had the opportunity of seeing the miracle being wrought by their governor, Otunba Gbenga Daniel since he assumed office on May 29, 2003.

It is no gainsaying therefore that the last four and half years have completely changed the face of Ogun State citizens for good. A Daniel has indeed come to judgment! Even at the height of politicking when some cynics see no good, hear no good, it became the usual refrain to hear that this Daniel has “performed”.

Ogun State is indeed very lucky at this point in its history to be blessed with a young, dynamic, visionary leader with extreme passion to take the state to its next level of greatness in terms of growth and development; a leader with an eye for the best for his society. A leader imbued with wisdom, versatility, innovativeness call it “business unusual” approach to governance; a leader, committed and ready to make sacrifices designed to give only the best to his fatherland; a leader that has come to be acknowledged as “God’s gift to Ogun State”

Otunba Gbenga Daniel, these past four and half years, has given a good account of himself as Executive Governor of Ogun State. With limited resources, he has challenged himself to deliver on all promises he made when he canvassed for votes in his first tenure. With his manifesto dubbed: “My contract with Ogun People”, Daniel highlighted many programmes and projects to be delivered in order to extend the frontiers of participatory democracy and good governance to his people.

At the last count, all the promises made were delivered, and on schedule. After coasting home to victory in his bid to do the mandatory second tenure, he came with another agenda, call it OGD’s second contract with Ogun people. Aply tagged: “Agenda for a secured future”, the programme spread like wildfire and six months into his tenure, the agenda is already being applauded all over.

The “Agenda For Secured Future” has put Ogun State on its full throttle of irreversibility and transformational development. Generations yet unborn are sure to be grateful to this Daniel that has come to positively impact on their lives and put Ogun on the map of industrial revolution in Nigeria..

Ogun has since assumed the status of an investors’ haven with local and foreign investors falling over each other to partner with the state for economic development. The peace and conducive business environment are what they need to bring their resources and develop Ogun State. The development of Olokola Liquefied Natural Gas the Agro-Cargo Airport, the three Free Trade Zones (FTZs) at Olokola, Kajola and Igbesa, Laogo Paradise Island, Bitumen and deep sea port projects are glaring examples.

Check these too: Who thought that within the span of four and half years Olumo Rock could assume the status of a tourist destination of choice? Who thought

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Ogun could have the best dual carriageway in Nigeria, over 36 kilometres with street lights adorning it? Who knew it was possible to build a road in which those affected by the construction would first and foremost be re-settled in more befitting abodes even before the project took off? What about other projects dotting the entire landscape? Over 1000 kilometres of well-paved roads have already been delivered.

Governor Daniel's government has touched every facet of human endeavour in Ogun State: Health, Environment, Information and Communication Technology (ICT), Transportation, Education, Provision of water despite its challenges, Electricity, Mass Housing, Agriculture, etc. Attraction of foreign and local investors through qualitative and attractive financial engineering, Tourism, Sports and the successful hosting of Gateway Games 2006, construction of Gateway International Stadium Ijebu-Ode and renovation of others. OGESEP and the provision of thousands of jobs for the youth, Higher Education and quality infrastructure, provision of bursary awards and conducive environment for learning, etc.

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The book is a bold attempt at chronicling some of the life-changing innovations of the government of Otunba Gbenga Daniel in a simple, ordinary, lucid manner. It is a modest attempt, with the use of incisive photographs, to present the power-packed activities of the governor in the last four and half years.

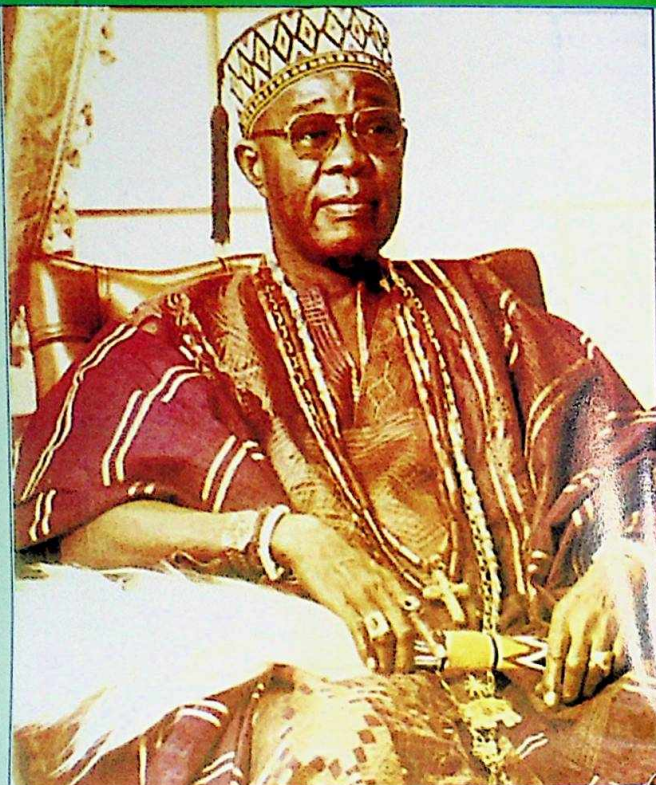
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December, 2007

OGUN STATE *In the beginning...* Building the blocks of statehood in Ogun



Late Chief Obafemi Awolowo



Late Oba Oyebade Lipede



Late Chief Bisi Onabanjo



Late Prof. Afolabi Olabimtan

In The Beginning...

That Ogun State was created in February 1976 is a well-attested fact. But what many may not know or perhaps, have forgotten, is that it took

the sacrifices of some people; their sheer determination, doggedness and sincerity of purpose to bring the state to its present enviable level of development.



Mo r'oun to dun...

Otunba Gbenga Daniel Executive Governor, Ogun State

In a commemorative lecture delivered to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Ogun State on February 6, 2006, Dr. Onaolapo Soleye, former Finance Minister of the Federal Republic and a member of the "pioneer cabinet", gave a

penetrating insight into how Ogun State came about in 1976.

The genesis, he recalled in the lecture, started with the setting up of the Justice Irikefe (now late) Commission, which recommended the creation of



Olu of Iaro, Oba Adekanbi Tella



Awujale of Ijebuland, Oba Sikiru Adetona



Dr. Tunji Otegbeye

seven additional states for the country, but did not include Ogun State. It therefore, took the iron determination of Ogun State founding fathers to bring about the state.



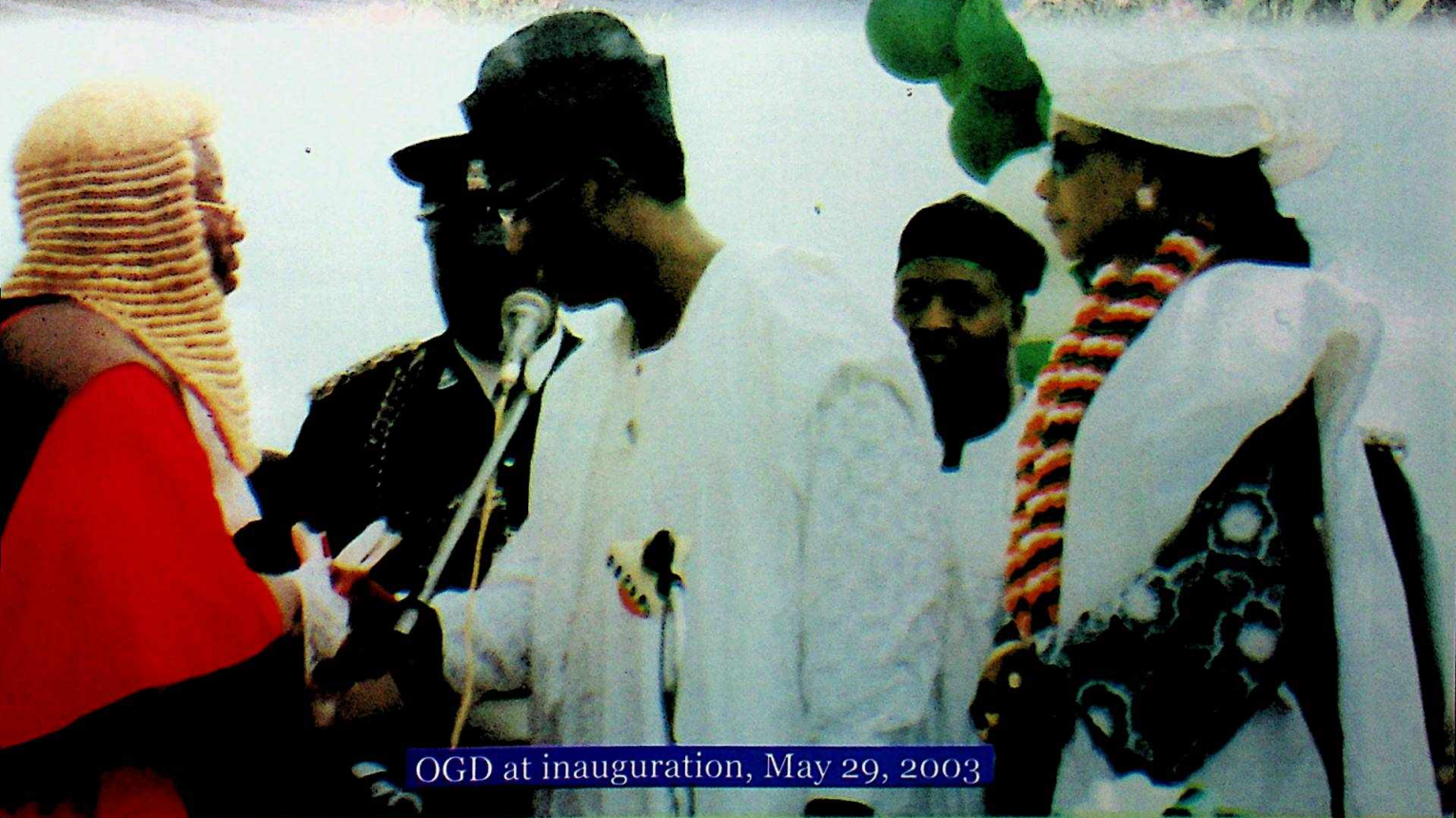
Dr. Onaolapo Soleyeye

Some of those who played prominent roles included Chief Toye Coker, Chief Jonathan Odebiyi, Olori Yetunde Gbadebo, Alhaji Adenekan and many others. The decision to merge the four groups of Yewa, Awori, Ijebu and Egba were finally sealed when Chief Simeon

In the
Beginning...

Building the block of Statehood in Ogun

OGD's grand take-off



OGD at inauguration, May 29, 2003

Adebo contacted Chief Obafemi Awolowo and the late Oba Lipede contacted the Awujale of Ijebuland, Oba Sikiru Adetona.

The issue of Abeokuta as state capital was resolved peacefully after initial wrangling. So also was the issue of assets sharing. Said Dr. Soleye in his lecture: "The difficulty of sharing assets equitably was appreciated. We were committed to continue to live together as brothers to avoid breaking the bond that bind us as Youruba Omo Odua, hence the establishment of Odua Investment Company Limited."

All the commissioners supported the idea of Odua Investment Company at a secret meeting held at the Old Premier's Lodge, Iyaganku, at the instance of Major Gen. Olutoye. All present pledged to go to their respective states to add value to the projects inherited from their predecessors in office. The first governor appointed for the state was Lt. Col. Saidu Ayodele Balogun.

Mr. A. A. K. Degun, the first Secretary to the State Government and Head of Service, in his reminiscences, described some of the constraints the first crop of civil servants who moved to Ogun had as "daunting problems". Mr. Degun was the most senior civil servant that led the cream of Ogun civil servants when the state was created.

"The infrastructure was nil," he said. "Most of those transferred to Abeokuta had their families in Ibadan and had to commute everyday. Mr. Degun recalled that they were confronted with the serious problem of accommodation. "In fact, I would say that we virtually had no accommodation because Abeokuta was a divisional headquarters and we are now having it converted into a state capital almost immediately.

I was virtually living in my car everyday, packing my load to the office at the back of the car and coming in the evening to unload my television, radio, and other luggage, because my quarters were being refurbished and we could not stay in a hotel. I had four permanent secretaries living in a room in the catering rest house. There was no hotel," Degun said.

Dr. Soleye recalled the unwillingness of officials of the State Government to take foreign investors to Premier Hotel, Ibadan, in Oyo State even though Ogun State was a part owner. Lafia Hotel at Apata, located in the outskirts of Ibadan, became a choice. He added that it was the unwillingness to take investors to Lagos or Ibadan that fired their resolve to build our own Ogun State hotel, the first phase of which was completed in one year and five months.

The same determination went into the establishment of Ogun State Printing Press, Ogun Radio, Ogun State Polytechnic and many other critical establishments.



**Governor Daniel on his maiden inspection visit to Olumo Rock*

The Grand Take-off...

The regime of Otunba Gbenga Daniel, which took off on May 29, 2003, has recorded what many people proudly refer to as "run-away successes."

Following his victory at the polls on April 19, 2003, Otunba Daniel swung into action, moving at a dizzying speed nobody ever imagined or believed.

Within the first few days after election, he set up the Transition Work Group, which is a collection of fine and tested professionals from various backgrounds, to design and formulate the blueprint of his administration's policy and programmes. This is apart from his well-thought out manifesto called "Contract With Ogun People."

The Transition Work Group headed by Dr. Onalapo Soleye, a former Finance Minister and leader in the state, worked assiduously to prepare working papers and documents including the smooth transfer of power from the incumbent, Chief Olusegun Osoba, to Otunba Olugbenga Daniel.



**Year: Funke Daniel flanked by Chief (Mrs) Titi Oseni, (Hon. Speaker), a beauty queen and Alhaji Sharafa Ishola, President RBG.*

Governor Daniel on his mission while swearing in his commissioners on July 3, 2003: "Aside working through the Transition Work Group even before we assumed office, we have been burning the candlelight since we came into office, all with the aim of getting things right within a relatively short time.

"All those who have been working with me as well as those who have been opportuned to see us at work can bear testimony to the fact that we have not spared ourselves of the onerous task of redefining a new course of governance for our people."

There is no doubting the fact that Otunba Daniel has lived up to this mission: That of re-defining the future and prosperity of Ogun State. He has not only burnt the midnight candle, he has also changed the course of governance in Ogun State. His "business unusual" approach has become the hallmark of his leadership ability and a barometer for monitoring effectiveness, efficiency, consistency and spread of dividends of democracy to the people.

To describe OGD's take-off as Chief Executive of Ogun State as "grand" now amounts to saying the obvious. Not only has the take-off been grand, four and half years into his tenure the dividends of hard work, doggedness, faithfulness, diligence, honesty, patriotism are there for everybody to see. OGD's performance has not only met the expectations of the people, it has also surpassed them. His administration has brought sunshine into the lives of millions of indigenes of Ogun State and even beyond. Countless projects designed to improve the quality of lives of people have been completed and people now enjoy a better life.

OGD's administration in Ogun has brought help for

the helpless, hope for the hopeless and has made life more abundant for the people.

In the first 100 days of his first term as governor, for example, Otunba Gbenga Daniel showed he was a governor with vision and mission. The 100-day celebration catalogued a lot of achievements, which revealed a clear departure from even the immediate past. It showed a government with vision, mission and avowed determination to deliver dividends of democracy to the people within the shortest possible time. For the first 100 days in office the administration spent over N15 million to resuscitate Odeda Farm Institute for the training of 1,000 unemployed youths.

And to further boost agriculture, he procured immediately 26 new tractors while over 2,000 hectares of land was acquired for establishment of 20 more farm estates.

It is noteworthy that Agriculture has moved to the next level of growth and development since the over four and half years of his administration. Four thousand people have been trained on the farm institutes and whereas less than 1,000 people were trained for a span of over 40 years the institutes were created during the regime of Chief Obafemi Awolowo as Premier of Western Region.

It is on record that finances of the state have efficiently improved and pro-actively managed under a dynamic Commissioner, Mr. Lekan Bello, since the take-off of the administration. As part of the grand take-off, all arrears of salaries and pensions were carefully planned and cleared. It is to the credit of this administration that not a single individual has been relieved of his job; instead more people have been



**Governor Daniel and other top Government functionaries at South West Resource Centre, Abeokuta.*

offered employments.

Within OGD's first 100 days, he initiated the disbursement of N200 million to eight small-scale industrialists through the state's credit scheme. In addition 200 people, 10 each from the local government areas, with particular focus on artisans, were selected to benefit from another N10 million loan sourced from another development trust fund.

Within the first 100 days, and as an indication of the goodies that lay ahead of the people, most internal roads in Abeokuta, Ijebu-Ode, Sagamu, Ifako, Ota and other towns across the state were tarred and maintained for satisfactory vehicular movements.

A peep into OGD's Administration first term has overwhelming revealed that voters in Ogun State did not waste their votes.

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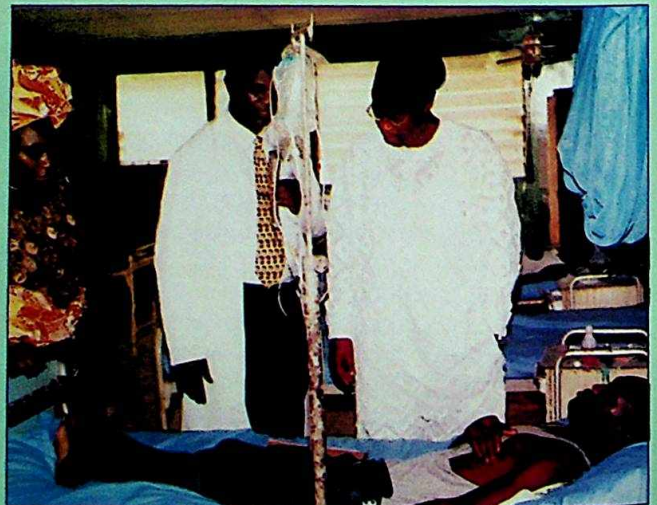
Since the second administration began, the state has recorded greater successes. More roads have been rehabilitated and constructed. Indeed over 1000 kilometers of roads have been paved. More houses have been constructed and more school has been built.

At the last count, four ICT Polytechnics have been established and more universities have taken off.

It is interesting that the Second Term of the Governor took off at a speed not known to many Second Term public office holders.

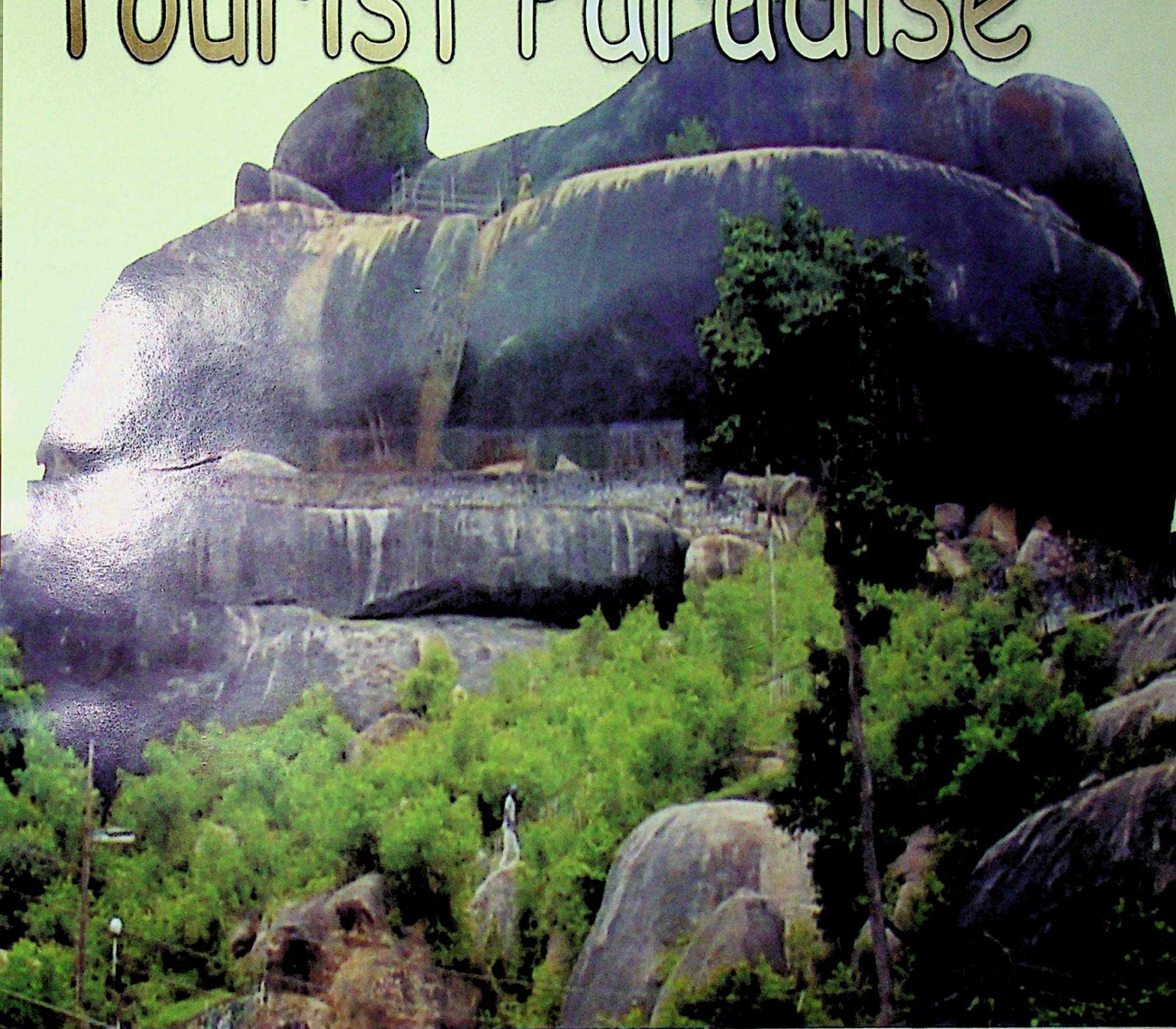
He told his people that dividends of democracy would be pursued with greater vigour. No wonder, OGD's "Agenda for A Secured Future" is sure to take the state to its next level.

Meanwhile, the gains of OKLNG and other Free Trade Zones are imperishable legacies are bound to put the state on a full throttle of irreversibility and total development.



**His Excellency on a get-well-visit to Patients at General Hospital, Ijaiye, Abeokuta*

Ogun... now a Tourist Paradise



Olumo Rock in its Nakedness... without OGD touch.

At the inception of Otunba Gbenga Daniel's administration, Olumo Rock was just a sleepy tourists centre with little or no concrete development. Its huge potential as a veritable tourism goldmine had been left largely untapped in the last 30 years since the state was created. But for the devotees, Olumo Rock was

reduced to a site visited by just a few people during holiday periods and some school children on excursions. Expectedly, the payback to the government and the people was near zero.

When Governor Daniel visited the site early in his administration, the fact that only very feeble attempts



● Main entrance to New Olumo Rock

were made in the past to tap its huge tourism potential was very glaring from the rowdy environment that confronted him and members of his entourage.

Only a few lion-hearted among those who accompanied the Governor could venture to climb the intimidating rock because of its slippery terrain. Some tripped on the way, while others aborted the journey. At the base of the Rock after the energy-sapping expedition, Governor Daniel suddenly exclaimed, "Yes, I have found it!" He concluded that engineering ingenuity could still make it possible for tourists, who could not climb the rugged terrain through the old, greasy and delicate staircase to the top. All that needs to be done was the installation of elevators that would take tourists to the peak of the historical Rock. However, this posed great engineering challenge because of the topography.

However, it did not overwhelm the Governor and he gave the go-ahead for the commencement of a comprehensive redevelopment of Olumo Rock. The turnaround began with the selection of a competent architect as project designer, and another competent contractor for the main task. Incidentally both men are indigenes of Abeokuta. The two "sons of the soil" were deliberately picked to ensure the traditional sanctity and cultural values of Olumo Rock are protected in spite of the redevelopment.

The result of two years of painstaking planning and execution of the project is now a tourism site of international standard. There are three lift stations and bridges to link each of the stations. So, we can now get to different levels of the rock without sweating. However, the young and agile

can still choose to go up all the way via foot as the ancient pathway to the summit of the rock has been preserved.

The three fully air-conditioned panoramic elevators are undoubtedly rare spectacles. And the last of the elevators would take you to the observatory pad. At that level you are standing on a 28-storey building and can have a bird's eye view of some historical sites of the ancient town of Abeokuta. First to come into view is the ancestral home of the late Chief M.K.O. Abiola, acclaimed winner of the annulled June 12, 1993 Presidential election and businessman extraordinaire, which was recently refurbished by the Ogun State Government. Then you cannot miss the St. Peter's Church, Ake, reputed to be the first to be built in the country by Christian Missionaries led by Henry Townsend. The Central Mosque, Kobiti, also looms large in the horizon while Egunya Hill site of the Baptist Boys High School can also be seen from the peak of the mountain. The free-flowing River Ogun, from which the state takes its name, is also clearly visible from the top of Olumo Rock. The view from the top is both captivating and exhilarating.

As they journey through different levels of the Rock, tourists would see the more than 300-year-old tree whose roots are mysteriously buried in the inner crevices of the rock. At the base of the Rock modernity actually meets tradition as a group of old women, who make supplications for childless couples, take turns in praying for those who ask them. So, for those who come for sight-seeing and deeper needs of life, they would find the new Olumo Rock irresistible.



What a transformation... OLUMO ROCK at NIGHT

Other new features incorporated into the site as part of the development carried out by the Gbenga Daniel administration include a Public Hall that can conveniently sit more than 200 people, Food Court (Sweet Sensation has already set up an outlet to cater for tourists and other visitors to the site), Museum, Exhibition Foyer, Standby Generator, Modern Public Toilet, Parking Lot and a water fountain, all located in the Central Activity Area.

The transformation has already received the seal of approval from Oba Adedotun Aremu Gbadebo, Alake and Paramount ruler of Egbaland. "The new Olumo Rock is a pride to the Egba race. Tourism is now a tool for economic development and I am optimistic that the redevelopment of Olumo Rock will contribute to the economic development of Abeokuta, Ogun State, and Nigeria. I am sure we would now sing our Egba anthem with more gusto," the revered monarch said after a visit to the site his ancestors took refuge in the days of yore.

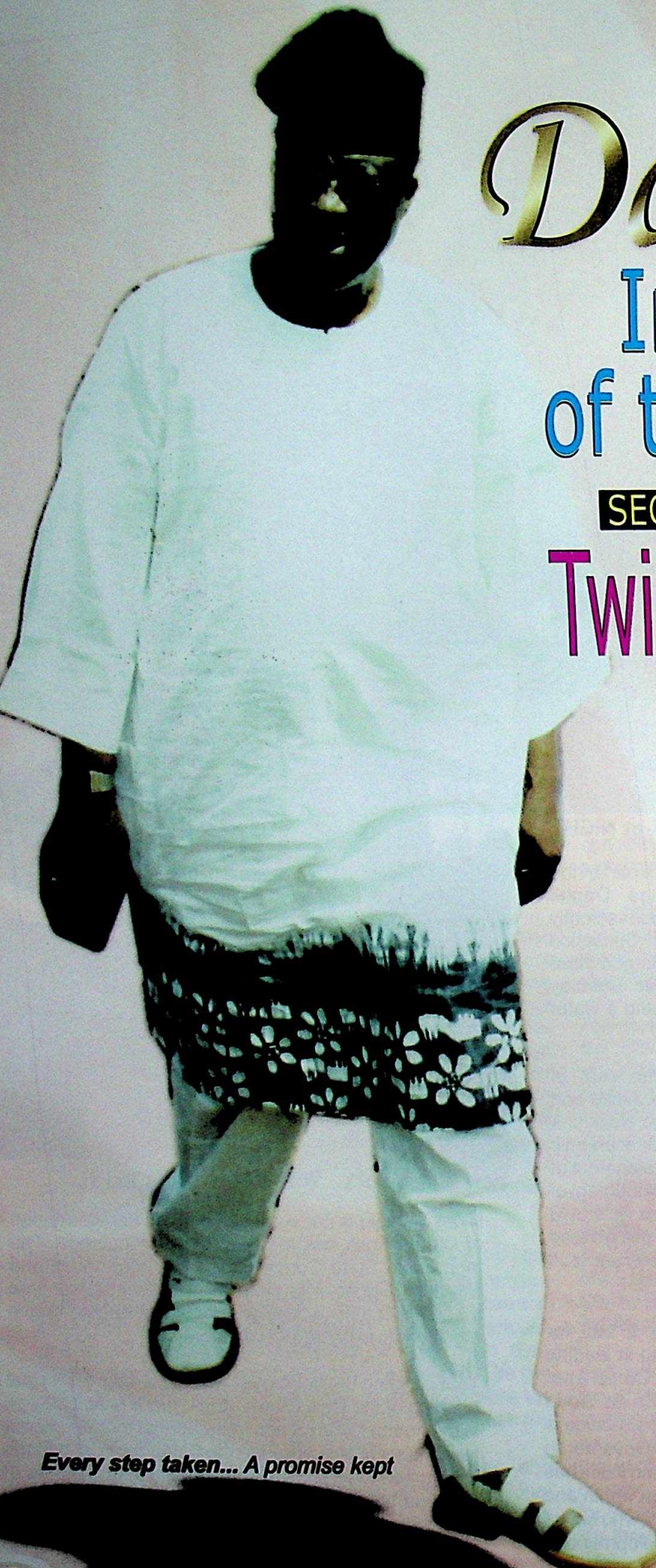
The man, who knows that tourism is now a tool for economic development and social engineering in leading countries of the world, has also given Governor Daniel a pat on the back for putting Ogun State and Nigeria on World Tourism Map. "The transformation of this historic edifice is an acceptance of the challenge I threw at the Governor to boost tourism in Ogun State. The new look Olumo Rock has made Abeokuta more attractive to tourists from within and outside the country," Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, who set up a Presidential Committee on Tourism Development in Nigeria, said at the commissioning of the site.



New Olumo Rock...With OGD's Midas Touch

Niran Malaolu is not surprised that the transformation of Olumo Rock has received wide acceptance. The then Ogun State Commissioner for Information and Strategy aligned with those who believe it was time tourism became a foreign exchange earner and a mechanism to boost local economy.

That is hitting the bull's eye. Just days after the formal opening of the New Olumo Rock, there is an upsurge in the number of local and international tourists. Some inhabitants of Ikija area are the better for it, with those selling petty items making brisk business. Traders at the nearby Itoku Market, where the famous and beautiful *Adire* clothes are sold, are also benefiting from the redevelopment of Olumo Rock through increased patronage from tourists.



Daniel

In the eyes
of the people

SECOND TIME AROUND

Twice as good!

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Our mission is to build a state of happy people and thriving businesses living in peace, prosperity and dignity within the context of one Nigeria.

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Otunba Gbenga Daniel, Governor of Ogun State, during the commissioning of a factory located in Ogun State.

Every step taken... A promise kept



• Gen. Yakubu Gowon, (rtd),
Former Head of State



• Alhaji Jubril Martins Kuye,
Former Finance Minister



• Arch Adebola Daniel,
Father of the Governor

To say that Otunba Justus Ojambenga Daniel is a political titan in Ogun State is an understatement. Within four and a half years, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, OGD for short, has touched the lives of citizens of Ogun State in more than special ways.

OGD, within the first 100 days as first term governor showed the direction of his focused administration, telling everybody who cared to listen that it was "business unusual". Many, one must say, did not quickly key-in, but being a man of vision and mission, he was soon to carry a larger majority of the citizens along. By the first six months in office it was clear to everybody, including his early critics that he was fully determined to positively change the lives of the citizens

through policies and programmes that are bound to touch their lives, call it dividends of democracy.

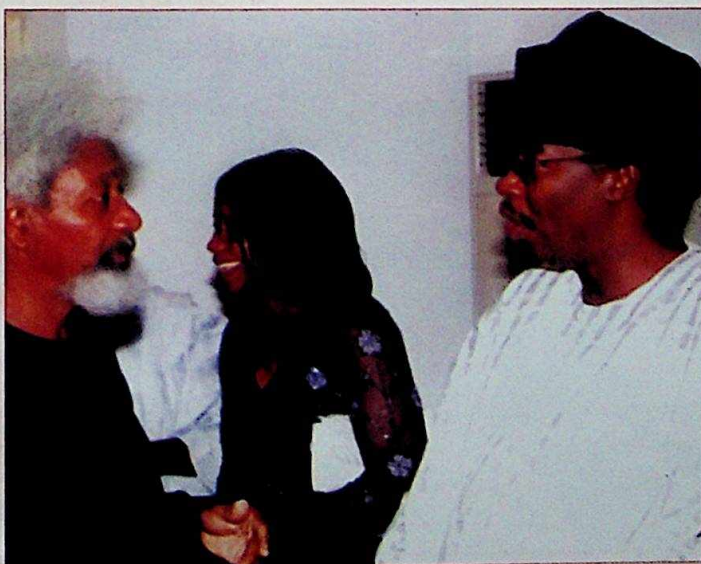
The last four and a half years have shown very, very spectacular achievements and a larger majority of the citizens can hardly hide their amazement for what has become quality improvement in the lives of citizens of Ogun State and beyond.

As he begins his second tenure, it has become necessary to gauge the tempo of support for the gentleman, OGD, and see how the stakeholders appreciate his dynamic leadership style.

In the last few years, various stakeholders have been coming out boldly to give OGD a roaring

applause, call it an engaging endorsement of his legacies of hard work, transparency, honesty, integrity and continued but insatiable appetite to deliver more dividends of democracy to the people of Ogun State.

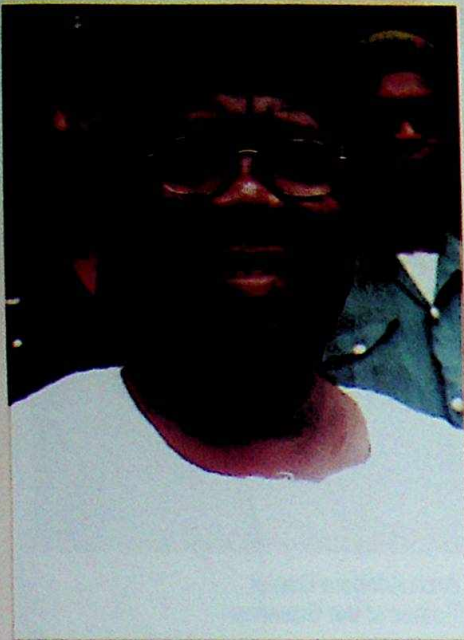
This is a modest compilation of inspiring speeches made by various stakeholders to endorse OGD for second term and beyond. Even though it is difficult to have such statements made by every citizen of the state in one book, they include former President Olusegun Obasanjo, his ministers and other political appointees; the royalty Obas and Baales; market women and men, the civil society, the politicians, party executives, senators, members of the



Nobel Laureate Professor Wole Soyinka with OGD



Governor Daniel and Dr. Sunday Mbang, Ex-President,
Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN)



• Dr. Adegboyega Salami, Former Chairman, Ado-Odo/Otta LGA



• Riskatu Idowu, Iyaloja of Ilaro



• Albert Durojaiye Asipa, Chairman Imo Afenifere LGA

State and National Assemblies, party members, opposition parties like members of Alliance for Democracy (AD).

The health sector; doctors, nurses and other health workers; the education sector; universities and polytechnics; The Nigerian Union of Teachers (NUT), ASUU, Student Union Governments of various higher institutions, students themselves; Motor parks, all unions in the parks; Sundry associations of Tailors, Hairdressers, Welders, etc. Gateway Front Foundation (GFF) members including its chairperson, Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC), the churches and mosques, their Imams and Bishops; community leaders, other opinion leaders, Fellow Governors and other identifiable stakeholders.

To many doubting Thomases, this chapter becomes a reference point for many OGD admirers, who are desirous of seeing the OGD Miracle continue for another four years.

Endorsement And Commendations:

OGD's government is better than others -Chief Ayo Adebajo, Alliance for Democracy (AD) chieftain *during*

an interview when Otunba Gbenga Daniel visited him on Chief Adebajo's 78th birthday anniversary, April 2006.

Governor Daniel has provided sterling leadership -Gen Yakubu Gowon, former Head of State and Commander-in-Chief, Federal Republic of Nigeria, at OGD's 50th birthday lecture held at Valley View Auditorium, Government House, Igbem, Abeokuta, April, 2006.

OGD's birth was foretold - Pa Adebola Daniel, father of the governor *during an interview at Papa's residence in Omu-Ijebu, April 2006.*

OGD is a practical mentor - Gbenga Oduwaiye, Honourable

member House of Representatives, National Assembly Abuja, on Youth's in April 2006.

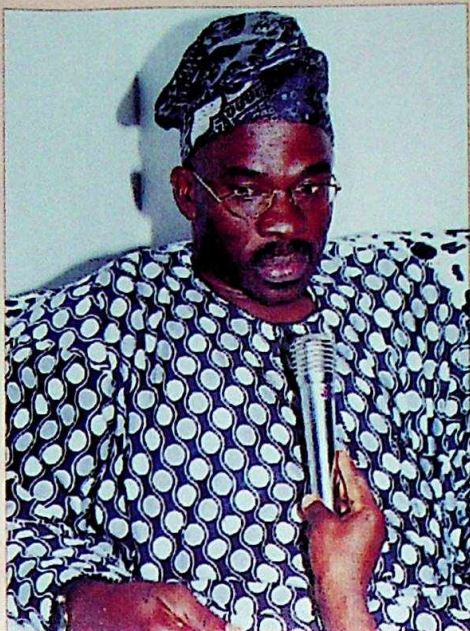
Governor Gbenga Daniel's progressive governance is a replica of the late Chief Obafemi Awolowo's -Kalowale Abdul *during an interview, April 1, 2006.*

Daniel is the first Yewa-Awori-friendly governor in history, - YAYAF *during its Football Competition (Final) at the Federal Polytechnic, Ilaro, March 2006.*

OGD is the Chief Obafemi Awolowo of our time -Chief (Mrs.) HID Awolowo, wife of the late sage, at Ikenne *during Papa*



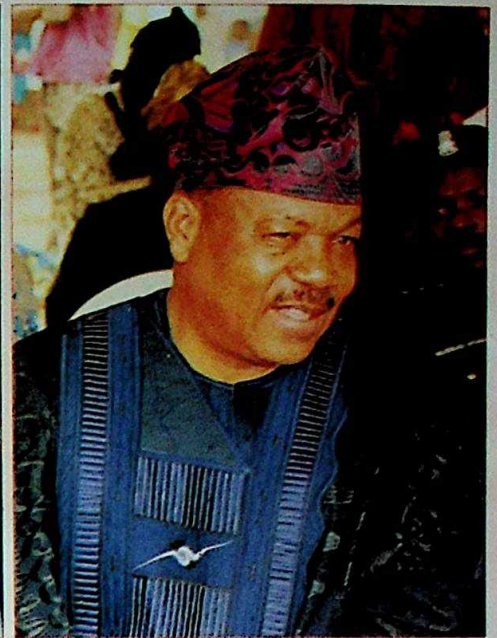
With former Head of State, Rtd Gen. Yakubu Gowon



Muyiwa Oladapo, Former Speaker, Ogun State House of Assembly



Chief (Mrs) Iyabo Anisulowo, Former Senator Federal Republic of Nigeria



Hon. Dave Salako

Awolowo's 97th Memorial Birth Anniversary, March 2006.

OGD has further raised the profile of Ogun State -Senator Justice Martins Kuye, former Minister of State, Federal Ministry of Finance, at the conferment of an Honorary Degree on OGD by the Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, February 2006.

Governor Daniel's performance is excellently beautiful -Brigadier-General Raji Rasaki (rtd), former governor of Ogun State, July 2005.

Professionalism has really helped OGD to succeed -Mr. Tayo Aderinokun, Managing Director, Guaranty Trust Bank,

Lagos, during an interview at Ago-Iwoye, February 2006.

Don't deny Governor Daniel's achievements -Senator Femi Okurounmu, Alliance for Democracy chieftain while contributing to the 30th Anniversary Lecture of Ogun State, February 2006.

We came, we saw and we've been conquered -OBJ's assessment of OGD's administration at the Presidential Banquet during his three-day official visit to Ogun State February 2006.

OGD has impacted positively on health institutions -Dr. Francis Oluwole, Medical Director, Olabisi Onabanjo

University Teaching Hospital, Sagamu, February 2006.

Mr. Governor, you're doing very well, continue your good works -President Olusegun Obasanjo in Abeokuta during official visit to Ogun State, February 2006.

Gov. Daniel is resourceful - Ambassador Olusola Adeniji, Former Foreign Affairs Minister, at the grand commissioning of Gateway Trailer Park, February 2006.

OGD's achievement is phenomenal -Dr. (Chief) Gbolade Osinowo, Senior Special Assistant (SSA) to the President on Political Matters, February 2006.

I'm excited at the development in Ogun State -Moremi Soyinka-Onijala at the grand commissioning of Gateway Trailer Park, February 2006.

OGD is hundred per cent labour-friendly -Former Ogun NLC Chairman, Comrade Oduntan, now Special Adviser to the Governor on Labour Matters, February 2006.

OGD has surpassed expectations of Ogun State founding fathers -Anthony Ojeshina, former Commissioner for



OGD with Oba Sikiru Adetona, Awujale of Ijebuland



Dr. Julius Ihonvbere, Former Presidential Aide



Segun Awolowo, Grandson of the late sage, Chief Obafemi Awolowo



John Obafemi, Chairman, Remo North LGA

Environment, Ogun State, during interview, January 2006.

I have made a fortune from sowing OGD's caps -Dimeji Olaoyemikan a.k.a. 'No Tackle', in Abeokuta during an interview, January 2006.

OGD is the best thing to happen to education in Ogun State Mrs. M.O. Morafa, Principal, Mayflower, Ikenne, January 2006.

Gov. Daniel has done a lot for the Civil Service in Ogun State -Committee of Permanent Secretaries, Ogun State, at Gateway Front Foundation's (GFF) end-of-the-year party, January 2006.

Gbenga Daniel is the best Governor in Nigeria -Funmilayo Beckley, HUCAP beneficiary, during an interview in London, January 2006.

OGD is artiste-friendly, KORA Award Winners at Banquet Hall, Government House, Abeokuta, during a reception party for KORA Award nominees and winners, January 2006.

OGD is Nigeria's most gender-sensitive Governor -National Council for Women Societies (NCWS) during an award presentation to Otunba Gbenga Daniel at Abeokuta, Ogun State, December 2005.

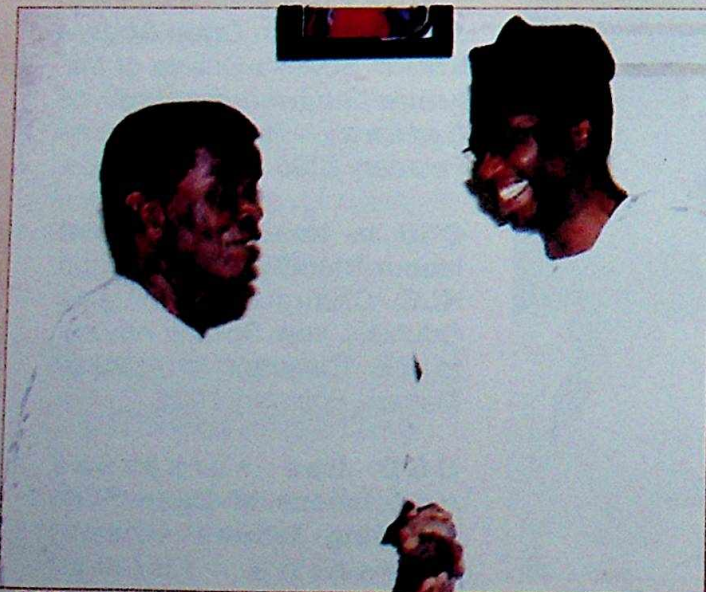
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Encomium Magazine the award ceremony of the Magazine in Lagos, December 2005.

OGD is a transformational leader -Alhaji Fassay Yussuf, former Commissioner for Information, Ogun State, during media chat, November 2005.

The impact of this government on education is unprecedented -ANCOPSS President, Ogun State branch, during an interview, November 2005.

Daniel, a pride to Yoruba race - Senator Olabiyi Durojaiye, chieftain of Alliance for Democracy (AD), at Ijebu-Igbo Polytechnic, October 2005.



OGD and Pa Abraham Adesanya



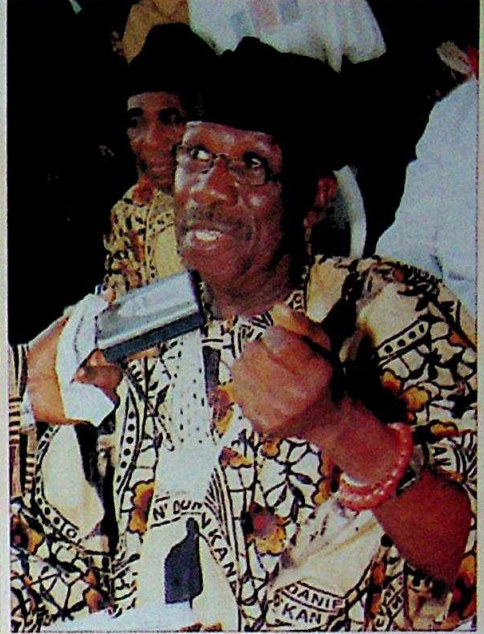
OGD with Hon. Kayode Amusan



Former Igbo Councillor in Ogun State



Brig. Gen. Buba Marwa (rtd), Former Presidential Aspirant (PDP).



Chief Dayo Abatan

Governor Gbenga Daniel's best is yet to come -Yomi Makindunmi, former Deputy Chairman, Gateway Games Commission, Ogun State, and now Chief of Staff to the Governor, October 2005.

May God continue to give us leaders like OGD -Pa. Degun, Ogun State First Secretary to Government and Head of Service, during an interview, September 2005.

OGD has liberated the National Union of Local Government Employees (NULGE). A statement made during a solidarity visit to OGD by NULGE members, September 2005.

Ogun workers never had it so

good -Chief Dipo Odulate, Head of Service, Ogun State Government at Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta, September 2005.

OGD is constantly wiping tears away from the faces of the needy, Alhaja Adeyegba, a community leader in Ewekoro, September 2005.

OGD is an exceptional governor -Olori Ajibola Adeyiga, a community leader, September 2005.

OGD is leaving imperishable legacies in Ogun State -Demola Oladosu at the Nigerian Television Authority, Abeokuta, August 2005.

Only a fool would say Gov

Daniel has not performed - Alaka of Akaka, Remo, Ogun State, during a media chat, August 2005.

OGD will provide leadership at national level -Alhaji Azeez Arisekola-Alao, Aare Musulumi of Nigeria, during a courtesy call on Gov. Gbenga Daniel, August 2005.

Gov. Daniel saved me from Chief Olusegun Osoba's gulag -Pastor George Odu at a Village Square meeting in Imasayi, August 2005.

OGD has done four years job in two years -Otunba Tiwalade Sobo PDP chieftain in a chat with newsmen, August 2005.



OGD and Alhaji Aliko Dangote



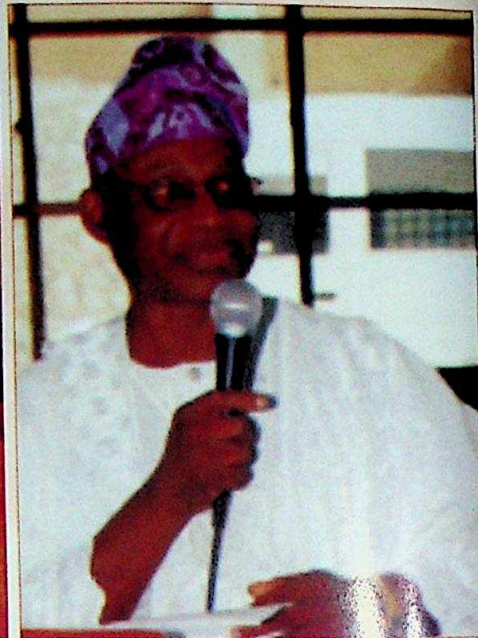
OGD and Prince Bola Ajibola



• Oba Sikiru Adeyiga, Onirolu of Irolu



• Alhaji Lateef Adegbite, Secretary Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs



• Senator Femi Okunroumu, AD Chieftain

Gov. Daniel is very tolerant - Oba Raufu Adeola, Onipokia of Ipokia, during an interview with pressmen at Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta, August 2005.

OGD is performing very well - Oba John Olakunle Ojo, the Oniko of Ikoland, at Government House, Abeokuta.

If not for OGD our lives could have been wasted - OGESEP Trainees at Abeokuta South Local Government while re-painting the Local Government Secretariat, August 2005.

Daniel has taken governance to the next level in Ogun State - Seyi Wright in Abeokuta while fielding questions from a journalist, July 2005.

OGD has surpassed Chief Olusegun Osoba's achievements -Alhaji Sule Onabiyi, a top Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) leader in Ogun State, July 2005.

Ogun is lucky to have a governor like OGD -Julius Ihonvbere, former Special Assistant to the President, July 2005.

OGD is a benevolent leader - Dipo Odulate, Head of Service, Ogun State, at the Send-Forth

ceremony of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Establishment, Ogun State, Rev. Oduwaye, and Chief Technical Instructor of the Ministry, Mrs. Kehinde, July 2005.

Governor Gbenga Daniel is a Pathfinder -Evangelist Eweje, a local government chairman, during a tour of Ifo Local Government by Otunba Gbenga Daniel, July 2005.

OGD is doing very well -Saidu Balarabe Samaila, in a goodwill message to OGD on the occasion of his second year anniversary in office, July 2005.

A Daniel has come into governance in Ogun -Oba (Dr). Sikiru K. Adetona, the Awujale of

Ijebuland, during the conferment of Obalofin and Yeye Obalofin titles on OGD and Yeye Olufunke Daniel, June 2005.

We are proud of Gov. Daniel - IMA in a letter of appreciation to OGD by IMA Founder, Prince Bola Ajibola, former judge of the World Court at The Hague, in Abeokuta, Ogun State, June 2005.

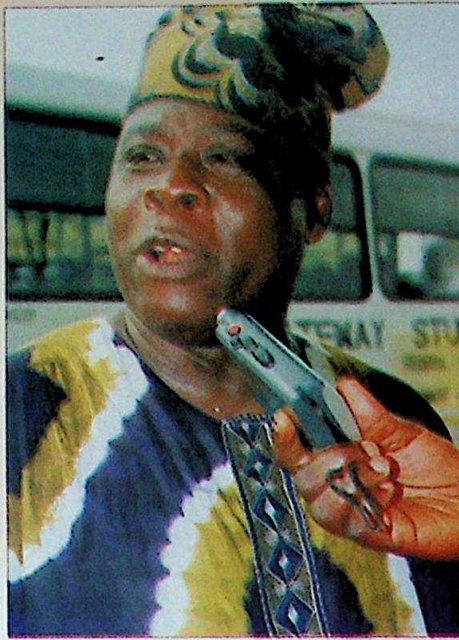
With OGD, Nigeria is poised for greater future -Gen. Ibrahim Babangida, former Military President, Federal Republic of Nigeria, in Ijebu-Ode during the conferment of chieftaincy title on Otunba Gbenga Daniel by the Awujale of Ijebuland, Oba Sikiru Adetona, June 2005.



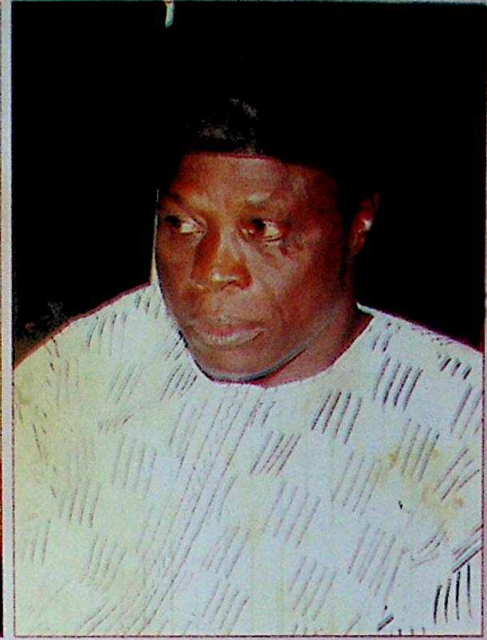
OGD with the PDP Vice Chairman South west Chief Olabode George



Brig. Gen Oluwole Rotimi



Comrade. Wale Oduntan



Chief Kola Olumide

Gov. Daniel is a pride to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in Nigeria -Senator (Dr) Abiodun Ali, National Chairman, Peoples Democratic Party, at the official commissioning of PDP Secretariat, Abeokuta, May 2005.

OGD is an excellent brand -Mr. Niran Malaolu, Former Commissioner for Information and Strategy, Ogun State, at a reception marking the State's second anniversary, May 2005.

I know that OGD has performed well... I will still challenge him in 2007 -Mr. Kayode Soyinka, former Alliance for Democracy (AD) gubernatorial aspirant in Ogun State, May 2005.

Gov. Daniel has changed the face of politics in Ogun State - Hon. Martins Onuoha, the only Igbo Councillor in Ogun State's, Ijebu East Local Government, May 2005.

OGD has improved the lot of Ogun indigenes -Brigadier General Oluwole Rotimi (rtd), former Military Governor of Western Region, during a courtesy call on Gov. Gbenga Daniel, April 2005.

OGD is a vibrant and highly performing Governor - former Gov. Peter Odili of Rivers State at Sharks' Stadium, Port Harcourt, during Gov. Odili's investiture as Patron of Gateway Games, April 2005.

OGD, a "magician" in government -Hon. Tokunbo Oshin, Member, Ogun State House of Assembly, during the Conference of South West Legislators, February 2005.

Gov. Daniel is a divine inspiration -Ohanaeze Ndigbo, during a chat with journalists, February 2005.

OGD, exemplar of grassroots administration -Odeda LGA staff in a welcome address when OGD tarred the Local Government road, February 2005.

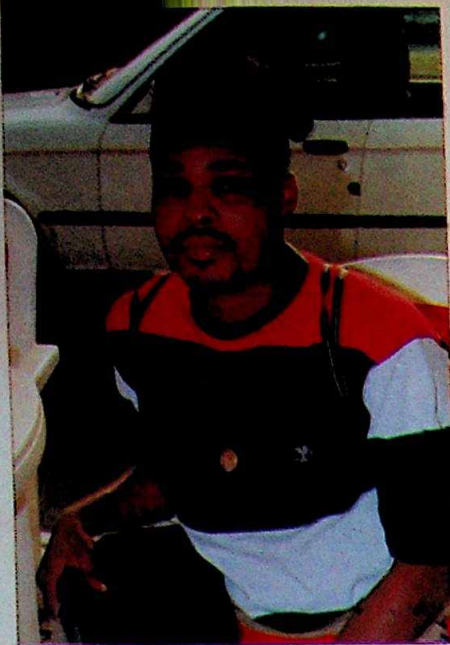
I have lived in Ogun State for 30 years, this is the first time I would say we have a people's governor -Pa A. O. Johnson, President, Delta Indigenes Association, Ogun State, February 2005.

Egbas will never forget Daniel -Oba Oyebade Lipede the late Alake of Egbaland, during an interview, January 2005.

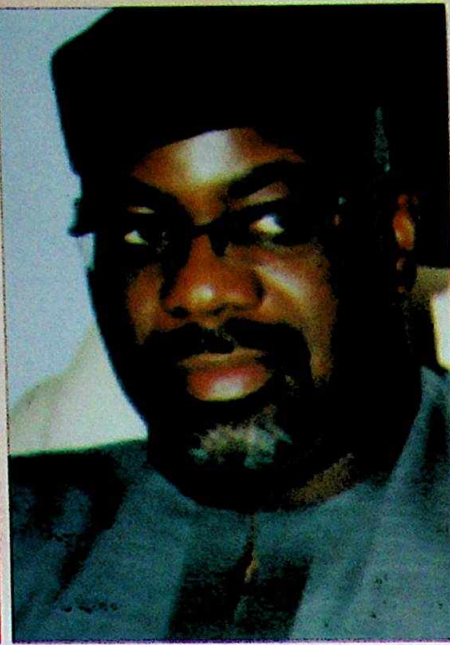
OGD has taken culture to greater heights -Mrs. Yemi Olanrewaju, Director of Culture, Ogun State, at the June 12 Cultural Centre, Abeokuta during an interview.



OGD with the Minister for Finance Dr (Mrs.) Okonjo Iweala



Dimeji Olaoyemikan
...makes OGD caps.



Senator Liyel Imoke, Former
Minister of Power & Steel



Chief Taju Fadairo, PDP
Chairman, Ogun State.

OGD has built solid bridges across all Senatorial districts of Ogun State -Durojaiye Ashipa, a community leader.

Gov. Daniel is running Ogun State of our dream -Ayo Adebajo, Alliance for Democracy (AD) chieftain, during a courtesy call on Gov. Daniel, January 2005.

Gov. Daniel is gender sensitive -Chief (Mrs.) Titi Ajanaku, former Special Adviser to the President on Women Affairs, during a media chat, December 2004.

Daniel has done far more for Egbaland than any other governor -Chief Niyi Adegbenro, an Ogun State PDP Chieftain, during an interview, December

2004.

Ogun State of my dream is being established by OGD - Otunba Niyi Adebayo, an Action Congress (AC) chieftain and former Governor of Ekiti State, said in London during an interview with pressmen, November 2004.

Gov. Daniel is a model - Ambassador Guyit Gershom in Abeokuta, November 2004.

Gov. Daniel is excellent on all fronts -Chief (Mrs.) Bola Saheed, a community leader, at a ceremony in Otta, Ogun State, November 2004.

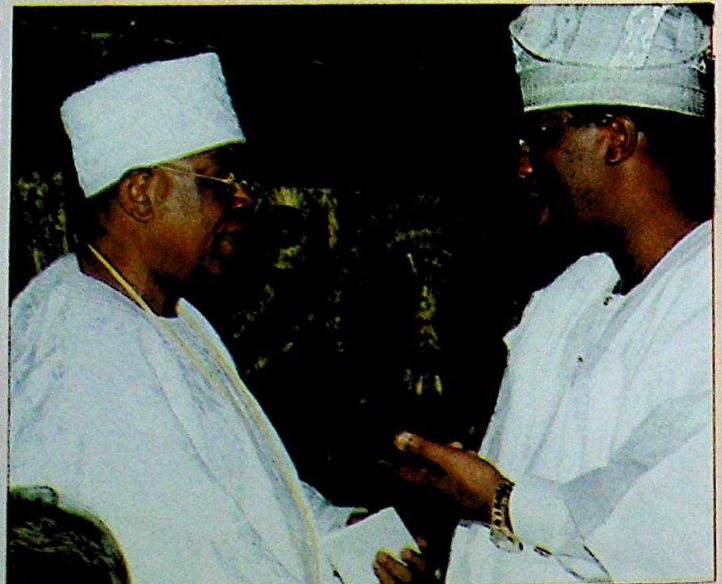
Daniel's record will be difficult to surpass -Primate Sunday

Mbang, former President, Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) and Prelate of the Methodist Church of Nigeria, at the Government House, Igbein, Abeokuta, during a courtesy call, November 2004.

OGD is a first class governor - Major-General Adeyinka Adebayo (rtd), former Military Governor, Old Western Region, during a parley with newsmen, November 2004.

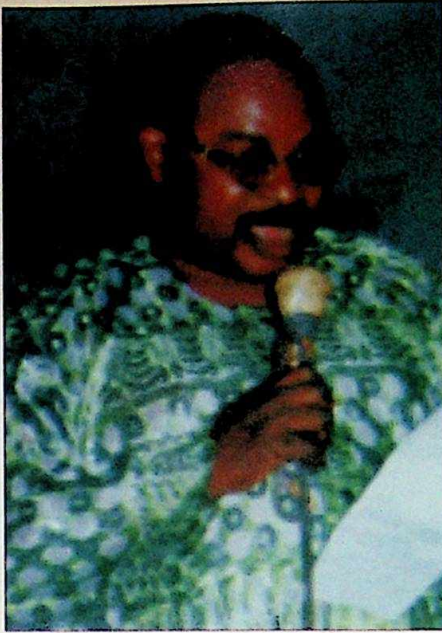
OGD is an embodiment of progress -Ayo Opadokun, politician, lawyer and NADECO Chieftain, during an interview, November 2004.

If successive governments in the past had been like Gov.



Col. Shoda (rtd) with a guest.

Two great Otunbas: Suborni Balogun and Gbenga Daniel



• Tajudeen Ibikunle, Chairman
NURTW, Ogun State



• Mr. Michael Oredein



• Prince Babatunde Osokoya, Chairman
Civil Service Commission

Daniel's administration Ogun State would have been a paradise -Chief Muyiwa Apampa, former Speaker, Ogun State House of Assembly, *October 2004.*

OGD revived investments in Ogun State -Titilayo Olubodun, during an *Economic and Investment Forum, October 2004.*

OGD is a gift from God -Hon. John Obafemi, Chairman, ALGON, Ogun State, in a *press release issued at Isara, Remo, Ogun State, October 2004.*

OGD is doing great -Prince Laloko, a notable sports administrator, in an *interview, October 2004.*

I'm proud to associate with you as Governor of Ogun State -Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, former President and Commander-in-Chief, Federal Republic of Nigeria, in a *letter commending his people-oriented programmes in Ogun State, October 2004.*

OGD is doing very well in Ogun State -Segun Awolowo Jr., Former Special Assistant to the President on Chieftaincy Affairs, in an *interview at Government House, Abeokuta, October 2004.*

OGD inspires me -Gbenga Abiona, member, Gateway Front Foundation (GFF), USA, in an *interview during a GFF's function in Abeokuta, October 2004.*

OGD is a superb Governor -Chief Duro Salami, former Chairman, Ado-Odo/Ota Local Government, *while speaking with newsmen, September 2004.*

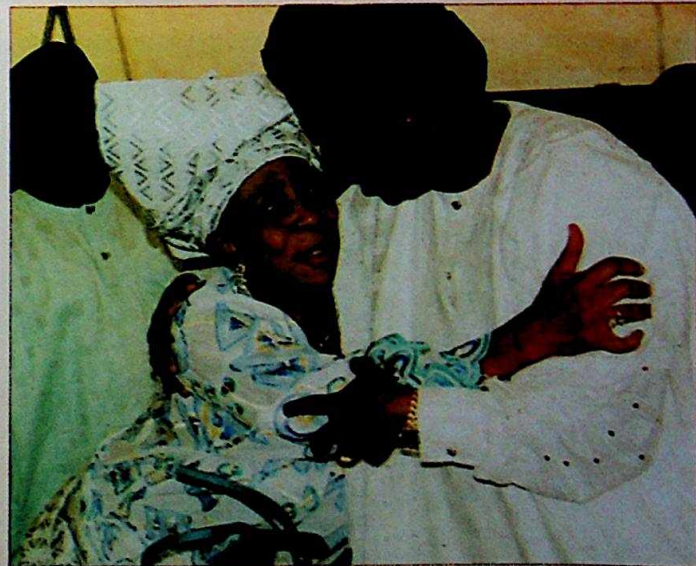
We owe OGD a debt of gratitude -Deaconess Iyabode Apampa, former Chairman, Odu'a Investments Limited and foremost leader from Yewa, *September 2004.*

Gbenga Daniel has wiped away our tears in Aworiland -Senator Ayo Otegbola at *Ilaro during a Village Square Meeting, August 2004.*

Governor Daniel is God's gift



OGD with Akarigbo of Remo,
Oba Michael Adeniyi Sonariwo



Alhaja Bisi Edioseri a.k.a. cash-madam with OGD



Chief Dipo Odulate,
Head of Service



Alhaji (Chief) Sule Onabiye,
PDP Chieftain



Chief Kola Sorinola, Commissioner
for Special Duties.

to Ogun State -NURTW Boss,
Alhaji Tajudeen Baruwa, *during a
chat with newsmen, August
2004.*

**OGD is intelligent, focused and
people-friendly** -Alhaja Salmot
Badru, Deputy Governor, Ogun
State, *during a chat with
pressmen, August 22, 2004.*

**Gov. Daniel has exceeded my
expectations** -Senator Lekan
Mustapha, PDP Chieftain, *in an
interview at Ijebu Ife, Ogun State,
August 2004.*

**Otunba Gbenga Daniel's
administration is the best in
this country** -Dr. Tunji
Otegbeye, Ogun State Elder
statesman *during a courtesy visit
to OGD at Government House,*

Abeokuta, August 2004

**Traditional rulers are satisfied
with Daniel's performance** -
Oba Alfred Ajibola Omotayo,
Kabowore of Odojobore, *in his
palace, April 2006.*

**OGD is making a statement for
my generation, says Yemi
Sodimu** at the Entertainment
Arena, M.K.O. Abiola Stadium,
Abeokuta, *during a chat with
newsmen, April 2006.*

OGD is full of surprises -
Madam Lucia Onabanjo, wife of
first civilian governor of Ogun
State, *during OGD's visit to her
residence at Ijebu-Ode,
November 2005.*

Governor Daniel stands out

**clearly as an administrator of
excellence and this has
facilitated his impressive
landmark achievements within
the shortest possible time** -
Oba Adeleke Adelekan Idowu-
Basibo, Alaperu of Iperu Remo,
*on the wonderful and lasting
legacies OGD's administration
has implanted on his domain
(Iperu Remo), September 2004.*

**I'm proud to identify with you
as governor of my home state** -
Chief Olusegun Obasanjo,
President and Commander-in-
Chief, Federal Republic of
Nigeria, *in a message to
Governor Daniel on his
impressive performance as
governor of Ogun State,
September 2004.*



Labour-friendly Governor: OGD with Comrade Adams Oshiomole, NLC President



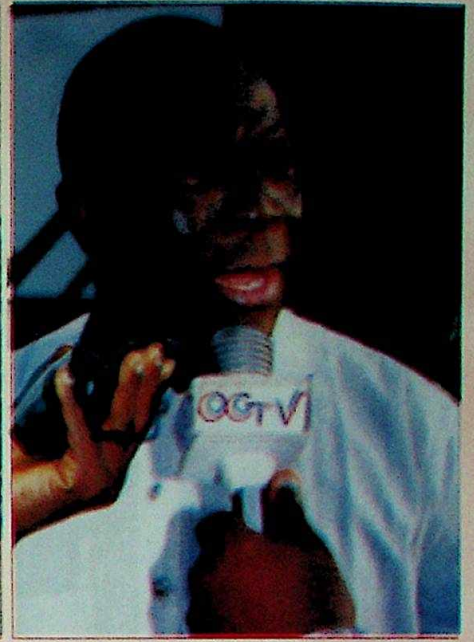
Alhaja Salimot Badru, Deputy Governor of Ogun State.



• Mr Gbenga Abiona,
GFF New York



• Oba Fatai Akanwo,
Olu of Itori



• Chief Ayo Adebajo,
AD Chieftain

Otunba Gbenga Daniel is a great thinker, a man of vision and performance. He thinks far ahead and his restlessness to act and get results is unparalleled. He is bold and courageous to the point and extent that he awaits no one and is impatient with laziness and non-performance. In spite of being the Governor and his track record, his humility is unique and solid. He is particularly caring and considerate to the elderly -Olori Yetunde Gbadebo (JP) and Mooge of Egbaland, *in a message at Abeokuta, June 2005.*

The conferment of Otunba Obalofin and Yeye Obalofin of Ijebuland is a practical

recognition of your deep-seated commitment to the socio-economic development of Ogun State in particular and Nigeria in general. Your tenure in Ogun State has been characterised by landmark achievements that have positively changed its socio-economic and political landscape and impacted on the lives of the citizenry. Therefore, I make bold to say that the honour being conferred on you is a recognition of excellence -Dr. Olusegun Agagu, Governor of Ondo State, *in a message to Governor Daniel on the conferment of chieftaincy titles on him and his wife, May 2005.*

I am conscious of the fact that

some people do not like me when I speak about Otunba Gbenga Daniel, but I am Ayo Adebajo and I have the reputation of saying it exactly the way it is. If we have a governor who is performing, who is delivering dividends of democracy to the people, we must acknowledge it - Chief Ayo Adebajo, Alliance for Democracy chieftain, *during his decoration as Patron of Gateway Games.*

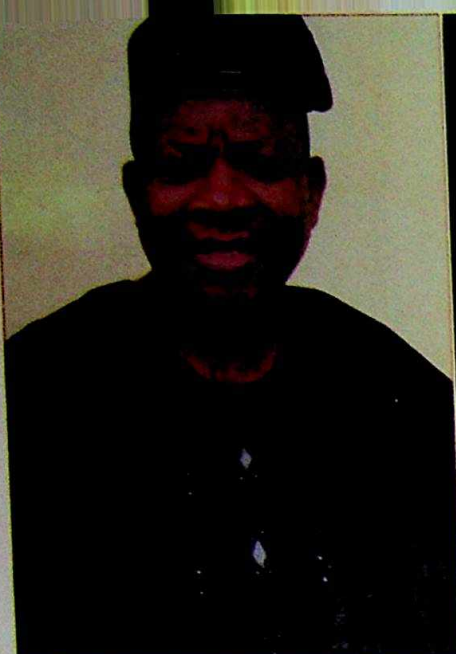
During a meeting of the Committee of 10 of Ijebu-Igbo with Otunba Gbenga Daniel last year, he promised to establish a polytechnic at Ijebu-Igbo. Some people thought he was deceiving us, but today Ijebu-Igbo



OGD and mama HID Awolowo



OGD and the Alake of Egbaland Oba Adedotun Gbadebo



Alhaji Aliu Ajibode,
Hon. Commissioner for Forestry



Chief Sesan Soluade,
Former Deputy Governor of Ogun State



*Otunba Yemi Ajayi

Polytechnic has become a reality. Otunba Daniel is a man of his words. He is a child to be proud of and we are very happy indeed -Senator Biyi Durojaiye, former Senator, Federal Republic of Nigeria and Alliance for Democracy (AD) chieftain, *during an inspection visit to the site of Ijebu-Igbo Polytechnic by Otunba Gbenga Daniel.*

Otunba Gbenga Daniel has started a great revolution of development in Ogun State. All of us must support him to achieve success -Oba Michael Gbadebo, the Alake of Egbaland, *said during his decoration as Patron of Gateway Games in Abeokuta.*

You deserve congratulations, not only for attaining the golden jubilee age, but also for changing the face of Ogun State irreversibly. In the field of education, health, infrastructure, sports and several other sectors, the story is the same. By your actions, you have no doubt rekindled the hope of our generation and those coming after us in the future of this country. I wish to state without equivocation that you are indeed a rare gem -Brig. Gen. Buba Marwa, former Military Administrator, Lagos State and former Presidential Aspirant of Peoples Democratic

Party (PDP), *in a message to Governor Daniel on the occasion of his 50th birthday anniversary, April 2006.*

Gov. Daniel's performance is remarkable and commendable, his humility is second to none -Prince Bola Ajibola, Chairman, Ogun State Council of Elders, *at the plenary session of Ogun State Elders Consultative Forum, Abeokuta, May 2006.*

I'm very proud of OGD's achievements -Otunba Subomi Balogun, Chairman, First City Monument Bank (FCMB), Lagos, *at a reception organised by Subomi Balogun to honour OGD on his 50th Birthday Anniversary, April 2006.*

Because of OGD I feel proud to belong to Ogun State -Chief (Mrs.) Keji Okunowo, *at a reception to mark OGD's 50th Birthday Anniversary, April 2006.*

Gov. Daniel is a genuine leader -Princess Banke Ademola, former Executive Director, Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria (FRCN), *in an interview on Gateway Television, Abeokuta, May 2006.*

Gov. Daniel is a listening and responsive leader -Yemi Oke *during an interview in Abeokuta,*

May 2006.

OGD inspired me to join politics -Olori Ajibola Adeyiga *in an interview at Irolu-Remo, Ogun State, May 2006.*

With OGD, there are no roads to repair again -Alhaji Adisa Ogunshola *during an interview in Abeokuta, June 2006.*

I preach OGD -Pastor Benson Emitayo Ikelesa (JP) a.k.a. Malato, *during a press interview at Sagamu, June 2006.*

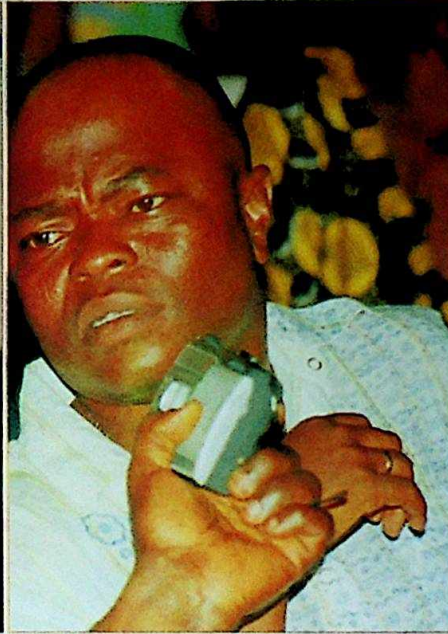
Gov. Daniel is our messiah -Abiola Arikumasa (Iron Lady) *during an interview in Abeokuta, June 2006.*



Mrs. Titi Ajanaku, former Special Adviser to the President, Women Affairs.



Senator Lekan Mustapha, Senator Ogun West Senatorial, District



Yemi Shodimu, Consultant to Governor Communications

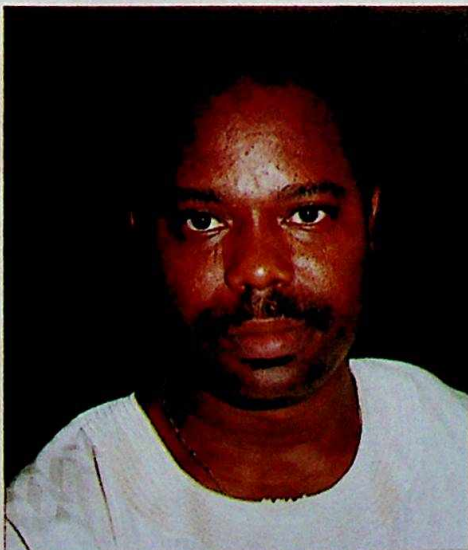


Alhaji Sharafa Ishola, Former Secretary to Ogun State Govt. & Federal Minister of Mineral Resources

Gov. Daniel is a strong proponent of women empowerment - (Mrs.) Josephine Anenih, former PDP National Women Leader, during a conference at Gateway Hotel, Ijebu-Ode, June 2006.

Gov. Gbenga Daniel has done well - Senator Iyabo Anisulowo, former Senator of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, during a chat with newsmen in Abeokuta, Ogun State, June 2006.

Gov. Daniel's administration has done more for the Abiola dynasty than any government - Alhaji Jamiu Abiola, son of the late business mogul, Chief MKO Abiola, during a press interview in Abeokuta, Ogun State, June 2006.



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OGD is a true Awoist - Chief Sesan Soluade, former Ogun State deputy governor, during OGD's Ward-to-Ward tour of Kajola, Obafemi/Owode Local Government Area, Ogun State, June 2006.

OGD is a first class leader - Hon. Dimeji Bankole, Speaker, House of Representatives, Abuja, at a press interview during OGD's Ward-to-Ward tour of Obafemi Owode LGA, June 2006.

OGD is endowed with God's wisdom - Prof. Abayomi Durosimi-Etti in an interview during the tour of Obafemi Owode LGA, June 2006.

Gov. Daniel is a blessing to us - Sagamu GRA Residents Association during a reception for OGD, July 2006.

We should pray to God for many Daniels - Alhaji (Chief) Sule Onabiyi, former Chairman, Ogun State Consultative Council, during the Ward-to-Ward tour of Remo North LGA, July 2006.

Daniel is the future president of Nigeria - Oba Funsho Adeolu, Alaye of Ode-Remo, during OGD's Ward-to-Ward tour of Remo North LGA, July 2006.

I have not seen a governor who has performed like OGD - Senator Yinka Omilani, Vice-Chairman, PDP, South West, at a rally in Ado-Odo/Ota Local Government Area, July 2006.

OGD's government is peaceful and progressive - Senator Ayo Otegbola, Asiwaju of Aworiland, at a rally in Ado-Odo/Ota Local Government, July 2006.

OGD's performance is unbeatable - Hon. Olayiwola Karounwi, at a rally in Ado-Odo/Ota Local Government, July 2006.

Aworis have benefitted immensely from Daniel's administration - Hon. Lai Taiwo, former Commissioner for Works and now Commissioner for Housing, Ogun State, at a rally in Ado-Odo/Ota, Local Government, July 2006.

We can't thank God enough for OGD - Alhaji Nurudeen Kazeem, PDP Youth Leader, during a media interview at Ilishan Remo, Ogun State, July 2006.

OGD is Awo's reincarnation, Dr. Kunle Olajide - Secretary of Yoruba Council of Elders, at a rally in Odogbolu Local Government, Ogun State, July 2006.



Chief Yomi Majekodunmi,
Chief of Staff to the Governor



Princess Banke Ademola,
GM, Gateway Radio



Chief (Mrs) Iyabo Apinpa,
Former Chairman, Ogun
Investment Limited

OGD has performed with all sincerity -Pa Adebola Daniel, father of the Governor, at a rally in Odogbolu LG, July 2006.

OGD is God-send -Chief Wole Adeosun, former Communications Minister and Chairman, Pension Board, at a rally in Owu Central African Primary School, Abeokuta, July 2006.

I'll vote for Daniel in 2007 - Otonba Dipo Dina's father during a media chat in Lagos, July 2006. Otonba Dina is an Alliance for Democracy (AD) gubernatorial aspirant in Ogun State.

OGD's government has been excellent -Barrister Femi Oniyide, National Co-ordinator of Youth Solidarity Movement for Good Governance, during an interview in Abeokuta, July 2006.

Gov. Daniel's achievement inspired me to join politics - Hon. Abee Ajayi during an interview in Abeokuta, July 2006.

OGD has no match in South-West Nigeria -George Feyisayo Omole a.k.a. Akewukoro during an interview at Ayetoro, July 2006.

Governor Gbenga Daniel is a gift to Ogun State and indeed to Nigeria. He has sacrificed all his

free time to serve his people diligently. The energy with which he applies himself is certainly unequalled.

The development and projects he embarked upon are all too glaring. Now, he has started long-term projects in the oil and gas sector whose fortune will positively impact on the future of Ogun State.

I'm positive that by the time OGD completes his second term, Ogun State will be a model every one of us would be proud of. Maybe after then he would be ready to take up higher responsibilities at the

centre. We shall continue to pray to God to give him good health as he marches forward to greatness.

From day one, he had clear vision on what his goals and missions were and went full blast towards achieving them.

The vision God gave him to set up a Transition Work Group was the break he needed before assuming office to put together an agenda. The documents were quite instrumental in putting things aright. Therefore, from his inauguration day, he had documents on all areas that gave him the template in running his



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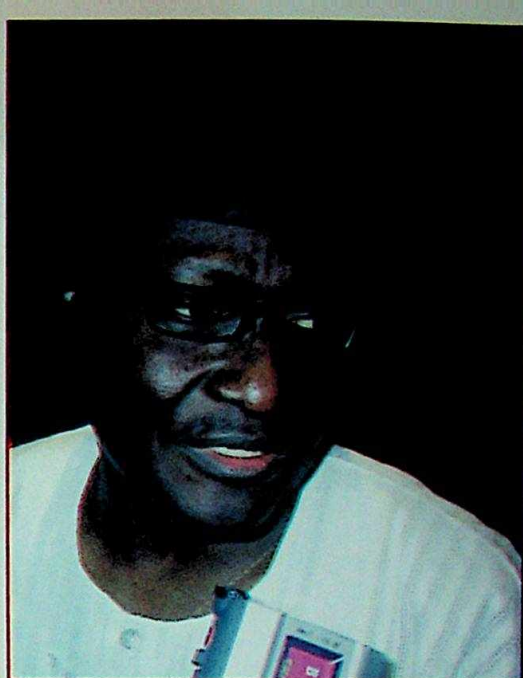
Hon., Lai Taiwo, Commissioner
for Housing



Chief Fassy Yusuf, Former Commissioner for Information, Ogun State



Senator Omilani, PDP Vice Chairman, South West



Akogun Kola Onadipe, Commissioner for Water Resources and Rural Development

administration.

The greatest gift the Governor has is that he is a good listener, very patient and takes a lot in without showing emotions. He is never tired irrespective of how many people are eager to talk to him. He uses all the good inputs brought to him and gently discards others -Mr. Lekan Belo, former Commissioner for Finance & Chairman Ogun State Economic Council during a media chat at Abeokuta, September 2006.

If not for the constitution, we would have asked Governor

Gbenga Daniel to continue to govern in perpetuity. Please, continue... Nobody should oppose Governor Daniel because of his wonderful performance. If we allow him, he would perform even better in his second term -Chief Mrs. H.I.D. Awolowo during Daniel's Ward-to-Ward community assessment tour of Ikenne Local Government, September 2006.

Apart from the giant strides recorded in the socio-economic sector, the OGD-led administration has also performed well in the area of human development

programmes, as well as job creation -Igwe Burke Consultation Forum, an Igbo socio-political and cultural group based in Ogun Central Senatorial District. June 2006.

I commend Gov. Daniel for turning his vision to reality in Ogun State within a short time and for achieving what many thought was impossible in the state -Chief Sesan Soluade, former Deputy Governor, at tour June 2006.

I have not seen a Governor that has performed so wonderfully to the extent that he had out-performed those who served for eight years - Senator Yinka Omilani, PDP Vice-Chairman, South West, at NUD Grammar School, Otta, rally during OGD's Ward-to-Ward community assessment, July 2006.

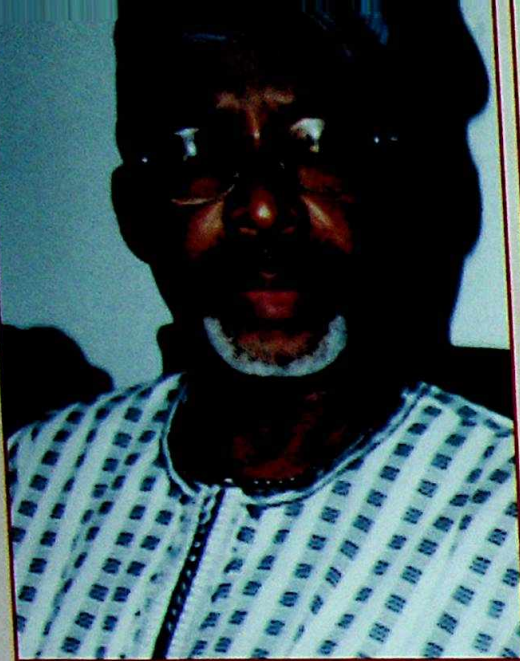
OGD is a great compassionate leader of the 21st century. He is Awolowo reincarnate, wherever the late sage is today he would be happy with the landmark achievements of the Governor -Kabiyesi, Oba Olusanya Adegboyega Dosunmu, Olowu of Owu, at Owu African Central Primary School, Abeokuta, during OGD's Ward-to-Ward



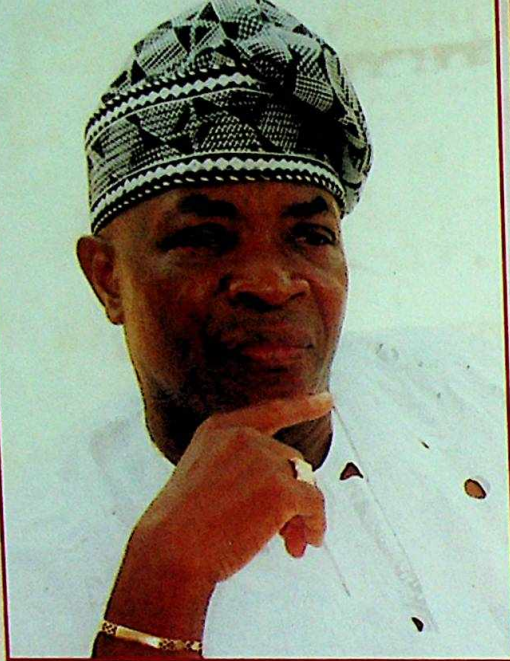
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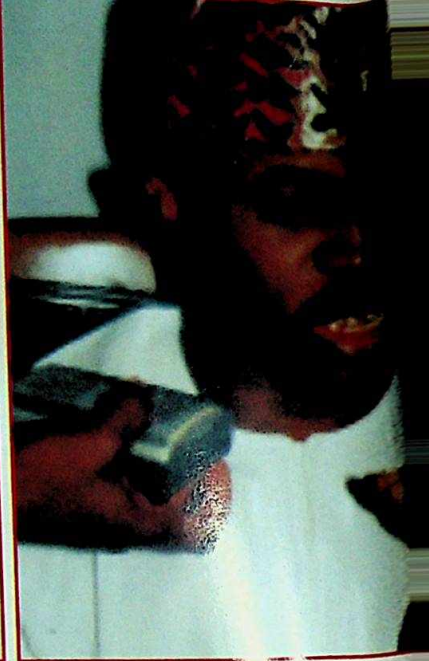
Alaka of Akaka-Remo, Oba J.B. Awoderu



Dr. Frederick Faseun, OPC Leader



Chief Niyi Adegbenro, Badero of Egbaland, Oganla of Owu, PDP Chieftain



Hon. Dimeji Bankole, Speaker, House of Representatives

community assessment tour, July 2006.

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Prince Lekan Tejuosho -Hon. Commissioner for Community Development and Cooperatives:

Governor Daniel has put in so much now that it is beyond the comprehension of those of us who started with him from the cradle. He came in from the height to be a governor.

The people of Ogun State expected the characteristics of a well to do man in office but he wore a different cap when he got into office. He worked double than when he was a private man. That demonstrates the genuineness of wanting to serve the people of Ogun State.

If it were possible to have 25 hours, Otunba Daniel would work. At a point we said to ourselves we should cut him with blade and see whether blood would come out because he was working like machine.

He is a team player that assembles brains, puts his views across, accommodates other views, blends them with his own and put the right people in the right positions. He is a talent fisher.

He is a good listener,

hardworking, brilliant governor, accommodating and above all very amiable and respectful. I had the opportunity of speaking to some Baales, some Obas and rural people of Ogun State, I was surprised the way they were describing him. To quote them: "Governor Yin Omoluabi ni". That's the strength of Otunba Gbenga Daniel.

I'm happy that I had the opportunity of working with him. I never regretted any minute. If I have the opportunity again, I'll work with him, because he is somebody who will tell you how to do it and put you straight and does not stop until he gets results.

I'm happy that the Almighty has blessed him and has come to change the face of Ogun State. He has put Ogun on the map of respected states in Nigeria and even in the Diaspora. He has opened up Ogun State to the external world and everybody is scrambling to invest.

There is peace here, tranquility, good leadership, the environment is conducive for business growth and infrastructure is continuously being put in place. OGD is an embodiment of progress. While he is busy with the top development of Ogun, he has not left the down development in the various communities. He has

given hope to the hopeless, face to the faceless. OGD has touched Ogun State, top, middle and bottom.

Some governors will always stay in their headquarters and do their own. This is the first governor that would go round the whole state five times. He is one governor who can beat his chest and say he has done something in the 236 wards. I doubt if any other governor can do that. At the heat of the campaigns, he was not giving promises he was commissioning projects.

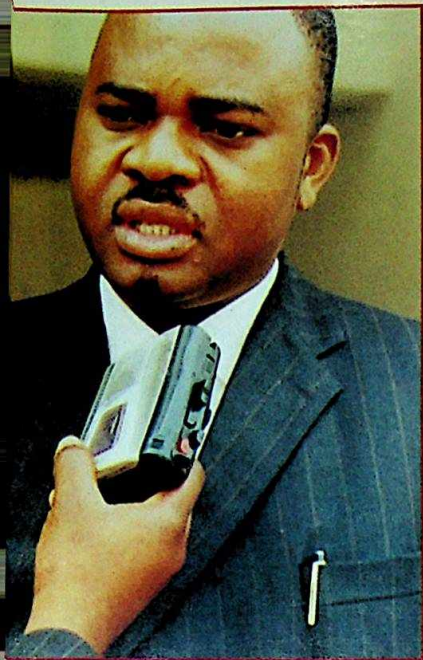
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Alhaji Aliu Ajibode -Hon. Commissioner for Forestry:

Governor Daniel has been the same since I knew him years



Olu of Ilaro, Oba Adekanmbi Tella with OGD



Hon. Wale Ogunbanjo, Former Member of House of Reps

Mrs. Yemi Olanrewaju, Director, Council of Arts and Culture

Mr. Lekan Belo, Former Commissioner for Finance, Ogun State, Chairman State Economic Advisory Committee

back to a hardworking person, a man who can't cope with if you are lazy. A man who brought a lot of experience and creativity into governance.

My fear however is what happens when Daniel's tenure expires because of what he is doing right now? Everyday there are new initiatives. What happens to what he is planting now? Who takes over? I look round and I'm afraid of what would happen after he leaves the saddle because experience has shown that immediately after a good leader leaves, to maintain the structure becomes a problem. I can only pray that this does not happen.

For instance there are so many projects, which he has initiated,



which are on-going and are supposed to bring a lot of improvements. But unless we have somebody who has deep knowledge to maintain such structures after he has left it may be a big problem.

In any case, OGD's time will always remain in history as a "golden age." One interesting thing about him is that he is already thinking about his legacies, some three and a half years to the end of his second term, what he would be remembered for in all spheres of human activity: Roads, Water, Electricity, housing, empowerment, ICT, etc.

Here's somebody who has put a lot into planning. I can imagine how many hours he spends daily. He plans and re-plans, put together, review, re-examine before taking final decision. He is a very interesting man to work with. Even at Exco meetings, you work without feeling any stress, he would be joking, laughing and work is going on. It's after the day's work that you realize you have covered a lot of grounds. - **October 2007**

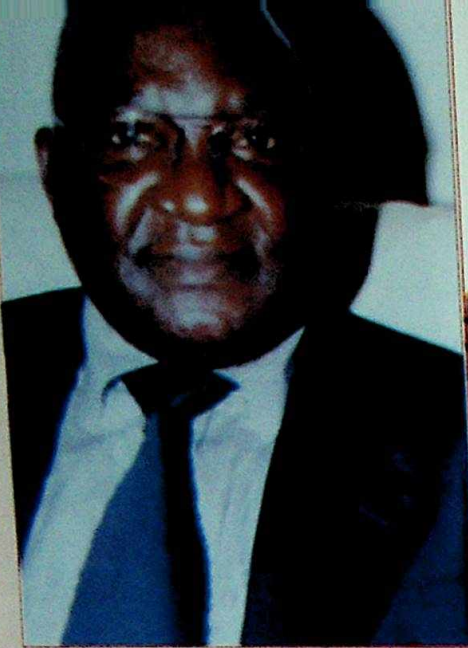
Dr. (Chief) Yomi Majekodunmi
-Chief of staff to Governor Daniel:

I'd like to see him from different categories: The person himself

and what kind of person he is in his interpersonal relationships. One, he is a very humane person, very large-hearted, kind, generous and very caring. This cuts across whether you are senior or junior, older or not.

In terms of his disposition, he is not violent, very peaceful; he abhors any form of vendetta or vengeful acts. Indeed, at the height of provocations by political opponents, he was the pacifying voice, always preaching peace. He is quite respectful to all and sundry. He respects elders by the creation of the Elder's Forum, which has become a veritable tool of consultation and management. As our elders say, there is nothing like experience. And that has been his way from his youth. That accounts for his association with Chief Obafemi Awolowo even from when he was in his 20's. He was under the tutelage of people like the late Prof. Ayodele Awojobi and was *Fesojoye* of Ile-Ife in his young age.

In the realm of academia, he is a very brilliant person, even though he does not carry it on his face, he's quite deep. He reads quite a lot, he was a lecturer, researcher and seeks knowledge quite a lot, many at informal settings. We may call it



*Amb. Guyit Gershom



• Hon. Lekan Tejuosho, Commissioner for Community Development & Cooperatives.



Chief (Mrs) Egun Oyagbola, Former National Planning Minister

Village Square Meeting, Interest groups meetings, etc. All these he uses to surround himself with a lot of information that gives room for openness. Everybody in this state virtually has his telephone number with which they can reach him.

This helps to get information first hand and that clearly removes rumours and breaks away subordinates who tend to lock-in their bosses in conclaves where they tell him only what they want him to hear. So he gets information first hand. He has gone round the 236 wards in Ogun State for effective feed back mechanism, hence, does not sit in the comfort zone of his office.

Because of his rich data base, it helps in the resolution of conflicts and other events in the state.

He is one governor who believes in the power of expertise, hence has engaged consultants to conduct researches. This led to the people's charter, his Agenda for a Secured Future, etc.

It also led to understanding the dynamics of local government and ward politics. This is apart from his own direct consultations, hence, he is able to ascertain what's going on in a lot of places.

What's his mind like? OGD's mind is very creative, innovative, he is knowledgeable worker who seeks

knowledge himself and imparts knowledge to people who work under him. He is somebody who sits back to look at issues holistically and able to proffer solutions based on hypothesis which can develop into theory and policies.

The governor is technologically savvy, may be because of his engineering background. He is at the same time knowledgeable in IT and uses it as a tool for innovation and creativity, which is definitely the future of the world.

For parentage, he has a good pedigree. He has very sound background. This is not far fetched. He is the son of a disciplined person, Apostle Daniel. He was brought up in a

very good environment in Abeokuta, the same path Awo took. Abeokuta has become the breeding ground for statesmanship.

In Yoruba parlance, he also carries the tenets of *Omoluabi*: In the Maslow's Theory of Hierarchy of Needs, wealth is low on the scale. So also in Yoruba in practice and tradition, wealth is very low on the scale. Personality, character, integrity, and honesty are high points of what *Omoluabi* is. And in Otunba Daniel, we have a very good measure of *Omoluabi*.

He is a visionary, sees far ahead of people and very committed to improving his environment and it is a matter of time before he is



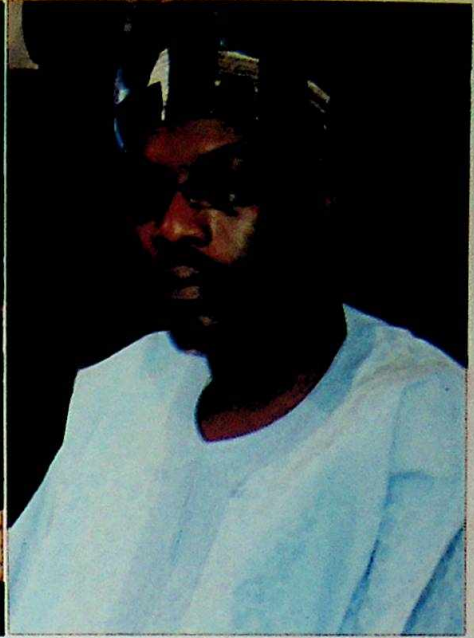
OGD with AD Chieftain, Senator Femi Okunroumu



Chief Wole Adeosun



Chief Doyin Ogungbe, Former Commissioner for Housing



Mr. Kehinde Sogunle, Hon. State Commissioner for Finance

called upon to impart all these knowledges and abilities, he has garnered over the years at the national level. **-October 2007**

Chief Kola Sorinola -Hon. Commissioner for Special Duties:

Governor Gbenga Daniel is a leader of men, a visionary, a very humane person, very organized, in short an iconoclast whom I have known and associated with for over three decades.

Whatever he is today, I'm not surprised with his meteoric rise both in industry and the polity. He keeps a lot of friends, running into several thousands. He is certainly a very relevant man today and won't be surprised if

he is invited to a very senior leadership position in the nearest future.

Governor Daniel is a lucky gift to Ogun State and a lot of people will attest to this especially at taking decisions that affect the welfare of people and general development of the state.

To those of us that are quite close to him, he is a phenomenon that would transcend this immediate political landscape. And I want you to mark my word, his influence, charisma, thoughts, opinions, philosophy are very relevant today and will transcend today. That's my modest assessment of him. **- June 2007**

Ms. Joko Odunuga -Hon. Commissioner for Women Affairs:

Let me just say it might sound like an unbroken record what I say about him. He's someone that is truly blessed. Few weeks ago, we had an exco meeting that lasted till 12.30 a.m. and asked me to see him in the morning. I was with him at breakfast at 9 a.m. and he was already up and running.

We left him at 12.30 and was up till 2.00 a.m and he was at his breakfast table before 9 a.m. He is such a brilliant person, kind of a leader who will tell you to go to hell and you will enjoy going there. And that's why a lot of people don't understand the seeming cult-like fellowship he has built among his followership.

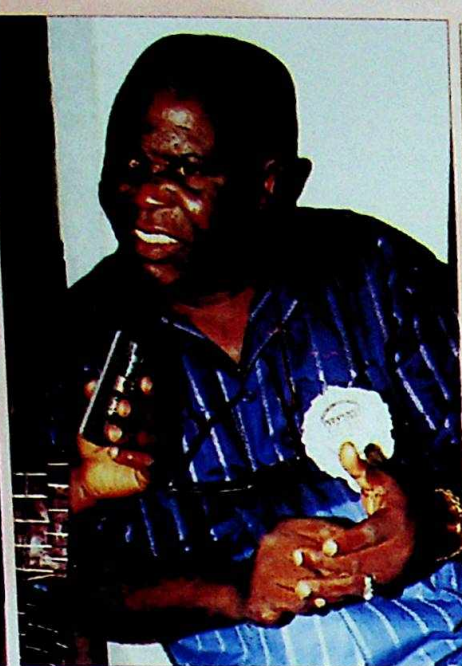
A great many of us are genuinely taken in by him, there are few sycophants around, no doubt, but for those of us who have known him for very many years, there is tremendous amount of respect for him, tremendous respect for his intellect, for his ability to turn something everybody would think is small into an unimaginable success story. And you begin to wonder where he gets this creativity, where he gets his brilliancy?



OGD with a Traditional Ruler, and Alhaja Salmot Badru, Deputy Governor.



• Hon. Titi Oseni, Speaker
Ogun State House of Assembly



• Ayo Opadokun, a chieftain of
Afenifere.



• Niran Malaolu, Former Commissioner
Information and Strategy

I think it is just a gift from God. I'm happy to work with him, happy to know him and happy to learn from him. I look forward to someday when I would be a little bit nearer to him and be able to achieve some of the things he does so effortlessly. -August 2007

Kehinde Sogunle, Hon. Commissioner for Finance:

Our state is blessed with the person of Otunba Gbenga Daniel. His foray into politics and governance is a big advantage and has revealed that very competent, very focused and very organized people can make a lot of difference in the politics of Nigeria.

Before people like our governor came into governance, a lot of us have lost hope about the future of this country. But right now, we can say there's a lot of hope for the country and the future of the state.

This is also coming due to fact that Otunba Daniel has displayed competence, abilities, skills, attitudes that are conducive to achieving effective results in whatever he lays his hands on. No doubt, this has shown in the way he successfully managed his private company and has been exemplified in the governance of the state.

In every area, in strategy,

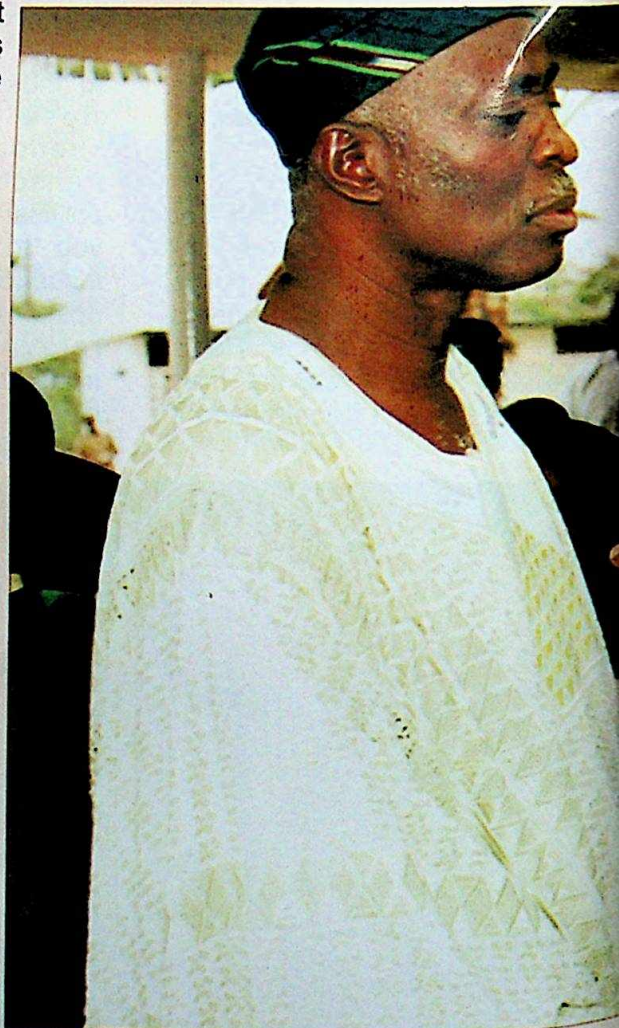
implementation, evaluation and of delivery such that he builds holistic models, models that are all-encompassing that take care of the interest of all stake holders, ensures that model are effectively implemented and that mechanisms are put in place whether structural or personal to ensure that the models, as he has designed them, are implemented that way.

He constantly asks how the models can be improved upon. I think this is the model for governance in different parts of the world.

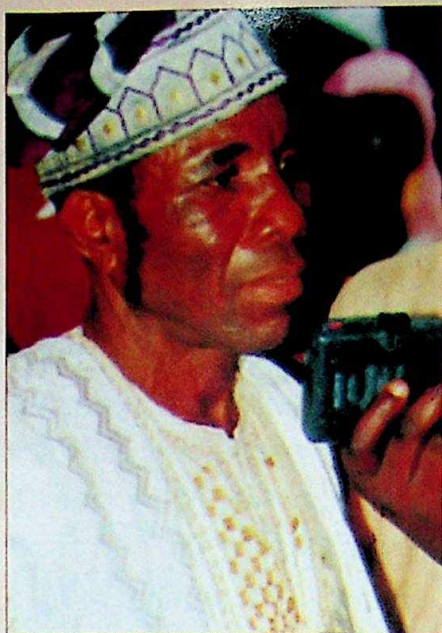
He has also lifted the status of the state among the comity of states in the international arena. When people are discussing anywhere in the world about Ogun State, they know they are talking with a man who understands global dynamics, business and can integrate local realities with global trends.

We see that this generation is happy he has come into governance. He has also improved the lot of the

people. The image of the state is such that all of us are proud to belong, proud not only in Nigeria but anywhere in the world because we know that the standard of the administration and governance we are running is comparable to the best in the



Dr. Olajide Secretary, Yoruba
Council of Elders with OGD



• The only Igbo Councillor in Ogun State



• Hon. Adetokunbo Oshin, Former Deputy Speaker, Ogun State House of Assembly



• Brig. Gen. Raji Rasaki, Former Governor of Ogun State

world. And we are ready to take on anybody from any part of the world about issues that relate to providing for the people, service to the people and peace in the environment.

As Otunba Daniel was coming

into governance, he came with electronics governance which has made so much impact on organization, communication, tracking people, assisting inputs, designs, initiatives from anywhere in the world. This helps to keep tab on what goes on in every ministry and parastatal of government, every community. If you see the governor do tele-conferencing, you'll marvel. - *July 2007.*

Akogun Kola Onadipe - Hon. Commissioner for Water Resources and Rural Development:

It is difficult to discuss an enigma called Otunba Gbenga Daniel. Why I have said so is that I can confess to you that I learn a lot of new things from him everyday. It is as if he has a book somewhere which some of us can refer to as his own secret code where he churns out new things everyday.

Having said that one can honestly tell you that His Excellency is an intelligent human being. He's a forgiving

person. Some of us at this side of

the divide also feel that we should be carrying forward his torch in terms of impacting it in a school of thought, trying to gather all his good traits and attributes together and trying to set up what we call an Academy.

In doing so, some of us feel that we haven't actually captured enough in terms of his vision and character. Why am I saying this? As a person I have not actually learnt that aspect that is crucial to leadership: forgiving the other person that wrongs you.

His Excellency is somebody that forgives once you apologize and you toe the line of correctiveness. He does that with ease and all the attributes God Almighty has given him. He is a visionary and a lot of times I look back, six years down the road, I tend to see some of the things he set out to do and what he has achieved. It proves to me that he is indeed a distinguished visionary leader.

He is a performer, a unique one at that. Somebody that sets out a date to commission a project on the day he's laying the foundation stone. He's a wonderful family man. He does not fall short of his responsibilities at home, so, all of us his followers take a cue. He's indeed a leader in totality. *November 2007.*



Yeye Speaks...

My husband is exemplary, dynamic leader - 'Funke Daniel



I want to continue to support my husband in any way I can. I want to continue to help the down-trodden in the society. I want to continue to make the next person, or the person I meet on my way to anywhere happy and to remember me for who I am. I think these are the challenges I have.

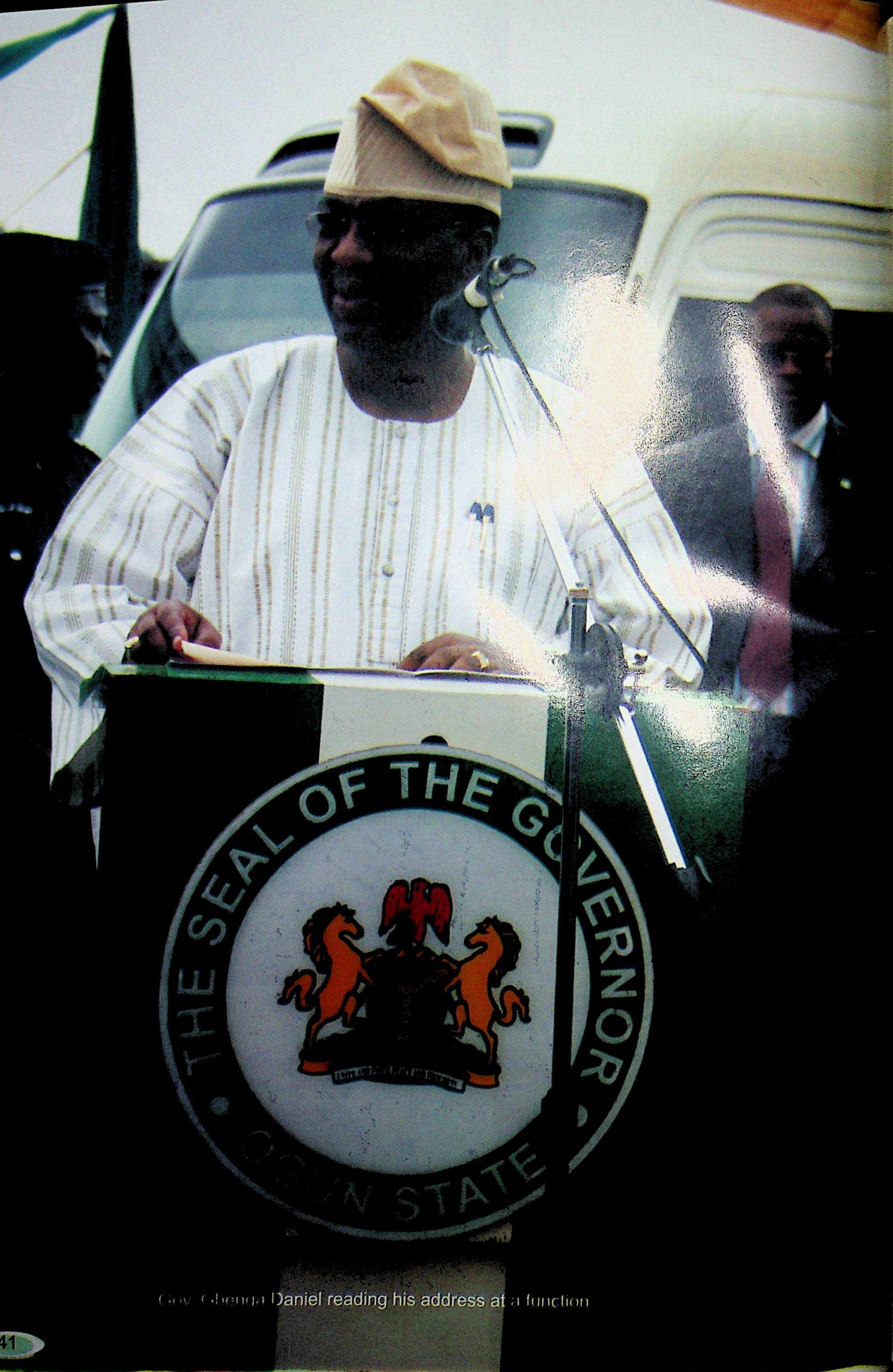
Elegant First Lady...
Yeye Olufunke Daniel

He's everything a man could be to his wife and as a father to my children. he's very caring and loving, he's a disciplinarian who does not take nonsense from any child but at the same time, he showers them with love. He teaches them the right things and sees himself as a role model that the children are looking up to. I think by and large, my husband is a great person.



Yeye Olufunke Daniel and chairperson, GFF

He is very hardworking, straight forward, diligent and all that... So far, he's been a great person, a great achiever, he is somebody to be emulated, he's done well for himself, for his environment, for the people around him and I have also benefitted as his wife. All these achievements have rubbed off on me and I see him as a blessing to me and our family.



Gov. Ghengha Daniel reading his address at a function



Gov. Daniel on inspection of Ministry of Water Resources, Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta

Second Term...

OGD's First 100 Days

Of **Action**

...With commissioning of several projects

For over two and a half decades, it was a rich state wallowing in wants. Blessed with human and natural resources, but grounded economically and thus popularly regarded as a civil service state. The paradigm suddenly shifted with new foundation for prosperity laid in Ogun State on May, 29th 2003.

It was a silent revolution, which blossomed,

four years after, a new land of economic opportunities emerged under the Ogun State Administration.

Without doubt, the second term made significant progress secured by discerning people of proven ability to effect positive changes in governance, economy and infrastructural development so much desired by

the people for long.

It is pertinent to mention that celebration of first 100 days in office is novel, a mere tradition so to say, but it cannot be used as an index in benchmarking a visionary and performing government whose programmes interwove the past and the future. Suffice it to say that the second term programmes and activities rested squarely on the foundation laid at the first term with a solid agenda for a secured future. The various short, medium and long term projects are therefore key in the developmental agenda.

For those who held the view that a second term Governor has nothing to offer, the searchlight should be beamed elsewhere and definitely not Ogun State where the tempo of development is on fast track.

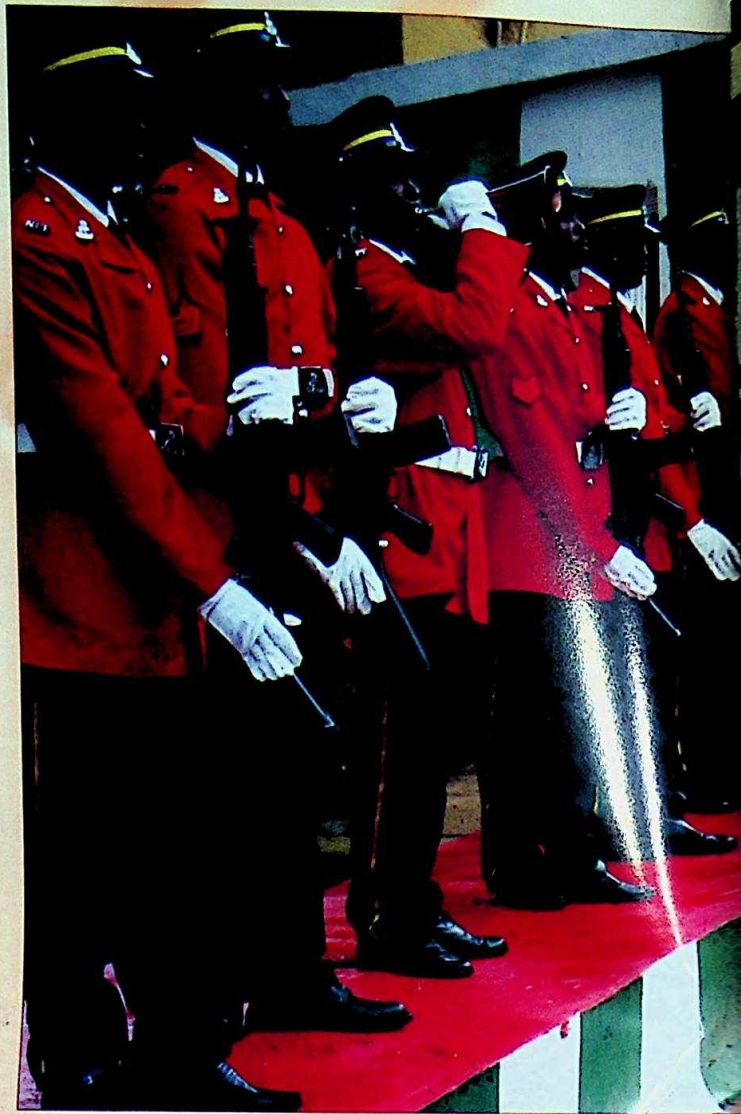
The first 100 days clearly attested to the resolve of an administration to generate massive employment, encourage private sector participation in development, promote economic empowerment aimed at improving the general well being of the people.

Continuous attention were focused on infrastructural, social and economic development as well as good governance. Indeed the era of mega employment is here, with the various investment drives yielding the desired results. Employment generation is underlying the various mega projects completed during the first term as well as very many other on-going construction works i.e. roads, housing, infrastructure among others, across the length and breadth of the state.

Whereas many corporate organizations make billions of dollars in revenue from Nigeria, but few have shown high level impact and commitment to real social responsibility, the current model being run in Ogun State will not allow for such. Part of the new initiative within the first 100 days was the introduction of local content policy, which seeks to protect the corporate interest of the state.

The policy would not only guide new investments, but would also ensure the engagement of personnel in the area of operations of investors, procurement of materials from the state and the patronage of local firms. With this arrangement, not less than 40% of skilled staff to be engaged by new investors must be sourced from the state while the percentage for unskilled staff is 70%.

What then are the implications of the policy vis-a-vis the various economic initiatives? With the number of multi-billion naira investments being

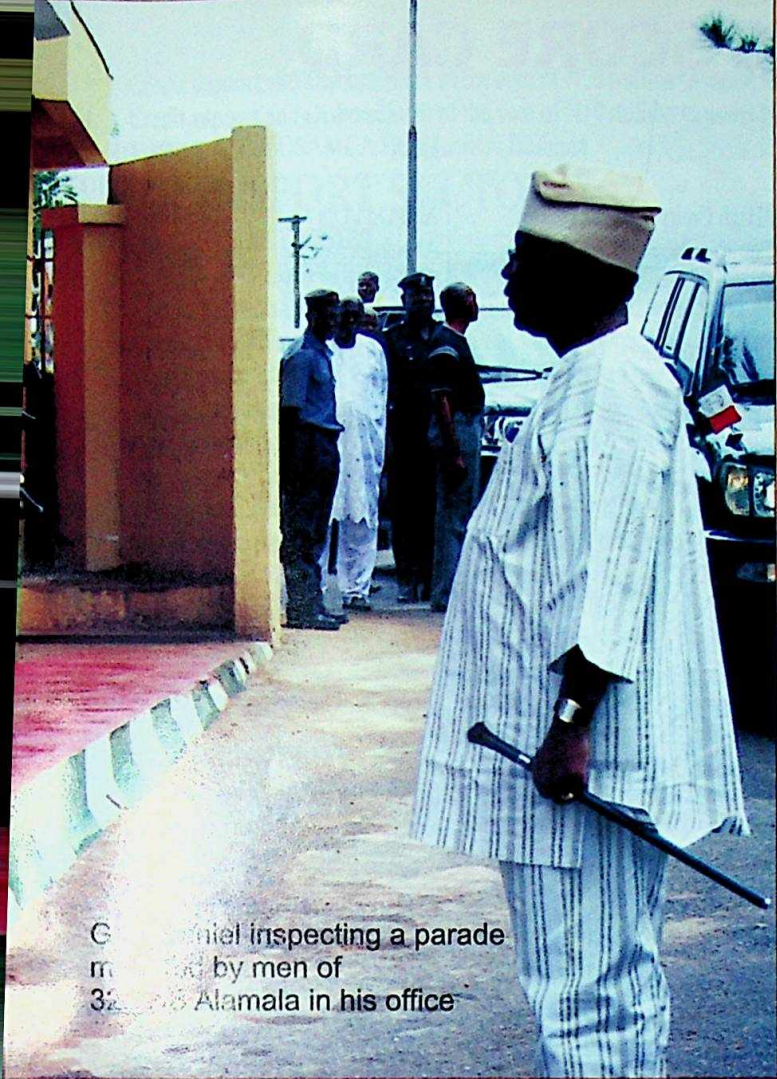


Cross section of dignitaries at a public function

cited in the state, the era of prosperity for the people is here.

In the last three years, the response of both local and foreign investors to the Daniel administration's development initiatives cannot be over-emphasized.

Today, the Ogun State axis of the Lagos-Ibadan expressway is one of the fastest growing



Governor Daniel Alamala inspecting a parade
 marched by men of
 32nd Alamala in his office

capacity of 30,000 metric tonnes of high grade glucose syrup.

The company currently engages more than 20,000 Nigerians through its network of out growers and contract farmers producing over 120,000 metric tonnes of cassava required by the company. This has further underscored the cassava revolution in the state, especially with the farming activities at various farm estates, thus increasing the per capital income of an average farmer.

Another company, Real Confectionaries, off Aiyetoro Road, Abeokuta, is currently engaging not less than 50 direct staff and 200 indirect staff while a visit to the Ofada Vee Tee Rice in Ewekoro Local Government revealed construction work in progress with indigenes fully involved and local rice farmers engaged on the rice plantation. It would be recalled that the State Government continued to encourage rice farming through 50% subsidy on rice milling machines to farmers.

The Plant Gate Company with a fleet of 50 tractors is also being patronized by farmers in the State. When completed it has the capacity to generate 50,000 employments for its various sectors such as rice parboiling, milling, bagging and marketing.

The WEMPCO Group of companies has also relocated its headquarters to Ogun State. The multi-billion dollar investment in ceramic tiles, roofing sheets, PVC products and steel rolling mills is nearing completion on the Ibafo axis of the state. The first phase of the project, according to the Group Managing Director, Lewis Thung, is capable of providing 2,500 employment opportunities.

With the massive construction workings going on in the Gateway City Development Company, Isheri, where over fifteen local and foreign investors were constructing various housing projects coupled with the various housing programmes in the three senatorial districts of the state, thousands of job opportunities had been created while many people would be proud owners of their own houses.

A visit to the new Ilaro Stadium under construction also revealed a picture of indigenous engineers participating directly in the construction works. The multiplier effect on the socio-economic activities is legion. The corporate head-quarters of the Gateway City Development Company is one of the projects that would be commissioned within the first 100 days of this administration.

Perhaps, the greatest of the Mega employment generating projects is the Olokola Free Trade Zone and Liquefied Natural Gas Project, which many believe would absorb thousands of people in the nearest future.



Cross section of guests at the commissioning

economic spots in the country, while various industrial parks are being developed.

Some of the new entries included Multi-Trex, a cocoa processing factory located in Isheri, with employment capacity of 500 (direct) and 5,000 (indirect). The Ekha Agro Farms Limited in Ibafo is also a result of the private sector initiative in the state. This is a state of the art cassava based glucose syrup company with annual output

1. POWER AND ENERGY

S/N	PROJECTS	LGA	LEVEL OF COMPLETION
1.	Installation of 300KVA 33/0.415 KV Transformer at Ota High Court	Ado Odo/Ota	Completed
2.	Provision of Transformer Relief Substation at Temidire Community, Sabo	Abeokuta North	Completed
3.	Provision of Relief Transformer Substation at Battalion Barracks, Owode	Odogbolu	Completed
4.	Provision of Relief Transformer Substation at Ibefun	Ijebu-Ode	Completed
5.	Provision of Street Lighting Facilities on the Dualised Ejinrin Road, Ijebu-Ode	Ijebu-Ode	Completed
6.	Provision of Transformer Relief Substation at Itori	Ewekoro	Completed
7.	Construction of Transformer Substation and Distribution Lines at Eshikona Kajola	Ijebu East	Completed
8.	Rural Electrification Project of Oguru	Ijebu East	Completed
9.	Provision of Transformer Substation at Ibara Police Station, Abeokuta	Abeokuta South	Completed
10.	Rural Electrification Project of Kugba/Ajagbe	Odeda	Completed

2. FOOD SECURITY

S/N	PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES	LEVEL OF	COMPLETION
1.	Inspection and grading of 1,126.75 tonnes of Cocoa 4,932.5 tonnes of Palm Kernels 211.5 tonnes of Cashew 1,640.24 tonnes of Rubber		Completed
2.	Production and sale of 800 clarias fish and 937 Tilapia fish seeds		Completed
3.	Sale of 67 bundles of fishing net at 50% subsidy		Completed
4.	Registration of 19 Fisher folk		Completed
5.	Distribution of 820,000 Cocoa seedlings under the National Cocoa Development Committee (NCDC) free of charge to farmers to enhance Cocoa Production		On-going
6.	Production of Cotton seeds from South Western Part of the Country to the Ginnery at Ibara-Orile		Completed
7.	Train the Trainers workshop on Cotton Development in the South West 26th - 27th July, 2007		Completed
8.	Treatment and Vaccination of 3,931 small animals		Completed
9.	Ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections of 77,891 animals certified for consumption		Completed
10.	Routine clinical examination carried out on 576,816 animals of Cattle, Sheeps, Goats and Camel		Completed
11.	Treatment and Vaccination of 77,147 birds		Completed
12.	Enumeration of 1,500 hectares of land for Agro Cargo Airport project		Completed
13.	Production of 500 Turkeys and 1000 pullets		On-going
14.	Consultative workshop on Sustainable Low-cost Energy Technologies and Practices for the FADAMA Development Communities		Completed
15.	Installation of Kubota Rice milling machine at Kobape for Rice farmers		Completed
16.	Payment of N20.8m as GCCC for FADAMA II Development Programme		Completed
17.	Inauguration of policy formulation committee to prepare the state policy on Cash Crops		Completed
18.	Cultivation of three hectares of Cassava multiplication plot at Ado-Odo Farm settlement for the production of high yielding, early maturing and disease resistant variety of Cassava cuttings		completed

3. WEALTH CREATION

S/N	PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES	LEVEL OF COMPLETION
1.	Registration of Unemployed in the state (Labour Data Bank Creation)	On-going
2.	Job Sourcing and Placement for Unemployed (Establishment of Labour Exchange Centre)	On-going
3.	Provision of Vocational Training/Consultation in both Agric and Non-Agric activities. Regular Training Programme of Ogun State Employment Generation Programme	On-going
4.	Monitoring and Sourcing of Permanent Employment for the first batch of Registered Unemployed Graduates (OGUGRADS Program) ^5% completion for First Batch	On-going
5.	Organized 3-day specialized Training/Workshop for Geologists	Completed
6.	Preparation of Master Plan, soil and Topographical Survey of Ogun State Agricultural Cargo Airport	On-going
7.	Construction work of the PIONEER CAMP at Olokola Free Trade Zone (OKLNGZ)	On-going
8.	Approval for establishment Kajola Free Trade Zone	Completed
9.	Processing the concurrence of the Presidency and NEPZA on Igbesa file Trade Zone	On-going
10.	Hosting the National Council on Development Planning (NCDP) and Joint Planning Board (JBD) 13 - 14 August, 2007	Completed
11.	Coordinated planning of the State Internal Retreat for State Executive Members, Permanent Secretaries and other top Government functionaries	Completed
12.	Securing a loan of N300 million from NACRDB for on-lending to farmers and non-farmers entrepreneurs in the state	On-going

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| 13. | Credit support and Disbursement of the sum of N20 million to assist farmers | Completed |
| 14. | Credit support and Disbursement of the sum of N10 million to assist Non-agricultural entrepreneurs | Completed |
| 15. | Construction of OSAMCA Headquarters Building | On-going |

4. TRANSPORT SECTOR

S/N	PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES	LEVEL OF COMPLETION
1.	A. RAIL DEVELOPMENT Iddo - Kajola Light Rail Transit The Lagos rail mass transit project which was initially designed to start at Iddo (Lagos State) and terminated at Ijoko (Ogun State) had been extended by 5Kms to Kajola based on the superior technical explanation of Bureau of Transportation. The project cost (CCECC) put at 450 million US\$ had been reviewed by LAMATA and Bureau of Transportation at US\$ 363 million and US\$ 372 million, respectively. BOT has prepared technical specifications for the design and build of the Lagos Light Rail Transit, which will be made available for International Competitive Bidding which CCECC could participate if it deems	
B.	NATIONAL EXPRESS TRAIN APAPA PORT TO KANO Finalization of the National Express Train, corridor and station locations at Agbado, Kajola, Papalanto, Abeokuta and Olodo had been completed. The Chinese Civil Engineering Construction Company (CCECC) were made to produce Aerial maps of scales 1:10,000 and 1:20000.	On-going project
2.	A. WATER TRANSPORTATION PROMOTION Ago-Ika Abeokuta Ferry Operation Private sector concession Ferry Operations has started at Ago-Ika and Lafenwa Abeokuta. Ready to launching. B. CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NOS. 30 AND 60 SEATERS FERRY BOATS Facilitation of private hydro roads	
3.	Multi National Company Sector has produced the Building of US\$ 2 million to 2 Nos. 30 and 60 passengers CAT boats for Olokola OKLNG project. C. IDOGO RIVER PORT Award of consultancy services to Aims Consultant for Ido River Port under the Ondo water way scheme Completed 1 boat completed, 1 boat on-going	On-going
	A. ELECTRONIC SYSTEM MANAGEMENT Electronic Registration and Travel Care Completed project preparatory work on electronic road users charges, as an innovation for vehicle registration and renewal coupled with proof of ownership permits detection Travel Control Reconciliation Initiative (TRAVEL CARE) is also incorporated. B. ROAD USERS ALERT Flag-off Road User Alert Scheme as an informant and notifier for road users C. TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT SCHEME Maximizing the use of the existing road ways along Kuto road and Fasake multiple intersections with the deployment of Traffic Management Measures	Completed
4.	A. TRANSPORT SAFETY SCHEMES Pavement marking Maintenance of Pavement Markings, Car Parks, and Zebra Crossing. Inscription of directional arrows on the approach road and car parks within the Government House. B. TRAFFIC SIGNAGES Fabricated Signages and introduced Intelligent Bend Schemes. C. WHEELSAFE LIQUID TYRE SEALANT Installation of WheelSAFE Liquid Tyre Sealant on 300 Government vehicles. To prevent accident injuries and deaths of public officers and loss of amenities	Completed On-going
5.	A. BUS TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT Procurement of Buses Facilitation of Messrs Caios Bus Manufacturer of Brazil to supply 200 Nos. Micro buses of 22 passengers and 12 Nos. Luxurious buses for Poverty Relief and Job Creation Initiatives B. OGUN AUTO BOULEVARD PROJECT Establishment of modern computerized bus maintenance workshop and spare parts depot and set Bus Assembly plant.	On-going

5. LANDS REFORMS

S/N	ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS	LEVEL OF COMPLETION
1.	Opening of Free Trade Zone at Olokola	Completed
2.	Turning of sod at Industrial Park along Lagos/Ibadan Express road - to accommodate not less than twenty-three (23) Manufacturing Plant (ii) Rubber Plant	Completed
3.	Survey and construction of access road at the independent plant at Itele - Isheri	On-going
4.	Cement plant at Onigbedu and Ibese	On-going
5.	Nerman Asphalt Plant, Flowergate Scheme	On-going
6.	Riverview Scheme at Isheri (i) corporate bodies (ii) site and services scheme (iii)	Demarcation and Survey of parcel of land for Demarcation and Survey of residential plots for Demarcation and Survey of Industrial plots
7.	Light Industrial Scheme, Lagos/Ibadan expressway	On-going
8.	Allocation of Plots at the G.R.A. extension at Erunwon, Ijebu-Ode	On-going
9.	Allocation of plots at the Asero Residential Scheme, Phase II	On-going
10.	Allocation of plots at the Flowregate Scheme Abeokuta/Sagamu Expressway	On-going
11.	Ogijo New Development Scheme	On-going
12.	Opening up of access road and provision of amenities at the evergreen Medium Density Residential Scheme, near the third Ogun Bridge via Adigbe, Abeokuta	On-going
13.	Opening up of access road of the Hill Crest G.R.A. Oke-Mosan	On-going
14.	Blue Water Estate	On-going
15.	Allocation of land G.R.A. Ikenne	On-going

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| 16. | G.R.A. Epe via Sagamu/Trailer Park, Ibafo | On-going |
| 17. | Establishment of Geographical Information System Laboratory (GIS) | Completed |
| 18. | Provision of Affordable Houses for State Work-force) 1st phase at build at one-bedroom flats). 200 Units of one-bedroom flats completed and ready for commissioning | On-going |
| 19. | 14 Nos. studio Apartment of Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital, Sagamu for resident Doctors | Completed |
| 20. | Construction of office blocks for the Ministry of Water Resources & Rural Development and other agencies, Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta. | Completed |
| 21. | (a) 2 Blocks of Classrooms and Offices - Ilaro (b) Hostels, Matron's Quarters & Box Rooms, Ilaro | Completed |

6. EDUCATION

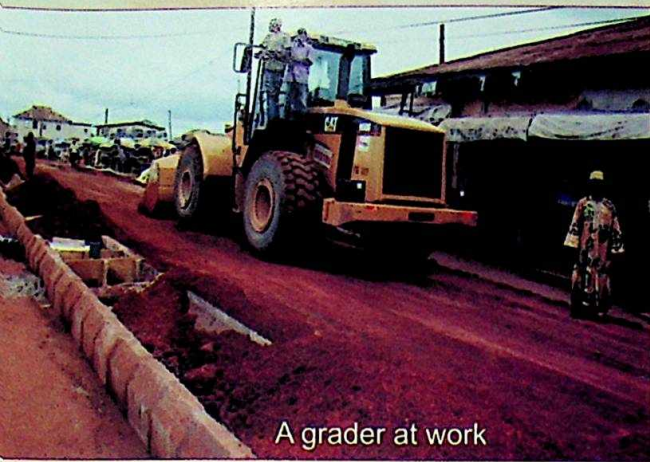
- | S/n | Activities/projects | Level of completion |
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| 1. | 2007 National/State school Census in Ogun State | Completed |
| 2. | Organization of the 2007 Nestle Milo Basketball Championship among secondary Schools in the State | Completed |
| 3. | 2007 School Mapping exercise for transiting the Primary pupils in Ogun State to JS 1 Class 2007/2008 | Completed |
| 4. | Re-construction of fire razed block of 3 flats at Government Science & Technical College, Idi-Aba, Abeokuta | On-going |
| 5. | Book Review exercise for pre-primary and primary schools in Ogun State | On-going |
| 6. | Book Review exercise for Junior secondary Schools in Ogun State | On-going |
| 7. | Book Review exercise for Senior secondary Schools in Ogun State | On-going |
| 8. | Feeding of 1,020 children in the five (5) State Schools for the Handicapped Children for the 3rd Term of the 2006/2007 School Year | Completed |
| 9. | Construction of a block of four classrooms for the Government Science & Technical college, Igbesa | On-going |
| 10. | Hosting of South West Secondary School Games held in June 2007 at the M.K.O. Abiola Stadium, Abeokuta in collaboration with the Nigeria School Sport Federation (NSSF), South West Zone tagged Gateway 2007 Youth Games | Completed |
| 11. | Construction of ICT Resources Centre at the Moshood Abiola Polytechnic, Abeokuta | Completed |
| 12. | Alhaja Salamat Kuku Memorial Library, Ijebu-Ode | Completed |
| 13. | Renovation of the Sagamu Local Government Education Authority Library | Completed |
| 14. | Computer for All Public Servants Programme (Agreement with OMATEK Computer and AfriBank). 1st phase has 293 Public Servants becoming owners of their choice Computer Systems | On-going |
| 15. | Flagging-off 4th Phase Programme of IT Expansion Programme under Ogun School Net. (Training of additional 208 Secondary School Teachers for IT Expansion Programme). About 2000 indigenes new Cisco certified professionals on the programme | On-going |

Already, various categories of artisans are currently engaged in the construction work while the skilled personnel are set for a prosperous journey. Efforts have also being intensified on the actualization of the OGATZ of Igbesa, a with Chinese investors putting finishing touches to the deal. Also the Nahman Gateway Asphalt Plant along Papalanto Road is ready for commissioning.

The State Government has 40% investment in the company. Other initiatives in the category include the Impactor Group, the Bukham Group, the Dangote Cement, Hudson Power Plant, Shaffa Plastics, Dynaeco glass manufacturing company, many



OGD flanked by Royal Fathers at commissioning ceremony



A grader at work



Gov. Daniel commissions Propcom Rice Mill



The newly commissioned Rice Mill

of which had since been allocated Certificate of Occupancy and M.O.U signed.

As part of measures to enhance efficiency in business, some of the ailing government companies like the Gateway Pharmaceutical Company and Print Corp have been privatized while the former Bulk Purchasing Company has been transformed into Gateway Trading Company Incorporated.

The first 100 days in office also witnessed the reinvigoration of the State Employment Generation Programme (OGESEP) which had been upgraded to the status of a Bureau. A job sourcing and placement Centre had been created to serve as a Labour Exchange, office while the OGUGRAD scheme (for Graduates) continue unabated.

The recent launch of the Data survey of the employed which kicked off simultaneously in all the twenty local governments, is also part of the derivables within the 100 days which would bring succour to the jobless in the state.

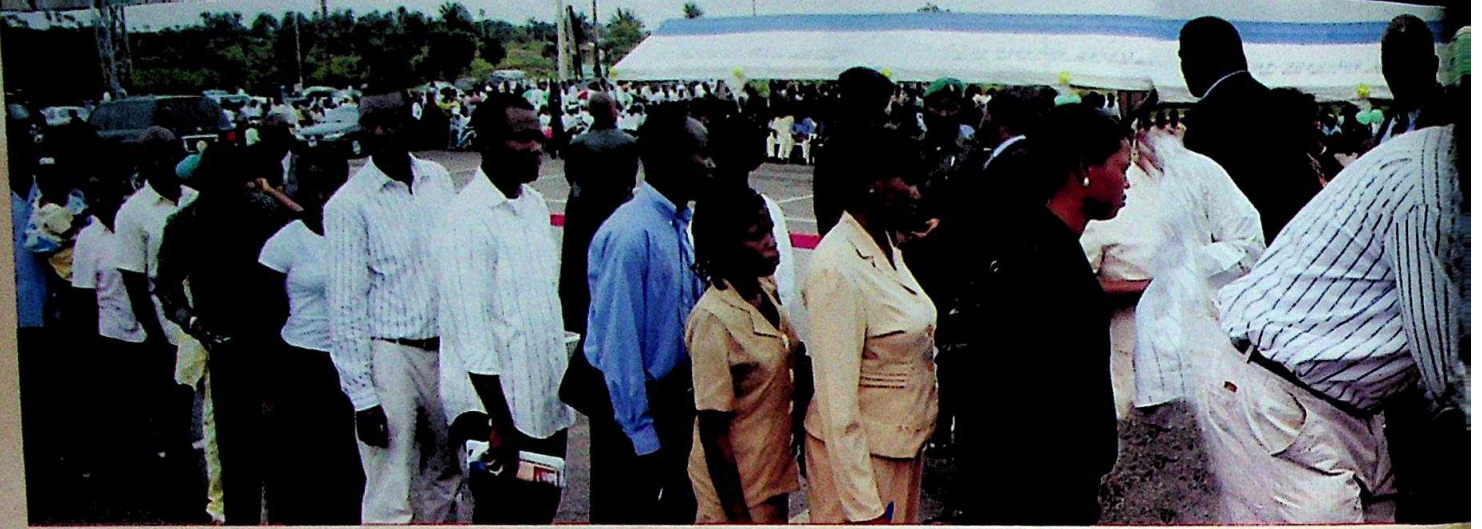
The beneficiaries of the State Human Capital Development programme in the UK are settling down for business through their integration into key government agencies like the Gateway Holdings, the OKFTZ/LNG projects while the Regional Master Plan Office under the governor's office is fully on ground.

The entire civil servants in the State would also count their gains as the first 100 days witnessed the implementation of 15% increase the new package. About 200 housing units, already completed, being the first phase of the 1,000 workers estate at Laderin, Abeokuta, been also commissioning.

The people of Ijebu-Ode are anxiously waiting for Otunba Daniel to commission the newly dualised road leading into the Obanta city while the earthmoving equipment of the State Road Management Agency and the Ministry of Works continue to construct and rehabilitate roads across the state. The popular Lalubu Street in Oke-Ilewo Abeokuta would also be ready to keep pace with the phenomenal growth of the state capital while the newly created Ministry of Water Resources and Rural Development is set to tackle the perennial water problem and embark on aggressive development at the grassroots.

With various programmes on health, education, Tourism, ICT, agriculture, sports, commerce and industries, human capital development, among others currently being implemented, the stage is set for a more prosperous state.

Generally, all these would translate into economic development and socio-economic well being of the people. Definitely, these transcend the 100 days in office. The list is endless.



OGD distributing employment forms to some of the applicants during the data base collection at OGEGERE

ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT & CHIEFTAINCY AFFAIRS

As part of his mission to ensure effective distribution of the dividends of democracy among grassroots people of Ogun State, His Excellency, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, the Governor of Ogun State, created the Ministry of Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs in May, 2005. The Ministry, was specifically set up to effectively monitor the activities of the Local Government Councils as well as to improve the welfare of traditional institutions in the State.

Essentially, the projects and activities of the Ministry are anchored by the Department of Local Government Affairs, Department of Chieftaincy Affairs, Department of Local Government Inspectorate and Monitoring and the Department of Rating and Valuation while the Department of Finance and Administration services the Ministry.

During the period under review, the first 100 days in office of His Excellency, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, witnessed developmental activities which have tremendous impact on the lives of the people. The Ministry's oversight activities are highlighted hereunder:

CHIEFTAINCY AFFAIRS:

During the first 100 days of this Administration, the Ministry ensured that peace and harmony continue to reign in the Traditional Institutions in the State. As a matter of fact, this administration reduced to the barest minimum frictions within royal families, avoidable rifts and long interregnum which, had hitherto characterized the filling of vacant chieftaincy stools.

During the said period, the Otunba Gbenga Daniel Administration approved the

appointment of five Obas, namely:

- (i) **Oba Mufutau Adeoye Sanni.**
- (ii) **Oba Engr. M.O. Adesina.**
- iii) **Oba Olusesan Lasisi Gisanrin.**
- iv) **Oba NunJdeen Oluwadare Osoja.**
- v) **Oba Abdulwaheed Adetayo Oduloye.**

In realization of its goal towards the enhancer of dignity of Traditional Institution improvement in the welfare of Traditional Rule the State, the Gbenga Daniel administration commenced implementation of an enhance welfare package for Traditional Rulers in State. This Administration has also committed itself to providing a befitting and conducive Conference Hall for the meetings and social interaction of our Traditional Rulers in the State. The proposed site is located at the back of Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta.

Local Government

The Ministry coordinates and controls activities of the twenty (20) Local Government in the State. In this regard, the Ministry continues to monitor and ensure that the Administrative guidelines issued to the Local Governments were used as guide in their activities. These Guidelines have been re-issued to the Chairmen of Transition Committees who assumed office in July, 2007. These committees were set up to oversee the affairs of Local Governments pending the election of new executives for the Local Governments.

In order to properly equip the new functionaries of the Local Governments for accountability and



transparency, the Ministry with the consent of His Excellency, the Governor organised a two-day retreat for the Transition Committees Chairmen and Members and some top Local Government officials in the State. The opportunity of the Retreat was used to impress on the officials to improve on their Internally Generated Revenue so as to reduce the over-dependence on monthly funds from the Federation Account. Other activities of the Ministry include the following:

- i. Service the State Local Government Joint Account Allocation Committee (JAAC) to ensure prompt disbursement of funds accrued to Local Governments from the Federation Account.
- ii. Service the Ogun State Boundary Committee whose main responsibility is to formulate ideas and policies towards settling all intra/inter-state and International boundary disputes.
- iii. Put in place excellent strategy for collaboration and effective communication with the Local Governments through a monthly meeting of the Chairmen of Local Government Transition Committee in the State with the Hon. Commissioner for Local Government. At the meeting, matters of common interests to Local Governments were discussed.

The Ministry monitored and inspected all projects embarked upon by the Local Government Councils in the State to ensure conformity with standards.

During the period under review, the Ministry only planned and commenced preparation for its next round of inspection visits to the Local Governments having taken cognizance of the need to allow the new appointees to settle down. During its visits, the Ministry would ensure that the 20 Local Government Councils in Ogun State comply with the tenets and mission of LEEDS, MOOS, Regional Master plan and Agenda For A Secured Future.

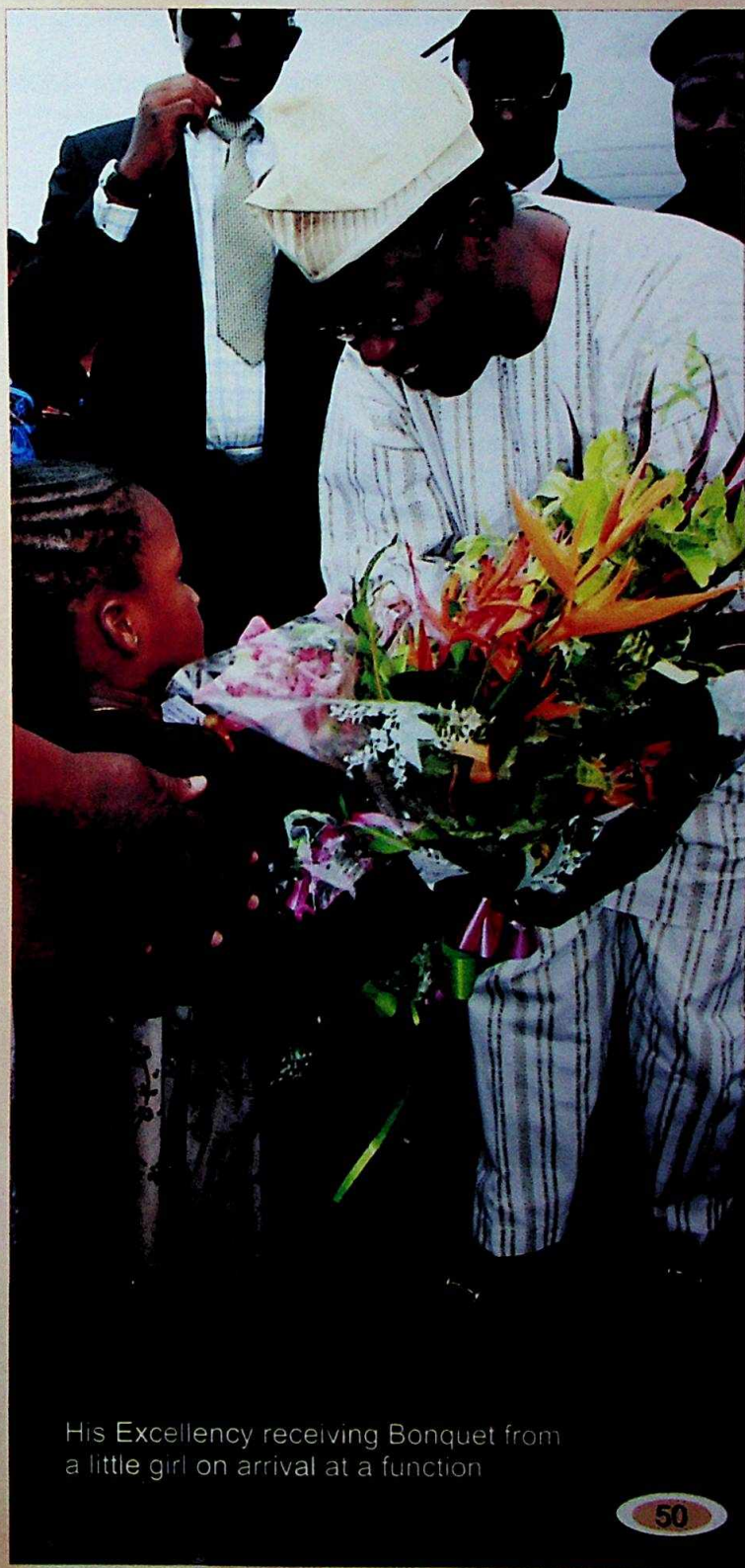
RATING AND VALUATION

This Ministry is saddled with the responsibility of

entrenching transparency and accountability at the Local Government Councils as well as enhancing their revenue base by encouraging them to improve on their Internally-Generated Revenue. It is envisaged that this is a measure to reduce the over-dependence of Local Governments on Federal Allocation.

CONCLUSION

The Ministry of Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs has bought into the vision of His Excellency, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, the Governor of Ogun State, to ensure virile and sustainable Local Governments in Ogun State. The activities of the Ministry therefore would continue to focus on the rejuvenation of Local Government Administration for accountability and transparency.



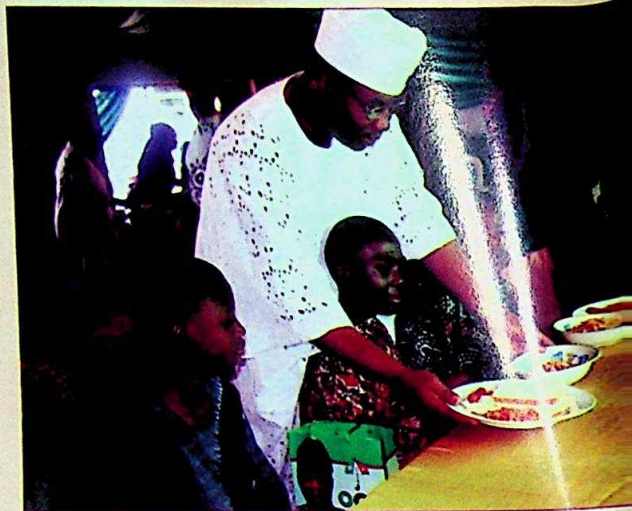
His Excellency receiving Bonquet from a little girl on arrival at a function

ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

LIST OF ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS WITHIN 100 DAYS OF THE GOVERNOR'S 2ND TERM IN OFFICE AS AT 28TH AUGUST, 2008

S/N ACTIVITIES/PROJECT

- 1 2007 National/State School Census in Ogun State
- 2 Organization of the 2007 Nestle Milo Basket Ball Championship among secondary schools in the State
- 3 Release of running cost grants to public primary institutions for 2nd term 2006/2007 Academic session
- 4 2007 Schools Mapping Exercise for transiting primary six pupils in Ogun State to JS 1 class 2007/2008
- 5 Conduct of the 2006 December Compulsory Civil Service Examination for Admin/Audit and School Bursars in the Local Governments and the State Service
- 6 Reconstruction of razed block of 3 flat at Government Science & Technical College, Idi-Aba, Abeokuta
- 7 Release of funds for the conduct of 2007 Government Science & Technical Colleges end of course Certificate Examination
- 8 Release of funds for Book Review Exercise for pre-primary schools in Ogun State
- 9 Book Review for Junior Senior Secondary Schools in Ogun State
- 10 Book Review Exercise for Senior Secondary Schools in Ogun State
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- 14 ICT Resource Centre, MAPOLY-Moshood Abiola Polytechnic Abeokuta
- 15 Alhaja Salimot Kuku Memorial Library, Ijebu-Ode
- 16 Sagamu Local Government Education Authority Library



- 1 Opening of Free Trade Zone at Olokola
- 2 Turning of sod at Industrial Park at Lagos/Ibadan Express road – accommodate not less than twenty-three (23) manufacturing plant (ii) rubber plant
- 3 Citing of independent plant at Itele-Isheri
- 4 Cement plant at Onigbedu and Ibese
- 5 Agro Cargo Airport
- 6 Railway Terminal at Kajola
- 7 Nerman Asphalt Plant, Flowergate Scheme
- 8 Riverview Scheme at Isheri Demarcation and Survey of parcel of land for corporate bodies(ii) Demarcation and Survey of residential plots for site services scheme(iii) Demarcation and Survey of Industrial plots
- 9 Light Industrial Scheme, Lagos/Ibadan



Otunba Gbenga Daniel leads campaign on hand washing as a means of staying healthy among primary school pupils

BUREAU OF LANDS AND SURVEY: 100 DAYS OF PROGRESS & BUSINESS UNUSUAL

With the advent of OGD administration in 2003 and subsequent creation of the Bureau in 2004, the policy thrust of the government on land assumes a new direction and revolves round the following:

- Promote and facilitate the development of site and service schemes especially in major towns of the state and the border fringes with Lagos State.
- Promote the participation of private investors in the provision of service plots for all uses by providing an enabling environment for all market players in the real estate sector.
- Facilitate the provision of basic infrastructural facilities in the existing sites and service schemes.
- Play an active role in the implementation of the National Housing Policy at the state level by collaborating with other agencies and arms of government to foster sustainable housing delivery and promote economic growth and efficient urban and rural development for improved standard of living and well being of the residents of the state.
- Establish land information system and encourage land title registration in order to evolve a robust and dynamic land use and management framework for the state.
- Promote the modernization and computerization of the land registry to enhance storage and retrieval of land information and revenue generation.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

The Bureau of Lands and Survey played key roles in the underlisted state-sponsored or privately initiated projects.

- The opening of Free Trade Zone at Olokola in partnership with Ondo State Government and other government Agencies.
- Turning of the sod of Industrial Park along Lagos/Ibadan Express road, to accommodate not less than 23 manufacturing plants, from rubber processing to truck assembly plants - was done by His Excellency on 2nd February, 2007.
- The siting of Independent Power Plants at Isheri and Itele. These are strategic development projects that will no doubt create huge impact on the effort to make Ogun State the destination of choice for industrialists.
- Ibafu Power Generating Co.
- Hudson Power Plant
- Papalanto Power Plant.
- New Cement Plants at Onigbedu and Ibeshe
- St. George's Park, Lagos/Ibadan Expressway - a model mixed development scheme.
- Agro-Cargo Airport.
- Railway Terminal, Kajola.
- Nahman Asphalt Plant, Flowergate Scheme.

SITE & SERVICE SCHEMES

The underlisted site and services were initiated to promote the schemes to fully develop, habitable and functional residential/industrial estates.

- Riverview Scheme, Isheri
- Light Industrial Scheme, Lagos/Ibadan
- Olusegun Obasanjo Hilltop,
GRA Abeokuta - the estate is fully subscribed
- G.R.A. Extension Erunwon, Ijebu-Ode

- Expressway
- 10 GRA Extension at Erunwon, Ijebu-Ode
- 11 Asero Residential Scheme, Phase II
- 12 Flowergate Scheme Abeoku'a/Sagamu Expressway
- 13 Ogijo New Development Scheme
- 14 Evergreen Medium Density Residential Scheme, near the Third Ogun bridge via Adigbe, Abeokuta
- 15 HillCrest GRA, Oke-Mosan
- 16 Blue Water Estate
- 17 GRA Ikene
- 18 GRA Epe via Sagamu/Trailer Park, Ibafo
- 19 Establishment of Geographical Information System Laboratory (GIS) lab. At the Bureau

BUREAU OF LANDS AND SURVEY:

- Asero Residential Scheme Phase II
- Flowergate Scheme, Abeokuta/Sagamu Dual Carriageway
- Ogijo Mixed Development Scheme
- Agricultural Farm Estates, Soseri.

CHALLENGES & PROSPECTS

The increasing demand for land resulting from the robust and remarkably phenomenal growth of the state, which is the direct consequence of OGD's administration's people-oriented and people-centred policies has created a yawning gap in the supply of development land. The Bureau is poised to meet this challenge and fill in the supply short-fall by opening up new sites and service schemes.

Newly proposed schemes billed to take off this year are:

- Hillcrest G.R.A., Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta - This is a highbrow residential scheme
- Evergreen Medium Density Residential Scheme near the Third Ogun bridge via

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

The following achievements were recorded for the various projects of the Ministry during the first 100 days of the second term of this Administration in the State.

(i) Produce Inspection and Grading:

During the period under review, the Ministry inspected and graded 1,126.75 tonnes of Cocoa, 4,932.5 tonnes of Palm Kernels, 211.5 tonnes of Cashew and 1,640.24 of Rubber.

(ii) Fish Seed Production:

A total of eight hundred (800) Clarias fish of various sizes and nine hundred and thirty-seven (937) Tilapia fish seeds were sold to the public.

(iii) Sale of Fishing Inputs (Fishing Nets):

A total of sixty-seven (67) bundles of fishing nets were sold at various prices to fisherfolk at 50% subsidy and nineteen (19) Fisherfolk were registered.

(iv) Tree Crops Development and Horticulture:

During the period under review, the left over of Oil-palm seedlings of the year 2004 were sold. Also, the stock balance of 2005 oil palm seedlings production programme were maintained and equally sold to farmers.

The Ministry has started distributing the 820,000 Cocoa seedlings under the National Cocoa Development Committee (NCDC) programme raised by the Ministry to farmers free of charge to enhance Cocoa production in the State.

(v) Cotton Ginnery at Ibara-Orile:

The processing of all the Cotton seeds that were brought from all the South Western parts of the Country to the Ginnery at Ibara-Orile have been completed. In addition, all the cotton growing farmers in the State were supplied seed cotton for the 2007 planting season. Also, a Train-the-trainers-workshop on Cotton development in the South West Zone of the country was concluded at OGADEP Training Hall, Abeokuta, between the 20th and 27th July, 2007.

(vi) Veterinary Hospital Clinics and Sub-Clinics:

A total of 3,931 cases for the treatment and

Adigbe, Abeokuta.

- Blue Water Estates, Olokola
- G .R.A. Ikenne, Ikenne
- G .R.A. Epe, via Sagamu
- Trailer Park Ibafo.

Preliminary reconnaissance, survey and design of the schemes are at various stages. These sites are proposed to be developed into residential layouts with provision of complimentary uses such as parks, green areas, recreation, education, etc. the plots are to be provided with basic infrastructures that will induce and accelerate development.

CONCLUSION

Since the inception of OGD administration, nothing has been spared by the Bureau in conforming with the administration's "business unusual" slogan. This is to underscore the importance of paradigm shift in the way government business is conducted, to reduce waste in time and resources, promote transparency and diligence and ensure deployment of the resources of the state for developmental projects with enduring impact on the citizen's welfare.

vaccination of small animals were carried out during period.

(vii) Meat Inspection:

The Ministry carried out ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections of animals before consumption to the public. In all 77,891 carcasses were inspected and certified fit for human consumption.

(viii) Control Post and Cattle Market:

Routine clinical examinations were carried out on animals that passed through the various control posts in the State. To this end, 576,816 animals of Cattle, Sheep, Goats and Camels were inspected during the period under review.

(ix) Poultry Diagnostic Unit:

This project handled the treatment and vaccination of poultry in the State. During the period under review 77,147 birds were vaccinated and treated for various disease conditions.

(x) Crop Enumeration Activities:

The Ministry enumerated 1,015 hectares of land for corporate bodies and 15 hectares for individuals croppers whose crops were destroyed as a result of land allocated to investors for agricultural production. Apart from this, the Ministry enumerated over 1,500 hectares of land for the Agro Cargo Airport project and participated in the crop enumeration exercise for the Oloko Liquefied Natural Gas Project in Ogun Water Side Local Government Area.

(xi) Anti-Rabies Campaign:

The flagging off of this year's anti-rabies campaign was done by His Excellency, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, the Governor of the State on Tuesday, 4th September, 2007.

(xii) Avian Influenza/Bird Flu Control:

A sensitization workshop for Poultry Farmers in the State was done on for Thursday, 6th September, 2007. This is to prevent the incidence of the dreaded disease in the State.

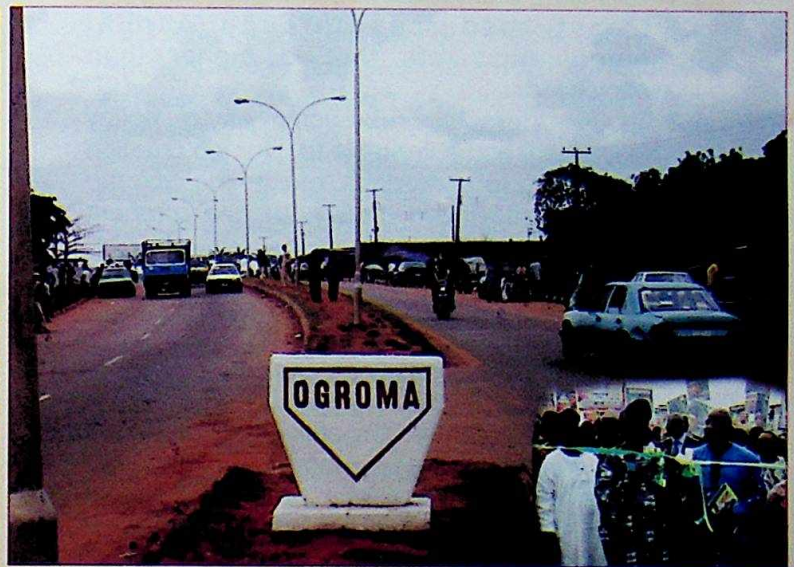
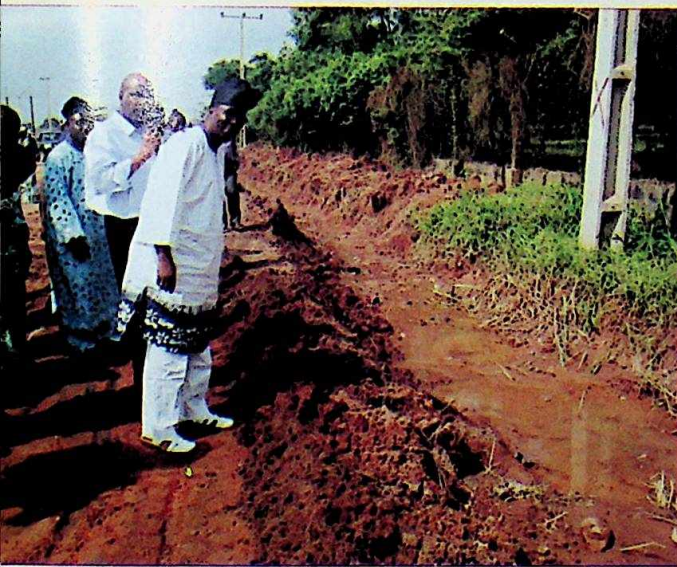
(Xiii) Turkey Production:

The Ministry received 500 poults of Turkey during the period and it will be ready for sale to the general public during the Christmas seasons at high subsidy.

OGUN STATE ROAD MANAGEMENT AGENCY

PROJECT EMBARKED UPON WITHIN THE FIRST 100 DAYS

S/N	ROAD	LOCATION	% PROGRESS	REMARKS
1	Kuto market NUD	Abeokuta	60%	Earthworks complete
2	Ijemo-Okepadi Erunwon	Abeokuta	100%	Complete
3	Somorin road	Odeda	45%	Earthworks in progress
4	Powerline Road Wasimi	Ewekoro	40%	Drainage works in progress
5	Alarige/Town Hall market road	Ogun waterside	40%	Drainage works in progress
6	Dualization of Ejirin road	Ijebu-Ode	100%	Completed
7	Dualization of Ilisan Ago-Iwoye road	Remo	40%	Earthworks in progress Bridge works in progress Surfacing in progress
8	Dualization of Lalubu road	Abeokuta	55%	Drainage works in progress
9	Adetisan Street	Ijebu-Ode	60%	Earthworks in progress
10	Sagamu-Ogijo-Ikorodu road	Remo	40%	Drainage works in progress
11	Plaza road	Sango	60%	Surfacing in progress
12	Akari-Ibe-Ifonyintedo	Ipokia	48%	Earthworks in progress
13	Dualization of Obafemi Awole road Ibara Omida	Abeokuta	80%	Concrete works in progress



erial view of OGROMA Roads Projects spread across the state



THE ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY OF FORESTRY

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Ministry of Forestry, a statutory government agency, was carved out of the former Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry in August 2004.

The primary responsibility of the Ministry is to ensure rapid development of the state's forest resources in all ramifications. In other words, the agency is to coordinate all forestry activities in the state and ensure controlled and orderly exploitation of timber and non-timber forest produce so as to prevent soil degradation and other natural disasters such as earthquake, flood, global warming, etc. which could result from deforestation. It is also to ensure the management of forest in the state on sustained yield basis.

2.0 POLICY FOCUS/OBJECTIVES OF THE MINISTRY

In order to fully exploit the potentials that abound in the state's forestry sub-sector, the Ministry is guided by the underlisted policy objectives:

- 2.1 To ensure adequate and continuous supply of forest resources through annual regeneration rate that is higher than exploitation.
- 2.2 To use forestry sub-sector as a policy instrument and a veritable tool for job creation for youths, rural dwellers, etc. in line with the poverty alleviation policy of the present administration.
- 2.3 To protect our forest estates against any form of encroachment, damage or destruction.
- 2.4 To mount extensive campaigns on the need for individuals, schools, communities and other Non-Governmental Organisations to plant trees on their private farm land.
- 2.5 To develop, manage and protect wildlife in order to prevent the extinction of rare or endangered species.

3.0 Economic Activities Of The Ministry Of Forestry Since Inception Of Otunba Gbenga Daniel's Administration

3.1 Silvicultural Projects

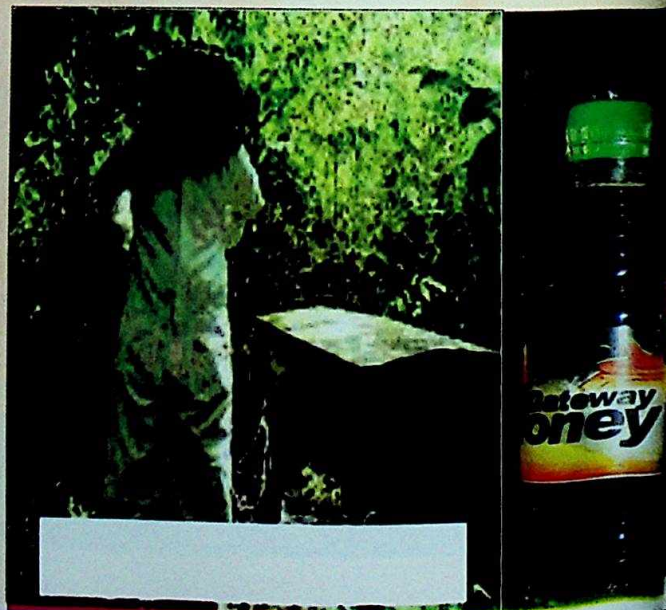
3.1.1 Timber Seedlings Production

With the advent of the present administration of Otunba Gbenga Daniel, the forest regeneration programme in the state received tremendous boost and attention. Between 2003 – 2006, over four million, three hundred thousand (4,300,000) seedlings of Teak, Gmelina and other indigenous species were raised in our nurseries located in the various forest reserves in the state. A substantial part of the seedlings was used to establish plantations in the various government forest reserves while the rest were sold to private farmers, communities, schools, NGO's, etc at highly subsidized rates. The massive seedlings

production arose out of the need to bridge the uncomfortable gap existing between forest exploitation and regeneration.

3.1.2 Plantation Establishment

In Nigeria, the annual rate of deforestation is put at about 5% of the forested area, which was a result of human activities. Since the coming on board of the present administration of Otunba Gbenga Daniel the Ministry has endeavoured to look at other ways of mainstreaming environment into its plans policies and programmes. We are very much concerned and determined more than ever to reverse the loss of environmental resources thus conforming to the United Nations Millenium Development Goals on Environmental Sustainability. Between 2003-September and 2007 a total of 1,891Ha of new forest plantations were established in all the nine forest reserves. The sites were evenly distributed among the three Senatorial Districts. With this annual rate of plantation establishment, the supply of wood materials would



outstrip the demand in the nearest future, thus Ogun State would revert back to its former position of an exporter of timber to other states and internationally.

3.3.3 Private Sector Afforestation Programme

In line with the private sector driven economic policy of the present administration, the Ministry of Forestry introduced the Private Sector Afforestation initiative. In order to ensure full implementation of this policy, an Inter-Ministerial Committee was inaugurated on March 4, 2005. The membership cuts across government agencies, timber contractors, Forestry Association of Nigeria (FAN), NGO's, etc. With this Committee in place a lot of achievements have been, recorded, which included the review of the obsolete forestry law which was hitherto a hindrance to private participation in forestry plantation establishment. It should be noted that between 2005 and September, 2007, over 100,000 timber seedlings were purchased by private farmers, schools etc. This is a testimony to the success of the policy. Similarly, during the period of this report, Omo Wood, a private concern planted, over 905Ha of land with timber seedlings of various species. This policy would shift emphasis from government plantations, thus reducing to the barest minimum the incidence of illegal felling.

3.3.4 Distribution of free timber seedlings /



Honey farm



Forestry tools

During the first ever forestry week which took place between, July 11-13, 2005 to further consolidate our clarion call to the organized private sector to adopt forest plantation establishment, His Excellency, Otunba Gbenga Daniel at the occasion donated over 6,000 free tree seedlings to schools and Local Governments. Similarly, the Ministry, during the 100 days anniversary of His Excellency's second term also donated 6200 free tree seedlings and planting tools to selected schools and timber contractors to encourage their involvement in afforestation.

3.3.5 Verification of Cocoa Farms

Before the advent of the present Administration, there was a case of wanton destruction of matured timber trees. With the coming on board of Otunba Gbenga Daniel as the Governor of Ogun State, the operations of these cocoa farmers have been streamlined. Over 12,000 acres of illegal cocoa farms have been verified. The Ministry also introduced the payment of annual ground rent and agreement fees by the cocoa farmers to retain the ownership status of the reserves by the state government.

3.2 Regulation and Utilization Projects

3.2.1 Timber Exploitation

A substantial number of people earn their livelihood from timber and timber-related industries. In order to keep these categories of people in business, it is the deliberate policy of the Ministry to allocate part of its plantation to timber contractors for controlled exploitation. Between 2004 and September, 2007, over 2,500Ha of land were allocated to the timber contractors from the forest reserves for exploitation. In order to check illegal felling operations and give room for effective administration of logging activities, the Ministry introduced the use of stickers and tallies for timber contractors.

EVACUATION OF TIMBER FROM THE FOREST RESERVE

3.2.2 Issuance of Property Hammers and Registration of Sawmills

As our contribution to the promotion of self employment by the people of Ogun State, the Ministry gave further incentives for the establishment of private sawmills and procurement of property hammers. Consequently, there are about 355 registered private sawmills in Ogun State as at September 2007.

3.3.3 Casting of New Forest Guard Hammers

Over 100 pieces of new Forest Guard hammers were produced to replace the ageing ones which were no longer legible on logs. This vital instrument has been boosting our revenue generation from the forests.

3.3.4 Provision of New Motorcycles

As part of our effort to strengthen log control and forest protection activities, the Governor of Ogun State, Otunba Gbenga Daniel graciously approved

and released funds for the purchase of over 200 new motorcycles for distribution to the field officers on revolving loan. The last batch of 20 motorcycles were commissioned and distributed by His Excellency as part of activities to mark the 100 days of his second term. This gesture had succeeded in reducing the incidence of illegal felling through effective patrol of the reserves while revenue also increased tremendously.

3.3.5 Coppice Management

For the first time in several years, coppice management was introduced as a forest management/maintenance strategy. This is the professional method for managing forests for better yield of timber and revenue in future.

3.3.6 Purchase of Forest/Boundary Guard Uniforms

The Ministry procured for our Uniformed Field Staff 179 and 225 pairs of uniforms in 2005 and 2006 respectively. This gave a total of 404 complete sets of uniforms since inception of the present administration.

3.4 Non-Timber Forest Projects

It is the bold determination of the present administration to continue to explore the alternative sources of livelihood to timber. This led to the new concept of Non-Timber Forest Projects. These projects would no doubt serve as good sources of employment for our farmers, youths, retirees, etc. Such projects are money spinners and they include:

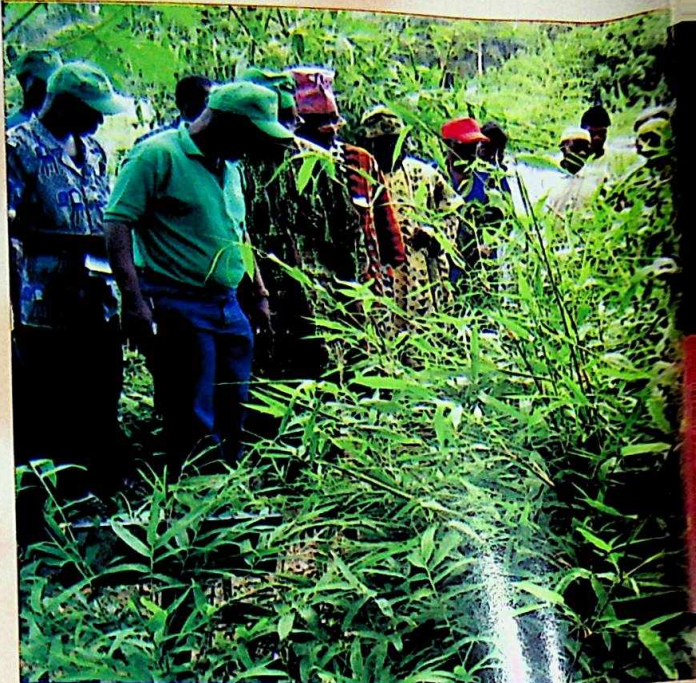
1.1.1 Honey Production (Apiculture)

The Ministry of Forestry succeeded in establishing a Pilot Honey Production Project. A total of 100 beehives were established in all the three Senatorial Districts. The project is a clear demonstration of the capability of honey production to create job thus providing self employment for young school leavers both in the urban and rural areas. In fact, the Ministry is currently working collaboratively with the Gateway Front Foundation (GFF) and AMREC of UNAAB to process and package honey tagged 'Gateway Honey' for sale to members of the public. Bearing this in mind, it is our avowed determination to popularize bee-keeping in the state as a veritable tool for poverty reduction. A 3-day Training Workshop on Community Honey Production for Local Government officials was recently organized by the Ministry in conjunction with the Gateway Front Foundation (GFF), at OGADEP's Training Hall, Idi-Aba, Abeokuta.

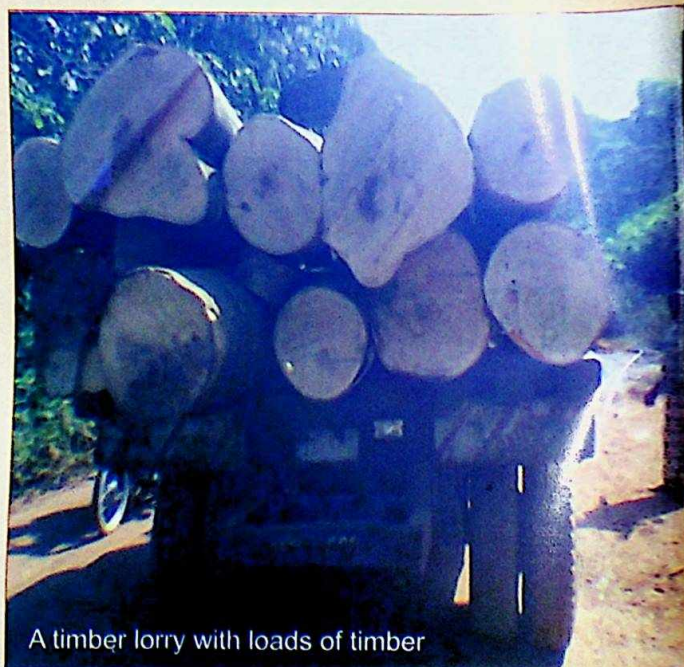
HONEY PRODUCTION AND PACKAGING BY THE MINISTRY OF FORESTRY

1.1.2 Bamboo Production

Bamboo has been identified as "Green Gold," which can complement timber in the manufacture of floor tiles, wall panels, furniture, etc. In fact, bamboo has over 300 uses. The Ministry of Forestry has endeavoured to fast-track the production, processing and utilization of this wonderful crop. To achieve this objective, on May



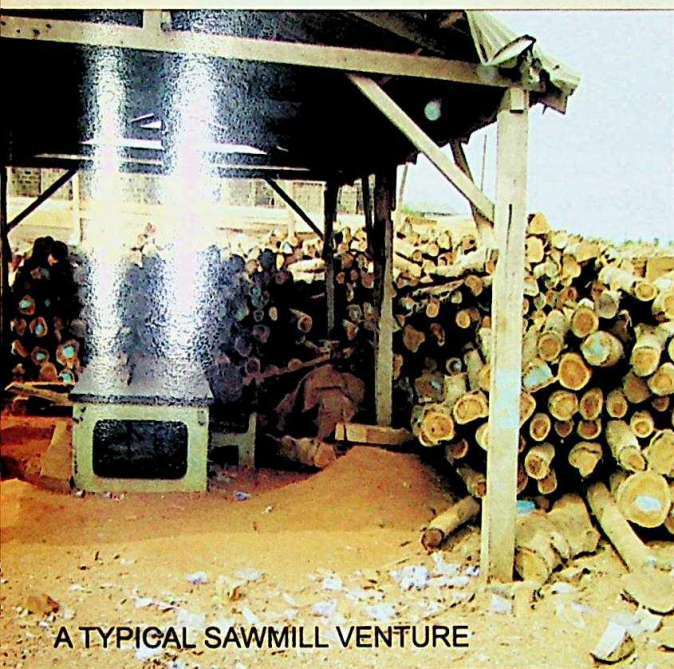
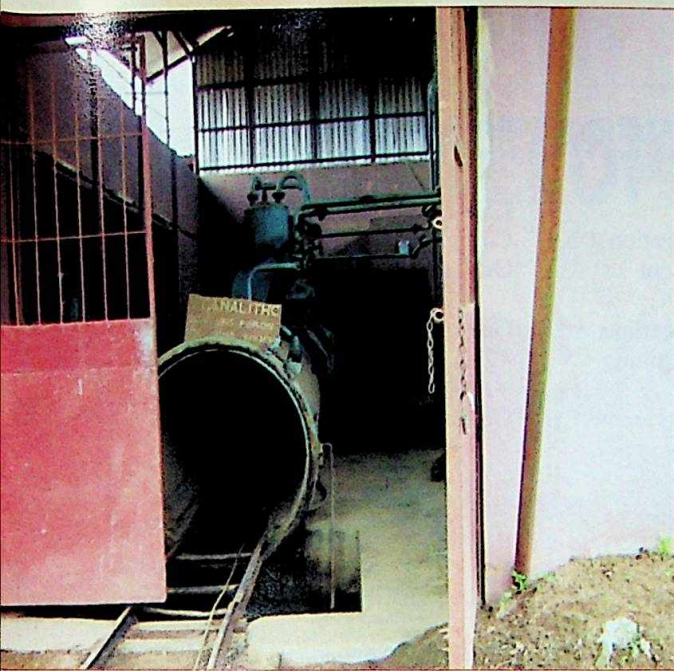
OGD at rice plantation



A timber lorry with loads of timber

5.0 4-YEAR (2008-2011) PLANS - MINISTRY OF FORESTRY

S/No	Proposed Project/Activity	Yearly	
		2008	2009
1.	Timber Seedlings Production	3.5 Nm	3.5 Nm
2.	Forest Plantation Establishment	1,500Ha	1,500Ha
3.	Private Sector, Schools and Community Afforestation Prog.	2,000Ha	3,500Ha
4.	Apiculture	150Hives	300Hives
5.	Sericulture	10Ha	10Ha
6.	Bamboo Production	10Ha	10Ha
7.	Annual Tree Planting Campaign	1	1
8.	Wetland Project	1	1
9.	Wildlife and Ecotourism Dev.	1	1
10.	Seminars/Workshop Training for target groups	2	2
11.	Forest Plantation Maintenance	3,300Ha	1,500Ha
12.	Mushroom Cultivation	2Ha	2Ha
13.	Snail Rearing	500	1,000



A TYPICAL SAWMILL VENTURE

17, 2006, a one-day stakeholders' seminar on "Bamboo Based Development for Poverty Alleviation" took place at the NUT building, in Abeokuta. The seminar was in collaboration with the National Special Programme on Food Security (NSPFS) Abuja.

The Ministry is gradually shifting emphasis to this crop so as to popularize its production, processing and utilization to maximally exploit its economic potentials. In order to put to effect this proposal, the Ministry is partnering with a private company, GLIHIO Nigeria Ltd, to establish 5,000Ha of bamboo plantation in the state. The project will be sited at Akila, in J6 in Ijebu- East, Aworo and Ipake in Yewa North and South, respectively. Nursery works have commenced at Akila.

In addition, a team of experts from Abuja and the Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria (FRIN) visited Ogun State recently to assess our progress on bamboo development. For effective coordination of bamboo development work, a Bamboo Development Committee was set up and it has commenced work in earnest.

GILGATE BAMBOO NURSERY SITE AT AKILA. (PRIVATE INITIATIVE)

1.1.3 Wildlife and Ecotourism

The Ministry of Forestry has identified some potential tourist attraction centres at Area J4, Arakanga and Imeko forest reserves. In 2005, A. G. Leventis indicated interest to develop ecotourism site at Area J4.

PROPOSED ECOTOURISM SITES AT ARAKANGA

4.0 INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE FORESTRY SUB-SECTOR

- Sawmilling.
- Establishment of Carpentry/Furniture workshops.
- Non-wood Forest Projects such as honey, mushroom, Gum Arabic, Sericulture, etc.
- Wildlife and Ecotourism Development.
- Use of wood wastes e.g. Sawdust.

Projection		Remarks
2010	2011	
3.5 Nm	3.5 Nm	Major input required or plantation est.
1,500Ha	1,500Ha	
3,000Ha	4,000Ha	
300Hives	300Hives	Expansion from present 100 Hives
10Ha	10Ha	
10Ha	10Ha	
1	1	Advocacy/ Awareness creation
1	1	
1	1	
2	2	
3,000Ha	4,500Ha	Previously established Plantation inclusive
2Ha	2Ha	New Project
2,000	2,000	



Trial Plantation of Pine Trees

BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT GENERATION

S/N	ACTIVITIES	PROEJCT	LEVEL OF COMPLETION
1.	Flag-off of unemployed in the State	Labour Data Bank Creation	Completed
2.	Job Sourcing and Placement for Unemployed	Establishment of Labour Exchange Centre	On-Going
3.	Registration of unemployed in the State	Labour Data Bank Creation	On-Going
4.	Centralization of the training centre at Odeda	Non Agric Vocation training	40%
5.	Provision of vocational training/consultation in both Agric and non-Agric activities	Regular Training Programme of Ogun State Employment Generation Programme	On-Going
6.	Monitoring and sourcing of permanent employment for the first batch of registered unemployed graduates	OGUGRADS program	On-Going 65% completion for first batch
		Community Based Agric Training	In the pipeline.

GATEWAY RADIO

Gateway Radio, riding high on the steam of its recent return to Broadcasting Excellence, has been holding her own in the Education, Enlightenment, Entertainment and Cultural Propagation of the diverse people of the state.

GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMME

Worthy of note, is the way Gateway Radio has bought into Otunba Gbenga Daniel's Agenda for A secured Future, explaining its various features, highlighting its benefits to members of the public and enlightening and encouraging them to give it their total support. The foregoings were achieved through various programmes including "The other side of the Mirror", "OGD At Your Service"; "G-Radio Panorama" and "Secured Future Agenda".

Gateway Radio has also been given deserved wide coverages to major events, which are covered live including "OGD's Inauguration for the Second Term/President Olusegun Obasanjo's Homecoming and "Ogun State 2006 Awards", "Inauguration of the sixth Legislature of Ogun State House of Assembly".

On the home front, G-Radio continues to strengthen and broaden its horizon in order to continue the renewed Broadcasting Excellence.

Recording Studio

To this end, a modern recording studio has been established through. Internally Generated Revenue and has been saving the station the cost of hiring studios for jingle production and programmes recording.

SMS Short Code

G-Radio in its affirmed stance of making the best

of the information superhighway acquired an SMS Short Code and established the same to enhance its services to its teeming listeners in the South-West. It is also expected to boost its revenue generating efforts. G-Radio SMS Short Code is 32811.

Web-Streaming

Within the last hundred days, G-Radio widened its listenership when it went international through eighteen hours of web streaming daily. Hence, Nigerians particularly Ogun indigenes in the Diaspora are now constantly informed about what is happening at home, what government is doing towards further enhancement of the economy and development of the state. All that needs be done is log on to our website - www.QradiomQ.com. or www.gatewayradionigeria.com.

Recognition

The efforts of the Management and staff of G-Radio did not go unnoticed in the last one hundred days as the station received awards from Nigerian Institute of Personnel Management/Leadership and the Ogun State Command of Nigeria Immigration Services, NIS.

Also at the Ogun State 2006 Awards, G-Radio shone brightly as her staff correspondent, Miss Doyin Lasisi, was honoured with the Media Personality of the Year, while another staff, Mr. Bunmi Ayelaagbe was the first runner-up in this category as well as in the Artiste of Year category. They really made G-Radio proud, and it is believed that these awards would spur the management and staff to greater heights.

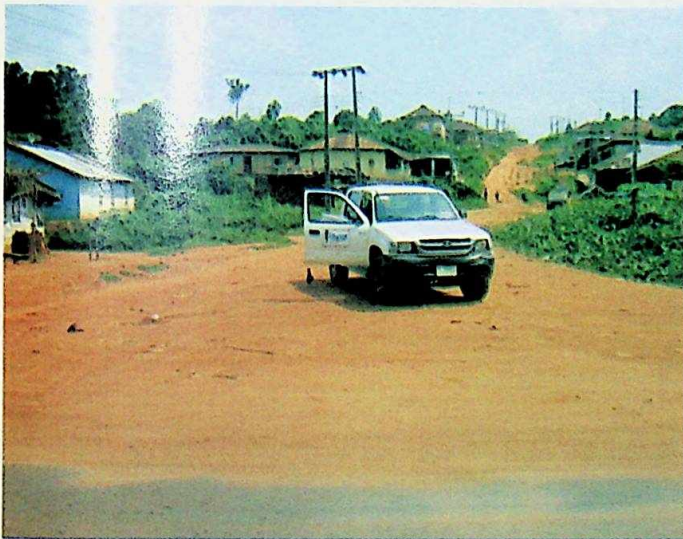
RURAL DEVELOPMENT – ROADS



Aiyegbe endpoint



Atan to Imope to Idofe



Eredo endpoint



Erinja to Eredo



Idofe endpoint

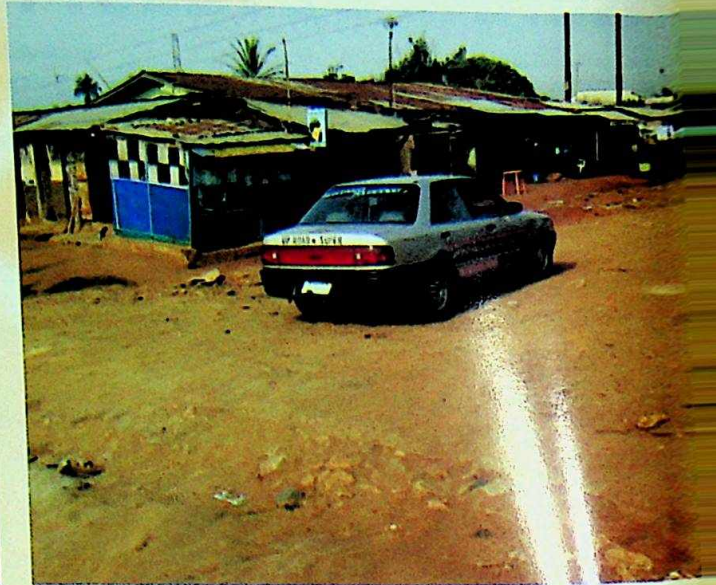


Ijebu-Igbo endpoint

RURAL DEVELOPMENT -ROADS



Imope to Aparaki to Ijebu-Igbo



Likosi starting point to Simawa



Loti endpoint



Obadare market to Simawa



Shagamu to Aiyepe



Simawa endpoint

S/N	PROJECT/ACTIVITIES	Level of completion		Completed	
i.	RAIL DEVELOPMENT				
a.	Iddo - Kajola Light Rail Transit The Lagos rail mass transit projects which was initially designed to start at Iddo (Lagos State) and terminate at Ijoko (Ogun State) had been extended by 5kms to Kajola based on the superior technical explanation of Bureau of Transportation. The project cost (CCECC) put at 450 million US\$ had been reviewed by LAMATA and Bureau of Transportation at US\$ 363 million and On-going Project US\$ 372 million, respectively. BOT has prepared technical specifications for the design and build of the Lagos light Rail Transit, which will be made available for International Competitive Bidding which CCECC could participate if it seems.	On-going project	a.	MANAGEMENT Electronic Registration And Travel Care Completed project preparatory work on electronic road user charges, as an innovation for vehicle registration and renewal coupled with proof of fake vehicle permits detection. Travel Control Reconciliation Initiative (TRAVEL CARE) is also incorporated.	Completed
			b.	ROAD USERS ALERT Flag-off Road User Alert Scheme as an informant and notifier for road users.	Completed
			c.	TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT SCHEME Maximizing the use of existing road ways along Kuto road and Panseke multiple intersections with the deployment of Traffic Management Measures	Completed
			iv.	TRANSPORT SAFETY SCHEMES	
			a.	Pavement Marking: Maintenance of Pavement Markings, Car Parks, and Zebra Crossing. Inscription of directional arrows on the approach road and car parks within the Government House.	Completed
b.	NATIONAL EXPRESS TRAIN PASSENGER PORT TO KANO Finalization of the National Express Train, corridor and station locations at Agbado, Kajola, Papalanto, Abeokuta and Olodo has been completed. The Chinese Civil Engineering Construction Company (CCECC) were made to produce Aerial maps of scales 1: 10,000 and 1:2000.	On-going project	b.	TRAFFIC SIGNAGES Fabricated Signages and introduced Intelligent Bend Schemes.	Completed
ii.	WATER TRANSPORT PROMOTION		c.	WHEEL SAFE LIQUID TYRE SEALANT Installation of Wheel safe Liquid Tyre Sealant on 300 Government vehicles. To prevent accidents injuries and deaths of public officers and loss of amenities.	On-going
a.	Ago-Ika Abeokuta Ferry Operation Private sector concession. Ferry Operations have started at Ago-Ika and Lafenwa, Abeokuta. Ready for launch.	Completed	v.	BUS TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT	
			a.	Procurement of Buses: Facilitation of Messrs Caios Bus Manufacturer of Brasil to supply 200 Facilitation completed Nos. Micro buses of 22 passengers and 12 Nos. Luxurious buses for Poverty Relief and Job Creation Initiatives	Facilitation completed
b.	CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NOS. 30 AND 60 SEATER FERRY BOATS Facilitation of private hydro roads Multi National Company Sector has produced the building of US\$ 2m to 2 Nos. 30 and 60 passengers CAT boats for Olokola OKLNG project.	1 boat completed, 1 boat on-going	b.	OGUN AUTO BOULEVARD PROJECT Establishment of modern computerized bus maintenance workshop and spare parts depot and set-up Bus Assembly plant.	On-going
c.	IDOGO RIVER PORT Award of consultancy services to Aims Consultant for Idogo River Port under the On do water way scheme.	On-going			
iii.	TRAFFIC SYSTEM				



Special duties commissioner Akogun Koa Onadipe (middle) Engineer Mrs. C. Babajide (right) and an Official of the Ministry inspecting Oyan Dam

ACTIVITIES OF OGUN STATE WATER CORPORATION

The drive of the State government to make Ogun State the investment destination of choice is fast yielding results with the influx of people and several business concerns into the State.

Some of these investment drives are:

- Liquefied Natural Gas Project at Olokola
- Export Free Trade Zone at Ogun Water Side
- Cargo Airport at Iperu, and
- Development Pressure Zone (Mega City Region)

All these investment programmes coupled with the pressure from the developing pressure zones have caused a tremendous increase in population and it is still increasing. The resultant effect is the need to invest in Infrastructure to cope with the upsurge in population.

Provision of adequate, potable and quality water to the populace is one of the priorities of this administration. The State Government is aware of the need for the water provision agency to increase its facilities to meet the current challenges and overhaul its system and rehabilitate some of its old schemes to function at optimum capacities while necessary instrument is being put in place to develop Regional Water Schemes whereby all the identified six regions by the Regional Master plan are catered for. These would involve, Water Supply development that would optimize the available yield from the major rivers sources within the state.

In this regard, the State Government has taken bold steps to develop Regional Water Schemes designed for 2025 horizon:

- Proposed expansion of Apoje regional water scheme to 400 mld to supply the entire Ijebu corridor up to Sagamu and Mowe corridor. Also to complement the existing scheme.
- Proposed Yewa regional water scheme with the capacity of 200mld to cater for the entire Ipokia and supplying up to the boundary of Alimosho (Lagos

State Boundary) with Ogun State.

- The proposed 700mld Mokoloki regional water scheme to supply the entire Owode, Ota up to Sagamu and back to Mowe corridor.

Necessary dialogue is on-going with the Federal Ministry of Water Resources, the Ogun-Osun River Basin Authority and the Mega City Authority on the above to ensure adequate raw water release from the River Basin Authority and where necessary expansion of impounding reservoir. Urban Water supply investment is capital intensive hence Multilateral funding would be required for these projects.

The challenges that we have had to face as a government in the area of water provision and distribution is enormous, this gave birth to the launch of a new corporate image for Ogun State Water Corporation tagged "**THE NEW DAWN**" on the 2nd of February 2007. Presently the amount of money spent in the provision and distribution of potable and pipe borne water is colossal in relation to the amount generated in terms of revenue collected, which is a far cry from the investment.

A total commitment is required of all to be able to have a sustainable water supply.

Complete reform of Ogun State Water Corporation is on-going to ensure right posture for the tasks ahead. A new General Manager/Chief Executive Officer is in place. An Executive Director Operations has also been appointed. Also, 68 new professionals out of which 50 are Engineers has been injected into the system. With this posture, the State Water Agency is set to achieve its objectives. It is clear in the mind of all that the reform is vital and the Government is in full support of the change.

The issue of commercial responsiveness is also being addressed to ensure that the water agency is able to break even.

**100 DAYS IN OFFICE OF
HIS EXCELLENCY, OTUNBA GBENGA DANIEL.**

S / N	LOCATION	DESCRIPTIONS OF ACTIVITIES
	WATER TREATMENT CHEMICAL	
1	Procurement of chemicals for all schemes in the state.	a. Locally sourced: Aluminum sulphate, hydrated lime, H.T.H b. Imported: Aluminum sulphate, H.T.H, chlorine gas c. Chlorine gas d. Sodium silicate
2	Owode Yewa, Ikangba, Adatan, Alamala, Ijebu Mushin	Disludging, Cleaning and Disinfection of Reservoirs
3	Abeokuta, Ijebu-Ode, Remo, Yewa.	Provision of water test kits
4	Abeokuta, Ijebu-Ode, Remo, Yewa.	Cleaning and disinfection of Sedimat and Clearwater tank
5	Abeokuta	Replacement of Faulty Laboratory equipment with modern equipment
	ELECTROMECHANICAL EQUIPMENT	
1	Abeokuta	3nos 1100kw Electric motors were purchased for Abeokuta main scheme water works High Lift Pumps
	Ibara Booster	Procurement and installation of 250KVA Gen.set
	Imeko	Rehabilitation of Imeko Waterworks
	Ikangba	Installation of 55kw submersible pump set at Ikangba to boost output
	CONSTRUCTION OF EMERGENCY WATER TANKS	A
1	Abeokuta, Ota, Ijebu-Ode, Sagamu, Ilaro.	Construction of 50 Number of emergency water tanks.
	PROCUREMENT OF VEHICLES	
1	Egba/Yewa zone and Ijebu Remo Zone	Procurement of 2 numbers Nissan Sunny cars
	DRILLING / REHABILITATION OF BORE HOLES	
1	Abeokuta	Provision of potable water at Laderin housing estate. This includes Drilling of batteries of borehole, provision of storage tankers, distribution network and treatment plant.
		Drilling of borehole at Elewe-Eran borehole

3	Sagamu Improvement Water Project	Rehabilitation and expansion of existing water treatment plant
4	Ijebu-Ode Improvement Water Project	Rehabilitation and expansion of existing water treatment plant
5	Ifo-Akinsinde Improvement Water Project	Rehabilitation and expansion of existing water treatment plant
6	Procurement Consultancy for Project Implementation	Capacity building at PIU
7	Billing Soft ware Consultancy	Conversion of Microsoft access billing software to oracle based billing software
8	Pipe Network System Mtce Consultancy	To identify and map out water distribution pipeline
9	Geophysical Investigation within Ogun State	Evaluation of boreholes and ancillary facilities
10	Rehabilitation of Sedimentation Tanks	Improvement of water treatment quality
11	Supply of Chemical/Laboratory Equipments	To analyze and purify water during treatment
12	Procurement of Electromechanically Tools	To enhance/ effect repairs on electromechanical equipments
13	Procurement of Nozzle	To replace worn out nozzle caps for effective water filtration
14	Insurance for 4 vehicles	Insurance cover for vehicles against any form of risk
15	Rehabilitation of Staff Quarters Abeokuta Head Works	Improvement of staff welfare
16	Repair of Generating Set	Repair, overhauling and servicing of generating sets within the Corporation at Ikangba 700 Kva 2 numbers, Alapo350 Kva (2nos), Ijebu-Ife 35 Kva, 2nos, Ijebu-Itele 80 Kva, Ijebu-Mushin 14 Kva, Alamala 250 Kva, Iberekodo 650 Kva.
17	Procure & Install Ground Level Water Tank	Provision of new water tank to aid water distribution
18	Rehabilitation of Ground Level Water Tank	Repair of damaged water tank
19	Procure and Install Tank for Diesoline	Provision of storage facility for diesel to tackle the epileptic power supply
20	Body works and branding of Vehicles	Branding of OGSWC vehicles (blue & white)
21	Engineering Supervision Consultancy of Sagamu and Ijebu-Ode Works	Supervision of Works Contracts in Sagamu and Ijebu-Ode

LATEST REPORT ON ALL BOREHOLES SUNK BY RURAL WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION ALL OVER OGUN STATE

S/NO.	LOCATIONS	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA	REMARKS
1	Ala 1	ODOGBOLU	Motorized, Functioning
2.	Ala 2	"	Motorized, Functioning
3.	Igbile 1	"	Motorized, Functioning
4.	Igbile 2	"	Motorized, Functioning
5.	Ile Osi Jobore	"	Motorized, Functioning
6.	Ibido Omu	"	Motorized, Functioning
7.	Ikise	"	Motorized, Functioning
8.	Bishop Daniel Str.	"	Motorized, Functioning
9.	Isiwo Road	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
10.	Aberkuta Road (Okun Owa)	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
11.	Odebowu (Okun Owa)	"	Motorized, Functioning
12.	Idon Qrts (Okun Owa)	"	Motorized, Functioning
13.	Iperin	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
14.	Imodi	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
15.	Ayepe Garage	"	Motorized, Functioning
16.	Ayepe Araromi	"	Motorized, Functioning
17.	Ayepe, Ikenne Road	"	Motorized, Functioning
18.	Oke-Orundun	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
19.	Ibido Ogbo	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
20.	Ijele Ogbo	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
21.	Abapawa	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
22.	Odo Siwaren/Alumapebi	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
23.	Erebe	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
24.	Irete	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
25.	Ikasi Kajola	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
26.	Eyinwa	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
27.	Okeyemi	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
28.	Ilupeju Ayetoro	YEWA NORTH	Motorized, Functioning
29.	Apostolic Road	"	Motorized, Functioning
30.	Oke - Irori	"	Motorized, Functioning
31.	Isale Alapinni	YEWA NORTH	Hand Pump, Functioning
32.	Ita 308	"	Motorized, Functioning
33.	Oke Iboro	"	Motorized, Functioning
34.	Oja Odan	"	Hand Pump, Functioning

35.	Ketu Ayetoro	"	Motorized, Functioning
36.	Alarinwo	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
37.	Sawonjo	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
38.	Imoto Yewa	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
39.	Ibese 1	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
40.	Ibese 2	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
41.	Ojusakin	"	Motorized, Functioning
42.	Ewupe	ADO - ODO/ OTA	Motorized, Functioning
43.	Ago - Isaga	"	Motorized, Not Functioning Vandalized
44.	Ojupopo	"	Motorized, Functioning
45.	Agoro	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
46.	Tetiku	"	Motorized, Functioning
47.	Onajo (Oke Suna)	"	Motorized, Functioning
48.	Isalu	"	Motorized, Functioning
49.	Panada Osi	"	Motorized, Functioning
50.	Oloruntosin	"	Motorized, Functioning
51.	Idomo/Erinsa	"	Motorized, Functioning
52.	Onibisere	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
53.	Agelete	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
54.	Odan Abuja sule	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
55.	Ikogbo	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
56.	Igbodo	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
57.	Araromi Market	IPOKIA	Hand Pump Not, Functioning
58.	Wuku Iseje	"	Motorized Functioning
59.	Aholome	"	Motorized Functioning
60.	Ipinle	"	Motorized Functioning
61.	Atapa Ibilafon	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
62.	Idabata	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
63.	Oniro	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
64.	Whekan	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
65.	Iguu	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
66.	Izigi	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
67.	Powerline	IFO	Motorized, Not Functioning Vandalized
68.	Orile Ifo	"	Motorized, Functioning
69.	Daleko	"	Motorized, Functioning
70.	Lemode	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
71.	Legun	"	Motorized, Functioning
72.	Adalemo	"	Motorized, Functioning
73.	Ajipatutu	EWEKORO	Motorized, Functioning
74.	Morekete	"	Motorized, Functioning
75.	Elere Adubi	"	Motorized, Functioning
76.	Akinale	"	Motorized, Functioning
77.	Ewuga	SAGAMU	Hand Pump, Functioning
78.	Igbololo	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
79.	Madiyan	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
80.	Atan	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
81.	Ewu Apena	"	Hand Pump, Functioning

82.	Ewu Nla	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
83.	Moborode (Isara)	REMO NORTH	Motorized, Functioning
84.	Oke Ola (Isara)	"	Motorized, Functioning
85.	Oke Bola (Isara)	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
86.	Okedolokun	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
87.	Egunfoye	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
88.	Agorigo	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
89.	Kajola	"	Hand Pump, Functioning
90.	Silalu	"	Hand Pump, Not Functioning
91.	Togburen/Kitibotu	OGUN WATER SIDE	Motorized, Functioning
92.	Olorunsogo	"	Motorized, Functioning
93.	Ologbun	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
94.	Alo	"	Motorized, Functioning
95.	Shanlu	"	Motorized, Functioning
96.	Origele	"	Hand Pump Not Functioning
97.	May flower	IKNNE LOCAL GOVT.	Motorized, Functioning
98.	Maberu	"	Motorized, Not Functioning
99.	Kajola	"	Motorized, Functioning
100.	Akinola	"	Motorized, Functioning

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROJECTS IN 2007

S/N	PROJECTS	LOCATION	STAGE OF COMPLETION
1	Procurement of 60 No transformers for distribution of 3 No per LG	As per attached list	100% Completion
2	Electrification of Victory Life Bible Church, Okuro and Atokun Villages	VLBC, Okuro and Atokun Villages	Completed (Awaiting energisation)
3	Provision of Relieving Substations.	Adigbe and Abule Olomore	Completed and Energised
4	Provision of Relieving Substations at Lanfenwa Sawmill/Abbator and Ilugun.	Lanfenwa Sawmill and Ilugun Community	Completed but awaiting energization

LIST OF 60 TRANSFORMERS DISTRIBUTED TO THE 20 LGS

NO	RATING	LOCATION	LOCAL GOVERNMENT
1	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Arigbawonwo Community	Obafemi/Owode
2	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ojere/Onikolobo Community	"
3	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Akoka Area, Ibafo Community	"
4	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Adedotun Community	Abeokuta/North
5	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Abule Olosun Community	"
6	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Idi-Ori Community	"
7	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ikereku Community	Ewekoro
8	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Osipori Community	"
9	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Yobo Community	"
10	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Alamutu Community	Odeda
11	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Bale Ogunbayo Community	"
12	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Itesi Emulu Community	"
13	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Agbede, Agbado Community	Ifo
14	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ishaga Abosule Community	"
15	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Akute Community	"
16	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ijemo Community	Abeokuta South
17	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Nawarudeen Community, Isabo	"
18	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ijeun Leme Community	"

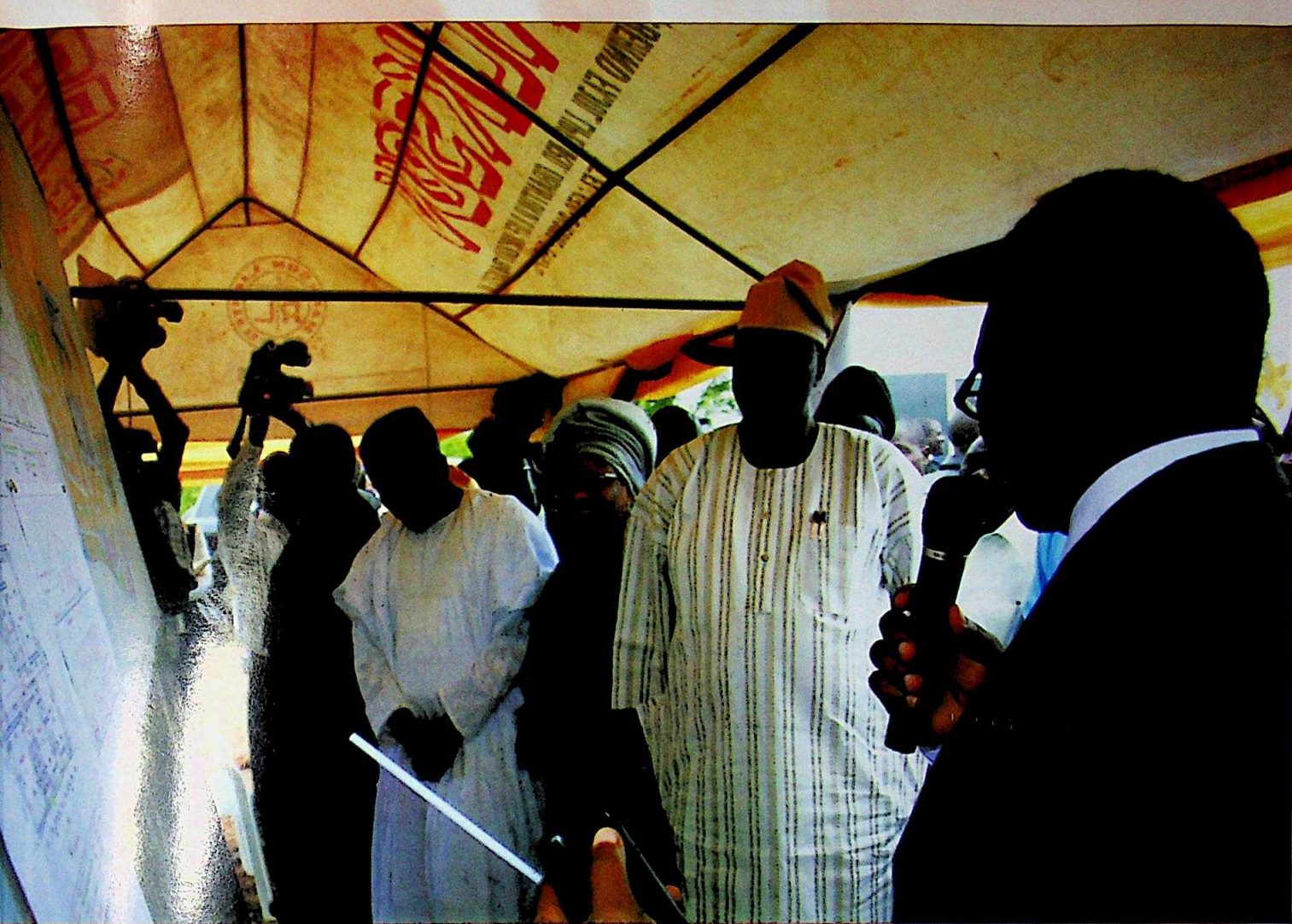
19	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Bonojo/Arigbabu/Odiolowo Community	Ijebu Ode
20	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ikanigbo/Mobasoro/Odiolowo Community	"
21	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Govt. Science Teachers College	"
22	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Isara Community	Remo North
23	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ode-Remo Community	"
24	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ilara Community	"
25	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ode-Remo Rd, Community Ogere	Ikenne
26	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Iperu Road, Ilisan	"
27	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ayeluja Street, Idarika, Iperu	"
28	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Imaweje Community	Odogbolu
29	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ikenne Road, Odogbolu	"
30	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Woodworkers Ass. Ala-Eriwe Rd.	
31	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ogbere Community	Ijebu East
32	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Esure, Ijebu Imusin	"
33	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ogbere Community	"
34	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Oketako Community	Ijebu North
35	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ago Iwoye Express Extension	"
36	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Atikori Community	"
37	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Iwesi Community	Ijebu Nort East
38	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Idono/Ipari Community	"
39	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Imomo Community	"
40	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Iwopin Community	Ogun Waterside
41	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ibiade Community	"
42	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Iwopin Community	"
43	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Sagamu Community	Sagamu
44	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ogijo Community	"
45	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	General Hospital, Ode-Lemo	"
46	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Oke Ola Community, Sango	Adodo/Ota
47	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Afobaje Estate, Ota	"
48	500KVA; 11/0.415KV	Imole Iye Community	"
49	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Maun Community	Ipokia
50	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ajgunle Community	"
51	500KVA; 33/0.415KV	Ipokia Community	"
52	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Owode Alagbon Community	Yewa North
53	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Sabo K & S Churech Area, Ilaro	"
54	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ikosi Extension, Ilaro	"
55	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Iwoye Community	Imeko/Afon
56	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Celecial Church Area, Imeko	"
57	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Imeko Community	"
58	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Igbogila Community	Yewa North
59	300KVA; 33/0.415KV	Papa Oloshuin	"
60	300KVA; 11/0.415KV	Ayetero Community	"

13	Engineering Rehabilitation Studies of Sagamu and Ijebu-Ode Schemes	To determine the rehabilitation work extent
14	Procurement of Laptops	Supply of IT equipment to Staff
15	Procure & Install of Water Stand Point	Provision of emergency water supply within Abeokuta
16	Re-roofing of burnt workshop & chemical store	Rehabilitation of damaged workshop
17	Provision of Pallets for Chemical Store	Protection of alum sulphate and hydrated lime
18	Procurement of Laptops	Supply of IT equipment to Staff
19	Provision/rehabilitation of Mini & Micro Water Works	Rehabilitation and expansion of existing water treatment plant
20	Procure & Install Chlorinator- Abeokuta Head Works	To replace spoilt chlorination system for effective dosing of chlorine
21	Engineering Rehabilitation Studies of Abeokuta, Ogere, Ijebu-Igbo and Ifo-Akinsinle Schemes	To determine the rehabilitation work extent
22	Feasibility Studies and Detailed Engineering Design for Ota	To determine the rehabilitation work extent
23	Customer Enumeration & Mapping in Ogun	To up date OGSWC customer data base
24	Technical Assistance for Operational Improvement of Abeokuta Works	Provision of technical assistance in scheme's operation
25	Procurement Consultancy for Project Implementation	Capacity building at PIU
26	One Year Internet service	To provide communication and internet services
27	Billing Software Consultancy	Conversion of Microsoft access billing software to oracle based billing software
28	Pipe Network System Mtce Consultancy	To identify and map out water distribution pipeline
29	Geophysical Investigation within Ogun State	Evaluation of boreholes and ancillary facilities
30	Emergency Rehabilitation of Abeokuta Main Scheme under Technical Assistance	Improvement of water treatment quality
31	Rehabilitation of Sedimentation Tanks	Improvement of water treatment quality
32	Supply of Chemical/Laboratory Equipments	To analyze and purify water during treatment
33	Procurement of Electro-Mechanical Tools	To enhance/ effect repairs on electromechanical equipments
34	Procurement of Nozzle Caps	To replace worn out nozzle caps for effective water filtration
35	Ijebu-Igbo Improvement Water Project	Rehabilitation and expansion of existing water treatment plant Consultancy
33	Ogere Improvement Water Project	Rehabilitation and expansion of existing water treatment plant Consultancy.

DISTRIBUTION NETWORK		
1	Kuto Bus-Stop	Relocation and replacement of 200mm diameter AC Governor's Office pumping line with 200mm Steel pipe
2	Oke-Abetu LantoroAbeokuta	Extension of 100mm diameter AC distribution pipeline.
3	Onirugba in Ijebu-Ode	Extension of 100mm diameter AC distribution pipeline.
4	OGD,Housing Est.	Extension of 150mm and100mm diameter AC distribution pipeline.

WORLD BANK ASSISTED PROJECT

1	Operational Support and Project Vehicle for OGSWC	Procurement of 24 Light vehicles, 4 Heavy vehicles and 30 motorcycles scheme's operation and project management
2	Operational Support and Project Vehicle (Heavy) Lot II	Procurement of 5 Nose heavy vehicles for scheme's operation and management
3	Operational Support and Project Vehicle (Motorcycles) Lot III	Procurement of 30 numbers Motorcycles for Water Distribution and Revenue Collection in all Area Offices
2	Procurement of Project Implementation IT Equipment	Supply of IT equipment to assist project implementation
3	Procurement of Electricity meters for water schemes	To determine consumption rates of various consumers
4	Procurement of Office Equipment/Furniture for Project Implementation	Supply of office furniture to assist project implementation
9	Procurement of Office Equipment for Project Implementation	Supply of office equipment to assist project implementation
10	Procurement of Office Equipment for PIU Lot II	Supply of office equipment to assist project implementation
5	Procurement of Generating Set for Project Implementation	To supply and install generating set to provide alternative power supply
6	Procurement of IT Equipment for OGSWC Management	Supply of IT equipment to Management Staff
7	Printing of OGSWC Billing Forms	Production of billing forms to enhance revenue generation
8	Procurement of Internet Bandwidth for Project Implementation	To provide communication and internet services
9	Supply of Pump sets, electric motors, starters and auxiliaries	Procurement of new pumps and auxiliaries at various water plants
16	Supply of Starters and Auxiliaries	Supply of Starters and Auxiliaries for submersible pumps
10	Renovation of OGSWC Training Centre	Provision of conducive training environment to enhance productive performance
11	Project Implementation Office Building Renovation	Replacement of old and dilapidated roof
32	Replacement/relocation of main electrical power supply cables and components at PIU	To forestall power outage as a result of worn-out cables/power supply equipments



Governor Daniel being briefed by General Manager Housing Corporation, Engineer Felix Adenaike

MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATIVES

HISTORICAL AND OPERATIONAL BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Community Development and Cooperatives was created in April 2005 by His Excellency, Otunba Gbenga Deniel, Governor of Ogun State, as part of his administration's efforts to develop infrastructures at the grassroots through the framework of Community Development and Cooperative Societies. It was created to serve as a bridge between the Local government, State government and the people at the community level who overtime, had not been recognized, catered for and largely abandoned.

The Cooperative Services Department of the then Ministry of Commerce, Industries and Cooperatives, and the Community Development Department of the former Ministry of Women Affairs and Community Department were excised from their parent Ministries to form the nucleus of the new Ministry of Community Development and Cooperatives.

MINISTRY'S POLICY THRUST

(a) Mobilization of the Community Development Association and Associations and Cooperative Societies as the agent of grassroots development and economic empowerment.

(b) Mainstreaming Peace-Building and conflict resolution into Community Development Practices.

(c) Facilitating the growth of Apex Trades Association.

DEPARTMENTS AND WORK PROCEDURE

Structurally, the Ministry operates four (4) Department viz: Finance and Administration, Community Development, Cooperative Services, and Planning, Research and Statistics. The Ministry also runs two (2) training institutes viz: Cooperative College, Abeokuta and the Social Development Institute (Shasha), Iperu.

(A) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Structure

The Department operates twenty (20) Zonal Offices, spread across all the Local Governments in the state. The Zonal Community Development Officers are charged with the responsibility of mobilizing and motivating the people, including monitoring of Community self-help projects at the grassroots. The Department also oversees the

Social Development Institute, Shasha, Iperu. The Institute is affiliated to the Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, and runs the following courses:

- (a) Certificate course in social work (12 months)
- (b) 2 – Year Diploma Course in Social Development
- (c) Citizenship and Leadership training programme for Community Leaders.

The students' enrolment at the Social Development Institute for 2006/2007 academic session stands at One Hundred and Fifty Six (156), details of which are as follows:

Certificate Course	-	20
Diploma I	-	78
Diploma II	-	58
Total	-	156

However, at the inception of this administration, the figure for 2002/ 2003 academic session was as follows:

Certificate Course	-	9
Diploma I	-	56
Diploma II	-	51
Total	-	116

The Community Development Department comprises three Divisions at the Headquarters as follows:

- (a) **Community Organization and Education Division:** The Division is responsible for registering, mobilizing and sensitizing Community Development Associations on the need to embark on self-help projects and economic empowerment programmes that will improve the living standard of the people.
- (b) **Research and Training Division:** The Division is responsible for staff welfare and organisation of training, seminar and short courses for staff. It also monitors the activities of the Social Development Institute (Shasha), Iperu.
- (c) **Community Self-Help Projects Division:** The

Division is in charge of monitoring the self-help projects being executed by the Community Development Associations, including the award of grants-in-aid and subventions to eligible Community Development Associations. It also anchors the implementation of the Matching Grant scheme.

The distribution of grants is usually performed by the state chief Executive who is also the Grand Patron of Ogun State Community Development Council. To the credit, the present administration has disbursed 2004 and 2006 Grants-in-aid to worthy self-help projects.

Functions of the Community Development Department

The Department is charged with the underlisted functions:

- I. Motivation and mobilization of rural communities and urban dwellers to provide most of their needs by themselves, with minimum support from the Government
- II. Promotion of effective community organization and education to prepare the people for improved management of their affairs.
- III. Collaboration with financial Institutions/Development Partners to organize, plan and implement Integrated Rural Development (IFRD) Scheme; and
- IV. Capacity building programmes for community development personnel and volunteers
- V. Ensuring conflict resolution and peace building in the communities.

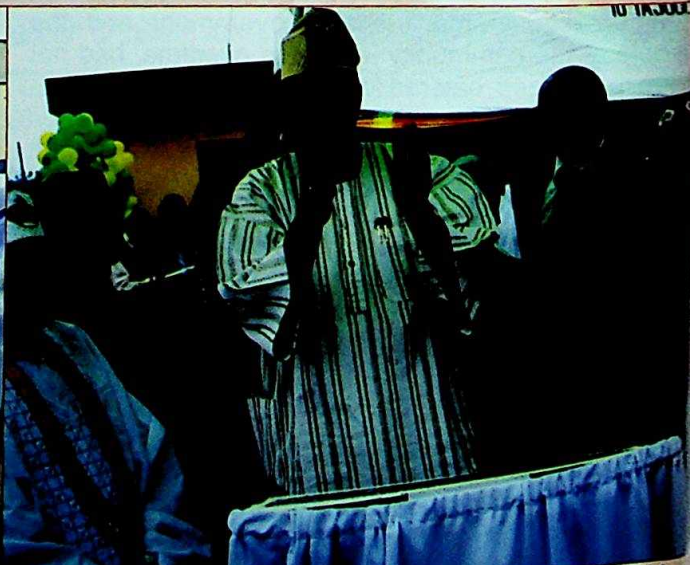
Structure of Community Development Organizations in the State:

The hierarchy of Community Development Organizations in the states as follows:

- (a) **PRIMARY LEVEL:** Currently, there are three thousand and ninety two (3,092) registered Community Development Associations in the state. Comparatively, 2,627 CDAs were registered before the inception of the



Commissioning of blocks of classrooms at the school of Nursing Ilaro



Commissioning of project by Otunba Gbenga Daniel



Gov. Daniel assisted by Dr. Tunji Otegbeye to commission a project at Yewa Zone of the State



Architect. Ayo Vaughn briefing Gov. Daniel and Oba Gbadebo on the model of 250 workers houses

administration.

(b) **TERTIARY LEVEL:**

This comprises:

- I. Twenty (20) Zonal Community Development Committees (ZCDCs); and
- II. Fifty-six (56) Area Community Development Committees (ACDCs)

(c) **THE APEX BODY:**

The Ogun State Community Development Council (OGSCDC) is the apex body for all Community Development Associations in Ogun State. It was formally inaugurated on 18th October, 1980.

PHILOSOPHY OF THE OGUN STATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The philosophy of the State Community Development programme is to educate, sensitize, motivate and stimulate the people so that they could be the architects of their own developmental programmes. In essence, the concept is the development of the people by the people, for the people. Emphasis is therefore placed on the improvement of the people's skill in the organization and execution of their own projects.

Achievements of the Community Development Department

The achievements of the Community Development Department include the following:

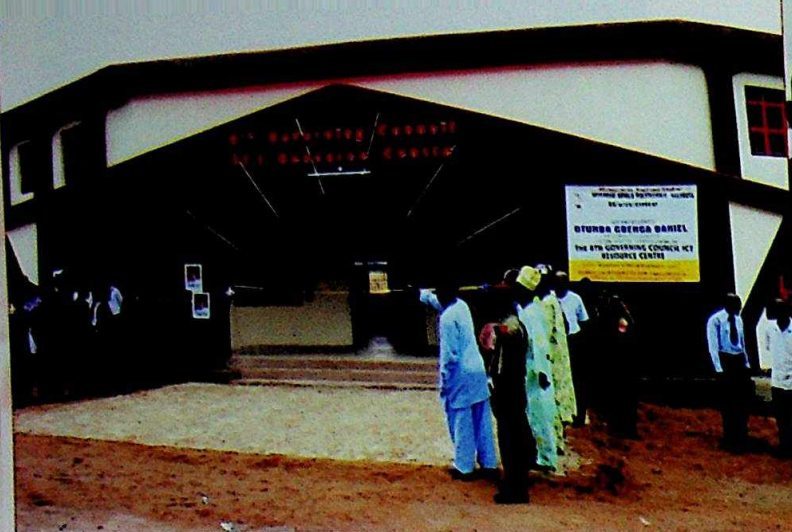
- Ø Disbursement of grants-in-aid to worthy self-help projects for 2004, 2005 and 2006. 600 CDAs, 116 ACDCs and 60 ZDCs have benefited from the grants-in-aid.
- Ø Organisation of three (3) Citizenship and Leadership training workshops for 220 leaders of community Development Associations in the State.
- Ø Facilitating the formation of Ogun State Trade Council;
- Ø Participating in the Ward-to-Ward Community Development Assessment Tour of His Excellency,

Otunba Gbenga Daniel, Governor of Ogun State from 30th May, 2006 to 3rd February, 2007. A comprehensive Report of the tour of twenty Local Governments covered had been compiled and submitted to His Excellency;

- Ø Celebration of the golden jubilee anniversary of the Social Development Institute, (Shasha) Iperu.
- Ø Institutionalization of the Matching Grant Scheme for the execution of special self-help projects by Community Development Associations;
- Ø Presentation of one 10-seater bus, each, donated by the State Government to the Ogun State Community Development Council and the Social Development Institute (Shasha), Iperu; in 2006.
- Ø Established Olokola (Ode-Omi) Free Trade Zone Community consultative Forum that serves as the communication channel for the people of Ode – Omi in respect of projects of the OKFTZ. A MOU has been signed in this regard. Also, regular training should be organized for members of the Forum.
- Ø Resolution of conflict at Itoki Community of land matters and at West African Gas project also at Itoki.
- Ø Facilitated the maiden Exchange visit of the Ogun State Community Development Council to Osun State; and
- Ø Mobilization of national support for the election of the immediate past Chairman of the Ogun State Community Development Council as the new President of the National Community Development Council of Nigeria.

Outstanding/Ongoing Assignments

- (i) Implementation of the Matching Grant Scheme
Consequent upon the approval of the institutional and funding arrangements for the implementation of the Matching Grant Local Government Coordinating Committee had been inaugurated in three Local Governments. The State Governor is yet to inaugurate the Matching Grant State Coordinating Committee.



Newly commissioned ICT block at MAPOLY



OGD unveiling the commemorative plaque at OGD workers estate.

(ii) Diary of towns' Day Celebration

The Ministry participates in various Town's Day Celebration and is currently compiling a comprehensive Diary of such annual Celebrations, Statewide.

(iii) Interactive Session

The Ministry plans to invite prominent indigenes drawn from all the Local Governments to an interactive session, aimed at sensitizing them on the need to identify with community development initiatives in their respective communities. Some Local Governments have forwarded the list of their representatives.

(iv) National Conference on Community Development in Nigeria (28th January – 2nd February, 2007)

In furtherance of the partnership between the Government, International Development Agencies, private sector and non-governmental organizations towards the promotion of community driven development, a national conference on Community Development in Nigeria, the first of its kind, was held at Abuja between 28th January and 2nd February, 2007. Expectedly, this ministry participated at the conference in order to gain more experience as well as establish

sustainable partnerships that will strengthen Community Development practice in the state. The report of the conference from the Federal Department of Community Development is being awaited.

(v) Projects Certification by CDAs

It was the Ministry's plan to ensure that CDAs are involved in the certification of projects executed by the Local Governments. However, the Local Government Chairmen have not been favourably disposed to this idea.

(vi) Establishment of Community Development Boards.

In order to create structures and environments favourable for the economic empowerment of the CDAs and Area Community Development (ACDC), Community Development Boards are to be established along the traditional communities existing in each Local Government. The Board will benefit from the exposure and influence of important sons and daughters and dignitaries from the traditional communities for contact and financing of economic projects.

(vii) Governing Council for the Social Development Institute, (Shasha), Iperu

The Ministry has forwarded a memo to His



Project commission by OGD



Chief of Staff to the Governor, Chief Yomi Majekodunmi and Yemi Shodimu at a function

Excellency, proposing names of members of the Governing Council for the Social Development Institute. The Governor's approval for the inauguration of the Council is being awaited.

(Viii) Database on Community Development Associations

As part of efforts to have an accurate and up-to-date database on all Community Development Associations in the state, the Ministry has designed a questionnaire. The data generated from the questionnaire will be analyzed and linked to His Excellency's network and the state's website in order to facilitate easy access to information relating to Community Development Associations. Data generation for this purpose is on – going as CDAs are formed and registered on a regular basis.

(ix) Registration of Trade Associations

The Ministry has also designed a form for registration of Trade Associations in the state. Already, sixty Trade Associations have collected the prescribed form while only forty eight (48) have returned the duly completed forms.

LINKAGES WITH OTHER AGENCIES AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

In furtherance of its functions, the Department interfaces with a host of Agencies and Development Partners as follows:

- Ø **Ministry of Health** in respect of the National Programme on Immunization (NPI); Nutrition and Child Care and the State Action Committee on AIDS (SACA);
- Ø **Ministry of Environment** in respect of Community – Based Waste Management programmes;
- Ø **Ministry of Education** in respect of early Childhood Care Programmes;
- Ø **Bureau of Management and Budget** in respect of UNICEF – assisted Community Development Programmes;
- Ø **Local Government Councils** in respect of training of their indigenes for the Citizenship and Leadership (C & L) training programme at the Social Development Institute (Shasha), Iperu;
- Ø **Olabisi Onabanjo University** to which the Social Development Institute, (Shasha), Iperu is affiliated;
- Ø **Tai Solarin University of Education** in respect of Direct admission of Graduates of the Diploma programme of the Social Development Institute, Iperu to first degree course in Social work.
- Ø **National Poverty Eradication Programme (NAPEP)** in respect of sourcing international support for Community – Based infrastructures under the UN Millennium Development Goals project;
- Ø **Ministry of Special Duties** in respect of collation of requests by various communities for the supply of Transformers;
- Ø Liaison with Private Financial Institution for collaborative efforts on securing the much needed capital to develop our communities, through joint participation in community based self-help



Classroom session at an ICT centre

development projects.

(B) COOPERATIVE DEPARTMENT

Structure

Structurally, the Department operates through eight (8) Zonal offices located at Abeokuta, Ijebu-ode, Sagamu, Ilaro, Otta, Ijebu-Igbo, Ayetoro and Abigi. The Zonal offices serve as outlets for discharging the statutory functions of the Department at the grassroots.

The Department also oversees the Ogun State Cooperative College, Ijeja, Abeokuta. The College is affiliated to the Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye. It runs the Certificate and Diploma Programmes in Cooperative and Business Management.

Functions

The Department is charged with the following functions and responsibilities:

- (i) Registration of Cooperative Societies;
- (ii) Arbitration in disputes involving Cooperative Societies and their past/present members;
- (iii) Inspection/auditing of the accounting books and records of Cooperative Organizations;
- (iv) Inquiry into the financial status of Cooperative Organizations;
- (v) Liquidation of moribund/non-functional Cooperative organizations;
- (vi) Division and Amalgamation of Cooperative organizations;
- (vii) Capacity building
- (viii) Writing of feasibility and performance evaluation reports on Cooperative Societies.

(c) Computerisation of Data on Cooperative Societies/Unions

At its inception, the Ministry commenced the computerization of data on Cooperative Societies/Unions. When completed, members of the public would be able to access relevant and up-to-date information on the activities of all registered Cooperative organization in the State.

(d) Committee on the Reform of Cooperatives in Ogun State

As part of efforts to rejuvenate and reposition Cooperatives in the States, the Ministry set up a nine – member committee to examine the



Newly purchased Hilux pick-up for security surveillance

structure and overall management of Cooperative Organisations, identify the problems militating against their optimal performance, undertake a comprehensive review of the existing cooperative laws and regulations and recommend appropriate reforms, where necessary. The Committee submitted its report on 28th December, 2006.

(E) Mass Postings of Cooperative Officers

In order to overhaul the staffing positions at its headquarters and field formations, comprehensive postings of different levels of officers in the Registrar and Cooperative Officer Cadres were recently carried out.

(f) OBJ/OGD Farmer's Empowerment Scheme

The Ministry also spearheaded the active participation of the State Government in the implementation of the National Agricultural Credit Support Scheme for farmers, popularly known in Ogun State as OBJ/OGD Farmer's Employment Scheme.

(g) Formation of Cooperative Societies

At the expiration of the immediate past administration in the State, Five Thousand, Three Hundred and Sixteen (5,316) cooperative societies were in existence. During the first tenure in office of the administration of His Excellency Otunba 'Gbenga Daniel alone, the number of cooperative societies formed increased by One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Eighty-Three (1,783) which is 33.54%. Thus there are Seven Thousand and Ninety-Nine (7,099) Cooperative Societies, to date.

(h) Capital Base

At the expiration of the immediate past administration in the State, the capital base of cooperative societies amounted to N422.1m made up of N214.5m and N207.6m as shares and thrift savings respectively. During the first tenure in office of His Excellency Otunba 'Gbenga Daniel, the capital base alone increased by N331.7m which is 78.6% made up of an increase in respect of shares and thrift savings by N190.7m (88.9%) and N141m (67.9%) respectively. Thus the total capital base is N753.8m.

(i) Disbursement of Annual Subvention

At the expiration of the immediate past administration in the State, the annual subvention released to the Ogun State Cooperative Federation Limited (OGSCOFED) was only N500,000.00 for four years while the administration of His Excellency, Otunba 'Gbenga Daniel during his first tenure in office alone granted N4m to the Movement as subvention an N1m each year.

(j) Micro-Credit Loan

The administration of His Excellency, Otunba 'Gbenga Daniel during his first tenure in office granted a sum of N10m as revolving loan to 103 cooperative societies in the 20 Local Governments in the State. It is worth mentioning that a substantial amount of loan had been repaid by the loan beneficiaries. The initiative to disburse loan to cooperative societies originated during the administration of the incumbent governor in order to boost the State's economy through cooperatives. The loan has revolved among cooperatives to the tune of N12.9m among 114 cooperative societies while the recovery rate is 82.02%.

Linkages with other Agencies and Development partners

In furtherance of its functions, the Cooperative Department interfaces with a host of Agencies and Development Partners as follows:

- **Ministry of Agriculture** in respect of FADAMA/Farmer's Cooperatives;
 - **OSAMCA** in respect of disbursement of micro-credit facilities to Cooperative Societies;
 - **Obafemi Awolowo University** to which the Cooperative College is affiliated;
 - **Federal Ministry of Agriculture** in respect of measures to strengthen the Cooperative Societies.
- Outstanding/On-Going Assignments

These include the following:

- (i) Report of the Committee on the Reform of Cooperatives in Ogun State.**
Following the submission of the Report of the Committee, the Ministry is now to come up with a draft White Paper on the Report, as well as initiate steps that will lead to the amendment of the existing Cooperative laws and regulations, by the State legislature.
- (ii) Misappropriation of Funds at the National Bureau of Statistics Staff CT & CS Limited, Abeokuta.**
Sequel to a report lodged by this Ministry, the State Police Command is currently investigating the case of misappropriation of funds involving two officials of the National Bureau of Statistics Staff CTCS Limited, Federal Secretariat, Abeokuta. It is important to note that pressure is being mounted on the Police Authorities through the Director of Cooperatives, in order to ensure that the Society is not swindled.
- (iii) State Cooperative Arbitration Panel**

The Ministry intends to establish a State Arbitration Panel which will arbitrate in crises within and between Cooperative Societies and Unions.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

Structure

The Department operates through four sections as follows:

Planning, research and Library Services Section:

Statistics, Information and Communication Technology Section:

Project Coordinating Unit; and Gateway Service Charter Section.



Traditional rulers at a function

Functions of the Planning, Research and Statistics Department

The Department of Planning, Research and Statistics has just been created to facilitate a systematic collection, collation, analysis, interpretation and preservation of vital data on the operations of the Ministry especially as they relate to Community Development Associations and Cooperative Societies. The Department is charged with the under stated functions.

Development of Medium/Long-term plans and Budgets of the Ministry;

Data collection, collation, analysis and storage;

Development of Information Technology and Communication;

Packaging of Project Proposals on behalf of CDAs and Cooperative Societies;

Liaising with International Donors, Financial Institutions and Development Partners for credit facilities for CDAs and Cooperative Societies.

Computerization of completed/on-going community self-help projects in the State;

Library Services;

Publication of Monthly, Quarterly and Annual Reports of the Ministry; and

Promotion of quality assurance and best practices in service delivery (Gateway Service Charter).

Outstanding/Ongoing Assignments

- i. Collation and analysis of database for Community Development Associations and Cooperative Societies.
- ii. Liaison with International Donor Agencies Development Partners for credit facilities and financial support, in aid of community – based self help projects.
- iii. Re-mapping of Community Development Area along traditional communities.
- iv. Capacity Building for CDAs and Cooperative Societies on Project Identification, implementation and monitoring.
- v. Networking of a comprehensive and reliable database of CDAs and Cooperative Societies on the States website for easy access to information relating to CDAs and Cooperative Societies activities.

Achievements

The Department recorded the underlisted achievements:

Collation of Developmental needs of Community Development Associations, for consideration in the preparation of the budgets of the State and Local Governments for Year 2006 and 2007;

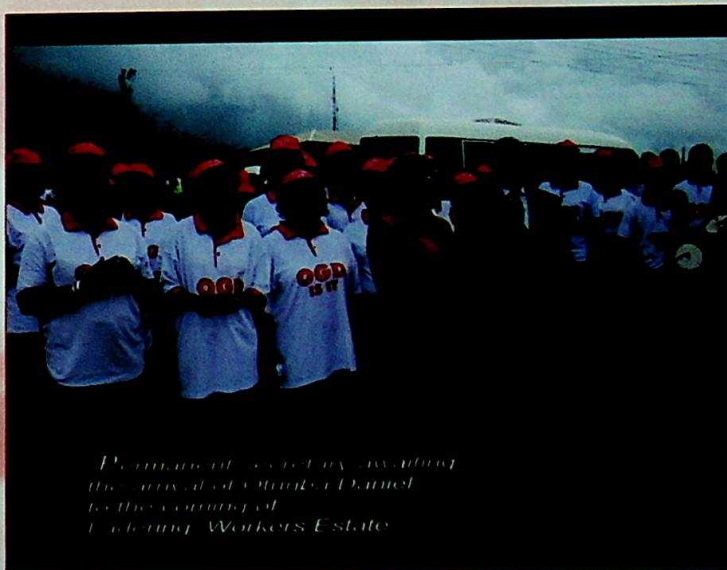
Collation of database for Community Development Associations and Cooperative Societies, (on-going);

Charting of CDAs on maps of Local Governments Area (on-going);

Liaison with International Donor Agencies and Development Partners for financial support in aid of community – based self help projects (on-going);

Capacity building workshop for staff of the Project Co-ordinating Unit of the Department and

Formulation of Gateway Service Charter for the Ministry



Permanent secretary availing the services of a study Panel to the members of Teaching Workers Estate

ACTIVITIES OF THE OGUN STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

AN OVERVIEW

A cursory look at events over the last four years in the State legislature reveals a lot of landmark achievements and highly significant progress. The choice of Rt. Hon. Oseni as Speaker at the onset of the fifth legislature was a milestone being the first female Speaker in Ogun State, the Southwest and the only standing female Speaker of State House of Assembly in the whole of the country. With a collective resolve to better the lot of the people, the deliberations of the Honourable members of the House revolved round masses-oriented issues with the people as its centerpiece as the resolutions passed so far were those that touched the lives of Ogun State indigenes and residents.

The immediate past legislature passed over forty Bills, the first Bill - The Children's Rights Bill - put Ogun legislature ahead of others being the first State Assembly to do so in the whole of the federation. The legal Department of the House was also established to facilitate and enhance members' understanding of the processes of lawmaking.

However, in the modern state, the responsibilities of legislators have gone beyond mere lawmaking. The role of the legislature include, aside lawmaking, oversight functions and quassi-judicial functions, among others.

For its oversight functions, the past legislature had 26 standing Committees, which monitored the activities of government ministries, parastatals and agencies. In the area of community relations, it mediated in the imbroglio between the West African Portland Cement Company (WAPCCO) and the Ewekoro and Sagamu Communities. It also brokered peace between the management of the Federal Polytechnic, Ilaro, and the various unions in the institutions, among others. The Ogun House also inaugurated a five-man Anti-Corruption Committee the assignment of which include,



Rt. Hon. Titi Oseni, Speaker, Ogun State House of Assembly

among other things, thorough investigation of perceived act/acts of corruption within the society as it may be notified.

One of the landmark achievements that stand Ogun State House of Assembly out against its contemporaries till date is the quarterly interactive session with the Governor tagged 'Governor Explain This'. The programme afforded the Governor the opportunity to inform the electorate about government policies and programmes as well as the achievements of the present administration so far in the State. Other notable achievement was the adoption of Yoruba language as a medium of communication and adorning Yoruba traditional attire on

Wednesdays. This was to promote and appreciate the rich Yoruba culture while, at the same time, encourage the younger generations to learn how to speak Yoruba language fluently.

As a way of contributing their quota to the development of society, the Honorable lawmakers of the Ogun state House of Assembly through the magnanimity of the Governor, were allowed to embark on executing developmental and people-impacting projects, otherwise known as 'Constituency Projects' in their respective, individual electoral jurisdiction or constituency. This feat is unique one as it is happening for the first time in the State. Since the creation of Ogun State, the present lawmakers were allowed to come out of their legislative responsibilities and contribute to what could be described as executive functions by identifying particular projects in their domains. With the granting of this quasi-autonomy to the legislators, it has given them a sense of responsibility of one kind. It also shows that they are a force to reckon with in the governance of the state, on the other hand. Apart from this, by embarking on Constituency Projects, the lawmakers in Ogun State cannot cry of political alienation or marginalization. This feat has really furnished the image of the party as well as the State government at the grassroots level.

The Ogun State House of Assembly scored another first when it hosted the first ever conference of Southwest Speakers in December, 2003. The Conference, an initiative of the Speaker, Rt. Hon. (Mrs.) Titi Oseni, was initiated with the main aim of presenting a united platform for Southwest Speakers on national issues. It was a highly successful event. Recently, Speakers of the State Houses of Assembly in the Southwest geopolitical zone converged on Abeokuta for a special meeting of the Conference of Southwest Speakers to discuss, among other things, issues of national interest as well as topical political matters concerning the Southwest geopolitical zone. Since its maiden edition in December 2003, the Conference had deliberated on various socio-political issues that positively influenced the political development of the zone.

The House Committee on Information and

Strategy (now Information and Orientation) publishes a quarterly magazine; The Mace as well as a fortnightly bulletin; Ogun Assembly Update. The two publications have tremendously facilitated dissemination of news from the State legislature to the outside world.

THE SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, 4th of June, 2007, marked yet the beginning of another legislative term in the political history of the Ogun State House of Assembly as the Governor, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, inaugurated the sixth legislature that comprises twelve former members of the fifth legislature (2003-2007) and fourteen new lawmakers all representing the twenty-six Constituencies in the State. The day also saw the return of Rt. Hon. (Mrs.) Titi Oseni as the Honourable Speaker.

What makes the event of that day worth celebrating was the relative peace that reigned in the immediate past Assembly coupled with consummate partnership with, not only the executive arm of government, but also the judiciary and other tiers of government, which have made the State legislature a reference point in legislative actions ahead of other Houses of Assembly. Since its inauguration, the House has continued to work as an indivisible entity to ensure that the good people of Ogun State reap the dividends of democracy.

Swinging into action after its inauguration, the sixth legislature approved a House calendar and constituted twenty standing committees to handle various aspects of legislative duties. The number of standing committees was pruned down from original twenty-six to twenty in order to enhance faster and more efficient discharge of duties. Performing the inauguration ceremony, the Speaker assured that full support would be given for the total actualization of the 'Agenda for a Secured Future' which the executive arm of government had carefully and thoughtfully enunciated for delivery to the people.

Following the tradition of the House and as a mark of respect, The House leadership led other legislators and principal officers to pay courtesy calls on the four paramount rulers in Ogun State and receive their blessings.

One of the earlier duties of the sixth legislature was the ratification of nominees of the executive council. This was carried out with careful scrutiny and utmost dispatch. In addition, the Standing Committees have started touring various ministries, agencies and parastatals for familiarization with the management

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and staffers and on-the-spot assessment of the facilities in respective organization.

In its primary assignment of lawmaking, the new legislature has passed three (3) Bills and fourteen (14) resolutions since inception.

The incessant traffic congestion along Lagos-Ibadan expressway received the attention of the Ogun State House of Assembly and a stakeholders' forum was called following a motion moved under urgent public matter. The motive behind the move was to proffer lasting solution(s) to the ever increasing traffic logjam along the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway as well as putting an end to loss of lives through ghastly motor accidents on the road. An entreaty was also made to the police to resume night patrol on the highways especially the Lagos/Ibadan expressway from dusk to dawn to make it safe for motorists and commuters at night.

Also, in the area of quasi-judicial function, the Ogun State House of Assembly has successfully settled the feud between the members of the National Union of Road Transport Workers and the Amalgamated Commercial Motorcycle Riders Association of Nigeria (ACOMORAN) in Ifo Local Government Area.

It would be recalled that the members went on a sub-regional tour of Ghana, where they had the opportunity of comparing notes and meeting minds with the Ghanaian Parliament. This has greatly influenced the members' legislative expertise as the timely exposure contributed so much on their presentations on the floor of the House.

The performance of the Ogun State legislature has been widely acknowledged more so because it has not subdued its functions or authority but rather, stayed focused with the basic aim of legislating for overall good governance, promoting the socio-economic standing of Ogun in the comity of States. Ogun State legislature has brought many things into being since inception exactly four years ago. With an able leadership and dedicated members, the legislators have done the State many good having used their instruments of office to legislate on noteworthy issues that has greatly enhanced the development of the State and paved way for a geometrical progression in the standard of living of its people in a very near future.

Ministry of Health

Projects and Activities of Government In the first 100 days

The administration of Otunba Olugbenga Daniel has shown a commitment to consolidate and secure a future for the indigenes and residents in Ogun State particularly in the area of Health Service arising from issues have been approached frontally at Primary, Secondary and Tertiary levels of health service delivery.

Within the 100 days of assumption of office, His Excellency embarked upon various projects, which are either completed or at advanced stages of completion. These include:

1. (A) School of Nursing, Abeokuta

- i. Re-roofing of the administrative block of the school complex which was hitherto leaking.
- ii. Re-flooring of the Auditorium extension to prevent further leakage of rain water into the Auditorium
- iii. Concrete overlay around the Auditorium to prevent flooding into the Auditorium
- iv. General renovation works in the offices, and establishment of a School library
- v. Supply of office furniture for the principal's and Tutor's office.

(B) School of Midwifery, Abeokuta

- i. Renovation work in the principal's office
- ii. Supply of furniture and settee for the principal's office
- iii. Supply of books for the library

(c) School of Midwifery, Ijebu-Ode

- i. This school, which used to operate in some rooms within the premises of the State Hospital Ijebu-Ode, has finally relocated to a new site within the compound of the School of Nursing Ijebu-Ode. The State Government has constructed two new school blocks, one is completed, and other is nearing completion.
- ii. Books have been supplied to the School's library

(D) School of Nursing, Ilaro

The school has the following project at different state of completion

- i. Two blocks of class room, tutor's offices, laboratory and a library.
- ii. A 24-room hostel block
- iii. A school Auditorium complex
- iv. Two Boreholes
- v. The hostel complex has been fenced and a two-bedroom bungalow for staff is nearing completion within the hostel.

2. Supply of books, teaching aids and models

- I. Current textbooks supplied to all the school libraries.
- II. The School's Demonstration Rooms are well stocked with models
- III. The entire classrooms in the five schools are equipped with teaching aids.

3. Employment of Nurse Educators and Scientific Officers

Within the last two months, 20 Tutors and Scientific Officers were recruited into all the schools. This exercise is ongoing and has improved the tutorial staffing in schools in the line with the accreditation requirements of Nursing and Midwifery Council of

Nigeria.

4. OSUTH Doctors' Residence

To relieve Resident Doctors of their accommodation problems in the Teaching Hospital, Sagamu. 14 single-room apartments have almost been completed.

5. Ogun Rural Medical Services (OGRUMED)

The administration has also provided necessary machinery to carry out an OGRUMED program at the General Hospital, Omu, to enable grassroots citizens access medical services at no cost to them.

Ogun State Hospitals Management Board

Project/ Activities	Level of Completion	Location	Strategy for follow up
1. Installation of Electricity Generating sets	1. Completed 2. Completed 3. 75% completed	General Hospital, Itori General Hospital, Omu General Hospital, Atan	Monitoring use/ensure regular maintenance
2. Assumption of duty of health workers	First phase completed	General hospital, Ata	" "
3. Assumption of duty of Health workers	First Phase 50% completed	General Hospital, Ode-Omi (Olokola)	Recruitment and posting of new personnel Renovation of LG Health Centre Renovation of residential quarters Construction of a new general hospitals
4. Purchase and supply of hospital and laboratory equipment	Completed	General Hospital, Iberekodo	Monitoring and use of the equipment
5. Salary increment for workers	Completed	All workers under Ogun State Hospitals Management Board	" "
6 Ogun State rural medical scheme (OGRUMED)	On-going and to be completed at the present site on Sept. 3, 2008	General Hospital, Omu	Mobilisation/Sensitization of patients around Omu



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Gov. Daniel and his deputy, Alhaja Salmot Badru and a group photograph with Honourable Members of the State House of Assembly

On the throttle of irreversibility...

A PRESENTATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF OGUN STATE, HIS EXCELLENCY OTUNBA GBENGA DANIEL TO THE STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ON THE 2008 APPROPRIATION BILL, ON WEDNESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 2007

INTRODUCTION:

1. It is with a deep sense of responsibility and a rich sense of history that I stand before this honourable House to present the 2008 Appropriation Bill, which is the first Budget of the second term of our Administration.
2. Before I proceed with my presentation, we should give thanks to Almighty God for His guidance, which has seen us through a peaceful even if eventful first term in office, a term that has been deemed by friends and foes alike as a superlative success. I also wish to register, once again, our appreciation to the electorate of Ogun State for the opportunity we have been given to provide purpose-driven leadership and service to the State for another term. This time around, we are poised to consolidate on our well-applauded successes as we strive to secure for our people a prosperous and peaceful future.
3. Madam Speaker, Honourable Members, we acknowledge the contributions of individuals and groups, across and beyond the State,

- towards making our first term an exemplar of triumphant stewardship. In the same vein, we are grateful to the members of this hallowed Chamber for the mature manner in which they carried out their oversight functions. I make bold to say that within easy recall, it was probably only in the Gateway State that there were no untoward incidents between the Executive and the Legislature on one hand; or within the House, on the other hand. In the odyssey of governance that we jointly embarked upon four years ago, we have been most fortunate that our interactions have been imbued with a sense of balance, a tendency towards tolerance and mutual respect. This I must say testifies eloquently to the good spirit that continues to animate our great party, the People's Democratic Party and the sense of purpose that permeated the work of the Fifth Legislature and which continues to characterise the affairs of the House to date.
4. At this juncture, let me congratulate both new and returning members of the House



for their success at the polls. I appreciate the support and cooperation we have received so far since the inauguration of the new House. We are hopeful that this will continue. For our people to have the full dividends of democracy, the Legislature and Executive must cooperate meaningfully. Both arms of Government have a duty to serve our people conscientiously. We are quite confident that this goal is attainable having been enjoying the best of collaboration since the new House was inaugurated. I am optimistic that this Sixth Legislature will emerge the most peaceful and most productive Assembly in the country at the end of this term.

SYNOPSIS OF ACTIVITIES OF THE FIRST TERM

5. Since our assumption of office in May 2003, our Administration has embarked on many people-oriented projects in line with our resolve to significantly improve the quality of life of our people. These have embraced both the life-sustaining projects and the life-changing ones, including the construction and rehabilitation of rural roads, rehabilitation of water schemes and provision of boreholes, enhancement of medical services, upgrading of educational facilities, supply of transformers, provision of houses to the low income earners and human capacity development, to mention a few.
6. Our projects in our first term were all targeted towards meeting the promises made in our first campaign document, "My Contract with Ogun People," which have been corroborated and validated by the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the seven goals of the Ogun

State Economic Empowerment & Development Strategy (SEEDS). There is no gainsaying the fact that the completion of these major projects has impacted positively on the lives of the citizenry and brought us to this pedestal where it is now possible for us to push our economy in the direction of transformation.

REVIEW OF 2007 BUDGET

7. A Budget of N54.80 billion was approved for the current year by the House of Assembly with a sum of N13.41 billion (24.47%) for Salaries and Allowances, N8.19 billion (14.95%) for Overhead Costs and N6.4 billion (11.77%) for Consolidated Revenue Fund/Public Debts Charges, bringing the total recurrent provision to N28.05 billion representing 51.19% of the total budget. The balance of N26.75 billion, representing 48.81% of the total budget was set aside for Capital Expenditure.
8. The projected revenue for the current year was N54.80 billion, which made the 2007 Budget a balanced budget, in line with our belief in Fiscal Responsibility. However, the budget was reviewed and realigned in the course of the year in view of the unexpected rise in workers salaries and allowance occasioned by the implementation of 12.5% salary increase and adoption of monetization policy in Ogun State owned tertiary institutions.
9. With the realignment of the budget, total recurrent expenditure increased to N30.0 billion (54.76%) while capital expenditure was slightly reduced to N24.79 billion (45.24%). These slight changes were however, not sufficient to derail the objectives



Top Government Officials and Stakeholders listen to Gov. Daniel's presentation

of the budget essentially because our fiscal and macro-economic fundamentals remained largely unshaken. In four years, and despite the mischievous ministrations of a desperate opposition, our Administration has stayed focused on its initial ideals of waging, and winning, the war on want and freeing more and more of our people from poverty to become active economic citizens.

REVENUE PERFORMANCE FOR 2007

10. At the end of August 2007, a total sum of N29.81 billion, representing 81.60% of the proportionate target of N36.53 billion was collected as revenue.
11. A gross sum of N15.59 billion was received from the Federation Account, out of which N0.65 billion was deducted at source leaving a net receipt of N14.94. The receipt from Value Added Tax (VAT) was N2.18 billion and the State's Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) was N9.45 billion. The total recurrent revenue amounted to N26.57, while the Capital Receipts was N2.59 billion.
12. I am pleased to declare that our Administration through the State investment company, Gateway Holdings Limited, has turned around the fortunes of the State by increasing its share assets from about N550 million in 2004 to over N7 billion by August 2007. It is gladdening to note that the N420 million dividends earned from the investments had been utilised to execute development projects across the State.
13. Taking a cue from the successful performance of Gateway Holdings Limited, Gateway Printing Company Limited (formerly Printing Corporation) and the Gateway Trading Limited (formerly Bulk

Purchasing Corporation) were commercialised and transferred to the Holding Company as subsidiaries. In the coming months, more and more of the State's agencies that should be earning revenue will be either privatised outright or graduated into the ambit of Gateway Holdings for better asset performance and enhanced returns to the public purse.

14. In pursuit of the major financial thrust of Government, concerted efforts were made during the year to enhance the Internally Revenue Generation (IGR) of the State. It is gladdening to note that the average monthly revenue of the State which was about N150 million in 2003, is now about N800 million. In percentage terms, we have increased our ability to meet our recurrent expenditure from IGR as measured by the Financial Independent Index (FII) from 22% in 2003 to 58% by August 2007. Notwithstanding the achievements so far, however, we are determined not to rest on our oars until our dream of meeting all our recurrent expenditure from IGR is fulfilled and even surpassed.
15. As part of our efforts to continue to ensure prudent management of public funds, enforce compliance with due process and block all leakages, the Department of Due Process and the Financial Investigation and Control Unit (FICU) were created shortly after the commencement of our second term. Similarly, the project monitoring function of Government has been strengthened with the recent appointment of a Permanent Secretary domiciled in the Office of the Governor to lead the process.

16. In addition to all this and as part of the process of utilising the various investment opportunities emerging in the State for employment generation, Government has successfully compiled and submitted names of over 7,000 employable indigenes of Ogun State to the OK LNG company and other highbrow companies that are soon to commence operations in the State.

EXPENDITURE PERFORMANCE

17. As at the end of August this year, a total sum of N24.99 billion has been expended, which was made up of N16.35 billion for recurrent expenditure and N8.64 billion for Capital Expenditure. The percentage performance as at August for recurrent and capital expenses was 87.43% and 48.46%, respectively, which culminated in a total of 68.41% of the budget performance.

BUDGET PERFORMANCE BY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

18. Madam Speaker, Honourable Members, permit me at this point to indicate the performance of the 2007 budget by functional classification. In this connection, and as a manifestation of the overriding focus of this Government to widen the economic base of the State with a view to building a financial strong State, 43.86 % of the capital expenditure so far in the current year was expended on Economic Affairs Sector.
19. Equally, 10.99% of the expenditure was utilised for Housing and Community Amenities in line with our commitment to accelerated enhancement of the quality of life of our people, especially in the rural areas. In similar vein, the share of the Education Sector in capital expenditure amounted to 9.93% to reflect the pride of place accorded Human Capital Development in our drive towards the socio-economic emancipation of our dear State.

MAIN FEATURES OF 2008 BUDGET

20. The 2008 Budget is unique in the sense that it is the first budget of the second term of this administration, which is meant to bequeath an enduring legacy for the good people of the State. These are unequivocally enunciated in the "Agenda for a Secured Future". This budget equally marks the first year of the 2008 - 2011 Medium Term Development Framework of the State.
21. This budget is equally unique because it is a surplus budget, as we intend to make more revenue than our expenditure. This is in line with our intention of bequeathing a secured future for the people of this State.
22. Consistent with our people-oriented focus, the



Gov. Daniel hands over the Budget Document to Madam Speaker

- preparation of the 2008 Budget has been highly participatory. Valuable inputs were sourced and received from the people across the three Senatorial Districts of the State, at fora in which political functionaries from the Local Government to the Federal levels were involved. Professional bodies, the organised private sector, mass organisations, civil society, representatives of traditional institutions, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), trade and labour organisations and various other relevant stakeholders were all part of this broad-based consultative process. The budget also derived inputs from the various Summits and Retreats held since inception of the second term, interactive sessions with the Ministries, Departments and Agencies of the State Government, and all this was rounded off with a 3 - day Budget Retreat.
23. Madam Speaker, Honourable Members of the House, as you are aware, the second term of this Administration is premised on our campaign document, "Agenda for a Secured Future". This document is the expression of our passionate desire to build legacies that will outlast this Administration, legacies that are life transforming and which will stand the test of time. We shall pursue the attainment of these laudable goals with our core values of Quality Delivery, Accountability, Excellence in Government, Teamwork and Participatory



Decision - Making.

24. I wish to re-emphasise that we are determined to ensure that our people have access to quality food; that hunger is eradicated from our midst; that our people have unhindered access to qualitative and affordable healthcare; that our children have access to good schools, that more jobs are created for people to earn living wages and become active economic citizens, etc. These, I must say, are the key elements of our 'Agenda for a Secured Future'.

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25. Madam Speaker, Honourable Members of the House, I now present the 2008 Budget Proposals of the State. As usual, the Proposals will still be defended before the House by the various Ministries and Agencies of Government. After the passage of the Bill, the details will subsequently be presented to the public by the Economic Advisory Committee in line with our policy on transparency and accountability.

26. It is important to reiterate that our annual budgets since the inception of this Administration have sought "to wage war on want, liberate our people from poverty and broaden the economic base of the State". The 2008 Budget, being the first for the second tenure, still has these as its underlying thrust.

27. The 2008 Budget will consolidate on the gains of our first term towards enhanced delivery of the

dividends of democracy to our people and accelerated socio-economic development of the State. It will also commence the actual implementation of the life-changing projects of the Government, which include the Ogun Agro-Cargo Airport, the OK- Free Trade Zone in the Ogun East Senatorial District, the Kajola Specialised Railway Industrial Free Trade Zone in the Ogun Central Senatorial District and the Ogun Guangdong Free Trade Zone, Igbesa in Ogun West Senatorial District.

28. The policy thrusts of this Budget are:

- i. Development of Key Agricultural Products with capacity to generate massive employment opportunities and create initiatives to boost production, encourage private sector participation in processing activities and enhance marketing both locally and internationally;
- ii. Establishment of Ogun State into a regional hub in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to ensure that we benefit from the Information Revolution;
- iii. Transformation of Ogun State into an industrial hub that maximizes the benefits of its unique location next to the nation's commercial capital and as the Gateway into Nigeria and the ECOWAS region;
- iv. Development of New Towns to shift growth from the areas identified in the State Regional Master Plan as Pressure Zones; and
- v. Assurance that every Government intervention or project would have capacity to boost employment.

29. In conformity with the focus of our administration for the second term, which the Budget is meant to jumpstart, the 2008 Budget is christened "Budget of Transformation". This appellation underlines the revolutionary intentions of our Administration in its second term. It also underscores our commitment to ensuring that from now till the end of our tenure in 2011, our State witnesses growth levels that will ensure that its transition into the ranks of the world's emerging markets becomes truly irreversible. We are steadfast in our belief and firm in our resolve that Ogun State should henceforth only soar and soar above all others.

30. Madam Speaker, Honourable Members, the world renowned consultant on leadership, Stephen R. Covey admonishes that "Being effective as individuals and organizations is no longer optional in today's world it's the price of entry to the playing field. Therefore, in our bold and courageous drive into a new era of greatness for our dear State in this second term, the emphasis of the 2008 budget will be on the aggressive implementation of the major

projects that will drive the industrial and technological transformation of our State.

31. The 2008 Budget is, no doubt, an improvement on the previous ones as it has tremendously increased in size. The expected Income is N77.64 billion while the proposed expenditure is N77.34 billion. This is a surplus budget that marks the dawn of prosperity in our State.
32. The various development projects of the State were conceptualised in line with our vision to expand the economic base of the State, premised on the State Regional Plan. It is necessary to emphasise that the increase in the budget size is to specifically take care of the Special Development Projects that I have enumerated which are enduring legacies that will secure our future and provide sustainable development. These include the Agro-Cargo Airport, the three Free Trade Zones, Laogo Paradise Island, New Towns Development, Bitumen development, massive infrastructure deployment and the pursuit of ICT revolution.

2008 REVENUE

33. In projecting the revenue of the State for 2008, due cognisance must be given to the revenue projection of the Federation from where the bulk of the State revenue is still derived. The share of the Ogun State Government revenue from Federal Allocation and VAT had been 3% and 2%, respectively, from 2003 to 2007. This is likely to continue between 2008 and 2011. The equivalent amount of these for the State in 2008 would be N31 billion and N4 billion, respectively. A realistic projection of the Internally Generated Revenue for the State in 2008 has been put at N27.2 billion, while Capital Receipts is estimated to be N15.42 billion. These figures generated the cumulative revenue of N42.62 billion as mentioned earlier.
34. The 2008 financial year will also witness the expansion of the revenue generating capacity of Government to provide needed funds to execute desired programmes and projects, thereby reducing dependence on allocation from the centre. Let me say that this revenue drive will involve more rigorous efforts to ensure that all collectible funds are captured into the public purse. Henceforth, town planning rules shall be dutifully enforced, people in trades shall be required to pay their taxes and levies as and when due and environmental hazards such as those that caused the horrendous floods during mid-2007 shall be penalised even as we

continue to pursue the option of Federal assistance.

35. Other areas of emphasis in the New Year shall include investment in revenue yielding projects; improvement in the "Accountability Index" of Government and consolidation of the solid economic foundation already laid through policies, programmes and projects. Our Government intends to vigorously pursue its agenda of economic independence towards building a financially strong and stable State.

2008 EXPENDITURE

36. In the expenditure profile for the year 2008, total of N32.77 billion (42.37%) was allocated for recurrent expenditure and N14.57 billion (57.63%) for capital costs. The allocation from the recurrent expenditure for salaries and allowances amounts to N16.12 billion, while overhead costs have a provision of N16.6 billion.
37. The distribution amongst the functional classifications indicates that N20.67 billion (26.67%) is allocated to Economic Affairs. Education has a share of N13.47 billion (17.38%), while Housing and Community Amenities got N14.39 billion (18.57%). The details show a manifestation of our unflinching commitment to and continuing concern for the Economic Growth of our State, the Education of our children, the provision of infrastructure and Social Amenities for our citizenry and the assurance of enhanced Service Delivery to our people.

CONCLUSION

38. Madam Speaker, Honourable members of the State House of Assembly, I have laid before you the fiscal intentions of Government for 2008. Having come out successfully from a well-fought re-election battle, and as we prepare for an epoch-making Local Councils election, we must all appreciate the opportunities that our second term offers for changing the fortunes of our State. Not since the days of Chief Olabisi Onabanjo, of blessed memory, has a Government been entrusted with such an overwhelming second-term mandate to positively re-engineer the foundations and trajectory of our economic progress. This opportunity calls for men and women of courage and conviction to take tough but ultimately beneficial decisions for the good of our State and the well-being of her people. This historic task may involve stepping on toes and upsetting vested interests. I trust,

however, that this Honourable House shall stand with us in carrying through the momentous decisions that history has now thrust upon our Administration.

39 This House has stood as a beacon of hope for our State and a most supportive ally in progressive governance. True, the toil has been arduous but as we now see the outlines of a bountiful harvest, I urge Honourable members not to be deflected. We must be careful that we do not become the enemies of the people by some of the demands that we make. We must realise that many of the people that elected us are still grappling with basic survival issues. We should therefore not be seen to behave like a self-indulgent aristocracy that ultimately self-destructs.

40. I will like to use this opportunity to thank all stakeholders for their support during the outgoing year. Special mention must be made of our respected Traditional Rulers, our revered Elders, my Lords Spiritual, our Development Partners, the Public Service and all well-meaning people of the State for their unflinching support and co-operation. I acknowledge the support and co-operation of the financial institutions which had assisted to us to fulfil our "Contract with the Ogun People". We are confident that the relationships we have built over the past four years will be sustained in our journey towards a "Secured Future".

41. Madam Speaker, Honourable Members, the Year 2008 holds very great prospects of the

fulfilment of God's promise for our State. The unprecedented developmental projects to be embarked upon in this budget will no doubt place our State firmly on the path of bequeathing an enduring legacy to the generations unborn. It is, therefore, imperative for all of us to join hands to attain our collective desire. We, therefore, appeal for continued calm in the State for which we are well known.

42. In conclusion, let me leave you with the eternal words of Chief Obafemi Awolowo, who said that: "a truly public-spirited person should accept public office not for what he can get for himself such as the profit and glamour of office, but for the opportunity it offers him to serve his people to the best of his ability by promoting their welfare and happiness"

43. Madam Speaker and Honourable members of the House, I wish to affirm with strong conviction that we have in the past four years lived up to these words. I am re-assured that we enter our Second Term with an even greater resolve to surpass our best as we are led by the unfailing hands of Providence to the secured future that is both our desire and our destiny.

44. I thank you all for listening. God bless Ogun State of Nigeria.

Otunba Gbenga Daniel
Governor of Ogun State

Wednesday, 14th November 2007



OGD departs... Warm handshake with the speaker, behind him is Alhaja Badru, Deputy Governor.

SUMMIT AS FULCRUM FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

...OGD's joker for change



Stepping up... OGD mounts the podium to deliver his opening address. Behind is Dr. (Mrs) Tokunbo Awolowo-Dosunmu.



Shagamu end of Abeokuta / Shagamu Express Way



Gateway City Development Secretariat

In all civilized climes, Summits have become veritable agents of change. It is an avenue for tapping into deeper insights on parameters that drive development. Various professionals from varying backgrounds and disciplines, stakeholders, are assembled to thrash out issues and challenges that propel development. This must have accounted for why Otonba Gbenga Daniel, executive governor of Ogun State, keyed-in to this developmental initiative from the early part of his Administration in 2003.

In Ogun State, several of such Summits have been held on various challenges confronting the state. They include: Economy, Agriculture, Housing, Education, Employment Generation, Water, Tourism, etc. No wonder, some other states in the Federation have also seen the benefit of this method and are adapting it as one of the major tools of development.

By far, the greatest of all the Summits is the Economic and Investment Summit that was organized by the Office of the Economic Adviser to the State Government. As at the last count, three have been successfully held. The first tagged: "Unleashing the Gateway Advantage" was held between Tuesday, November 18 and Wednesday, November 19, 2003. The second tagged: "Harnessing the Gateway Advantage" was held on January 25, 2005 while the third tagged: "Securing the Gateway Advantage" was held between Tuesday, November 27 and Wednesday, November

28, 2007.

From the success of the Summits held thus far, it is easy to see and appreciate the vision and focus of a governor who is keen at delivering the dividends of democracy to his people.

The economic development focus of Otonba Gbenga Daniel administration is designed to transform Ogun State into a major commercial and industrial hub in Nigeria and West African sub-region.

In the last four and a half years, efforts of the State Government have been geared towards creating a business friendly environment, through concerted infrastructural development initiatives; provision of a broad range of investment incentives, organization of series of consultative stakeholder engagements; facilitation of Public-Private Partnerships; ensuring peace and security; with a view to promoting increased private sector investment in the state.

The industrialization drive of the government seeks to leverage on the unique endowments of the State Agricultural and Mineral Resources, as well as the contiguity of the state to Lagos.

The proximity of Ogun State to Lagos State presents enormous market opportunities for a wide range of business activities in Ogun State.



Expatriates at the Summit



A dualised road



At the 3rd Ogun Economic Summit

Ogun State therefore seeks to maximize this advantage in the following areas:

- *Real Estate Development
- *Marketing of Industrial products
- *Marketing of Food products.

In furtherance of the above, the Economic Policy Thrust of the Government is as follows:

- *Reforming Government business.
- *Stimulating widespread Stakeholders participation in Development Initiatives of the state.
- *Improved Agricultural Production, Preservation and processing
- *Promoting industrialization of the State
- *Promotion of Enterprise.

- *Economic Empowerment of our people
- *Improved Quality and Access to Social Services
- *Widening of Revenue Base
- *Improved Value-Based Resources Allocation and Utilization
- *Physical Planning and Development
- *Systematic Development of the Natural Resources of the State.
- *Youth and Sports Development

Further to the above, the key areas of focus of Government include:

- *Social Welfare development
- *Public / private sector partnership
- *Creation of new investment opportunities in the following areas:

- *Agriculture
- *Tourism
- *Real estate development
- *Energy, oil and gas
- *Solid minerals
- *Integrated transportation system

The Economic and Investment Summits of the State are geared towards stimulating and attracting Private Sector Interests in the development initiatives of the State in its efforts to achieve sustainable development.

The first Economic and Investment Summit of the State with the theme: Unleashing the Gateway Advantage was held between Tuesday 18th and Wed. 19th November 2003. The objectives of the Summit were to highlight economic potentials of the State; Explore opportunities for Partnerships with the private sector; and to develop broad framework for growth and development in the line with the vision of the state.

At the Summit, presentations were made by His Excellency, Governor of Ogun State, as well as other invited Resource Persons. The Governor's presentation focused mainly on the vision and mission of the State Government, the core values and key goals driving the economic development focus of the State and also defined the priority sector to serve as the economic drivers for the state.

Mr. Governor's presentation also dwelt on the robust incentive package already put in place by



OGD... Welcomes stakeholders. ~



Participants at the Forum



Gateway Asphalt Plant

the State Government with a view to attracting private sector participation in the development initiatives of the state.

The incentives include:

- *Revised land administration policy
- *Fast track processing of land title
- *Waiver/deferral of land charges development levies, etc.
- *Facilitation with Federal agencies to secure permits / licenses where required
- *Establishment of a one-stop shop for new investors.
- *Commitment to ease access to land for agriculture, housing and industry
- *A competitive banking environment that delivers investor-friendly products and services
- *Well-maintained and increasing network of urban and rural roads.
- *Continuous expansion of power and energy facilities
- *Provision of top-rate health, education and other social services.
- *Provision of water in additional towns and villages across the state.
- *Policy consistency and removal of constraints to business activities and
- *Project financing plans that promote viable public / private partnerships.

There was a presentation that showcased the

framework for the Ogun State Economic Empowerment and Development Strategy (OgunSEEDS) and invited inputs from the Private Sector with a view to charting the development direction for the State, identifying key priority areas and also agreeing on an effective implementation structure that has Public private sector partnership.

Presentations by other resource persons focused on the following:

- *Agriculture and Forestry
- *Budget reforms
- *ICT development
- *Prospects of petroleum and Petrochemical industry
- *property, real estate and new towns development
- *generating growth and reducing poverty in Nigeria
- *investment opportunities in Tourism
- *Investment in Mineral Resources of Ogun State

The Summit also discussed issues on the various priority sectors identified by His Excellency.

The well-attended programme drew participation from the different strata of the Society and economic groups including the following:

- i. professional bodies
- ii. agricultural and Agro Allied processing companies
- iii. top government officials
- iv. policy makers



Oba Otudeko & Mr. Tayo Aderiokun, chairman of the 3rd Ogun Economic Summit



Gov. Daniel and some participants at the Summit



Pipelines for water projects



Dignitaries at a function

- v. Oil & Gas operators
- vi. Academia
- vii. Manufacturing concerns
- viii. Banking industries and other financial institutions
- ix. Tourism industry
- x. Construction industry
- xi. Business consultants
- xii. Legislators
- xiii. Legal practitioners, etc, etc.

The events was received with a lot of enthusiasm by the private sector. It was seen as a bold attempt by the state government to chart an economic direction for itself through active engagement of the private sector. It afforded the opportunity to receive a lot of private sector inputs and ideas on how to develop the state's economy.

Achievement of the 1st Economic Summit include:

- i. Throwing up of opportunity for prospective investors;
- ii. Conception of Key development Projects that have potential to drive economic growth of the state;
- iii. Private sector interest in the development initiatives of the state was stimulated.

Between 1st and 2nd Economic Summit:

Between the 1st and 2nd Economic Summit, the State Government received an enormous amount of enquiries and expressions of interest by various private sector groups indicating interest to invest in diverse sectors of the state's economy.

Some of the private sector companies that came into the state include Ofada Veetee Rice Company; Ekha Agro Farms, Multitrex (Cocoa processing company); Havillah Villa (Real Estate company) and so forth.

Also between the 1st and 2nd Economic Summit, the State Government continued to undertake infrastructural development across the length and breadth of the state as demonstration of Government's commitment to creating an enabling environment.

Some of these infrastructure projects include the dualization and electrification of the Sagamu-Siuna Abeokuta Road, provision of bore holes, provision of transformers to various towns and villages, etc.

The State Government further took steps to refine the key development projects through various consultative programs held with private sector groups and lessons garnered from orientation visits paid to similar projects around the world.

The orientation visits provided opportunity for the State Government to understand the critical factors that make such projects work and to establish contact with technical experts around the world who may be willing to partner with the state.

The key development projects of the state include the Bitumen Exploration project, the Agro Cargo Airport Project, the Laogo Paradise Island Project, the Free trade zones, etc.



Cross section of participants at the Economic Summit



General Hospital at Omu



Participants at the Summit



OGD, a participant and Mr. Donald Duke former Governor Cross River at the 3rd Ogun Economic Summit

The second Economic Summit with the theme *Harnessing the Gateway Advantage* held 25th January 2005, had the following objectives:

- i. **Review of progress on different economic sectors;**
- ii. Highlights of On-going development Initiatives of the State and
- iii. Defining the Framework for Project Support and Partnership.

The summit listened to presentations on key Sector/Programs/Projects listed below:

- i. Scorecard of Government Activities
- ii. Conceptual Regional Plan of Ogun State
- iii. Establishment of the Ibafo Power Plant
- iv. The Ogun State Agro Cargo Airport Project
- v. Development model of the OKFTZ project
- vi. Oil & Gas development in Ogun State
- vii. Multi Modal Transportation initiatives in the State
- viii. Agricultural initiatives in Ogun State
- ix. Presentation on Free Trade Zone concepts.

Like the First Economic Summit, the program was well-attended by a Cross Section of Business Leaders, Captains of Industry, Policy Makers like CBN, NEPZA and various Economic Sector operators from around the globe including:

I. Agricultural and Agro Allied processing companies

- ii. Top Government Officials
- iii. Policy Makers
- iv. Oil & Gas Operators

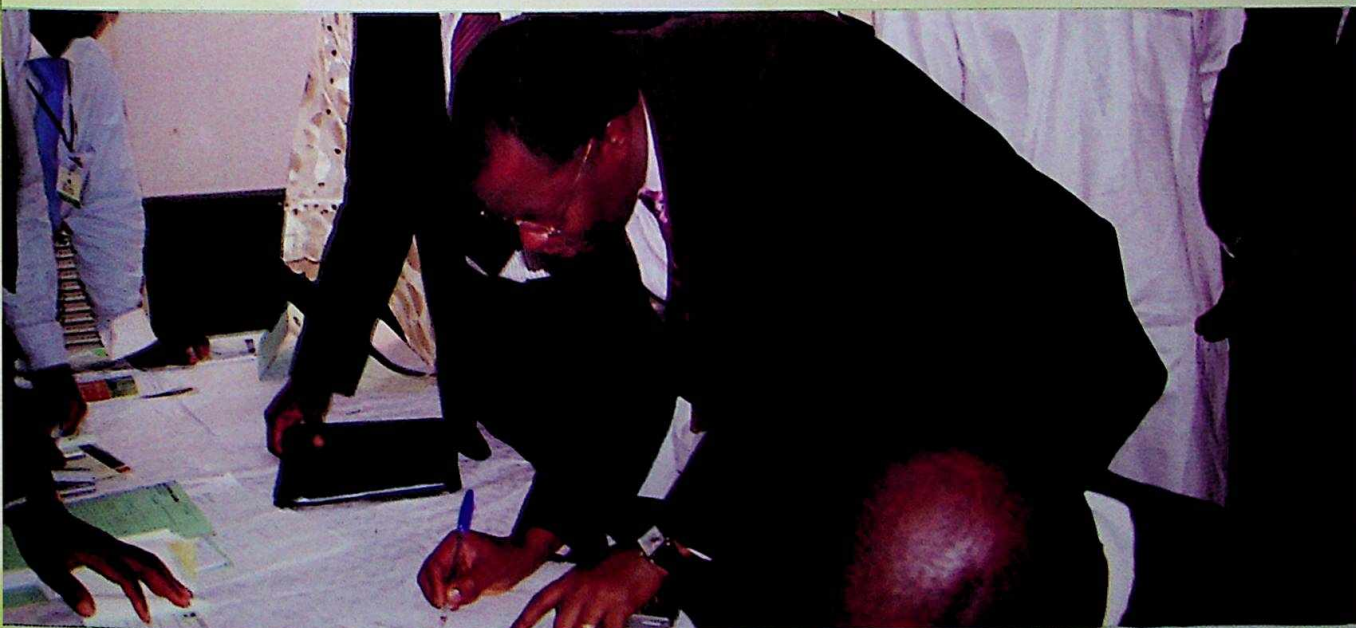
- v. Academia
- vi. Manufacturing Concerns
- Vii. Banking industries & Other Financial Institutions
- viii. Tourism industry operators
- ix. Construction industry operators
- x. Business consultants
- xi. Legislators
- xii. Legal practitioners, etc, etc.

Some of the private sector initiatives in the state include the OKLNG project, Dangote Cement factory, Westcomm Steel Galvanizing Plant, Hudson Power group, NCD housing initiative, etc.

Also, between the 2nd Economic Summit and now, The Ogun State Agro Cargo Airport Project was flagged off at a colourful ceremony that attracted local and Foreign Private Sector Investors, Captains of Industry, Community representatives' etc. Following that a stakeholders' engagement program was held in Sheraton Lagos, which attracted key actors in the Airlines industry and other policy makers.

At the program, the Private Sector lauded this visionary project of Otunba Ghenga Daniel and commended the development philosophy of the state, which recognizes the role of the private sector and gives opportunity for the private sector to drive development of the project.

The state also in conjunction with Ondo State Government organized the flag off ceremony of the OK KTZ which coincided with the ground breaking ceremony of the OKLNG plant.



OGD Registers ...



ICT Centre, Mashood Abiola Polytechnic



ICT training session



Putting heads together with OGD

The OK LNG Company is already on ground in the zones and has started development of the pioneer camp, from where all construction works will be coordinated.

Ogun State also, within this time frame, has won a bid for Block 1 of the 2 Blocks of Bitumen deposits offered to investors by the Federal Ministry of Mines and Steel to explore Bitumen in the State. The state has already entered into technical partnership for this venture and has established Gateway Bitumen Company, to serve as a special purpose vehicle to attract other private sector interests in financing the project.

Further to this, the state government has received expressions of interest from a Greek firm to partner with the State in the development of its Paradise Island into an exotic Tourist destination.

Other strong interests expressed in the development initiatives of the State include the proposal by Guangdong Xinguang African Investment Group and CNCC, both of Guangdong Province of the Peoples Republic of China to develop a Free Trade Zone in the Igbesa area of the State.

There is also the CCECC group, which is working with the State Government to establish a Railway industrial park in the Kajola Specialized Railway Free Trade Zone project of the state in Ifo Local Government area.

Investment opportunities around these numerous development projects include the following:

OK Free Trade Zone and Deep Sea Port Project opportunities:

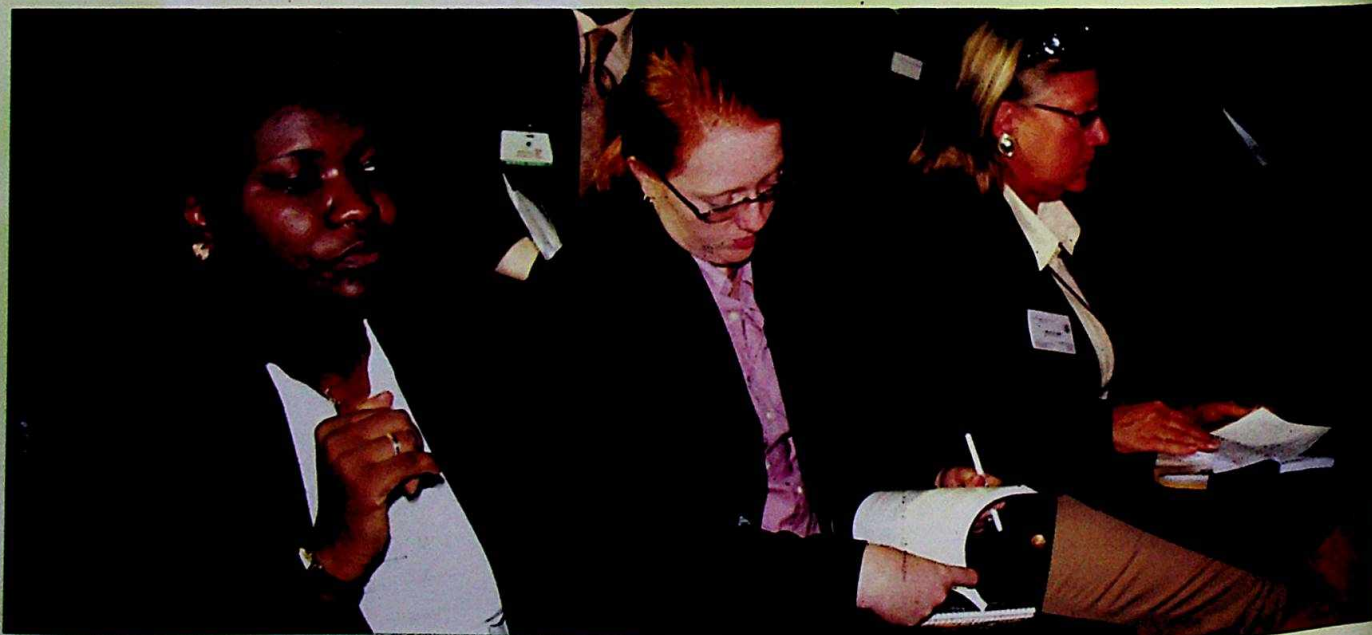
- i. Tourism and Hospitality business
- ii. Fabrication industries
- iii. Petrochemical industries
- iv. Petroleum refining industries
- v. Oil & Gas servicing company
- vi. Export oriented companies
- vii. Fertilizer blending plants
- viii. Bitumen exploration companies
- ix. Light Rail Development company
- x. Diverse heavy and light industrial companies
- xi. Port and Marine service companies.

Cargo Airport project opportunities:

- i. Airport Development company
- ii. Airline Service company
- iii. Airline training school
- iv. Airplanes maintenance facilities
- v. Cold warehouse storage facilities
- vi. Agricultural processing
- vii. Bonded storage
- viii. Real estate development
- ix. Tourism, hospitality
- x. Fuel tank farms development
- xi. Haulage/logistics
- xii. Infrastructure development
- xiii. Horticulture farming
- xiv. New towns development
- xv. International conference facilities
- xvi. Industrial parks

Kajola Specialized Free Trade Zone opportunities

- i. Railway industrial port



More participants at the 3rd Ogun Economic Summit



**Ms. Yosola Akinbi, Special Adviser on Economic Planning*

**Motor bikes for Forest Guards*

**National Planning Minister, Alhaji Sanusi Dagash*

- ii. Locomotive workshop
- iii. Railway Related Services
- iv. Foundries
- v. Metal fabrication
- vi. Haulage/Logistics
- vii. New Towns development
- viii. Mega mart and Shopping Centers

Ogun Guandong Free Trade Zone

- i. Manufacturing
- ii. Real Estate Development
- lii. Infrastructure Development

Commerce & Industrial initiatives

- i. Fruits juice processing
- ii. Ceramic making
- iii. Dairy production
- iv. Furniture making
- v. Adire & garment production
- vi. Kolanut processing

Laogo Paradise Island (A Tourist Haven):

- i. Leisure/Hospitality
- ii. Casino and Gaming facilities
- iii. Amusement Arcade
- iv. Entertainment Centre

Bitumen

Establishment of a 30,000 bpd Bitumen Plant.

All these initiatives have been conceptualized in line with the vision of Otonba Gbenga Daniel in pursuance of his Agenda for a Secured Future.

The projects are situated within the Regional Plan of the OGDled government, which seeks to harness the

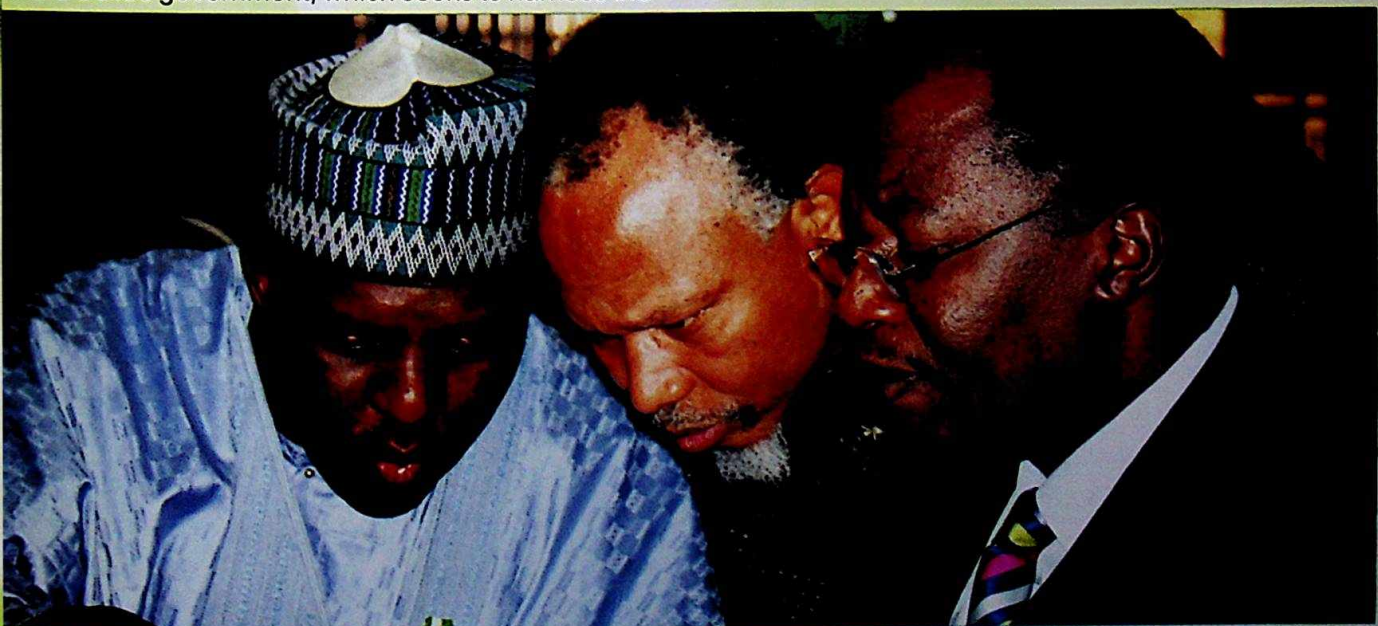
various endowments of the state and to promote simultaneous development of the different parts of the state, in creating a land of happy people, thriving business and enduring prosperity.

Focus of 3rd Economic and investment summit
The 3rd Ogun State Economic & Investment Summit has therefore been organized to achieve the following specific objectives:

1. Showcase the various building blocks that the Government has put in place in the last four years to promote Private Sector led growth, with the aim to further give confidence to the private sector to partner with the State.
2. Highlight the investment potentials around the key development projects of the state in order to further elicit private sector interest.
3. Identify other critical areas that can facilitate accelerated development of the state and secure the support of private sector and Development Partners in advancing them.

No doubt, the Third Economic Summit recorded a huge success. The turn-out was impressive and much was achieved in putting Ogun State in the front burner of economic prosperity and progress for its peoples. Indeed, the Summit has become another OGD's joker for positive change.

*Courtesy:
Office of the Economic Adviser,*



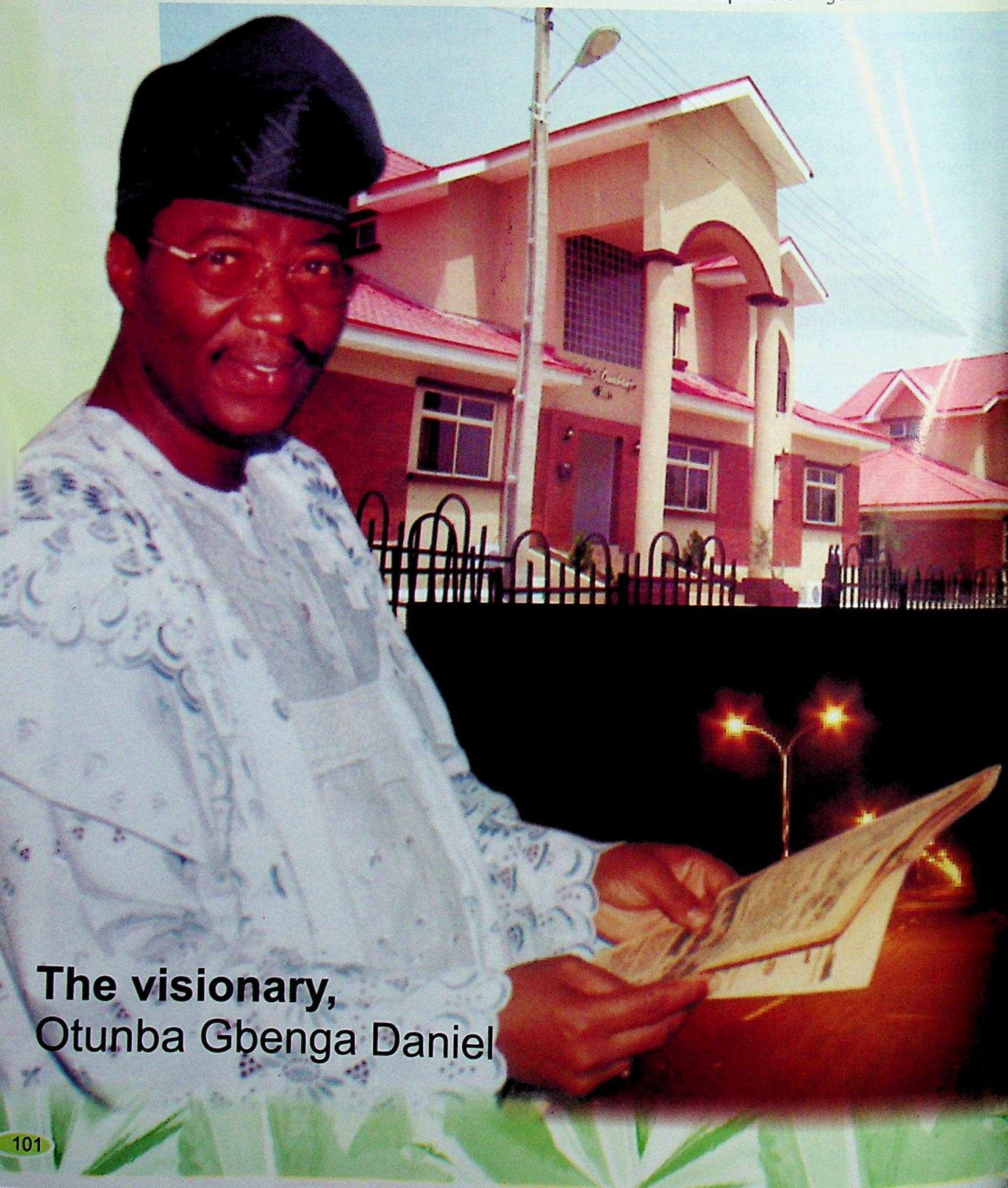
Minister of National Planning, Sanusi Dagash, Engr. Bayo Adeola and OGD

FIRST TERM WONDER

OGD's era of

The Business Unusual gesture of this Administration places considerable emphasis on the role of ideas in governance and on strategic planning and execution of projects.

-Dr Onaolapo Soley, Former Finance Minister. Federal Republic of Nigeria

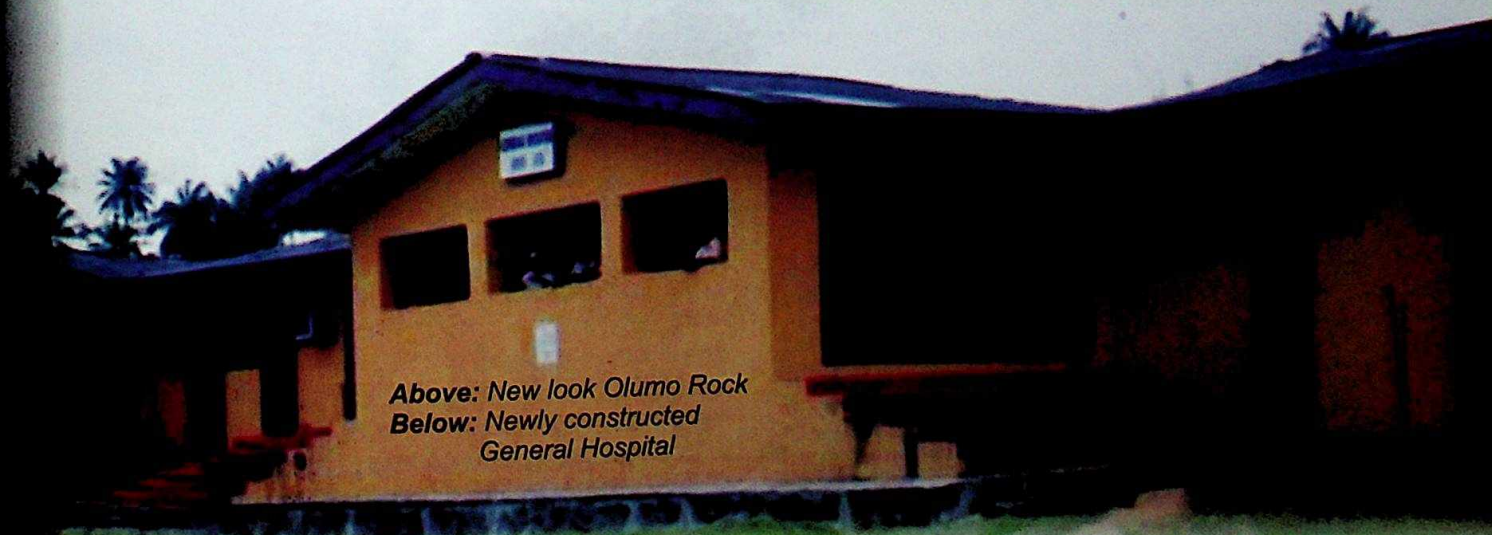
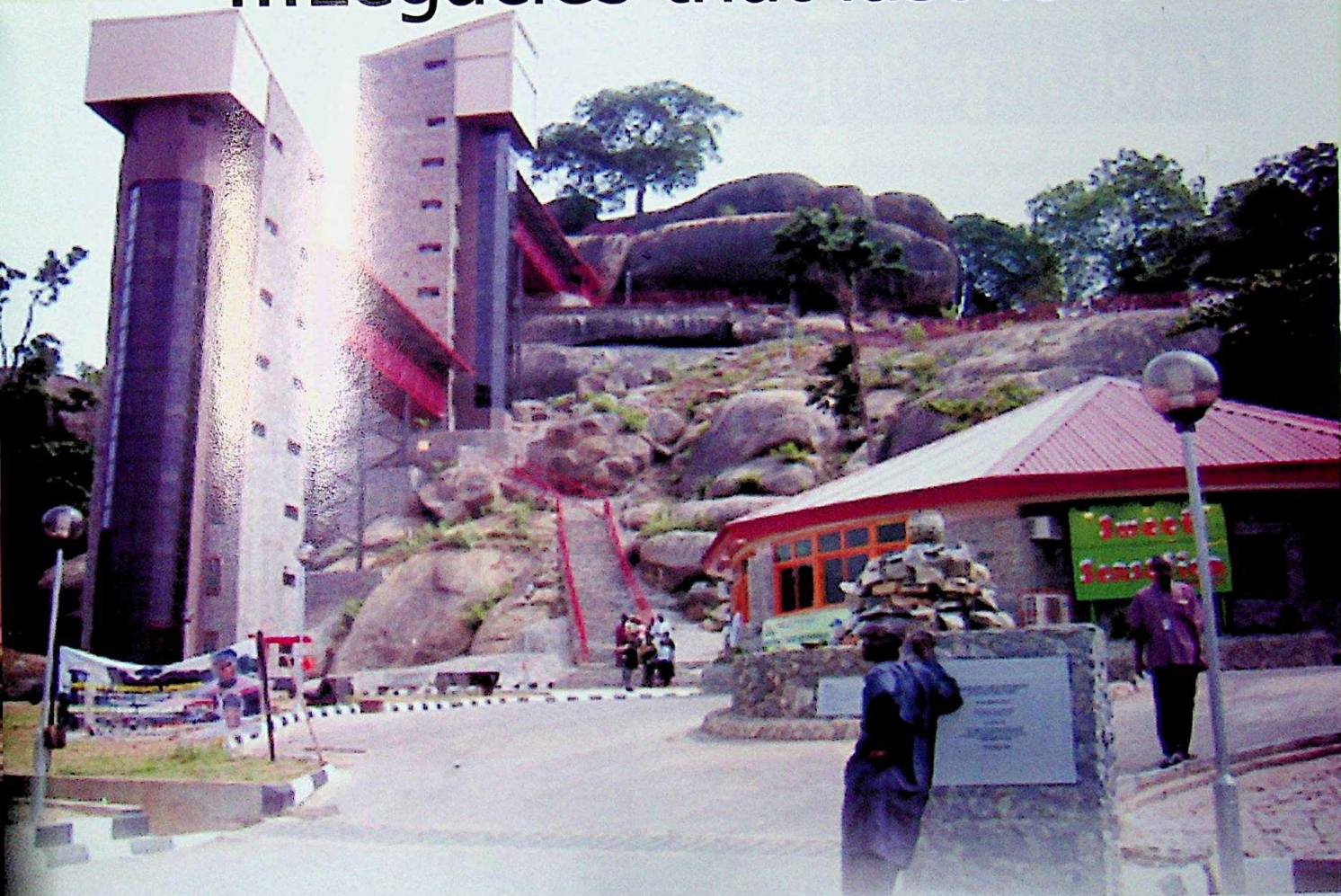


**The visionary,
Otunba Gbenga Daniel**

(2003 - 2007) ...

Mega projects

...Legacies that last forever



*Above: New look Olumo Rock
Below: Newly constructed
General Hospital*



The completed Deputy Governor's Lodge at GRA Abeokuta



Aerial View of another Housing Estate

Era of Mega Projects

It is not difficult to find a large section of people in Ogun State thanking God for electing Otunba Gbenga Daniel for the second term.

The realities of his unequalled performance as Chief Executive Officer of Ogun State is there for everybody to see, including his adversaries. So, visible and painstaking are his efforts that opposition party members and even political fence-sitters applaud his uncanny ability.

His performance as a governor who has genuinely given a good account of himself in his unquenchable task of improving the lives of ordinary people, spreading joy and dividends of democracy to all nooks and crannies of the state is unparalleled in the state.

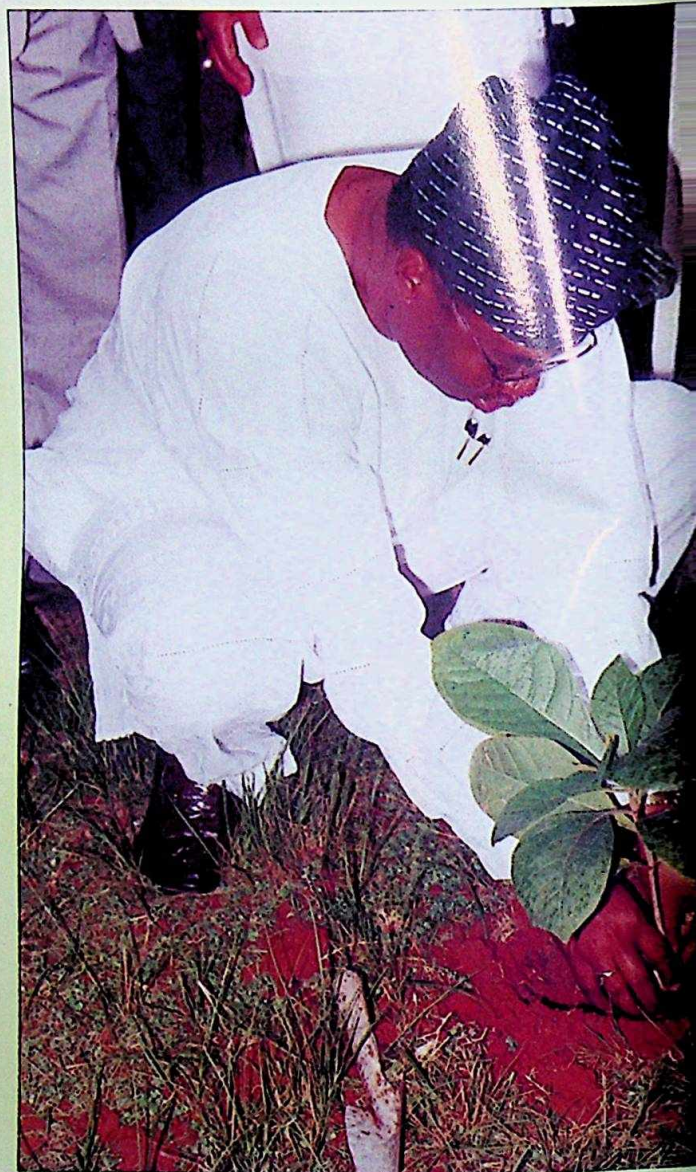
Who can doubt this? Only pessimists and saboteurs were the words of some indigenes and objective assessors of OGD administration in the state since he took over the reigns of power in May 2003.

It's as if the man has been here for over 10 years. See what he has put into Ogun State in just four half years. See our roads, our schools, our health care system, electricity, and many more.

All have witnessed considerable turn around for the better. The data on performance are all there for everybody to see.

In all projects penciled down for action, many have been completed. In some areas the projection have been achieved and surpassed.

Unlike the style in past where there are hardly records documenting government actions (or inactions), OGD has brought a new innovation that assures that all projects completed are itemized and documented for posterity. That among other reasons gave impetus to the



Otunba Gbenga Daniel planting a tree to commemorate the 2004 National Tree Planting Day in the State

publication of the book titled: 'The New Ogun State'

In this Compendium, it has therefore become necessary to document some of the projects both on-going and completed for transparency and accountability. The real reason many of the indigenes find OGD's second term tenure irresistible is the new era of Mega-projects they



Newly purchased tractors



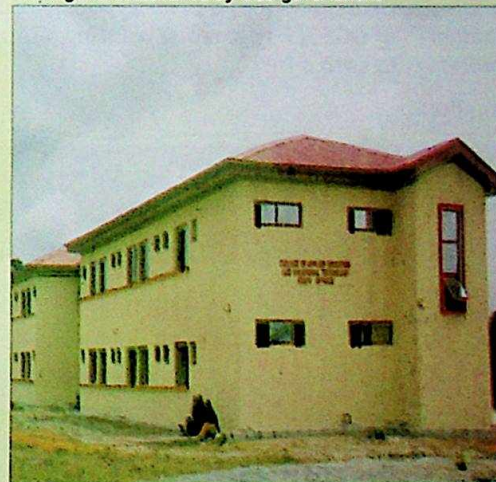
...A Rice Plantation

see with their very eyes.

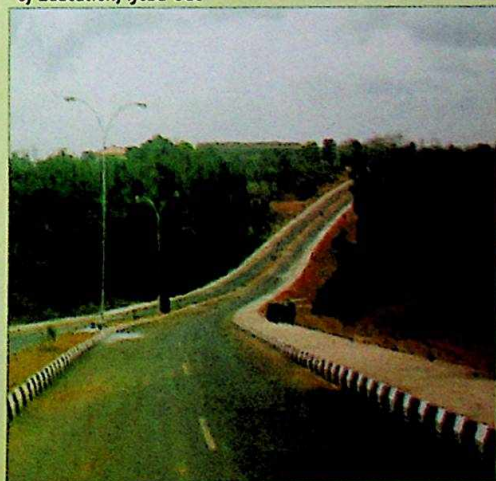
The facts and figures of OGD's attempt to touch the lives of citizens of Ogun State and even beyond form part of the building blocks of the Administration's business unusual policies and a genuine attempt to spread the dividends of democracy.



The Gatehouse of the first University of Education in Nigeria established by OGD government



The newly constructed College of Applied Sciences and Vocational Technology at the Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijebu-Ode

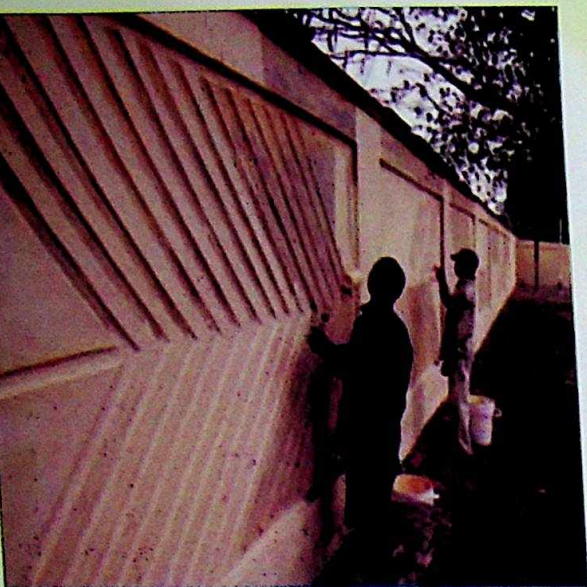


The Access dual carriage way to the Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijebu-Ode

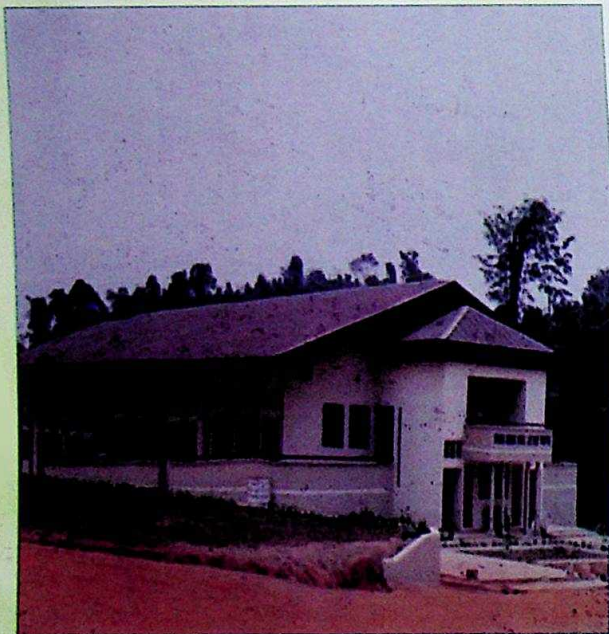
As part of the Ministry of Environment activities to create a better and healthy living environment for the teeming population of the State. It has embarked on several projects all over the three Senatorial District in the State. Below are some of the projects;

ENVIRONMENTAL MARSHAL SCHEME:

A voluntary organization under the Ministry to promote sustainable environmental development



Employment Generation, a priority: Some of the graduates of OGESEP engaged in painting of public buildings to earn a living



A newly completed Otunba Gbenga Daniel lecture theatre at Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye



Encouraging Private Sector Participation in agricultural promotion: OGD commissioned the First August Fish Farm near Ajebo in Obafemi Owode Local Government Area

and to maintain healthy and sanitary environment in the State, among others. Presently, 215 Marshals spread across four (4) Local Government Areas namely;

- *Abeokuta North Local Government.
- *Abeokuta South Local Government.
- *Ijebu Ode Local Government.
- *Sagamu Local Government.

GOTA GANG

Recruitment of men and women to clear tertiary drains so as to allow free flow of waste water into the secondary and primary drains. The gang had toured round seven (7) Local Government namely:

- *Ado Odo / Ota Local Government
- *Ifo Local Government
- *Ijebu Ode Local Government
- *Sagamu Local Government
- *Abeokuta North Local Government
- *Abeokuta South Local Government



Attracting meaningful investments to the State: OGD during one of his investment trips abroad

FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL



Earth Moving Equipment



A prototype OGD Farm Settlement at Owowo

i) This is the remediation work, that is, feasibility studies, preparation of engineering design, drawing, the preparation of bills of quantities and execution, on over 60 (sixty) gully erosion so far identified in the State.

1. Owu African Church Street Flood and Erosion Control Owu, Totoro Abeokuta North Local Government, the project is 100% completed.
2. Lewu Gully Erosion Control, Obalende Ijebu-Ode Local Government the project is 95% completed.
3. Olorunda Gully Erosion Control, Ilisan Remo, Ikene Local Government. This is about 100% completed
4. Igbala Flood Control, Ota, Ado-Odo/Ota Local Government. The Project is 100% completed.
5. Araromi Gully Erosion Control, Atikori Ijebu-Igbo, Ijebu North. It is 100% completed.
6. Ojuelegba Gully Erosion Control, Imasai, Yewa North Local Government. It is 90% completed.

7. Legunsen Itunseje Gully Erosion Control, Ogere Remo, Ikene Local Government. It is 100% Completed.
8. Ita-Osugbo Awolaru Egunrege Gully Erosion Control, Ikene Local Government. 100% Completed.
9. Isale Oluwo Gully Erosion Control, Abeokuta, Obafemi /Owode Local Government Completed.
10. Awokoya Elebute Osilalu Flood Control, Ijebu-Ode Local Government. 100% completed.

ii) **FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL PROJECTS ALREADY STUDIED, DESIGNED WITH BILL OF QUANTITIES**

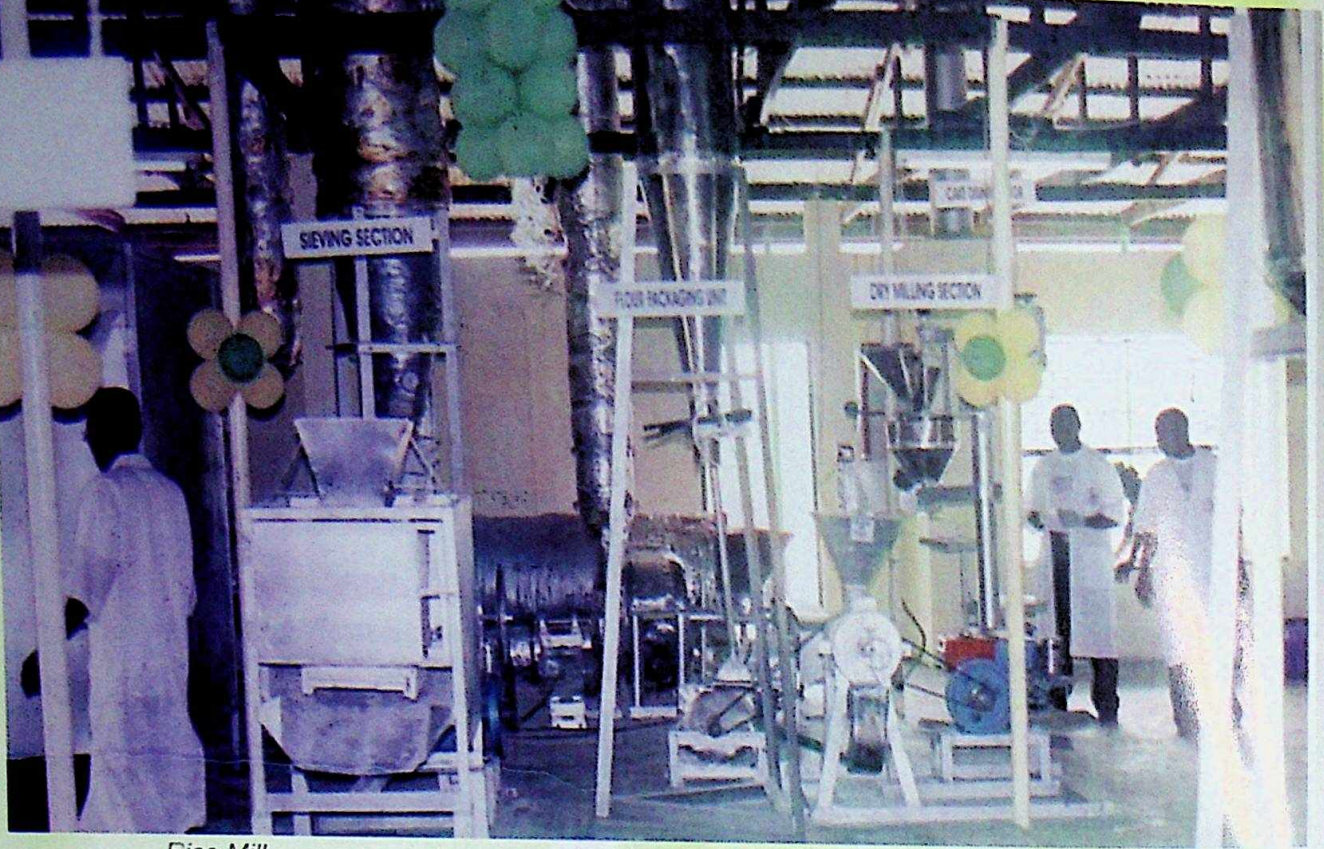
1. Odokala Gully Erosion Control Project, Ijebu Ode.
2. Ilagbe Flood Control Project, Abeokuta.
3. Ojodu Abiodun Gully Erosion Control Project.
4. Oke Ago Owu Gully Erosion Control Project, Abeokuta.
5. Degun Flood Control Project (Phase 2), Ijebu-Ode.
6. Sabo Flood Control Project (Ogburu Phase 2), Ilaro
7. Onirugba Kajola Motunbo Flood Control Project, Ijebu Ode.
8. Ifo Flood Control Project, Ifo
9. Ipokia Erosion Control Project, Ipokia.
10. Bode Edun Community Flood Control Project, Akute.
11. Erinlope Flood Control Project, Ago Iwoye (In progress)
12. Sabo Gaa Flood Control Project, Abeokuta (In progress)
13. Wesley Primary School Flood Control Project, Ijebu-Ode.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION OF REFUSE FROM ILLEGAL DUMPSITES

1. Abeokuta North Local Government.
2. Abeokuta South Local Government.
3. Ijebu-Ode Local Government.
4. Yewa South Local Government.
5. Sagamu Local Government.
6. Ijebu North Local Government.
7. Ifo Local Government.
8. Ado Odo / Ota Local Government.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMUNITY BASED WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

1. Abeokuta South Local Government.
2. Abeokuta North Local Government.
3. Obafemi / Owode Local Government.
4. Ijebu Ode Local Government.
5. Ifo Local Government. (Ojodu Abiodun



Rice Mill

and Akute)

SURVEILLANCE ON WATER BODIES SOURCES RESPONSIBLE FOR WATER BORNE DISEASES

*Samples from rivers, streams, Public water, etc supplies are being taken across the State for water quantity Analysis.

*All Local Government Areas

BEAUTIFICATION OF ROUNDABOUTS

- Police zone II, Abeokuta South.
- OPIC, Abeokuta South
- Ibara, Abeokuta south
- Brewery, Abeokuta North
- Ita Osin, Abeokuta North.

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT (STP)

A study and design in progress for Water Incinerator STP. Proposed for Sagamu

DEVELOPMENT OF JUNK YARDS

1. Obafemi / Owode Local Government. Mechanic Village.
2. Sagamu Local Government. (design in progress)
3. Ijebu Ode Local Government. (design in progress)

AGRICULTURE:

ESTABLISHMENT OF FARM SETTLEMENTS

Location of Eight (8) Farm Settlements established by Chief Obafemi Awolowo-led administration in



One of the duplexes at the Olusegun Obasanjo Hilltop GRA in Abeokuta



RIYE Arcade at Sagamu Interchange: A symbol of unity



Otunba Gbenga Daniel and the former Minister for Information, Chief Chukwuemeka Chikelu admiring the model of GTV Media Village in Abeokuta



Celebrating the first Anniversary of OGEGER



Some of the Motorcycles distributed under the OGD Motorcycle Owners Scheme as part of efforts to generate employment and empowerment

the early 1960s:

1. Ajegunle Farm Settlement-Obafemi Owode Local Government.
2. Ago Iwoye Farm Settlement-Ijebu North Local Government
3. Ikenne Farm Settlement-Ikenne Local Government
4. Ilewo Farm Settlement-Abeokuta North Local Govt.
5. Sawonjo Farm Settlement -Yewa North Local Govt.
6. Ibiade Farm Settlement-Ogun Water-side
7. Ado-Odo farm Settlement-Ado Odo \-Ota Local Govt.
8. Coker Farm Settlement-Ifo Local Government

Location of Fourteen (14) Farm Settlements established by Otunba Gbenga Daniel-led Administration:

1. **Afon Farm Settlement** - Imeko Afon Local Government .
2. **Imasai Farm Settlement** -Yewa North Local Government.
3. **Isaga Orile Farm Settlement** -Abeokuta North Local Govt.
4. **Obafemi Farm Settlement** -Obafemi Owode Local Govt.
5. **Oke Odan Farm Settlement** -Yewa South Local Govt.
6. **Akopin Farm Settlement** -Ipokia Local Govt.
7. **Owowo Farm Settlement** -Ewekoro Local Govt.
8. **Isara Farm Settlement** -Remo North Local Govt.

- 0. Apoje Farm Settlement -Ijebu North Local Govt.
- 1. Ijebu-Imushin Farm Settlement -Ijebu East Local Govt.
- 2. Ogbogbo Farm Settlement -Ijebu North East Local Govt.
- 3. Ilugun Farm Settlement -Ijebu North East Local Govt.
- 4. Aiyeye Farm Settlement -Odogbolu Local Govt.
- 5. Ibiade Farm Settlement -Ogun Water-side Local Govt.

Training of farmers

Number of people already trained at the Farm Institute under the present Administration, =2,000 (Two Thousand)

Number of people trained in the 1960s at the Farm Institute =Below 1000 (One Thousand)

Number trained from the 1970s to May 29, 2003 =Under 150 (One Hundred and Fifty)

CONSTRUCTION OF UNIVERSAL CASSAVA PROCESSING PLANTS

Ilaro-Yewa North LG
Ifo-Ifo LG

Ogbogbo-Ijebu North LG (30% completion)
Isara-Remo North LG (30% completion)

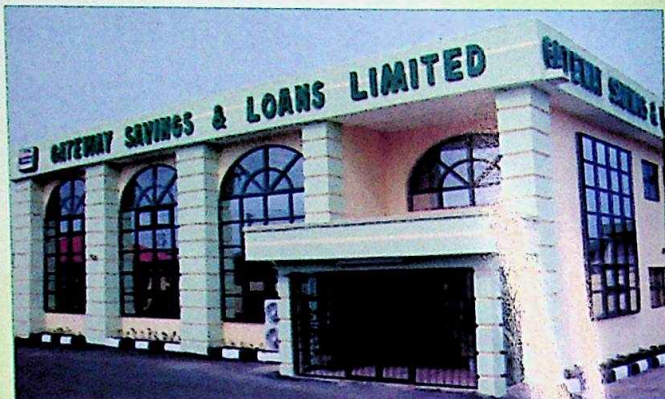
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Purchase of 26 tractors for farmers in the state.

Granting of 50% subsidy on the purchase of fertilizer to farmers, Herbicides and other farm inputs.



The redesigned Administrative Block at the Moshood Abiola Polytechnic, Abeokuta



Gateway Savings & Loans... providing success for prospective house owners.



Another wing of the Asero Housing Estate, Abeokuta



Expo Park, Kuto Abeokuta: Visitors first point of call in Abeokuta, the state Capital equipped with collector's item



OGD Quadrangle, Abeokuta: Blocks of Studio constructed to provide accommodation for government functionaries

Granting of 50% subsidy on the hiring of tractors by farmers.

Allocation of over 100,000 hectares of land for cultivation to farmers.

Distribution of over 1.2 million cocoa seedlings to farmers free of charge.

Distribution of over 780,000 oil palm seedlings to farmers free of charge.

Training of 2,000 OGESEP graduates in Agriculture and deployment into all the farm estates in their respective local government.

OGUN STATE AGRICULTURAL AND MULTIPURPOSE CREDIT AGENCY (OSAMCA) DISBURSEMENT SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION IN 2003

A Market Men and Women Association (MMWA) in Local government Areas and number of beneficiaries.

Abeokuta North	100
Abeokuta South	100
Ado Odo/Ota 61	
Yewa South	126
Yewa North	100
Ewekoro	100
Ifo	167
Ijebu East	97
Ijebu North	164
Ijebu North East	75
Ijebu Ode	96
Ikenne	90



A workers-friendly government provides the luxurious buses to facilitate the transportation of workers in the state



The redesigned Governor's Office: Providing a conducive atmosphere for government business



The Museum at the Olumo Tourist Complex, Abeokuta

Roads Construction

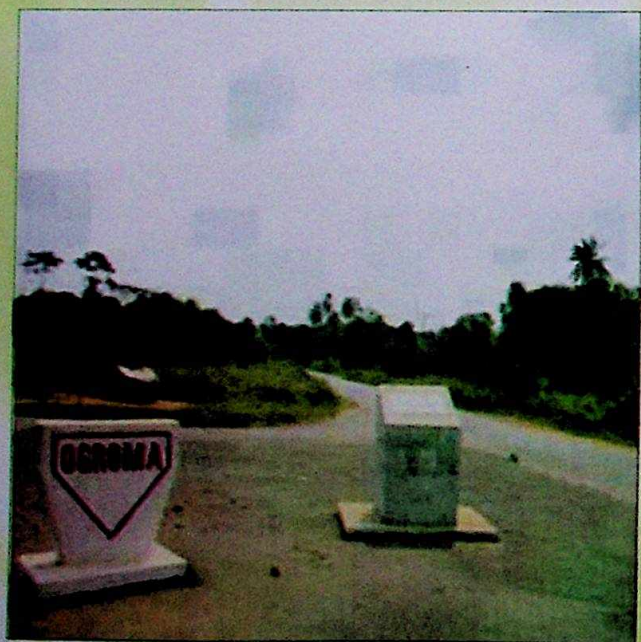
Ogun Central Senatorial District



Strategic road signs on Abeokuta/Shagamu Expressway.



Media Village, GTV, Ajebo Road, Abeokuta



Shagamu interchange of the newly dualised Abeokuta Siun-Shagamu Dual-Carriage Way by OGROMA

S/N	ROAD	LENGTH (Km)
1	Owode-Ofada Modwe Road	19.9
2	Sango-Ota-Ijoko-Ojodu Abiodun	26.8
3	Mowe Township Road	2.1
4	Repair Works On OGBC Road Caused By Heavy Flood	
5	Repair Works On Kuforiji Olubi Road Caused By Heavy Flood	
6	Construction Of Access Road To Olabisi Onabanjo University Ibojun Campus	2
7	Construction Of Abiola Way-Ewang Estate- Idi-Aba Road	1.8
8	Kuto	0.26
9	Elite	0.23
10	Oke-Lantoro	0.16
11	Asero junction/Roundabout	0.20
12	Car Wash	0.04
13	Oloke-Onikolobo Rd	0.05
14	Post Office/Quarry Rd	0.13
15	Ita-Eko Ita Iyalode	0.05
16	Ibara-Isale Igbehin	0.16
17	Ijaiye junction	0.1
18	Iporo Ake	0.17
19	Sapon roundabout	0.1
20	Nepa road	0.0
21	Old Grammar School	0.0
22	Sapon-Ijaiye-Idiaba	0.32
23	Ilugun/Mokola road	0.08
24	Mokola-Iberekodo	0.04
25	Lalubu	0.01
26	Kenta Oloko road	0.04
27	Agooba/Igbore junction	0.05
28	Somoye Lane	0.05
29	IBB Boulevard	0.21
30	Adatan-Obantoko	0.13
31	Nawarudeen-Isabo	0.76
32	Internal roads within Government House Ibara	0.86
33	Mini Secretariat road	0.15
34	Ikereku Sodeke-Ikereku-Ajitadun	0.35
35	AGI Quarry road	0.21
36	BBHS Internal roads	0.22
37	Saje/Kugba	0.14
38	Idomapa	0.25
39	Fowotade Guest house link	0.10
40	N.T.A Road Ogbe	0.09
41	Ibara-Ijeja-Ogbe	0.05
42	Elega road	0.31
43	Arinlese road	0.05
44	Ijemo-Agbadu road	0.37
45	Approach and Internal roads of South West Resource Centre	0.31
46	N.T.A Road Oke -Egunya	0.02
47	Bode Mustapha Drive	0.29
48	Omida-Itaeko-Road	0.24
49	Obasanjo's way	0.15
50	Iporo Ake-Oke Jigbo-Ijaiye	0.45
51	Akanni Dokunmu Crescent	0.13
52	Ijemo road	0.10
53	Ilogbo road	0.58
54	Ibara Orile road	0.65
55	Totoro road	0.04
56	External works at official quarters of SSG	0.31
57	Itoku/Ikija road	0.05
58	Age Street	0.03
59	Main entrance road to Asero Housing Estate	0.03
60	Rosiji Street	0.03
61	Kemta Okebode road	0.79

Roads Construction

Ogun Central Senatorial District (Contd.)

62	Psychiatric Hospital	0.17
63	External works at official residence of Deputy Governor	0.51
64	Ago - Ika road	0.13
65	Ago - Odo road	0.05
66	Tekobo Estate roads	1.12
67	Magregor road	0.09
68	Ita Elegu Housing Estate	0.24
69	Mokola roundabout	0.25
70	Isale Ake Lantoro road	0.15
71	Ligegere street	0.16
72	Access road to Asero Housing Estate	0.68
73	Adigbe road	1.02
74	Access road to Paramount FM	0.19
75	Internal roads within Licensing Office	0.07
76	Ita Aka - Adedotun street	0.06
77	Internal roads within Gateway Hotel Annex	0.78
78	Ibon road	0.19
79	Internal roads within KAB	0.47
80	Aboaba road	0.04
81	Lafenwa - Gadi road	1.00
82	Samsideen Ayinde street	1.30
83	Car parks within Governor's Office	0.11
84	Sholanke Avenue Olorunsogo	0.60
85	Olomore road to link Aiyetoro road	0.49
86	Isale Abetu road	0.72
87	Internal roads within Ogun State Ministry of Agric	0.36
88	I.M.A road	1.47
89	Oke-Ero road, Adatan	0.99
90	Timi Adejobi street	0.25
93	Approach road to car park at St. Peter's Cathedral Church, Ake	0.16
94	External works of OGESEP office	0.40
95	2 nos VolleyBall/Basketball courts at Oba Lipede Sports Council	0.35
96	Internal roads within Gateway Broadcasting House	0.63
97	Ibon - Ijemo Agbadu road	0.40
98	Ibon - Iporo Ake road	0.28
99	Father Coquard road	0.35
100	Adeyinka street	0.45
101	Giwa street	0.37
102	Internal roads within kuto Market	0.81
103	Bus laybye at Kuto roundabout	0.26
104	Adekunle street, Isale Abetu	0.55
105	Federal Medical Centre internal roads	0.38
106	Somorin street, Adatan	0.23
107	Oritameje/Olose/Aderenle/Akinhanmi road	1.69
108	Lafenwa - Abule Otun	0.27



Complete transformation of Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye. Some of the new lecture theatres at the institution



OGD established the first University of Education in Nigeria in Ogun State



Access road to the Polytechnic at Ibogun

TOTAL (OGUN CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT) = 85.29KM

Roads Construction Ogun East Senatorial District

S/N	ROAD	LENGTH (Km)
1	Ofara-Aiyede-Ayila Itebu Manuwa	27.5
2	Odogbolu-Eyinwa Road	11.5
3	Alhaji Kazeem Street	0.25
4	Folagbade Street	0.15
5	Alapo Street	0.43
6	Osinubi Street	0.14
7	Araromi Street	0.15
8	Omo owo Street	0.19
9	Ejirin road	0.15
10	Ereko street	0.10
11	Igbegba street	0.10
12	Bonojo Street	0.48
13	Obada market road	0.25
14	Molusi College road	0.90
15	Oke Agbo R/about	0.20
16	Igbeba Junction - Ogbogbo road	0.13
17	Church street/Erigo road	0.10
18	Abeokuta street	0.30
19	Degun street	0.15
20	Odutola street	0.44
21	Ibadan road	0.19
22	Olisa street	0.15
23	Ijebu-Ode General Hospital Internal roads	0.26
24	Olabisi Onabanjo street G.R.A.	0.29
25	Balogun Kuku Street	0.29
26	Fidipote street	0.25
27	Idomila road G.R.A	0.39
28	Oguntunga street (Sch. Of Nursing)	0.44
29	Imoru road	0.37
30	Ogbogbo - Iworo road	0.97
31	Eruwon road	0.09
32	Oba Gbelegbua Avenue	0.05
33	Atikori market road	0.54
34	Pediatric Hospital	1.28
35	Access road to Olabisi Onabanjo University (Temporary site)	0.21
36	Imodi road	0.05
37	Tunwase drive	0.59
38	Molipa Express road	0.10
39	Old Ikenne - Ilisan road	0.53
40	Isiwo road	0.93
41	Ilisan - Ago Iwoye road (before dualisation commenced)	0.46
42	Ayegun street	0.17
43	Ojofa street	0.05
44	Asafa street	0.07
45	Agadaja street	0.05
46	Itantebo street	0.05
47	Egbo street	0.06
48	Etitale street	0.05
49	Ipamuren street	0.14
50	Gbelegbua street	0.47
51	Imupa street	0.03
52	Oke-Ijasi street	0.30
53	Idewon/Imoru street	0.12
54	Ikoto road to link Expressway	0.21
55	Liworo Avenue	0.21
56	Tam Balogun street	0.18
57	Ikamigbo street	0.11
58	1st Avenue G.R.A	0.21
59	Ota street	0.15
60	Olanrewaju Kassim road	0.26
61	Aleke Igbare street	0.20
62	Bewaji Badejo road	0.15
63	Otunba Fatai Basorun street	0.10



OGD IN ACTION...

62	Bewaji Badejo road	0.15
63	Otunba Fatai Basorun street	0.10
64	Afin street	0.15
65	Ijepo street	0.11
66	Jokotola Senbanjo	0.09
67	Oke Moje road	0.36
68	Oridan road	0.21
69	Oriwu road	0.13
70	Bisi Onabanjo Way Ijebu Ode	0.83
71	Odomoro street	0.09
72	2nd Avenue G.R.A.	0.36
73	Ijebu Mushin - Ijebu Soyin road	0.38
74	Kajola street	0.35
75	Ilese - Ijebu Mushin road	0.27
76	Lekuti Isale street	0.43
77	Ayegbami street	0.63
78	Lekuti Oke street	0.12
79	Shokas street	0.64
80	Olode street	0.46
81	Erunwon - Isoyin road	0.09
82	Erunwon street	0.11
83	Odesenlu - Odoregbe road	0.28
84	Olanrewaju street	0.19
85	Ibiade - Ilishin road	0.11
86	Town hall road, Omu	0.95
87	Access road to OGD viewing centre Odosenlu	0.56
88	Iloro street	0.57
89	Alamu road Odogbolu	0.28
90	Ogbere - Oritamobi - Korede road	1.08
91	Itamarun - Odedeyo road	0.53
92	Ilede - Mokorede road	0.92
93	Apebi street	0.39
94	Igan road	



on inspection of some of his Mega projects

Roads Construction Ogun East Senatorial District

OGUN EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Contd)

118	Abeokuta - Sagamu Interchange	0.68
119	Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital	0.21
120	Odogbolu - Aiyeye road	0.19
121	Latawa street	0.15
122	Batoro road	0.07
123	Tablorah road	0.62
124	Ogunbase street	0.46
125	Falilat Ogunkoya (Sabo area)	0.55
126	Etepe street	0.44
127	Soyindo street	0.42
128	Odofin street	0.35
129	Ibido Palace	0.08
130	Prison road	0.72
131	Anubi street	0.09
132	Itunsokun Isale street	0.05
133	Ijagba street	0.14
134	Professor Ogunlesi street	0.43
135	Ituwaye street	0.30
136	Ago Ilara street	0.37
137	External works of Alaperu palace	0.27
138	Mayflower College road	0.35
139	Old Ikenne -Ilisan road	0.53
140	Radelu road	0.22
141	Roads within Shagamu International Market	0.64
142	Mellor street	0.09
143	Oba Erinwole bye-pass	0.31
144	Akarigbo Road, Shagamu	
145	Oba Erinwole Bypass, Shagamu	
146	Motoye - Eredo road	
147	High court Road Shagamu to link Benin Express Road	
148	Oderemo - Akaka road	
149	Onipara road	
150	Awolowo Avenue/ Olotu Michael Oyedele Avenue/2 connecting roads	

Total Ogun East Senatorial District = 80.53 km

Ogun West Senatorial District

S/N	ROAD	LENGTH (Km)
1	Construction Of Imeko - Ilara Road	14
*2	Itori Jct.-Igbogila Road	32.6
3	Construction Of Ota-Itete/Ayobo Road	22.7
4	Construction Of Ota-Ibad Estate Road	2
5	Okesuna street	0.21
6	Okede street	0.02
7	Ilo-awela road	0.38
8	Mefun street	0.26
9	Iwoye road	0.04
10	Barrack road	0.12
11	Ona-Egbo road	0.04
12	Hospital road	0.23
13	Prof. Abimbola Olabintan road	0.13
14	Local Government/Treasury road Ilaro	0.04
15	Treasury/Education Authority road (lelie road)	0.08
16	Abeokuta road	0.33
17	Aibo road	0.09
18	Olabisi Onabanjo University (College of Agricultural Science) internal roads	0.59
19	Ado Odo - Owode Township road	0.28
20	Awolowo Avenue/Coker road	0.36
21	Idiroko - Agoshasha road	0.46
22	Owode - Ilaro road	1.08
23	Sabo Junction	0.65
24	Joga road	0.32
25	OGD Housing Estate	0.18

Total (Ogun-West Senatorial District = 77.19 km

95	Ibiade - Agodo - Lukogbe - Lukola - Tigara	
96	Olabisi Onabanjo University Internal roads phase A	
97	Tai Solarin College of Education, Ijagun.	
94	Ilese Road, IjebuOde	
95	Ososa Sabo junction Abass Street IjebuOde	
96	Ondo Road, IjebuOde	
97	Ijebu Ode -Imodi Imosan road	
98	Imosu/Isamuro/ Aiyegbami/ Obaruwa/ Oladipo streets	
99	Ijagun - Imaweje road	
100	Oru - Awa - Ilaporu	
101	Baruwa street	0.09
102	Surulere street	0.09
103	Ibido	0.21
104	Isote Street	0.19
105	Cinema street	0.17
106	Church street	0.04
107	Alagbon mefa	0.03
108	Hospital road	0.07
109	Olororo street	0.07
110	Itusokun street	0.23
111	Ajina street	0.21
112	Ajgunle street	0.11
113	G.R.A. road	0.73
114	Sagamu - Ijebu ode Ajebandele - Benin Expressway	1.87
115	Adedoyin street	0.04
116	Ikenne - Sagamu Interchange	0.07
117	Obafemi Awolowo Avenue	0.28

The ICT Revolution



The ICT-Complaint Governor operating a Computer



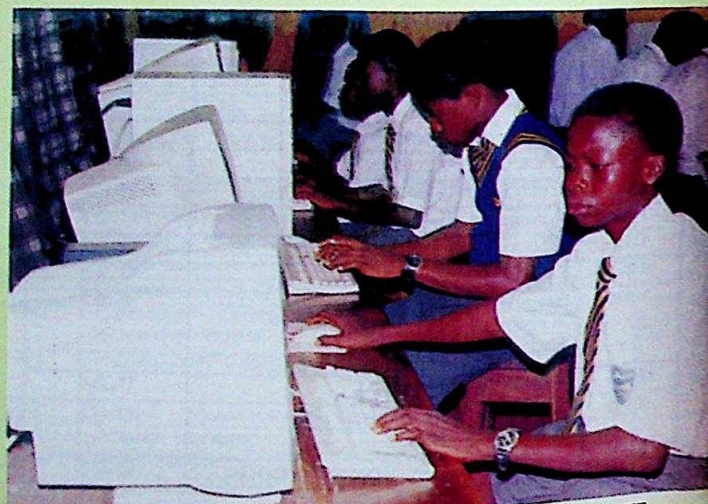
An ICT Based Laboratory

Imeko Afon	136
Ipokia	119
Obafemi/ Owode	100
Odeda	95
Odoogbolu	99
Ogun Waterside	100
Remo North	82
Sagamu	144
Total	2151

B Nigerian Automobile Technicians Association (NATA MEMBERS)

These set were empowered on zonal level

Ijebu Zone	76
Yewa Zone	67

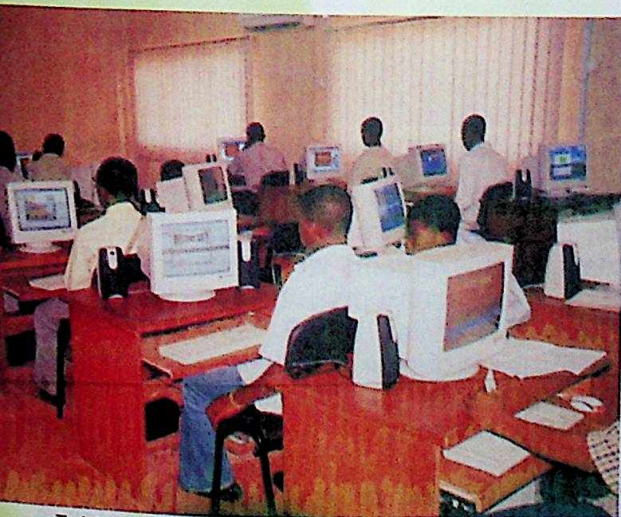


Giving fillip to ICT Revolution: Students training in Computer in one of the ICT laboratories in the State Secondary Schools

Education takes centre stage



1,500 capacity Otunba Gbenga Daniel Lecture Theatre at Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago Iwoye



Training Session at one of the ICT Monotechnics

Remo Zone	47
Egba Zone	81
Tota	271

- C Non-Agricultural Entrepreneurs: About 1,927 entrepreneurs in various non-agricultural enterprises across the state were empowered
- D Agricultural Farmers
About 1,396 farmers in the various enterprises were empowered.

MINISTRY OF FORESTRY
Allocation of land planted in 2005 and 2006

Plantation Establishment



OGSAS point at Shagamu Roundabout

Area J1 (Ijebu North)	175
Area J3 (Ijebu East)	
Area J4 "	1,000
Area J6 "	
Olokemeji reserve (Odeda)	250
Arakanga Reserve (Abeokuta South)	50
Ilaro For. Res. (Yewa South)	
Edun Stream "	335
Eggua Reserve (Yewa North)	
Ohumbe Res. "	420
Aworo Reserve "	
Imeko Games Res.	
Total	2,230

Honey Production

Olokemeji Odeda L.G.	30 Hives
Arakanga Abeokuta North	10 Hives
Headquarters of the Ministry (Abeokuta South)	10 Hives
Area J3 Ijebu East Local Govt	20 Hives
Ilaro - Yewa South	30 Hives
Total	100 Hives

OGUN STATE EMPLOYMENT GENERATION PROGRAMME (OGEGEP):

Since inception in 2003, Bureau of Employment Generation, through OGEGEP has been able to contribute tremendously to the reduction in unemployment Level in the State through training and rehabilitation programmes.



GFF medical team at work

Under the present administration, the following Landmark achievements were recorded by the Bureau.

1. Training of over twenty thousand youths and Senior Citizens in various Trades and vocations;
2. Training and rehabilitation programmes for prison inmates and inmates of



General Hospital, Omu



The Ogun State Rural Medical (OGRUMED) team in action

Remand Homes of the Ministry of Women Affairs.

3. Collaboration with Education Trust Fund (ETF) on Rehabilitative Education for street kids who would have otherwise constituted a threat to Security in the State.
4. Painting projects executed by the Bureau include:

- * Ilse School of Health Technology, Ilse
- * Simeon Adebo Library
- * Ogun State House of Assembly Complex
- * Gateway Hotel Abeokuta
- * General Hospital, Ijebu-Ode
- * General Hospital Ibi-ade
- * Baptist Boys' High School, Oke-Saje, Abeokuta.
- * Low Cost Housing, Asero, Abeokuta
- * Painting and face-lifting of four Ministries,

vis-a-vis; Ministries of Education, Science and Technology; Justice; Information and Strategy; and Finance (all the Ministries are Located at Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta)

- * Egbaland Central Muslim (Eid) praying ground, Lantoro, Abeokuta.
- * Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ayetoro Campus
- * Presidential Lodge, Ibara, GRA, Abeokuta,
- * Governor's Office Fence and Pathway
- * Military Cenotaph, Oke-Mosan, Abeokuta.
- * Trade Fair Complex, Abeokuta
- * Legislative Quarter's Perimeter fence
- * Odeda Farm Training Institute, Odeda
- * Owode Youth Camp, Owode Egba (Obafemi-Owode Local Government).
- * Sagamu Vocational Centre, Sagamu
- * Awuiale's Palace Ijebu-Ode
- * Painting of Kerbs from Governor's Office Gate to Sagamu Interchange.
- * Painting of Kerbs and Fence from Governor's Office to Governor's house.
- * Painting of Parastatals buildings e.g. Water Corporation Building, SUBEB, Board of Internal Revenue and Special Advisers' Office Complex.
- * Painting of M.K.O. Abiola, Stadium.
- * Painting Olikoye Ransome-Kuti Memorial Hospital, Asero, Abeokuta.

CREATION OF JOB PLACEMENT CENTRE

This initiative is aimed at facilitating the rendering of effective employment services, particularly for the unemployed segment of the society. Over 1000 prospective applicants have been registered in the last two months, out of which about 300 artisans comprising painters, carpenters and Masons were fully engaged during the presidential visit of February and the recently concluded 2006 Gateway Games.

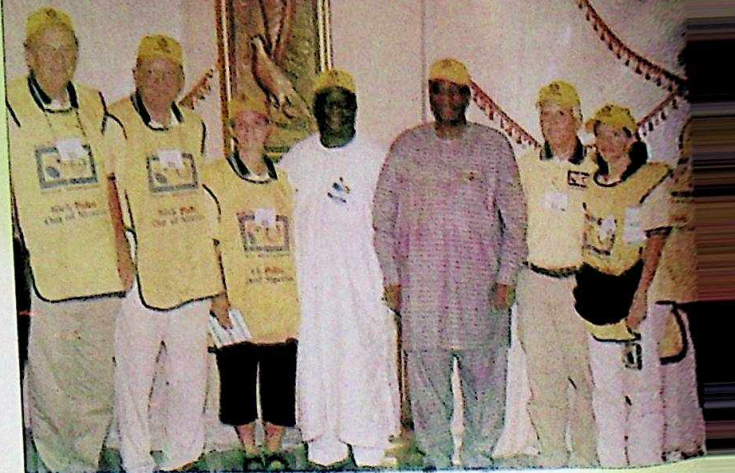
OGEGEP PRODUCTS

Our trainees have been involved in the production of Dan Choco, Dan Medicated Soap) OGEGEP Custard and OGEGEP Paints.

Re-roofing and re-ceiling of 52 Secondary Schools at 2 Schools per State Constituency.

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Renovation of hostel facilities was carried out in twelve schools in preparation for the 15th



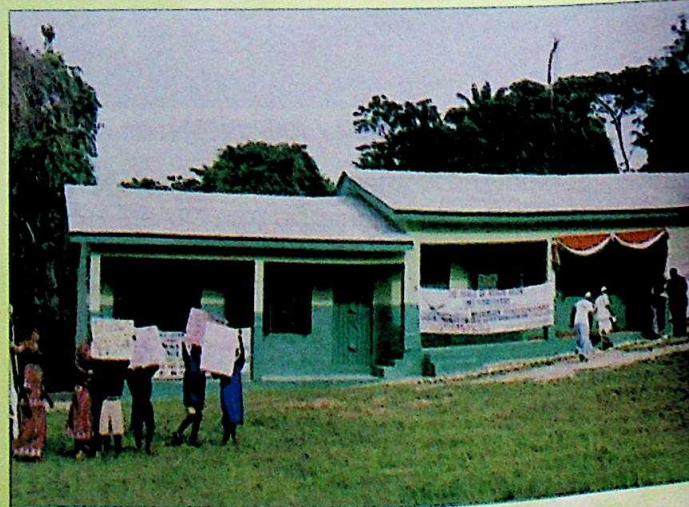
The Governor and the Rotarians on war against polio



Former Health Commissioner, Dr. (Mrs) Lyabo Obasanjo-Bello presenting GFF eye glasses to one of the beneficiaries



The Valley View Auditorium built within eight (8) weeks



Another completed school building



No dull moment for Sports lovers since inception of OGD administration



The OGEGEP painters and their products



Obas Complex: A rallying point for traditional rulers in the State



Combating Crimes: Some of the Toyota Hilux Jeeps purchased for the newly established Gateway Rapid Response Squad

National Sports Festival, otherwise known as 2006 Gateway Games while some of the schools were supplied 25 KVA generators
Provision of 3,600 pairs of desks and benches to secondary schools and GSTCS in May 2005.

In the same vein 1680 and 1000 pairs of desks and furniture were supplied to public secondary schools and Science & Technical Colleges early this year.

Notebooks and higher notebooks were distributed to schools as follows:

(i) Primary schools	
Pupils	- 141,155
(ii) Secondary school	- 289,939
(iii) GSTC students	- 4,428
(iv) OOU (Higher Notebook)	- 18,000
(v) MAPOLY	- 59,000
(vi) TASUED	- 21,404

NEWLY ESTABLISHED INSTITUTIONS PRIMARY

a. Ifo	=	6
b. Ipokia	=	4
c. Odeda	=	1
d. Yewa	=	1
e. Ijebu East	=	5
f. Odogbolu	=	1

Secondary

New Established Secondary Schools = 3

1. St. Michaels High School, Ota
2. Community High School, Adesanolu, Mowe,
3. OGD High School, Makun-Omi

Recently taken over secondary schools = 11

1. Iroko Comm High School, Iroko Aparadija
2. Ejila Awori Comm. High School
3. Ilogbo-Asowo Comm High School, Ilogbo
4. Adie-Owe Comm High School
5. Lawrence Banjoko Comm. High School Idomila
6. Odonoko Odonoga Comm. High School, Odonoko
7. Alabata Comm. High School, Alabata
8. Afon Comm. High School, Imeko Afon
9. Agude Comm. High School, Agude,
10. Area Comm. High School, Ibeku,
11. Comm. High School, Ebute-Igbooro,

Tertiary Institution Established

- i. Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijebu-Ode (the former Tai Solarin College of Education was upgraded to the country's first University of Education by the OGD administration).

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| ii. ICT Monotechnic | = | Ijebu-Igbo |
| iii. ICT Monotechnic | = | Igbesa |

Party faithful welcoming Governor Daniel to the commissioning of General Hospital, Itori.



iv. ICT Monotechnic = Ibogun
V. ICT Monotechnic = Sapade

Implementation of Multicampus system of Olabisi Onabanjo University with the establishment of college of Engineering in Ibogun and College of Agriculture at Ayetoro.

PRIMARY EDUCATION IN OGUN STATE: LAYING A SOLID FOUNDATION FOR TOMMOROW'S LEADERS

Primary Education in Ogun State under the present administration has made landmark stride through improved provision of teaching and learning infrastructures and teacher's welfare.

The State Universal Basic Education Board (which metamorphosed from the State Primary Education Board) came into being through the State Law No. 28 of August 2005. The Board is headed by a seasoned and experienced educationist, Chief (Mrs.) Olabosipo Ogunsan. The Board is mainly responsible for the management of 1,350 public primary schools with a population of 452,298 pupils taught by 16,821 teachers.

INFRASTRUCTURE

*712 classrooms in the primary schools had been re-roofed.

*48 new classrooms constructed.

*The UBE and World Bank Community Self- Help projects have rehabilitated 261 classrooms.

*50 new classrooms have been completed under the UBE Programme while the construction of another fifty (50) is on-going.

PRIMARY SCIENCE

*N27 million science equipment distributed to 500 schools in 2004/2005.

TEACHERS DEVELOPMENT

*5,500 teachers have been trained in reading skills by Tai Solarin University of Education and Olabisi Onabanjo University.

*The Federal College of Education,



Care for the motherless: Main entrance to Stella Obasanjo, Children's Home refurbished by OGD administration.



Construction of Sagamu Trailer Park

Osiele, assisted in the training of 2,500 science teachers.

*Four hundred Early Child Care Education handlers also went through workshop on phonics.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Library facilities are now being put in place in public primary schools with the provision of books and furniture. Teacher librarians have also been trained in 30 schools.

PROVISION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

80,000 Continuous Assessment Dossier, 15,780 records/Diary, 16,000 Attendant Registers, 1500 Time Books, Staff Movement Book and Admission Registers were provided in 2005. 800 First-Aid boxes, 32,268 text books in core subjects (English, Mathematics, Integrated Science and Social Studies) and 11,000 National Primary Curriculums were distributed to primary schools statewide.

STAFF WELFARE

*Three years of unpaid leave bonuses were cleared up till 2005

*Over 10,000 teachers enjoyed arrears of



One of the duplexes at the new Olusegun Obasanjo Hilltop G.R.A. in Abeokuta. An OGD initiative

promotion

*Another 6,000 teachers have just been promoted for 2004.

*Government pays an average of N440 million every month as salaries and allowances to both teaching and non-teaching staff.

*Running Cost to schools, which used to be N2.00 per child per term was increased to N50.00 per child per term by this administration. In effect, Government pays N24 million every Term as Running Cost to the primary school.

NEW CONSTRUCTIONS OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS BY OGUN SUBEB

OGUN WEST SENATORIAL DISTRICT

1. Local Govt. School, Idolehin, Ado-Odo/Ota
2. Community Pry School, Igate, Ipokia
3. Community Pry School, Obada, Imeko/Afon
4. African Pry School, Orile Anibo, Ilupeju Ayetoro, Yewa North.
5. Local Govt. Pry School, Awuko/Alagbon, Yewa South.

OGUN EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT

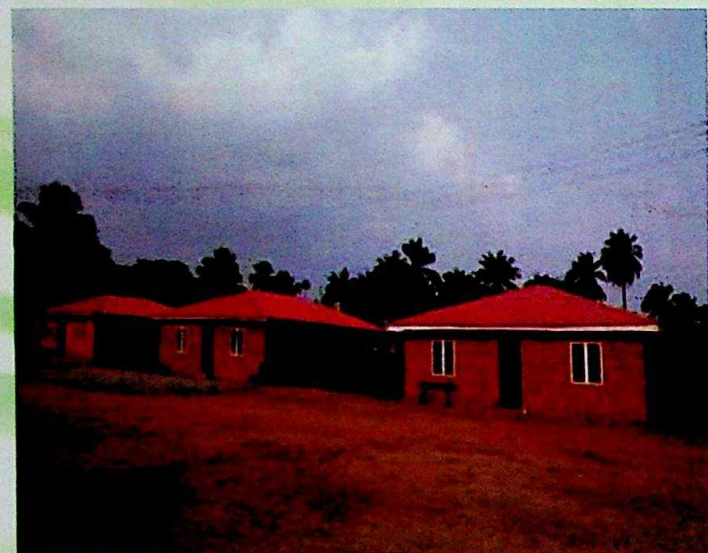
1. St. Mary's Catholic Pry School, Igbere, Ijebu East
2. AUD Pry School, Oke-Sopen, Ijebu North



The newly constructed Sam Ewang Road, Idi-Aba, Abeokuta



The new Ogun State is now a beehive of activities for banking business: the First City Monument Bank is one of the numerous banks in the State



Houses constructed for the displaced villages on the Sagamu-Siun-Abeokuta expressway



The New Look Gateway Broadcasting House

3. Local Govt. Pry School, Idale, Ijebu-Ode
4. A/C Pry School, Ilisan, Ikenne
5. Baptist Pry School, Ogbogbo, Ijebu North East
6. Local Govt. Model School, Odogbolu
7. L.G. Pry school, Ode Omi, Ogun Waterside
8. L.G. Pry School, Eluju, Remo North
9. St. Paul's Ang. Pry School, Makun, Sagamu

OGUN CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT

1. A.N.L.G. Primary School, Ilugun-Asalu, Abeokuta North
2. Lisabi Model Pry. Schl, Ita-Agemo Igbein Abeokuta South
3. A/C Primary School, Onigbedu, Ewekoro
4. St. David's Anglican School, Orogbe, Ifo
5. St. John Anglican School, Aberu-Agba, Obafemi/Owode
6. O.L.G. Primary School, Apojola, Odeda

EXISTING ZONAL PLANNING AUTHORITIES & AREA OFFICES

- i. Abeokuta Zonal Planning Authority - Abeokuta South LG
- ii. Sagamu Zonal Planning Authority - Sagamu LG
- iii. Ijebu Ode Zonal Planning Authority - Ijebu-Ode LG

- iv. Ijebu Igbo Zonal Planning Authority - Ijebu North LG
- v. Ota Zonal Planning Authority - Ado-Odo/Ota LG
- vi. Ifo Zonal Planning Authority, -Ifo LG
- vii. Ilaro Zonal Planning Authority - Yewa South
- viii. Ayetoro Area Office, -Yewa North
- ix. Oke Odan Area Office, -Yewa South LG
Agbado Area Office -Ifo LG

NEWLY CREATED AREA OFFICES

- i. Express Corridor - with office at Mowe (Sagamu II)- Obafemi/ Owode.
- ii. Express Corridor -with office at Isheri -Ifo.
- iii. Ago Iwoye and environs with office at Ago-Iwoye Ijebu north LG.
- iv. Abeokuta North and Odeda Local Government Areas with Offices in Abeokuta, Abeokuta North.
- v. Iyana Iyesi, Atan Ota area and Agbara with office in Ota -Ado Odo/ Ota.



OPIC Roundabout, Abeokuta



Complete Rehabilitation of Ake Palace Ground



President Olusegun Obasanjo inspecting the newly completed auditorium at the Moshood Abiola Polytechnic, Abeokuta

Vi. Ibi ade Area Office - Ijebu Waterside LG

PASSAGE OF THE STATE URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING LAW

The Law is to provide a legal framework for physical Operation in the State. The Bureau is immensely grateful to the State House of Assembly and His Excellency, the Governor of Ogun State, for passing and signing the Urban and Regional Planning Bill into Law in July 2005.

STATE REGIONAL PLAN

The preparation of the State Regional Plan is in progress. It is a three-phased development programme.

The 1st phase is the preparation of Conceptual Regional plan which started in August 2003 and was concluded in June 2004.

The 2nd phase which is ongoing, is the preparation of the full regional plan.

The 3rd phase is the preparation and implementation of detailed development plans.

The essence of the Regional Plan is to develop and implement a vision for the growth pattern of the State with a view to achieving balanced

economy, social and physical development in the State.

ESTABLISHMENT OF OGUN STATE URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING BOARD

This was borne out of the need to reinvigorate and consolidate on the gains so far achieved since the elevation of physical planning to the status of a Bureau.

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

1. Resuscitation of Capentry Trading Centre for the youth in Ijaye, Abeokuta South Local government.
2. Construction of IT Youth Resouce Centre in collaboration with UNICEF in Ibara, Abeokuta South local government.
3. Resuscitation of the Annual Children Day Celebration.
4. Resuscitation of the Annual citizenship and Leadership Training course for Prefects of Secondary Schools, Officers

and members of Voluntary Youth Association.

SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

1. Hosting of the 1st ever Gbenga Daniel Regatta Cup competition in Isheri in 2004.
2. Resuscitation of the Gateway Football Club and its Subsequent promotion to the Premier League within one year.
3. Hosting of the Gateway Tertiary Institution Games (GATIC).
4. Hosting of the 1st National Taekwondo championship- January 2006.
5. Hosting of the National council of Sports meeting in Ota and Abeokuta.
6. Construction of the big and acclaimed Gateway International stadium and a games village in Ijebu-Ode.
7. Complete overhauling of the M.K.O Abiola international Stadium, Kuto, Abeokuta.
8. Construction of five courts and two Abula Courts in Abeokuta and Ijebu Ode.
9. Construction of Cricket Pavillion at the M.K.O Abiola stadium and the renovation of another Cricket pavilion at the Abeokuta sports Club.
10. Complete renovation of sports facilities at the Alake Sports Centre, Ijeja, Abeokuta.
11. Renovation of Tennis Court at the Abeokuta Sports club.
12. Construction of Shooting Range at the M.K.O Abiola Stadium, Abeokuta.

HEALTH

·Establishment of the Ogun State Rural Medical Scheme, OGRUMED, to provide comprehensive medical treatment to the grassroots people.

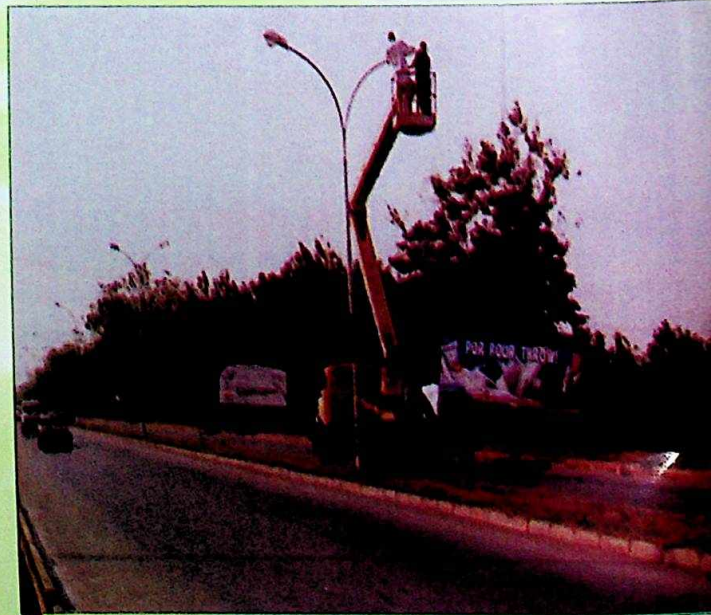
·Establishment of State Action Committee on HIV/AIDS, SACA, to fight the spread of HIV/AIDS in the state.

·Facilitation of the donation of over N50 million worth of drugs to hospitals in the state by CITIHOPE INTERNATIONAL AND ABBOT LABORATORIES, both of USA.

·Manpower enhancement and development through mass recruitment of medical



OGD in action... Inspection of projects.



Maintenance of streetlights along Abeokuta-Shagamu Expressway.



The newly renovated Cultural Centre, Kuto Abeokuta



OGD and Special Adviser Works and Infrastructure, Engr. Kehinde Adeniji, inspecting a gully at a road construction site



Rehabilitation of South-West Resource Centre.



Ensuring adequate security: Some of the motorcycles purchased for the Gateway Rapid Response Squad to combat crimes in the state

personnel, retreat, workshops and seminars, including overseas trips for all categories of health workers.

·Evolvement of regulatory strategy for traditional medical practitioners to enhance quality of service to the people.

·Creation of public enlightenment programmes on radio/TV channels, among which is "Eto llera ni Ipinle Ogun" on Paramount FM 94.5.

Equipment were procured and distributed to the LGAs in an attempt to address various sectors of Health.

- a. In an attempt to reduce the disease burden of Malaria, all the primary health care facilities and Local Govt. Secretariat were provided with Insecticides Treated Nets (ITNs) to be given free of charge to pregnant women attending ante-natal services and children who completed immunization.
- b. Distribution of NPI equipment to the 20 LGAs to improve immunization coverage in the State.
- c. Distribution of drugs also to the 20 LGAs in an attempt to improve service utilization and delivery.
- d. Provision of free Anti-Tuberculosis drugs to all PHC facilities at the LGA level for all patients utilizing these health facilities.

Ogun State Rural Medical Scheme (OGRUMED):

- In an endeavor to take secondary health care to the grassroots, OGRUMED was launched by the State Governor in 2004 to reach the people living in rural areas. The programme takes specialist and other health personnels to rural people for minor surgical operations and other specialists care. This programme contributes in no small measure in improving the health of our people who until then had little or no access to such care.

The following LGAs benefited during 2005:

- a.Yewa North
- b.Remo North
- c.Ijebu East
- d.Imeko Afon
- e.Obafemi Owode
- f.Ikenne
- g.Abeokuta North
- h.Ijebu North
- i.Yewa South

Courtesy:
Ogun State Ministry of Information and Orientation



Gov. Daniel's
**WARD-TO-WARD
COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
ASSESSMENT TOUR:**

People as centre-piece of governance

In the new Ogun State, the word service is being given a new meaning. The rate at which Otunba Gbenga Daniel, wants to grow the state is not only phenomenal, it is also legendary. Within a little over four and a half years in office, the gentleman has traversed the entire length and breadth of Ogun State several times in a very bold attempt aimed at bringing government closer to the people..

First, it is on record that during the electioneering campaigns that led to his emergence as governor in 2003, Otunba

Gbenga Daniel, toured the 236 wards of Ogun State two times, a feat never witnessed in the history of electioneering in Ogun State since its creation in 1976. It was a feat no governor or any leader for that matter ever achieved. It's OGD's genuine effort to connect with the people.

And since he came into office, Otunba Daniel has made it a duty to regularly reach for the grassroots in one form or the other. He is there to declare one project or the other, interact with them in order to know first hand their problems. One method adopted before this new initiative, was his decision

WARD-TO-WARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT TOUR:



to institute the Village Square concept as a weapon to reach the people in their remotest villages.

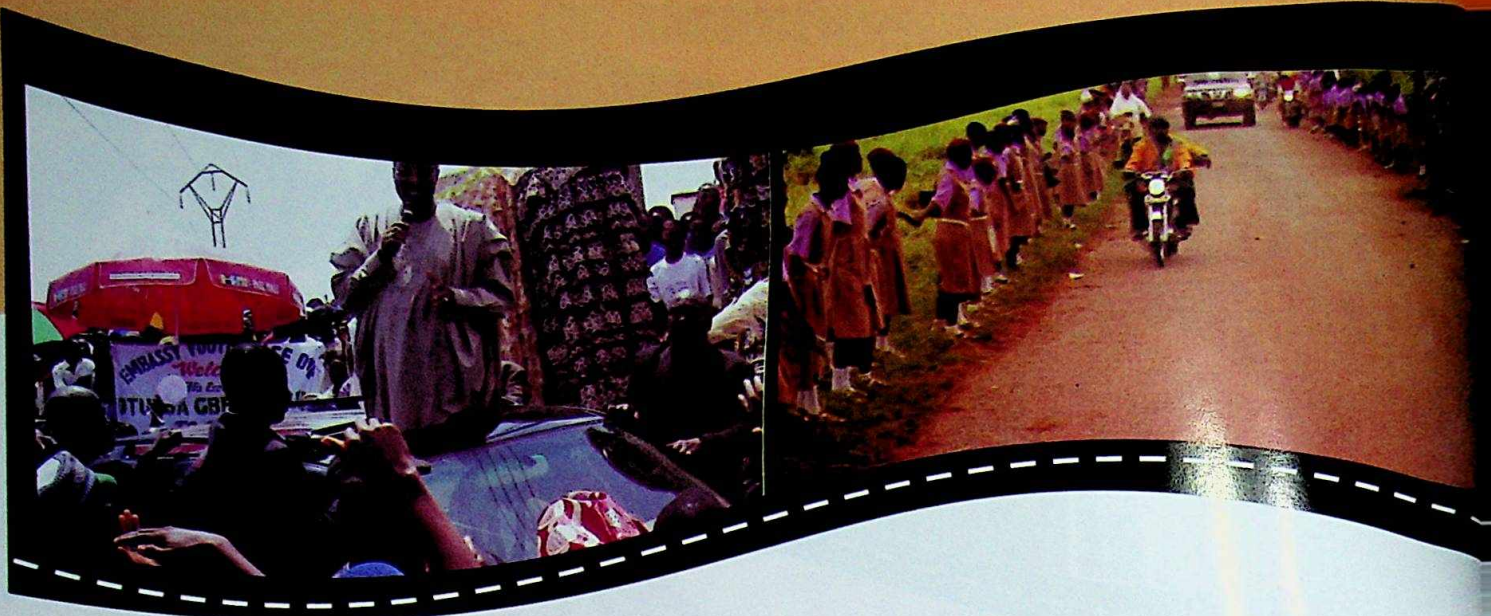
Any keen observer of the Otunba Gbenga Daniel Administration will tell you that the Village Square meetings he instituted recorded a phenomenal success. With this, the governor was not only able to monitor the performance of his local government chairmen, he was also able to put them on their toes. His desire to regularly connect with the people has not only become a passion, it is a thirst that has become unquenchable.

At each Village Square meeting, the governor was able to meet the local people and their leaders and interact with them. They ask him questions and he provides ready answers. Most requests bother on the needs of each community and their priorities. The governor is able to see the need for such needs, having visited the people in the first place.

The last one created is dubbed: "*Ward to Ward Community Development Assessment Tour*". The governor, in his avowed desire to reach the people, designed this as another window of opportunity to reach the people, monitor the performance of his administration on ground and generally connect with all the citizens of Ogun State.

It is not unusual to see a governor embark on such assessment tours, but what is unusual is for a governor to decide to visit all the wards in his state when electioneering campaigns have not started. Most governors, hardly in the life of their tenure, engage in such time-consuming ventures. They will prefer to send their aides, particularly to those remote villages and wards and then rely on their feedback to take action. The difference, or call it the 'business unusual' aspect of this is that it is the governor initiating the moves designed to enable him see things for himself.





For some leaders, leaving the cozy environment of their offices is something they will rather avoid. Whenever the terrain they are to visit is far removed from the seat of power, they tactically hide under the exigencies of state matters and ask their aides to represent them. Other leaders reluctantly go to one of two rural settings through out their tenure just to fulfill all righteousness.

The only time they are compelled to visit those parts of their jurisdiction that are nearly impossible to get to is when there is a major upheaval that is threatening the peace of their domain and country. Of course, and as a rule, they only stay for one or two hours. Typically, majority of those in power simply leave the people in the lurch after divesting them of their votes.

Ogun State is certainly not one of those climes where the leaders are only interested in the people for selfish reasons. The government of

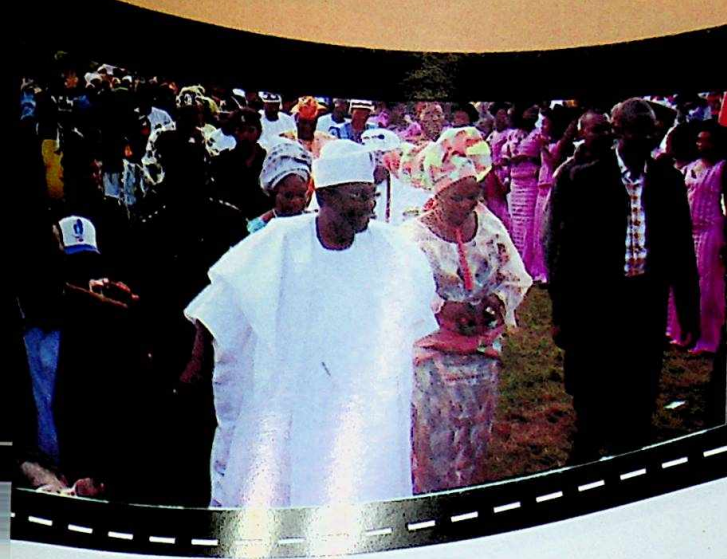
Otunba Gbenga Daniel is showing, in words and deeds, how leadership can connect with the people. In the last four and a half years Daniel has made regular working visits to different parts of the state a cardinal principle of his administration. These are not just whistle stops visits. It is a carefully planned affair during which the governor attends a village square meeting with the people.

The meetings are held in designated rural communities. And it is actually a village square setting as the governor and officials of his government sit with the people, take questions from them, listen to their complaints and demands and explain rationale behind government projects and actions. There have been occasions when the governor had to reverse some decisions based on the demand of the people.

Through the community development assessment tours, Gov. Daniel is once again reinforcing the fact



ASSESSMENT TOUR: People as centre-piece of governance



that the people are the centerpiece of governance. But if the truth must be told, the ward-to-ward visit personally led by Daniel is not a tea party and only leaders who are genuinely interested in the welfare of the people can attempt it. Chief Ebenezer Babatope, erudite politician and one of the closest associates of the late sage, Chief Obafemi Awolowo, witnessed first hand the gathering of the people and their governor in Owode during the grand finale of the assessment tour of Obafemi Owode Local Government. He must have witnessed a replication of true democracy during the Obafemi Awolowo era when the people in concert with their true leaders decided the way forward for their communities.

State since the government is in tune with the needs of the people. Babatope described the tour, which began in Yewa North Local Government on Tuesday, May 30, 2006, as a mass movement that would change the face of politics and further enhance good governance in Ogun State.

He is right. One of the major aims of the tour was to assess the level of development and the impact of government programmes on the people. The tour is also in consonance with Daniel's belief that the people must have a say in government. The Governor is mindful of the fact that one of the reasons why past governments fail to deliver real dividends to the people was because they did not bond with the people. They did not know what the people actually wanted and which projects were functional and beneficial to the people.

According to Babatope, such regular consultations between the government and the governed engender development and lead to verifiable progress. The former minister of the Federal Republic said he was not surprised that much progress was being recorded in Ogun

Daniel has made the rounds of the communities to see things for himself. He has talked to the people and not just relying on the



Gov. Daniel's WARD-TO-WARD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



feedbacks from officials. By feeling the pulse of the people, he is able to assess how well his government has performed and what other things that are needed to be done.

For one, the people want to be part of governance going by the way they besiege the venues of the interactive sessions with the governor. The community assessment tours have become a people's parliament of sorts as the representatives of different interest groups take the governor and his officials to task on several issues. On the whole, however, the general consensus is that the Daniel administration has succeeded in bringing government closer to the people through the execution of people-oriented policies and projects.

Chief Sesan Soluade, who served as deputy governor to the late Governor Bisi Onabanjo, had to leave other pressing matters to attend the one held in Kajola in Obafemi Owode Local Government area. Soluade, a chieftain of the Alliance for Democracy, said he was

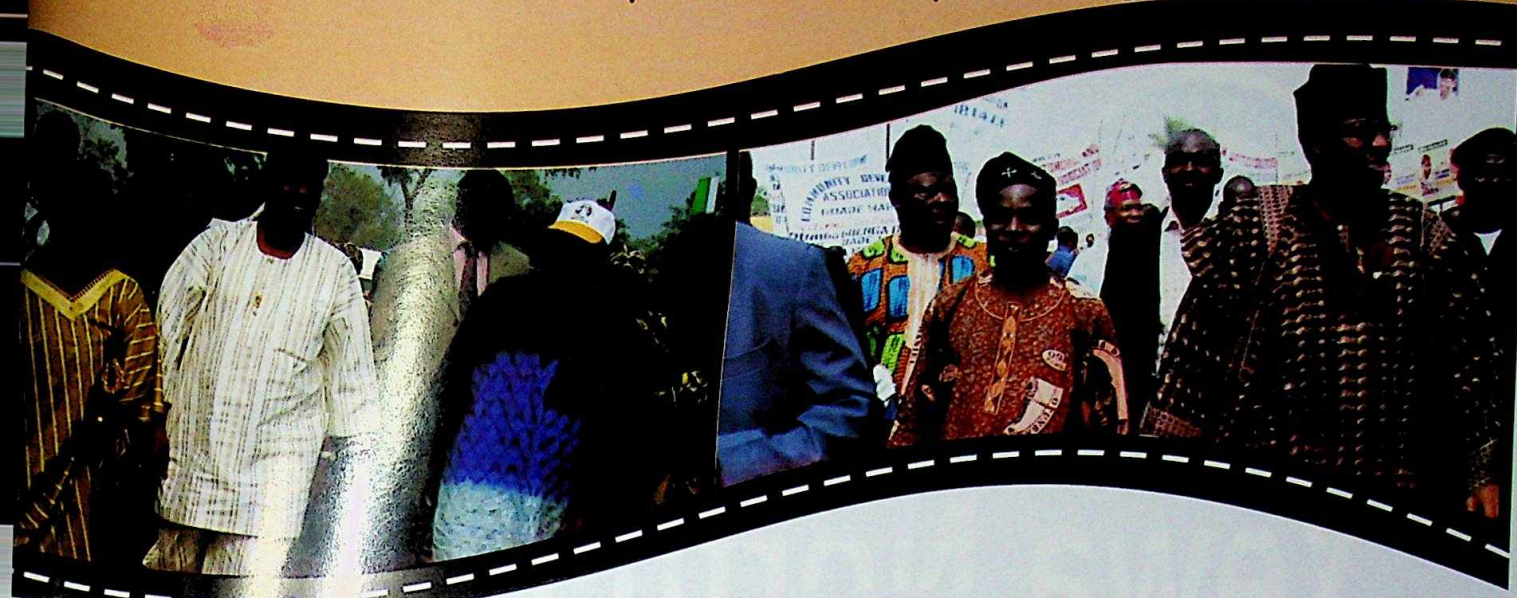
impressed with Daniel's style of governance and his delivery of dividends of democracy to the people. At Ode Remo Ward 1, The Alaye of Ode Oba Funso Adeolu, described the governor as a man whose truth and sincerity of purpose is obvious from his concern for the welfare of the people.

He said by listening to the people and tailoring development to suit their needs, Daniel has succeeded in transforming the state. Oba Adeolu aligned himself with the general consensus that the OGD administration has impacted positively on various communities in the state. At Ado Odo Ota Local Government, Chief Ogungbaya Akan said Daniel was the first Governor since inception of the state to have identified with the welfare of the *Baales*, pointing out that their monthly stipends had been increased from three hundred naira (N300) to five thousand naira (N5,000) per month.

For the Asiwaju of Aworiland, Senator Ayin Otegbola, it is the government



ASSESSMENT TOUR: People as centre-piece of governance



or's love for the people that has propelled him to embark on the tour after successfully providing life changing amenities for the various communities in the state.

At all the stops, Daniel always makes sure that he preaches the virtue of politics of tolerance among the various aspirants to political offices. At Remo North, Obafemi Owode, Yewa North, Ado-Odo and Ijebu Ode, all the aspirants were brought together by the governor. He told them that what should be uppermost in their hearts was service to the people. He urged them to shun violence and other behaviours that could lead to chaos in the polity. And the approach is actually working to engender political tolerance, which many have said would help the state to achieve generally peaceful election.

And the effort of Daniel to deepen democracy through the assessment tour is very tasking. As early as 6 a.m. the advance team of the governor's entourage is ready to depart for the

community development assessment tour. By 8.00 the Governor's convoy is on its way out of Abeokuta. On a typical tour day the governor does not return to Abeokuta until after dusk.

This is to be expected as the Governor spends an average of three hours at each ward visited. Those who have joined the governor on the tour have come to find out that Daniel has a passion for the people and feels completely at home in their midst. No wonder, OGD had to relocate the seat of power in some of the cases.

He is never in a hurry to leave and patiently listens to all questions and comments before providing answers to them or simply giving directives that would provide immediate succor to the people.

That is why the people themselves are the ones testifying to the many gains of the four and a half years old administration of Daniel in Ogun State.

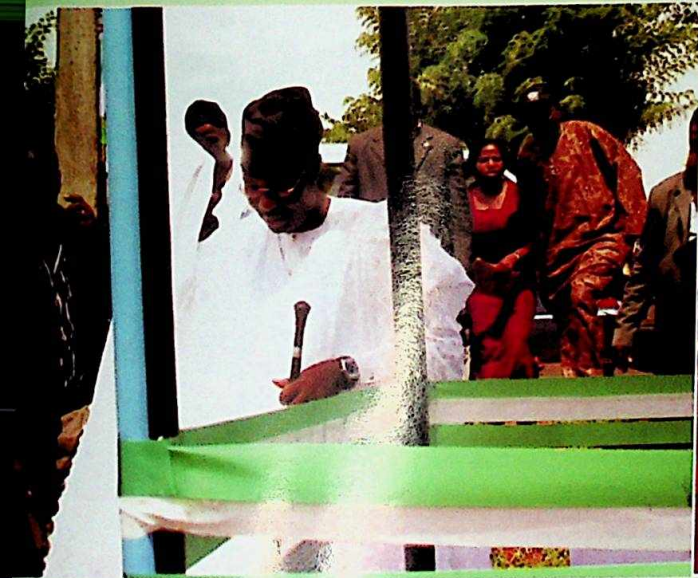




Yewa North LGA...



Oganla of Yewaland, Otunba Gbenga Daniel, and his Deputy, Alhaja Salmot Badru being welcomed to Yewa North LGA.



OGD inspecting a project about to be commissioned.



A football team welcoming OGD to one of the Wards.



The Deputy Gov and Commissioner for Works discussing something of interest during the tour.



OGD with Royal Fathers addressing the people.



A socio-political group welcoming OGD.



OGD commissioning an electrification project at Imasayi.



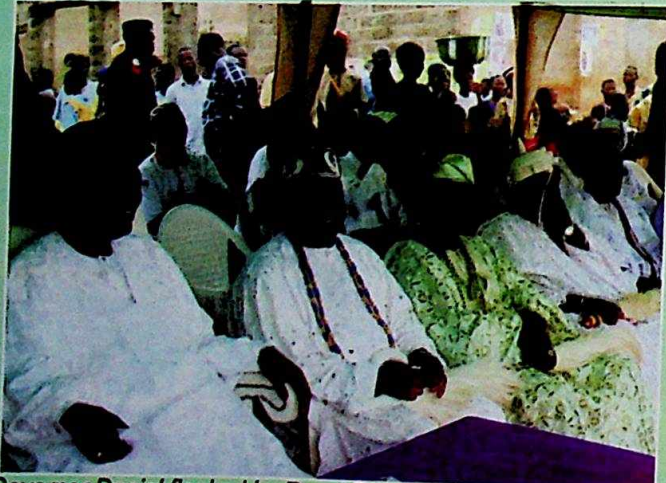
Gov. Daniel commissioning a project at one of the Wards.



Cross section of traditional rulers.



Cross section of Baales.



Governor Daniel flanked by Royal Fathers at one of the Ward meetings.



Top Government Officials at the Ward Meeting.



At Ijebu-Ode LGA...



Ijebu-Ode, LG Chairman, Dr. Toye Alatishe welcoming OGD and his entourage to the tour.



OGD supporters at the Ward-To-Ward Community Development Tour



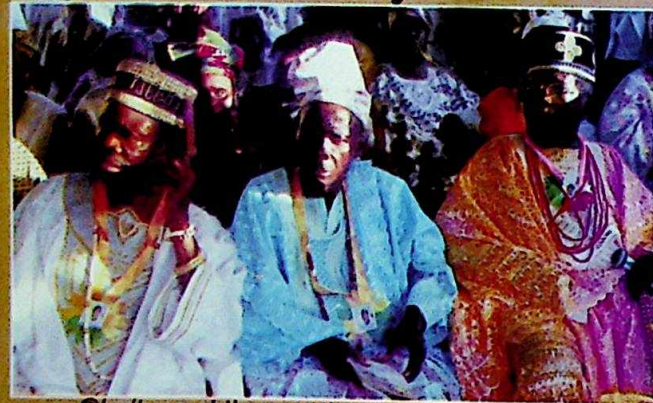
Students, market women and youths welcoming OGD.



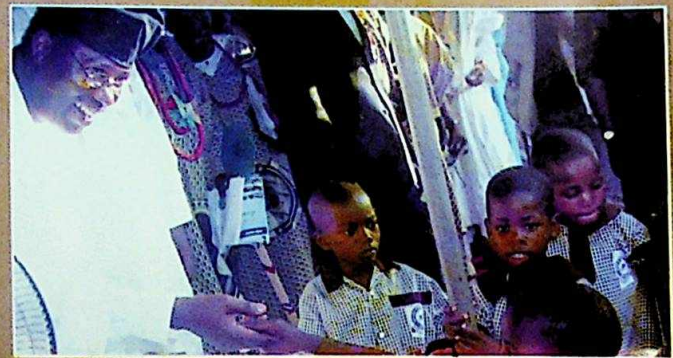
The Olorituns at the rally in Ijebu.



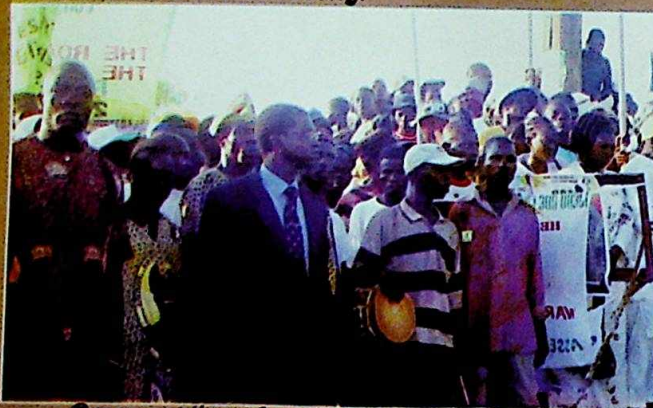
Dignitaries at the Ward Meeting.



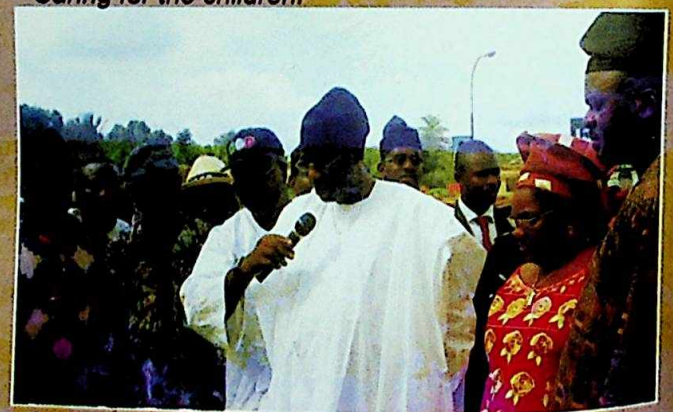
Olorituns at the meeting.



Caring for the children.



Cross section of youths.



OGD addressing the people.



Gov. Daniel meeting with the people during the visit.



GFF IN ACTION



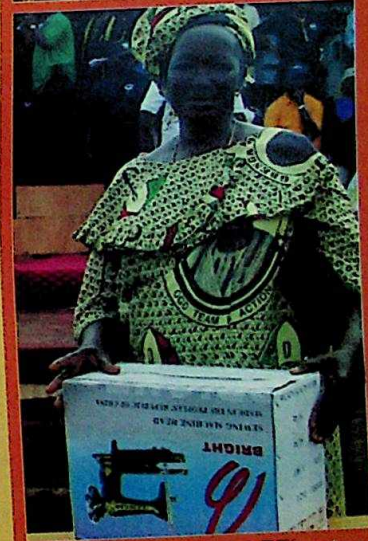
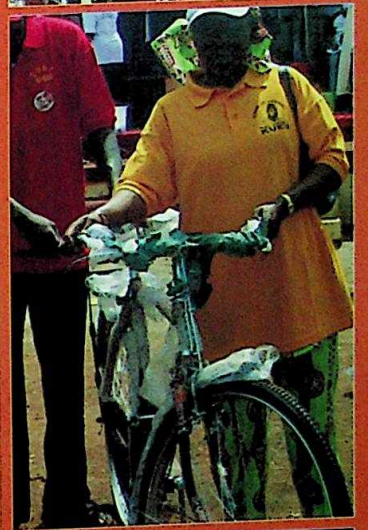
OGD, other leaders singing the GFF anthem during the Ward tour.



OGD, Alhaja Salmot Badrua, Chief Bode George, Yeye Olufunke Daniel, Alhaji Sarafa Tunji Ishola at the rally in Ijebu-Ode.



Imams and Alfas at the meeting.



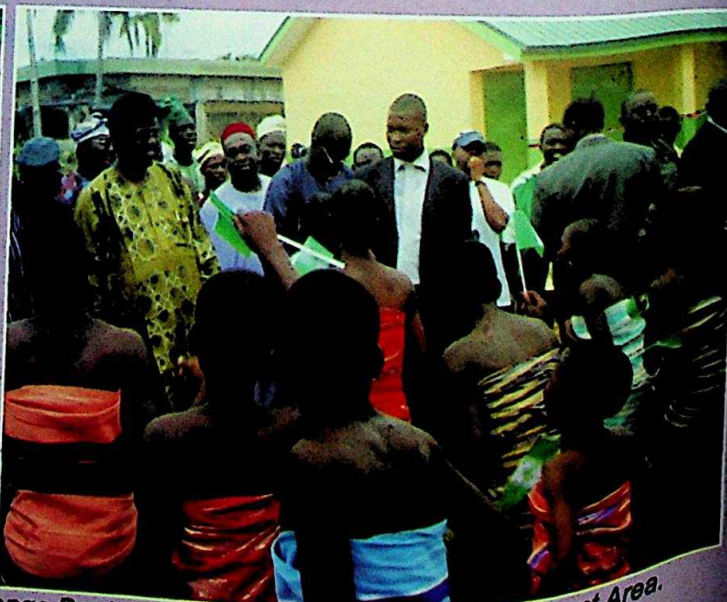
Beneficiaries of GFF's star prizes displaying their prizes at the Ijebu-Ode Rally.



Obafemi-Owode LGA...



Gov. Daniel, Dr. Iyabo Obasanjo-Bello being taken round the mechanic village by NATA members. With him is chairman of the Council, Engr. Akeem Adesina.



Cross section of people welcoming Gov. Gbenga Daniel to Obafemi-Owode Local Government Area.



School children entertains



Top government functionaries at the rally.



OGD addressing the crowd



Dignitaries at the Ward meeting



Mammoth crowd at the rally.



People trooped out en-masse to show their unalloyed support for Otunba Gbenga Daniel.



OGD commissions another project during the tour



People welcoming OGD to various Ward meetings during the tour.



Cross section of people at a Ward meeting.



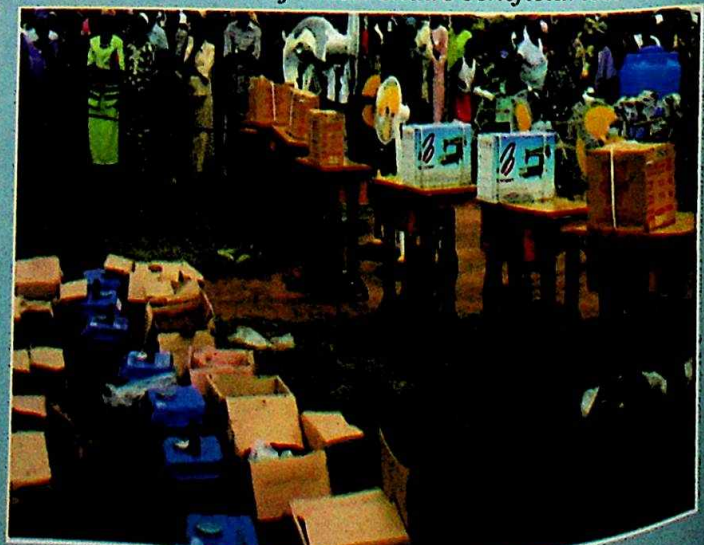
CHEERFUL GIVERS: Yeye Olufunke Daniel and Gov Daniel giving out cash and free wheel chairs to the physically-challenged.



Motorcycles donated by Dr. Iyabo Obasanjo-Bello.



Cross section of Wheel Chairs beneficiaries.



Cross section of sewing machines & generators giving out at the LGA rally.

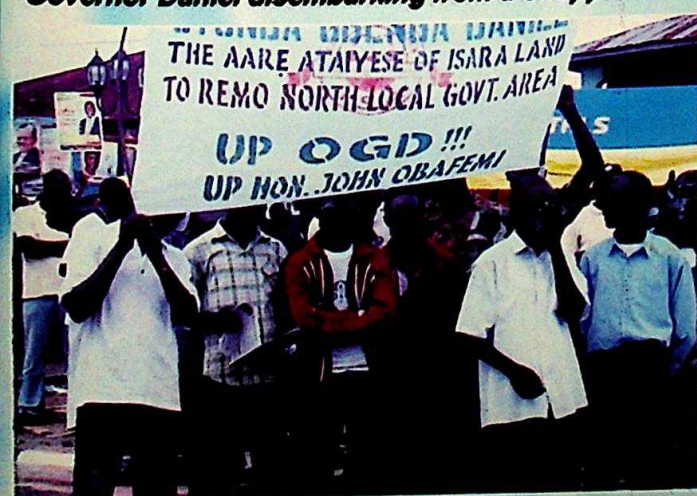


At Remo North

LGA.



Governor Daniel disembarcking from a chopper to keep a date with his people during the tour of Remo LGA.



Youths not left out...



Women showing their love for OGD...



Cross section of people and party faithful at various Ward meetings.



Community leaders at Ward meeting.



Gov. Daniel being assisted by Remo-North Boss, Hon. John Obafemi cutting his tape to commission a project.



A community borehole project ready for commissioning at Isara



School children welcoming OGD to Isara



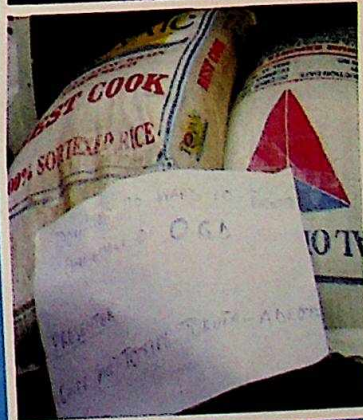
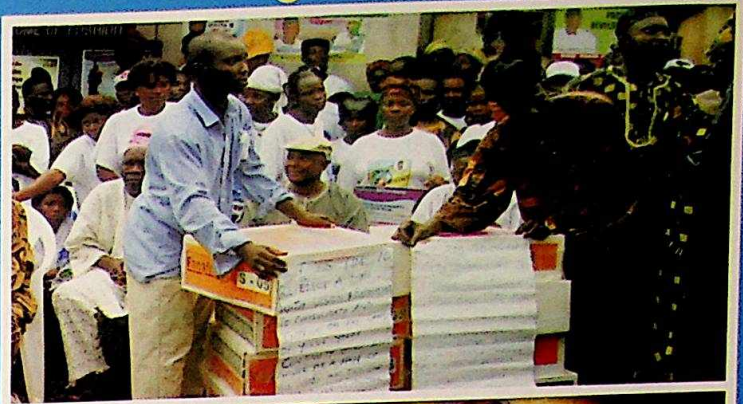
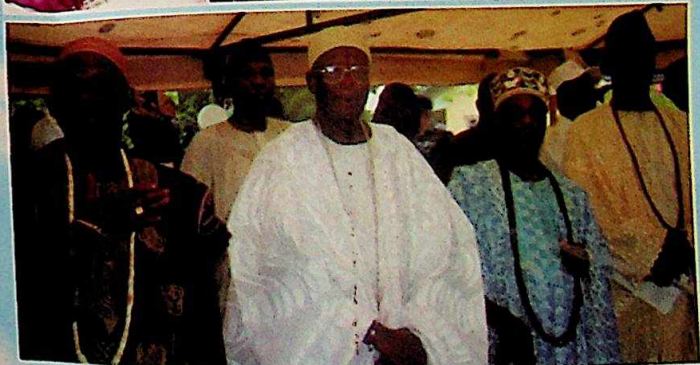
Traditionalists are not left out



Total support for Governor Daniel as displayed by the presence of large turn out of people at Ward meeting.



The gains of GFF

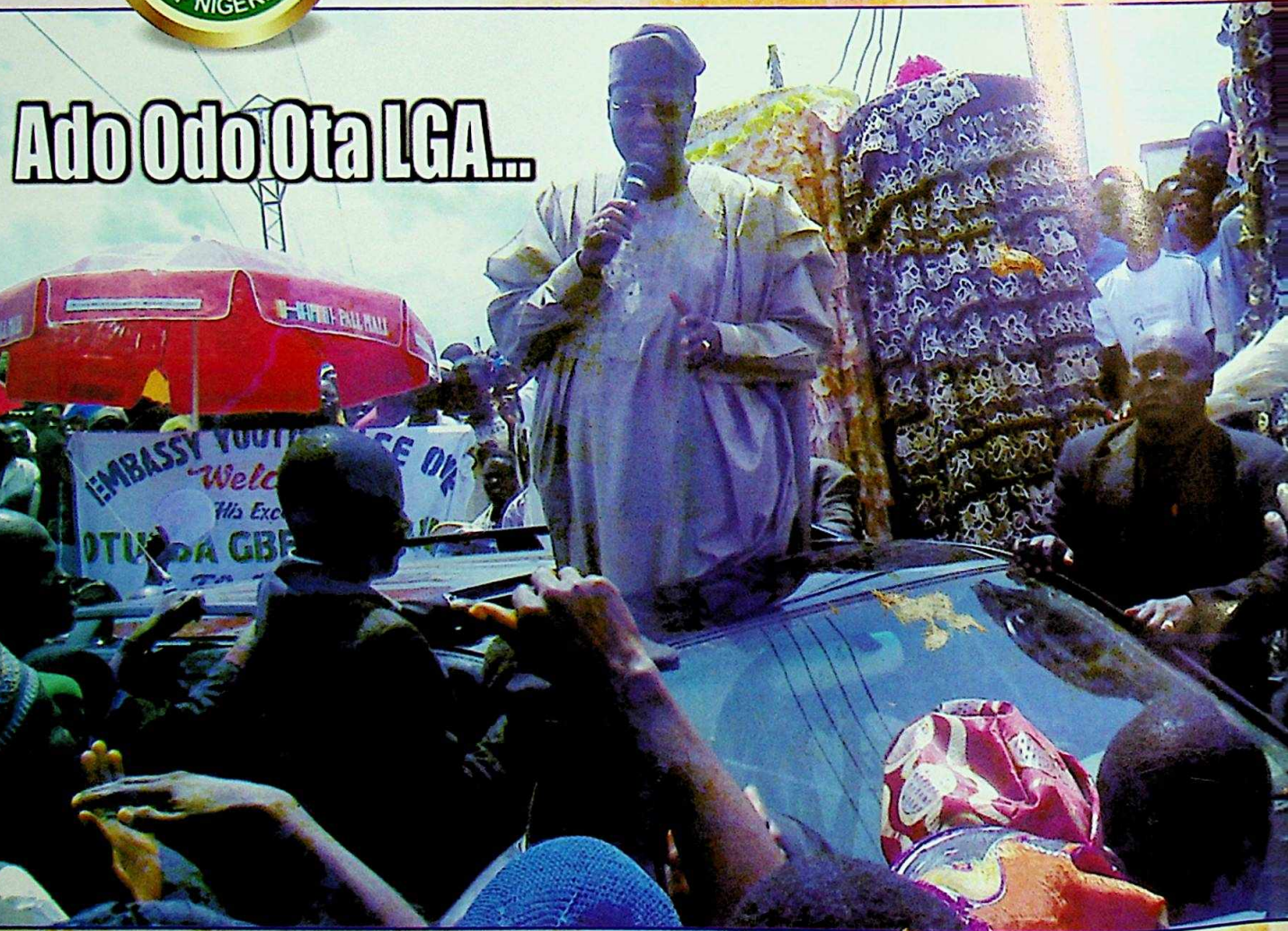


Pictorial view of activities at Remo North LGA.

Pictorial view of activities at the Ward Meeting in Remo North LGA



A rousing welcome for Gov Daniel at Ado Odo Ota Local Government.



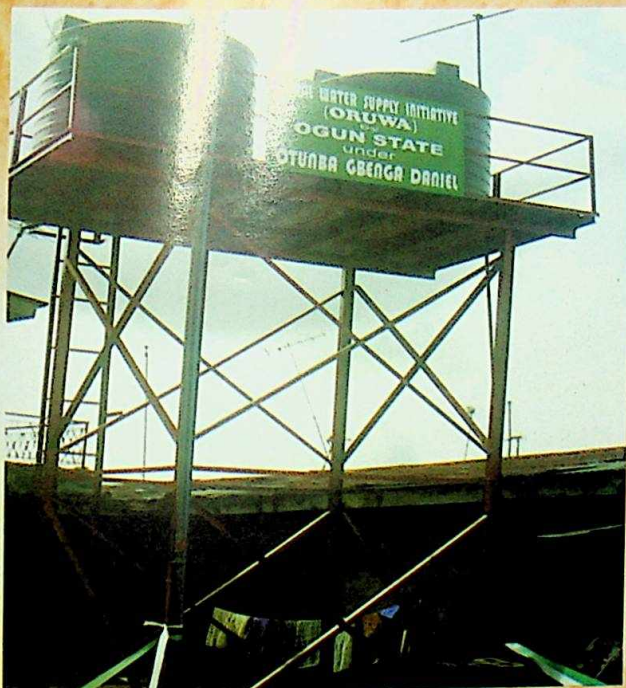
Ado Odo Ota LGA...

OGD addressing the people of Ado Odo-Ota LG.





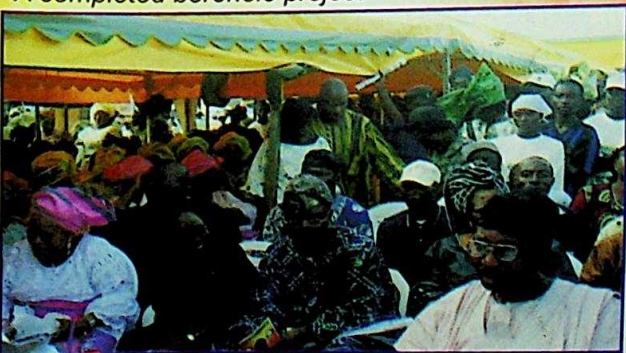
Towards rural electrification...



A completed borehole project



Deputy Governor, Olowu of Owu and Olori at the Ward meeting.



Top government official at Ward Meeting



Iya-Oloja's support for OGD.



A community leader having tete-a-tete with Gov. Daniel.



Traditional rulers seated at Ward Meeting



OGD receiving a bouquet of flowers.



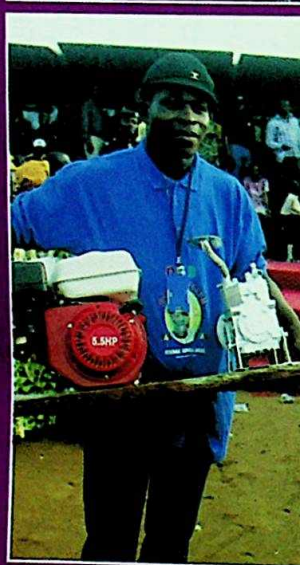
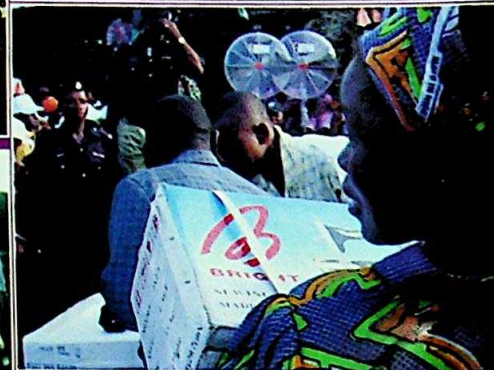
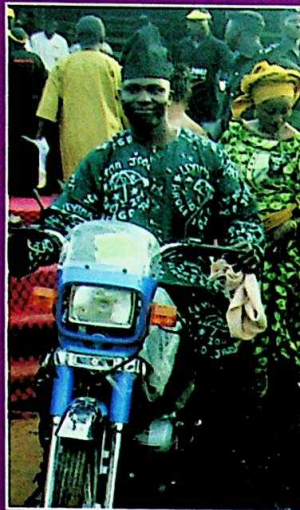
Market women displaying gifts donated by GFF.



Politicians at the rally.



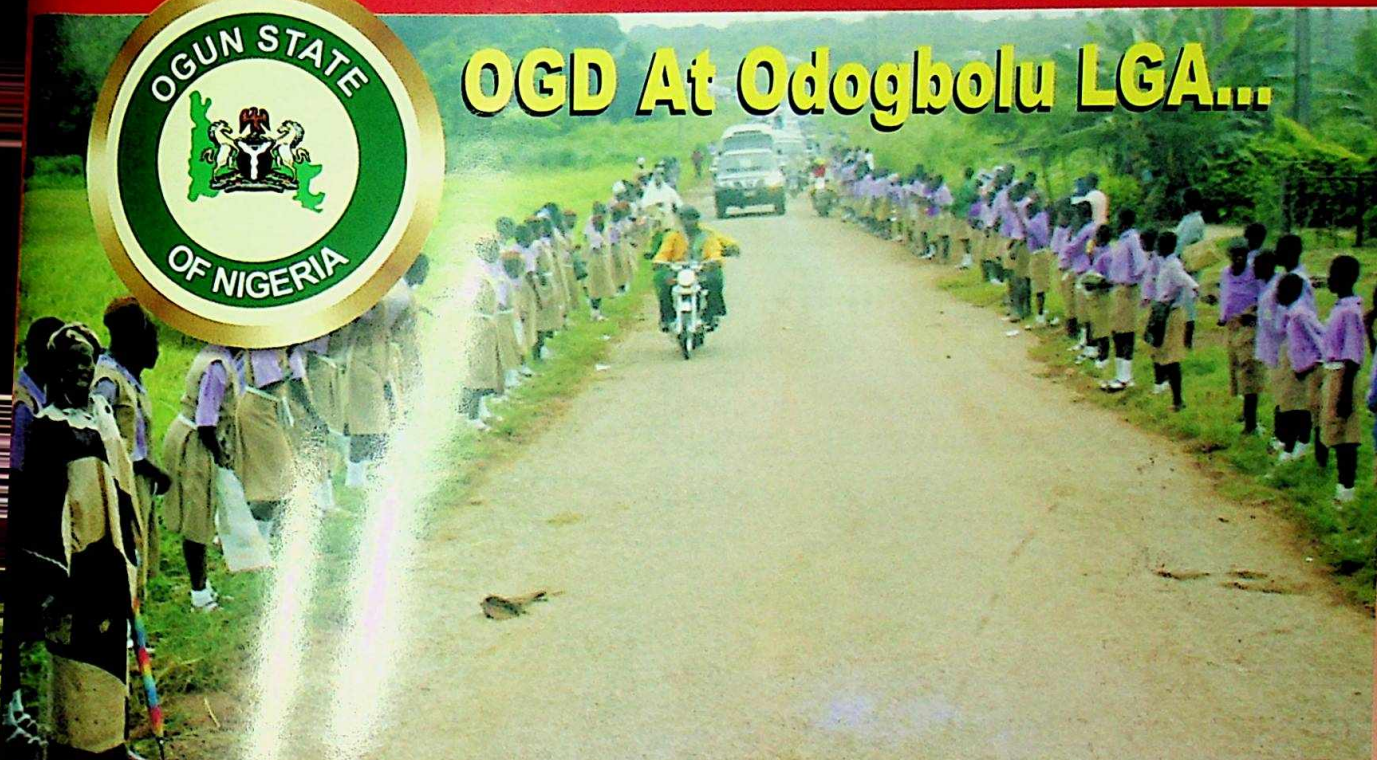
The Olota of Ota, Oba Alani Oyede picking a raffle ticket at the rally.



GFF in action



OGD At Odogbolu LGA...



Pupils lining up to welcome OGD to Odogbolu LGA



Women showing their love for OGD.



OGD's posters and banners being held high at Odogbolu.



A cross section of the crowd at one of the Ward Meetings during the tour of the LGA.



Market women were not left out.



Traditional dancers performed for Gov. Daniel.



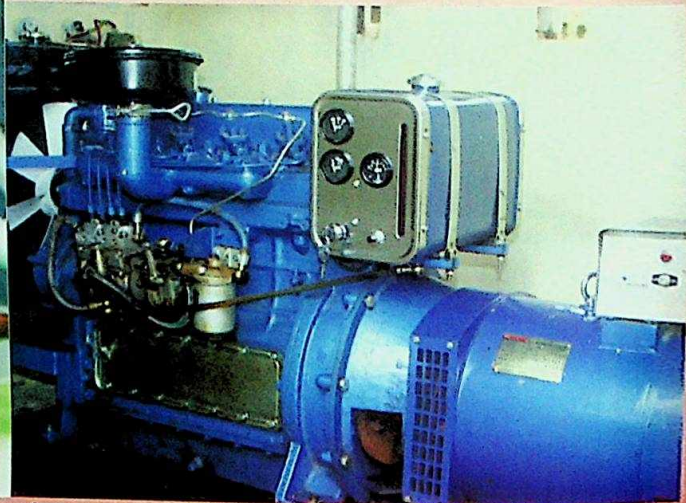
Homely support for OGD from Omu Ijebu.



Gbegande of Ososa exuding Gov. Daniel's virtues at Ososa.



OGD receiving another chieftaincy title.



A generator purchased for community development.



Baales at the Ward meeting.



PDP anthem being sung by OGD, Odogbolu LG chairman Chief Aina and a traditional ruler.



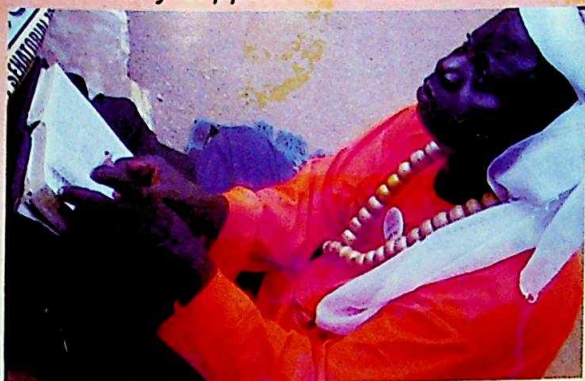
OGD commissioner launching a project.



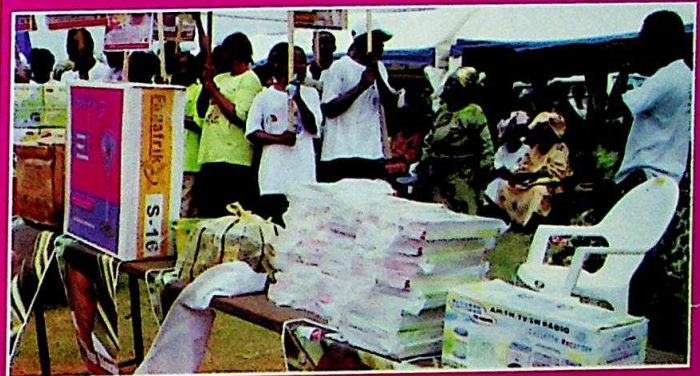
Items to be given to the people -empowerment tools on display.



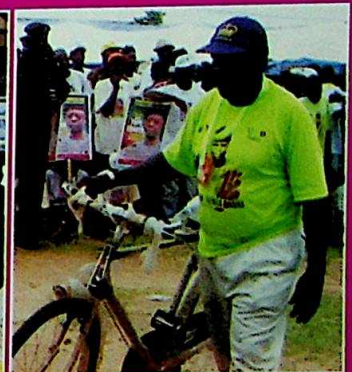
An elderly support for OGD.



A one-man prayer warrior praying for OGD throughout the tour of the 236 Wards.



OGD inspecting facilities at one of the general hospitals during the tour.



Beneficiaries of GFF's empowerment.



OGD sitting with a Royal Father at the Ward meeting.





ABEOKUTA NORTH LGA...



OGD accompanied by Osile of Oke-Ona Egba, Oba (Dr.) Adedapo Tejuosho at Abeokuta North LGA.



Enthusiastic pupils welcoming OGD to Abeokuta North Local Government Area.



All for OGD.



Oba Tejuosho discussing with Olu-Nla of Egbaland.



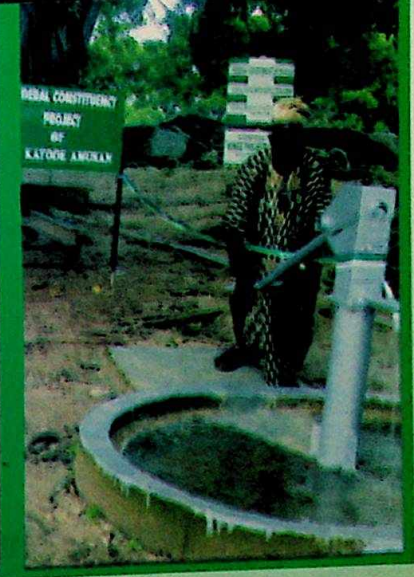
OGD acknowledging greetings from the people.



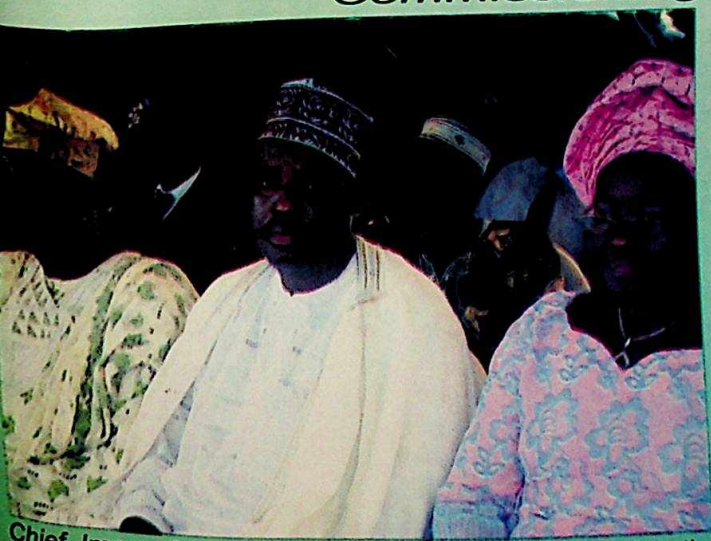
Tumultuous crowd welcome O...



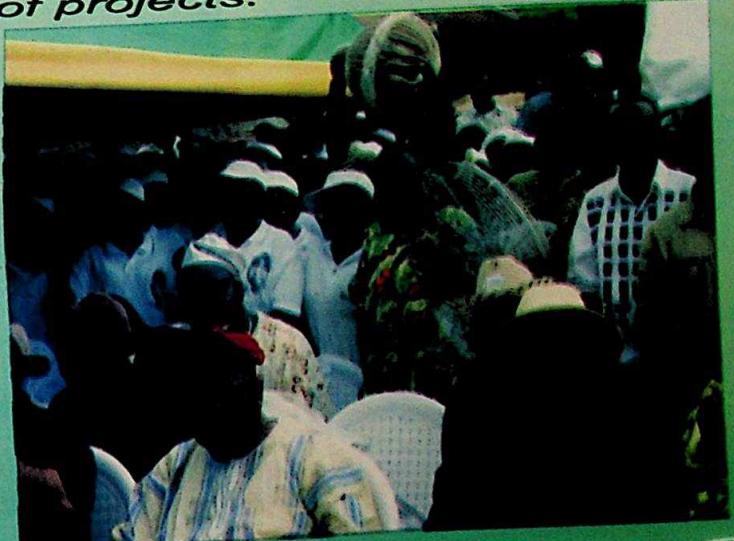
Party leaders at Ward meeting.



Commissioning of projects.



Chief Imam of Oke-Ona and deputy governor at Ward meeting.



Joyous crowd during the tour.

Images at Abeokuta North LGA Rally



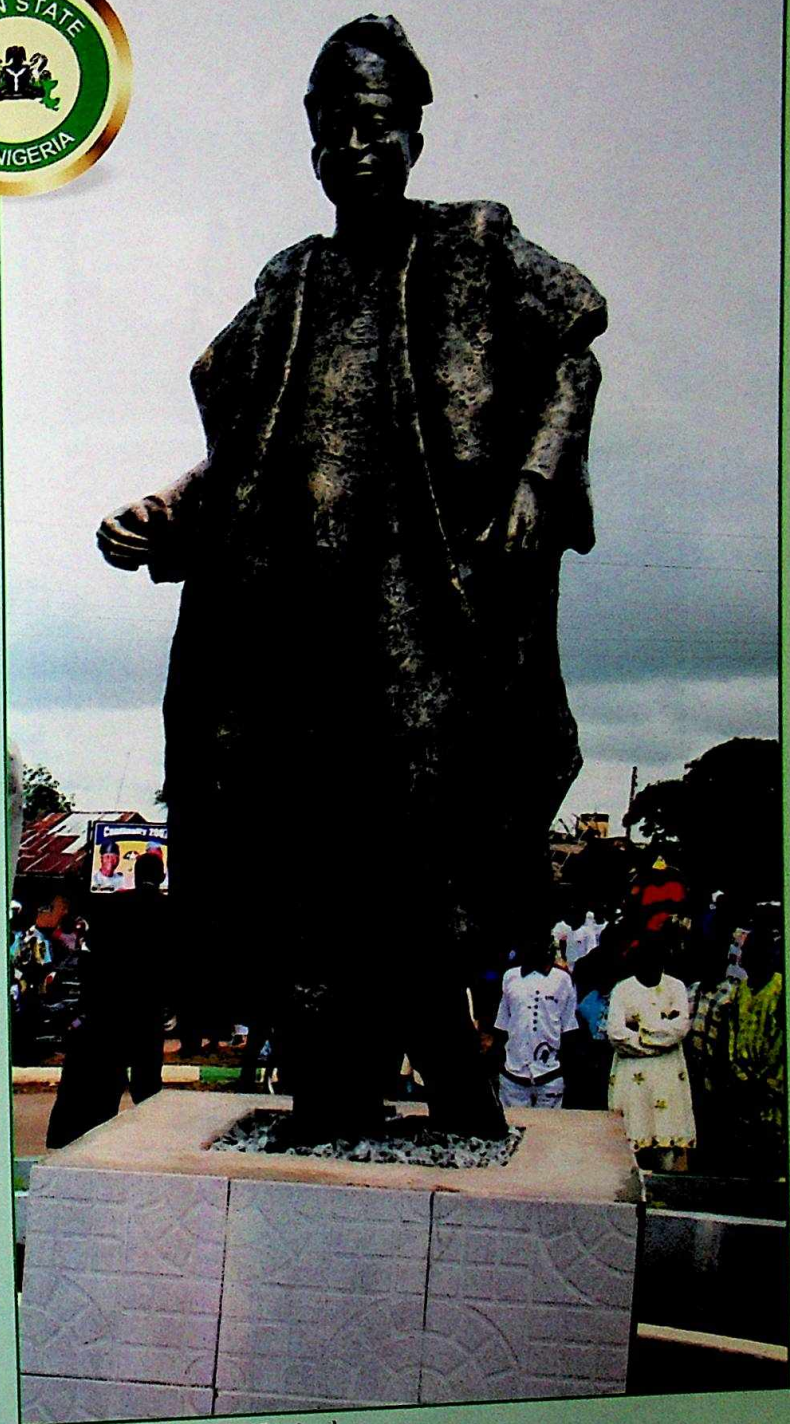
Waiting anxiously to win the empowerment tools.



At Ipokia LGA...



Tumultuous crowd welcoming OGD.



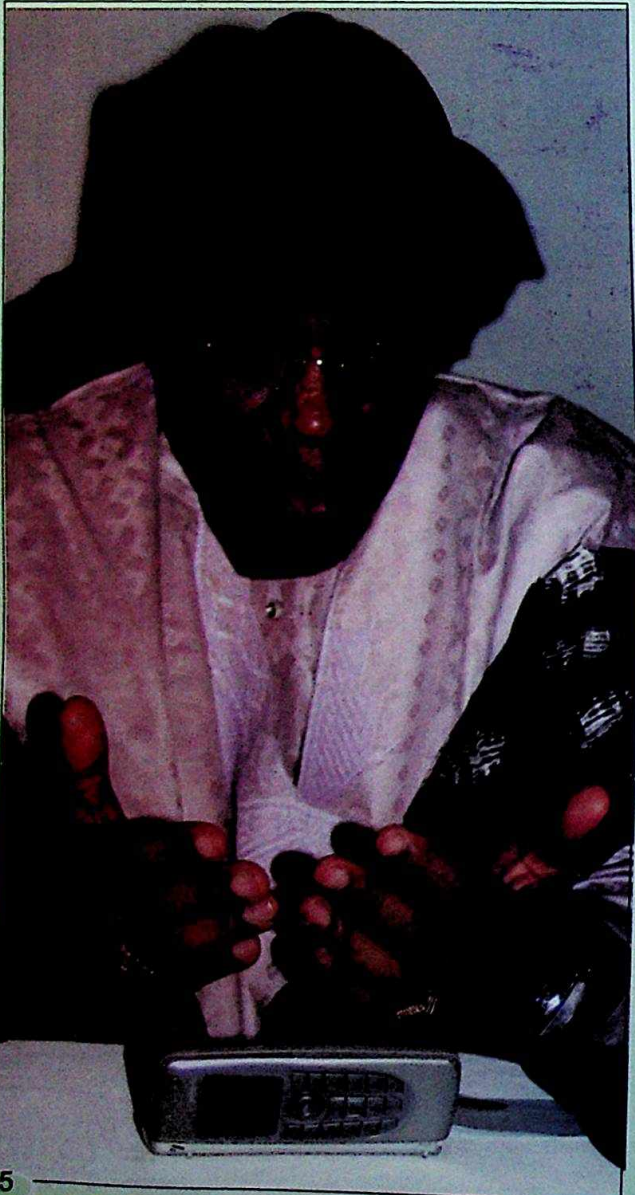
The Ipokia symbol (Statue).



Traditional dancers entertaining people



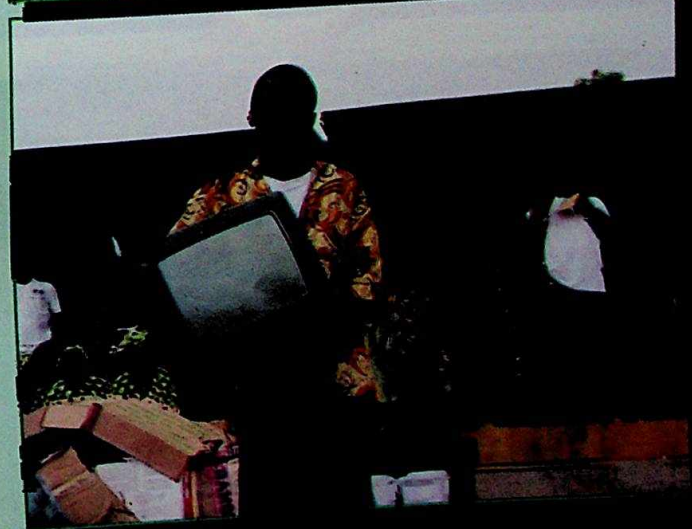
Baaes and Chiefs also graced the events.



Prayer sessions for OGD...



Photographs showing various cross section of people attending the site payers session held for Governor Oluksina Davis at Ipokia LGA.



GFF in action...



OGD in resplendent white Agbada arriving at the LGA

Ijebu East LGA.



Traditional rulers were not left out.



Politicians at the rally.



Opening a market during the tour.



The ever-present royal fathers.



Ndigbo at the rally.



Aspirants all!



The Ajaloron of Ijebu-Ife, Oba Oguntayo posing for photograph with Gov. Gbenga Daniel.





GGD faithfuls...



Royal fathers at the rally.

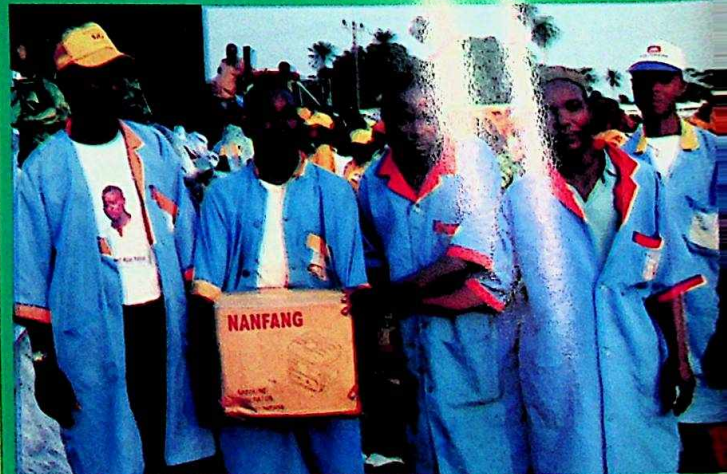


GGPF coordinator, Alhaji Jubri, Big Daddy and Alhaji Aremu, Oda' at the rally.

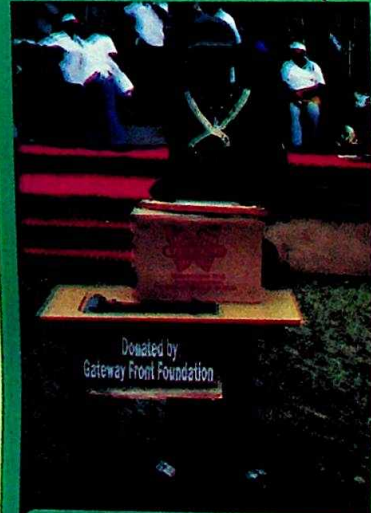
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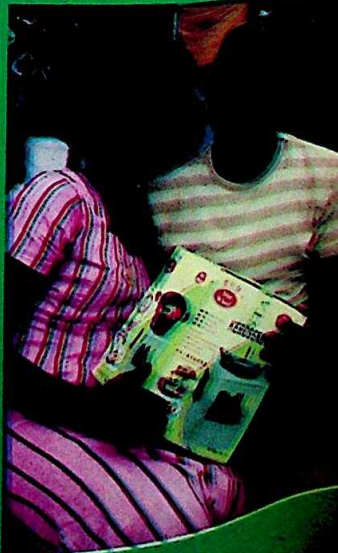
Prizes Courtesy GFF.

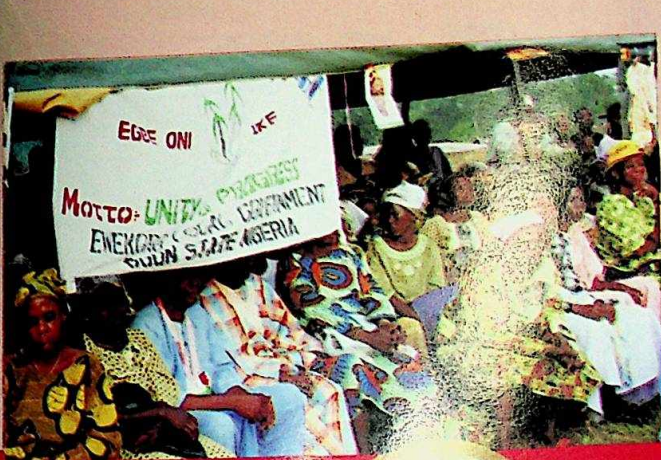


NATA members with their prize.



Winners brandishing their prizes at the rally.

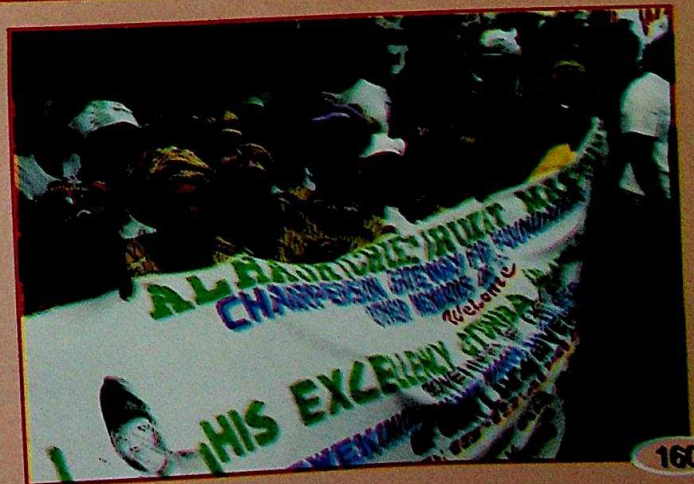




At Ewekoro LGA



OGD waving to the crowd at Ewekoro.





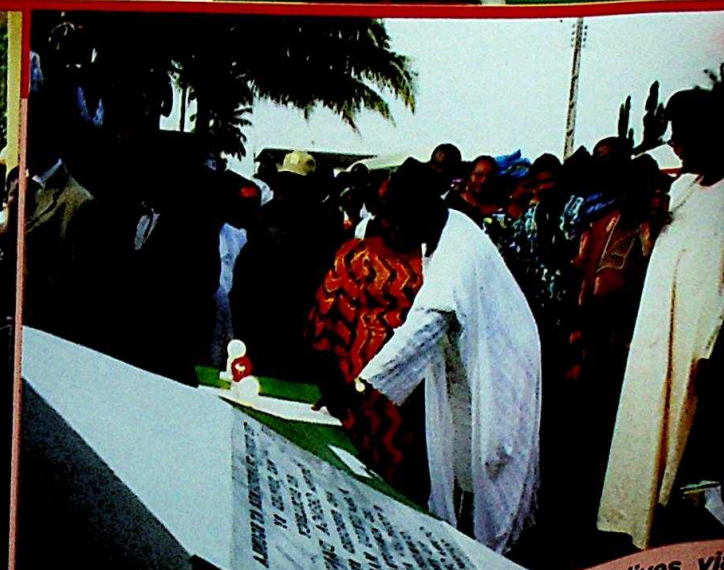
OGD commissioning Rural Electrification project at Ewo-koro LGA



...Happy and proud nurses.



Prince Ade Obadina, addressing the gathering at one of the Wards.



LIGHT FOR ALLI OGD illuminating people's lives via commissioning of numerous electrification projects.



A locally made stove gift for OGD at Ward Meeting.



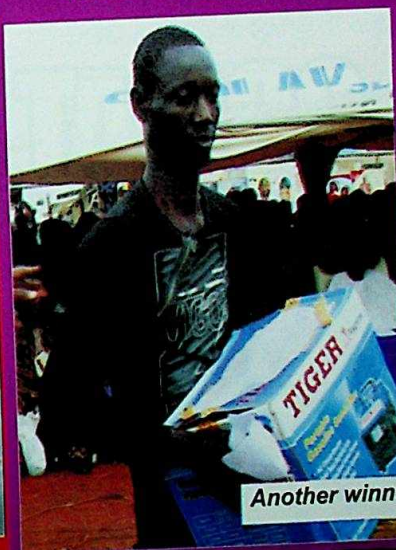
Baales with their gifts.



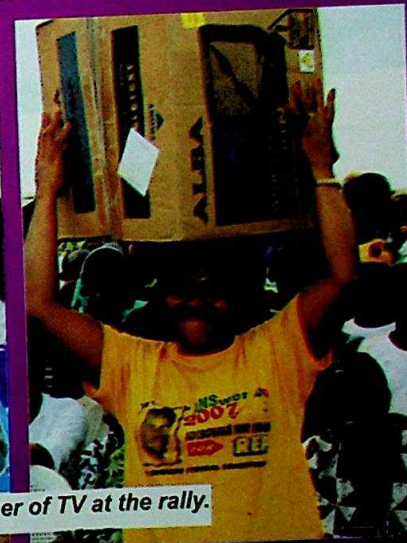
OGD shaking hands with a community leader.



Two of the beneficiaries of GFF's Wheel of Hope.



Another winner of TV at the rally.



OGD receiving request document at a Ward Meeting.





OGD being heralded to Ikenne by large crowd of admirers and party faithful.



OGD AT IKENNE LGA...



The elderly at Ward Meeting



People listening to OGD's speech at the Ward meeting.



The Mobalufon dancers.



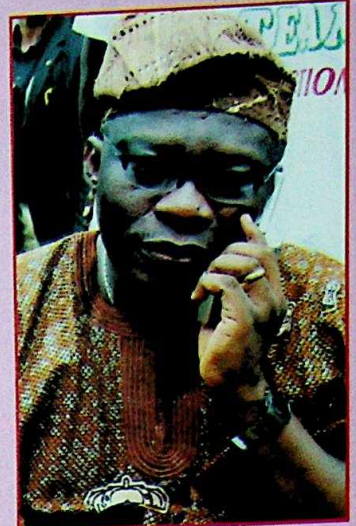
The Iyalojas at the Rally.



Women for the Arole Remolar... the Ward meeting.



Ambassador Segun Olusola fielding questions from journalists.



DG, Bureau of Lands and Survey, Surv. Gbenga Ogunnoiki.



The Eyo masquerades performing at the rally.



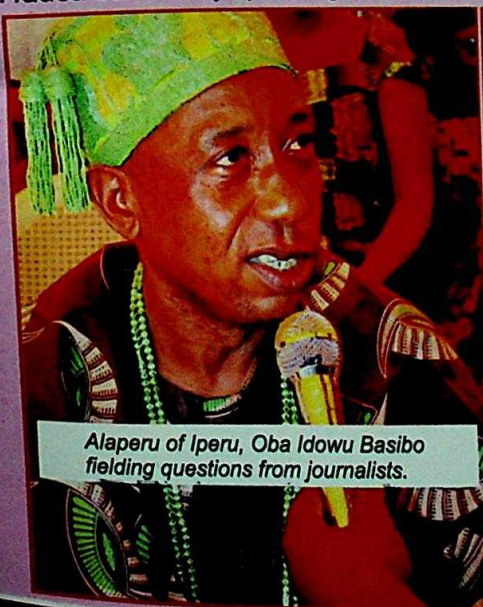
OGD acknowledging cheers from the elders.



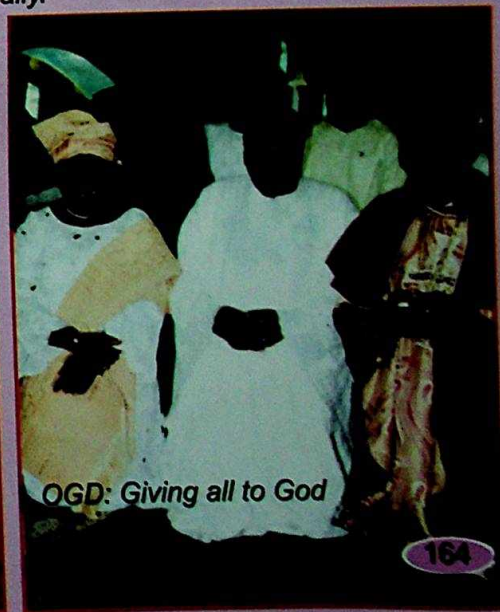
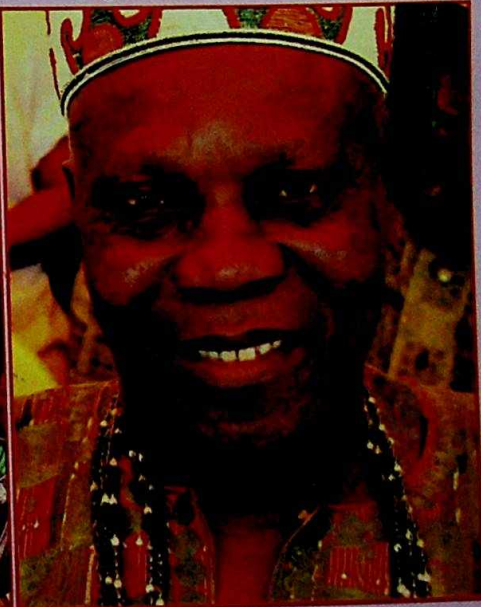
Hausa community speaking at the Ward meeting.



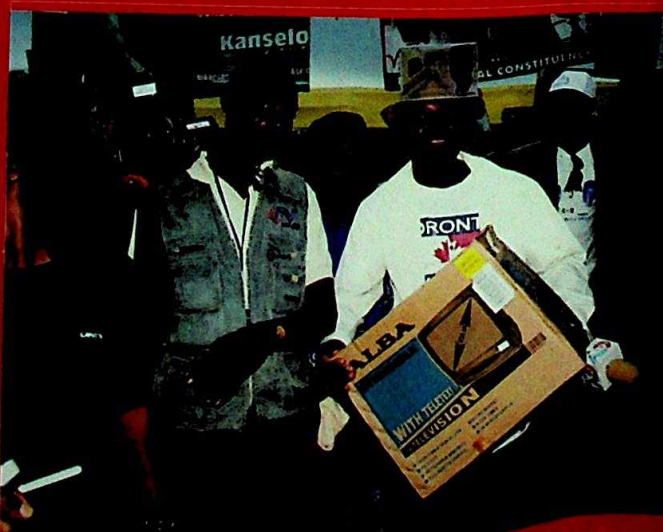
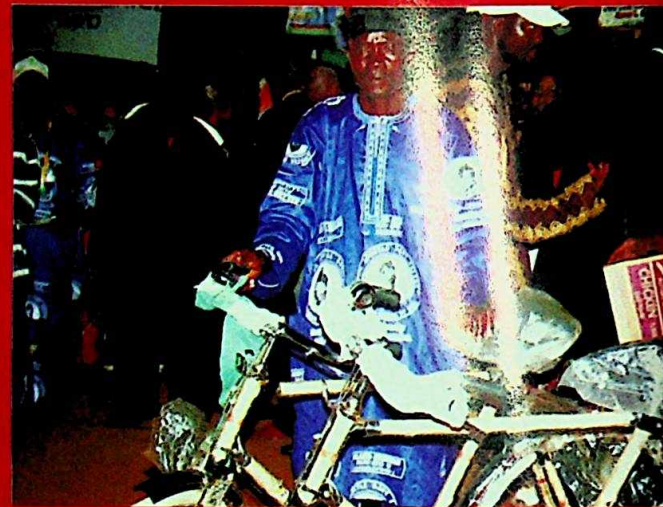
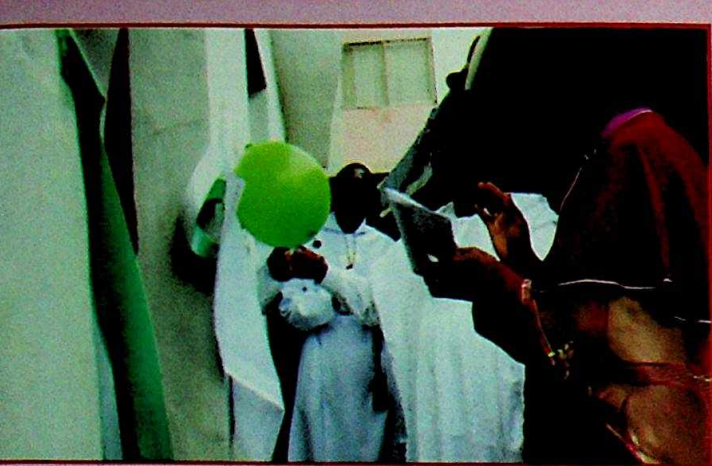
The Iyalojas at the rally.



Alaperu of Iperu, Oba Idowu Basibo fielding questions from journalists.



OGD: Giving all to God

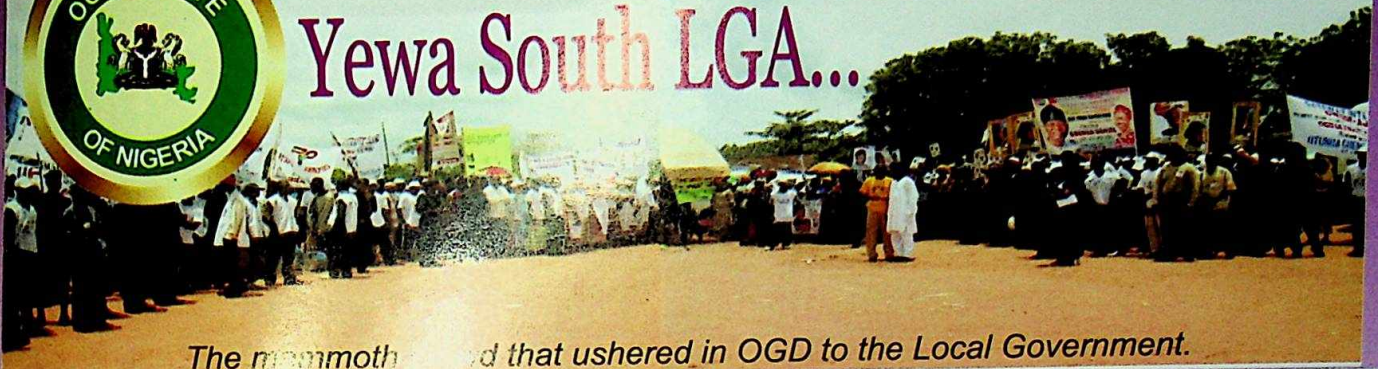


GGF "What the Lord has done for me, I cannot tell it all!"

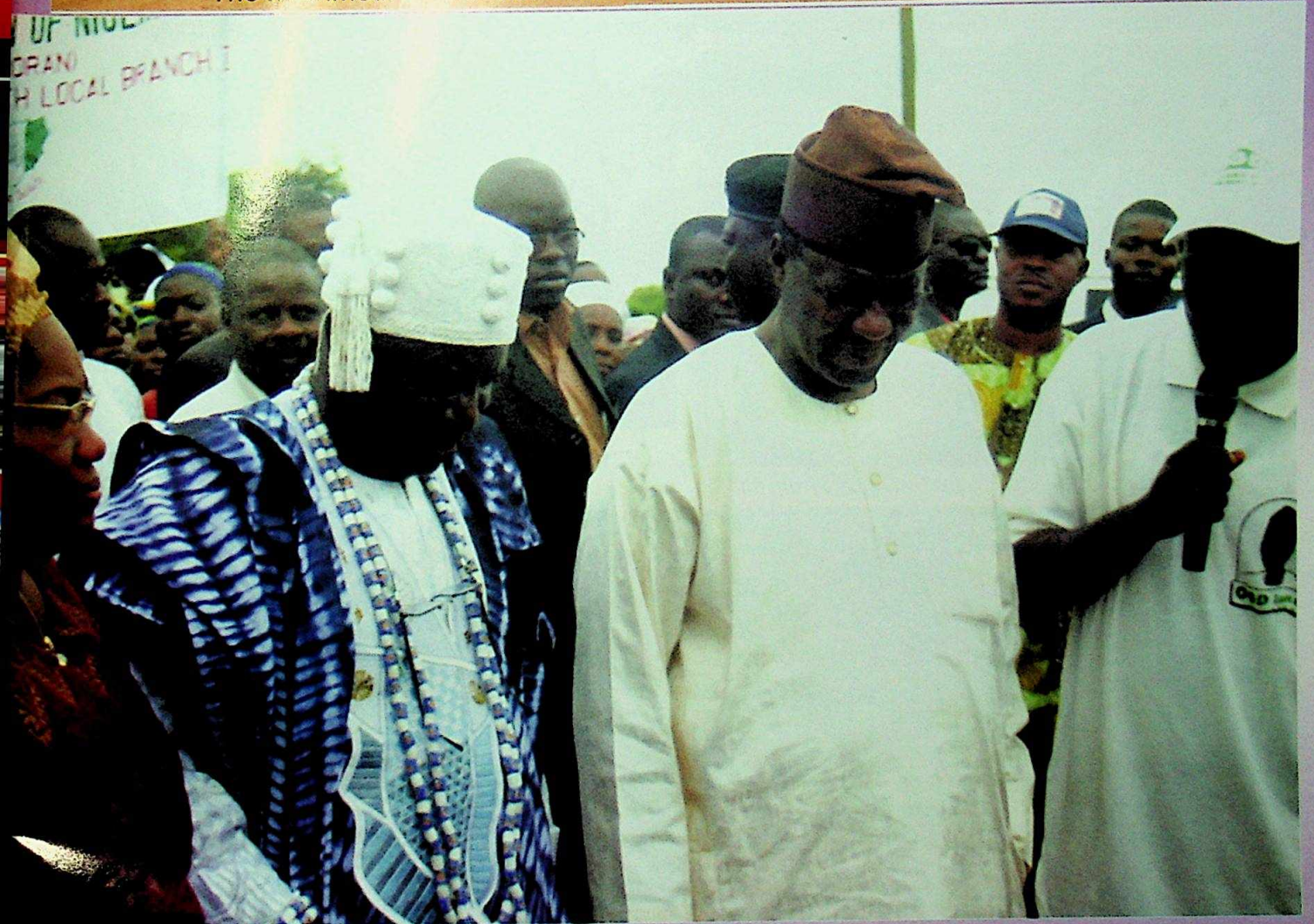
GFF's care for humanity.



Yewa South LGA...



The mammoth crowd that ushered in OGD to the Local Government.

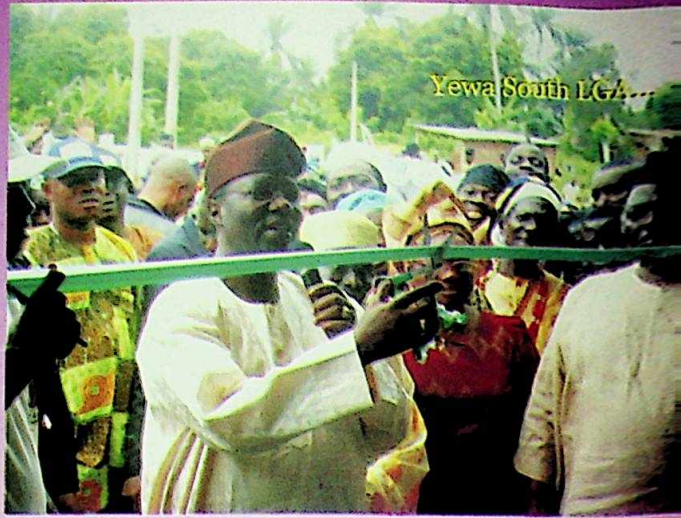


OGD being assisted by Oloke-Odan of Oke-Odan, Oba (Dr) Fagbenro and Alhaja Salmot Badru, being conducted round a project by the Yewa South LG boss, Prince Jimoh Akinlade.

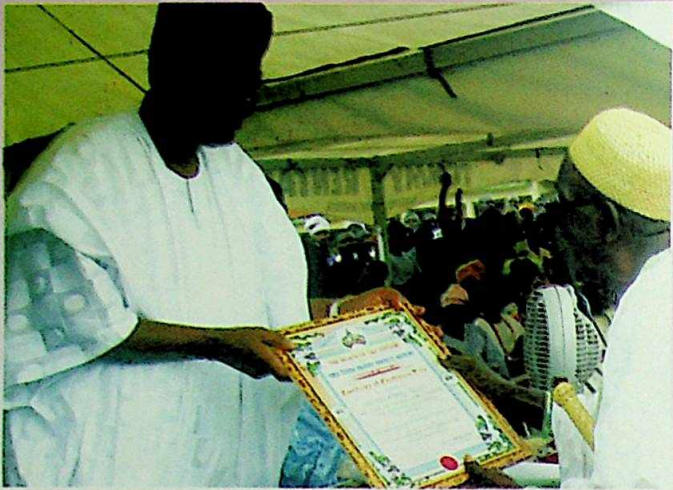


Colourful party welcoming OGD.

Some section of political functionaries at a Ward meeting.



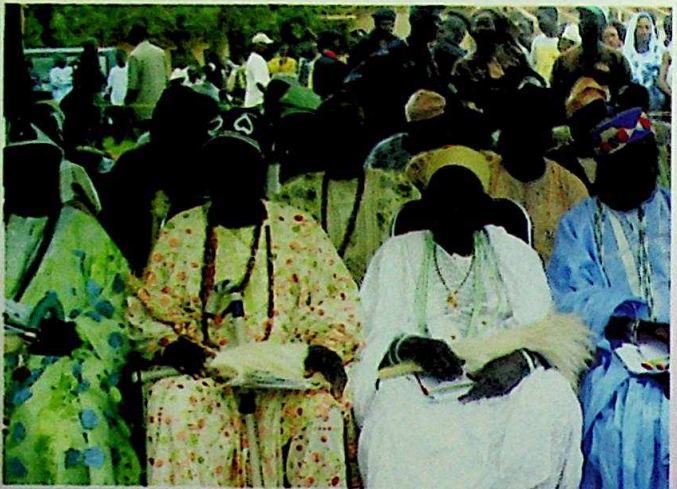
Commissioning galore: OGD commissioning people-oriented projects scattered across the length and breadth of the LGA



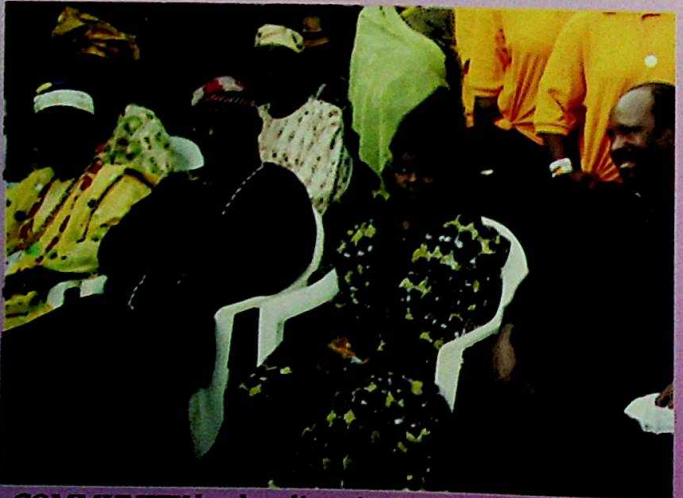
OGD receiving chieftaincy title certificate from an Oba.



OGD and Hon. Lola Abiola Edewor.



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COMMUNITY leaders listening to OGD's address.



Royal Fathers at a Ward meeting.



Another appreciative group



OGD, the crowd puller.



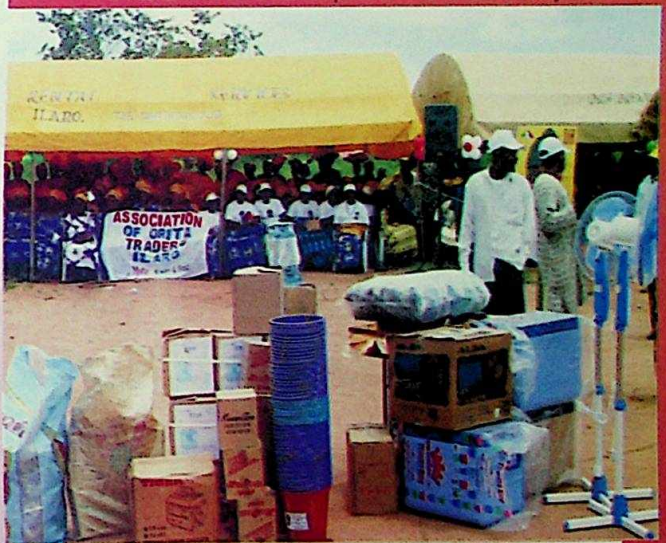
OGD with political leaders of Yewa South LG.



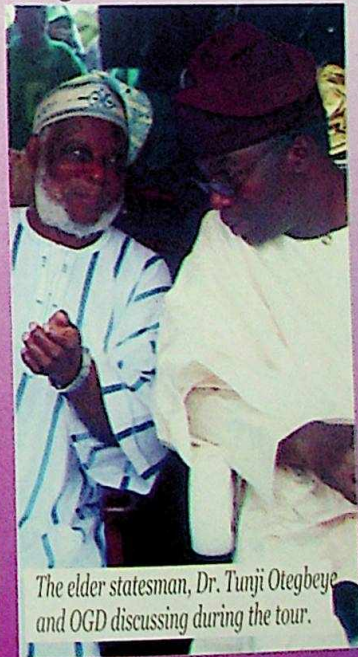
Cross section of numerous prizes to be won at the rally.



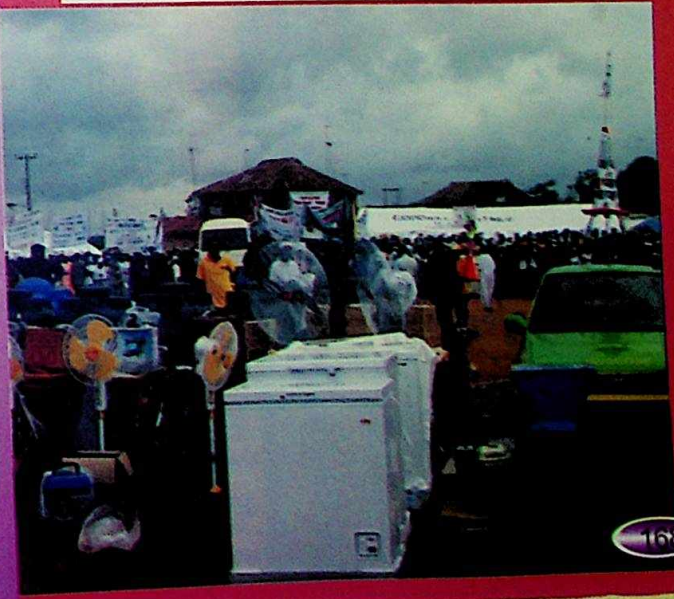
Typical crowd at Ward meeting



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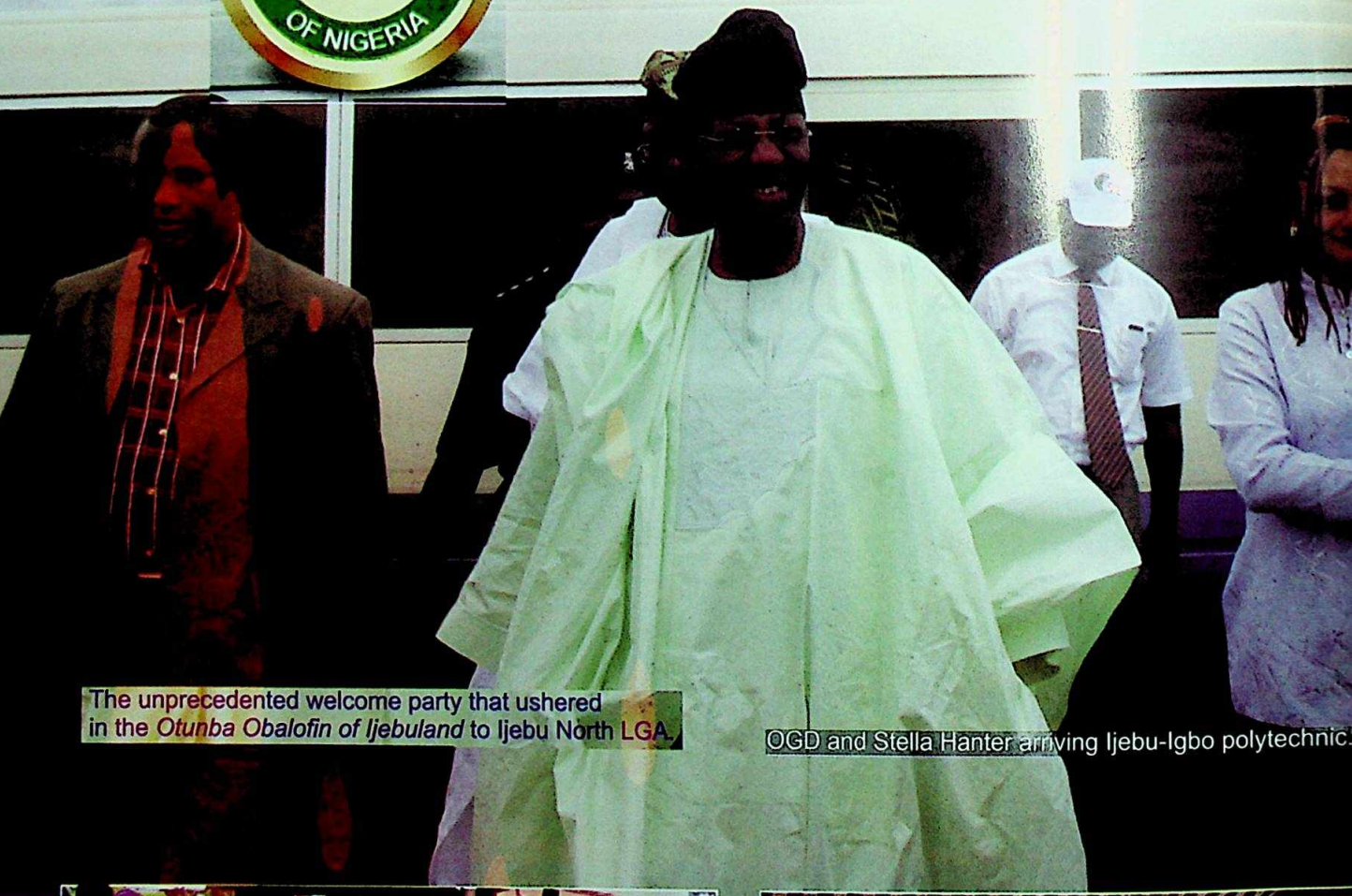


The elder statesman, Dr. Tunji Otegbeye and OGD discussing during the tour.



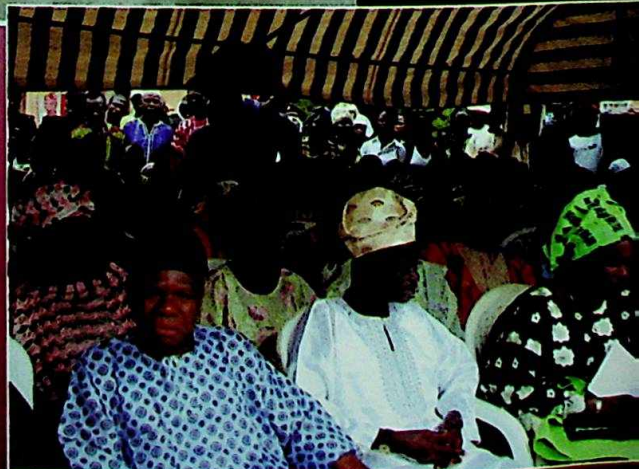
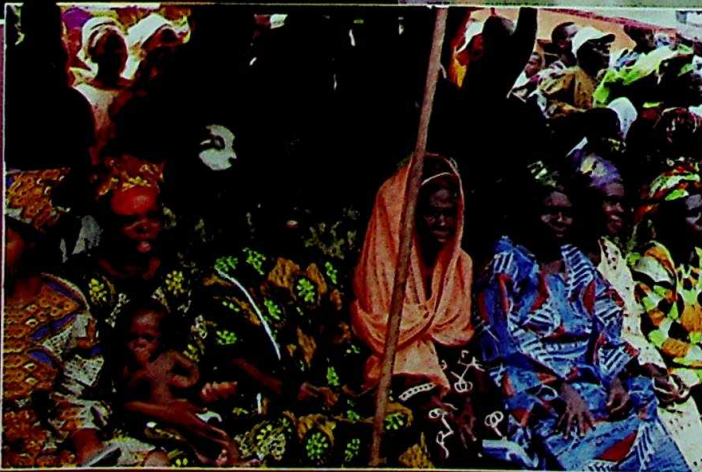


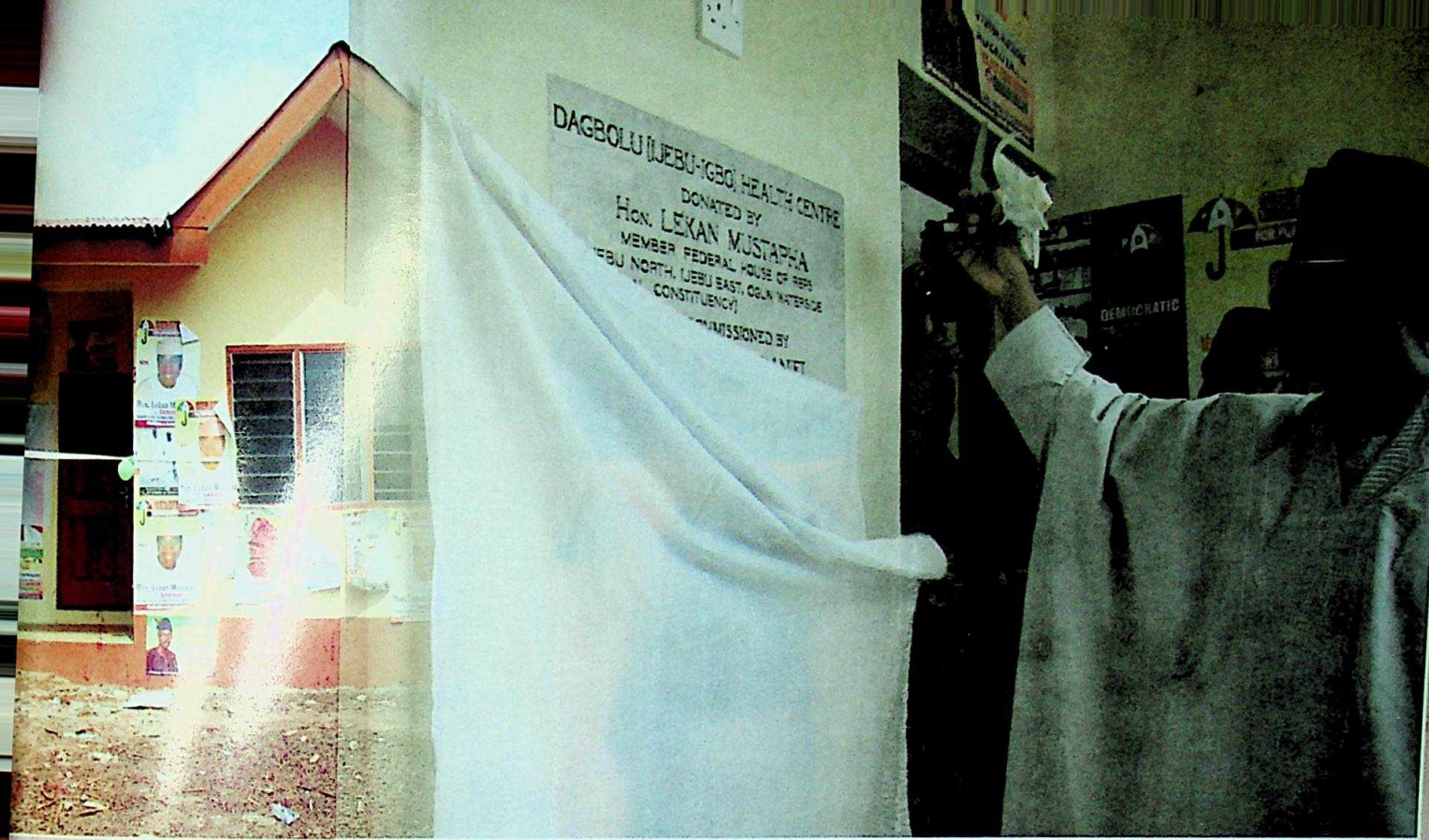
OGD At Ijebu North LGA



The unprecedented welcome party that ushered in the *Otunba Obalofin of Ijebuland* to Ijebu North LGA.

OGD and Stella Hanter arriving Ijebu-Igbo polytechnic.





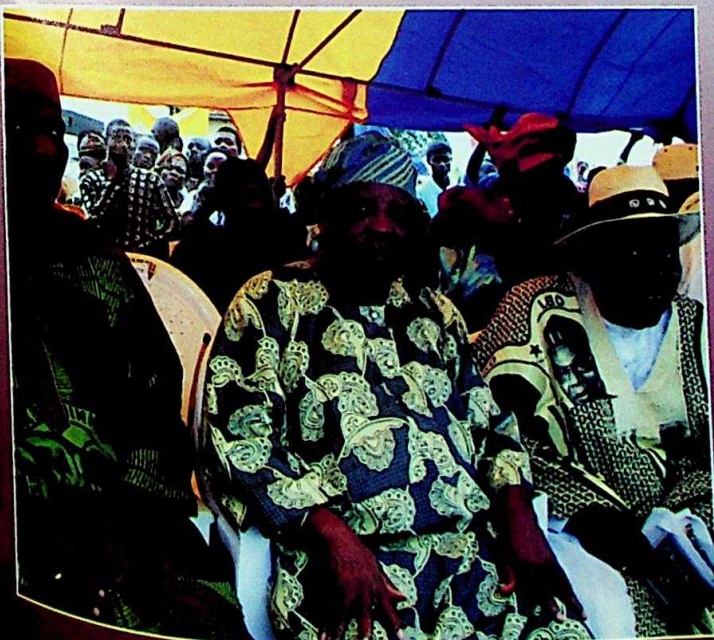
A healthcare post set for commissioning.



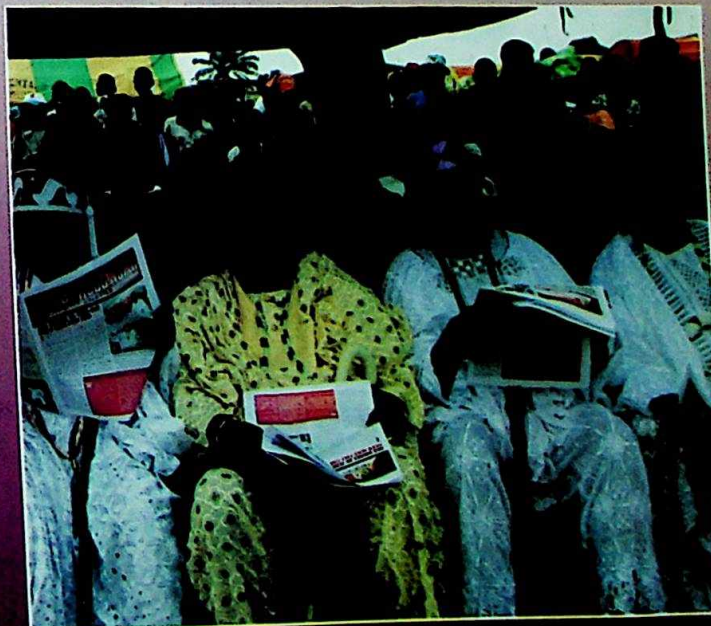
Chief Tola Adeniyi addressing the crowd



Some government functionaries.



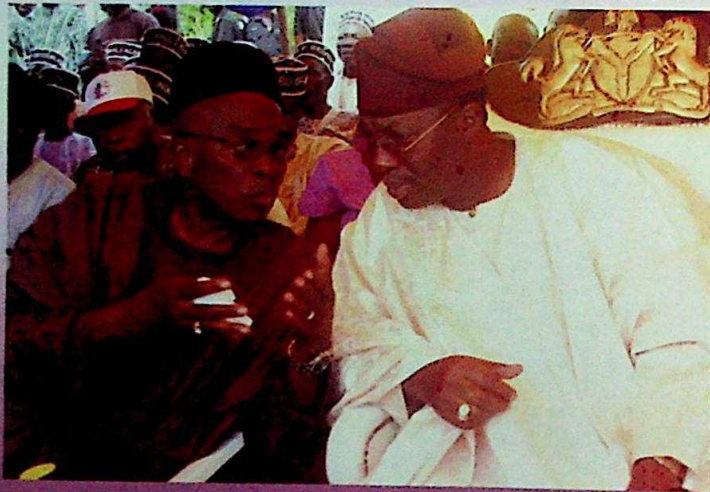
PDP chieftains at a rally.



Traditional rulers perusing copies of OGD Footprints at a rally.



Ijebu North LG Boss, Barrister Bola Kalejaiye, OGD and Royal Fathers singing PDP Anthem.



OGD chatting with Senator Jubril Martins-Kuye, former Deputy Finance Minister of Federal Republic.



A winner of harvester beaming with smiles.



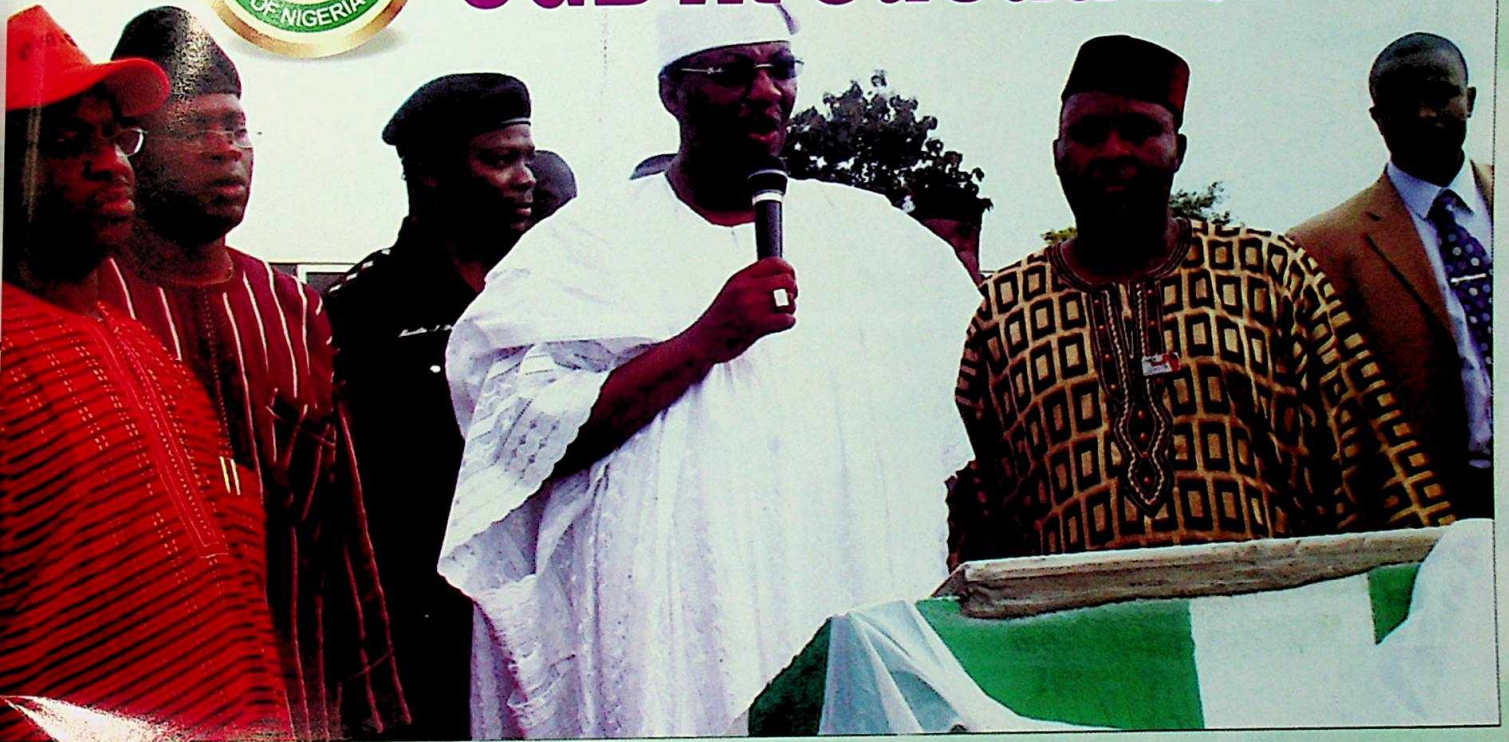
OGD amidst elders.



Another lucky winner.



OGD At Odeda LGA...



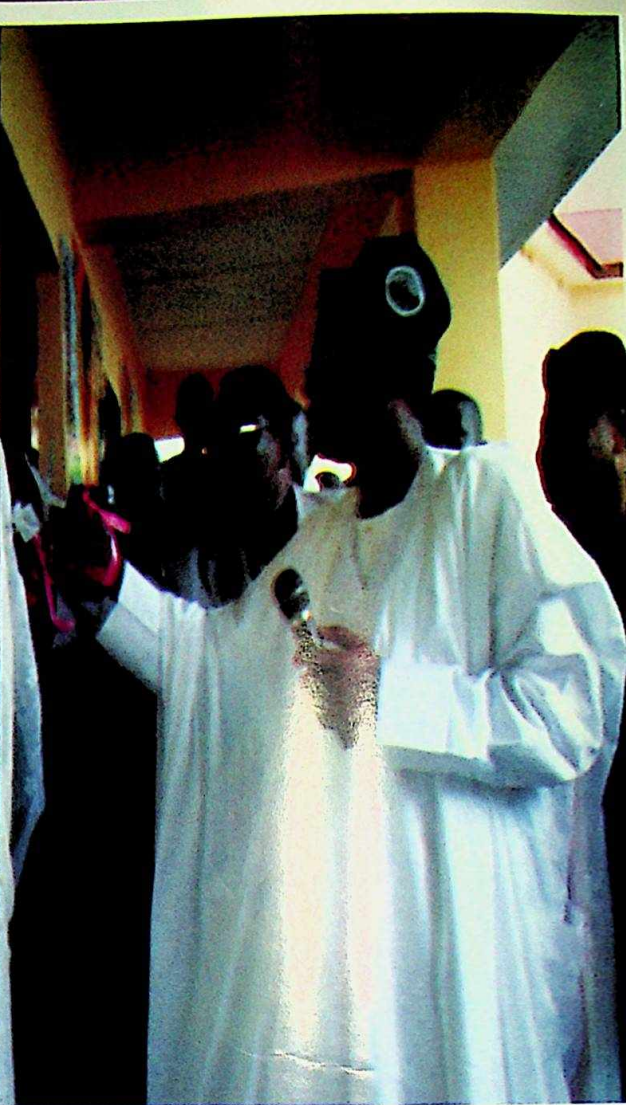
OGD about to commission a project during the tour.



A community leader speaking at a Ward Meeting.



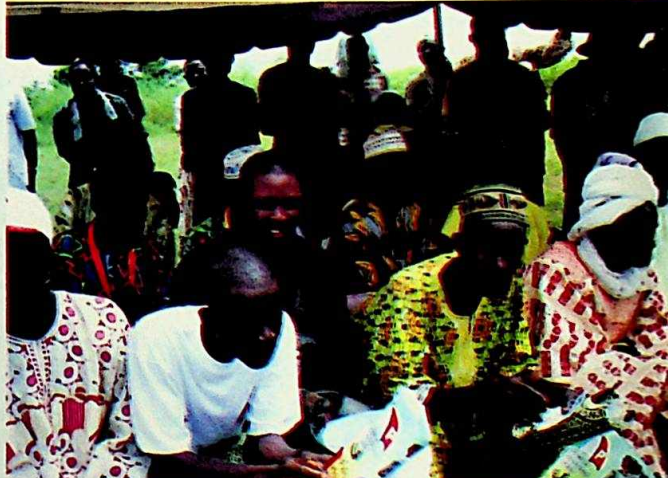
Hon. Jelili Amusan, member House of Representatives, at Ward Meeting.



A shopping complex being commissioned.



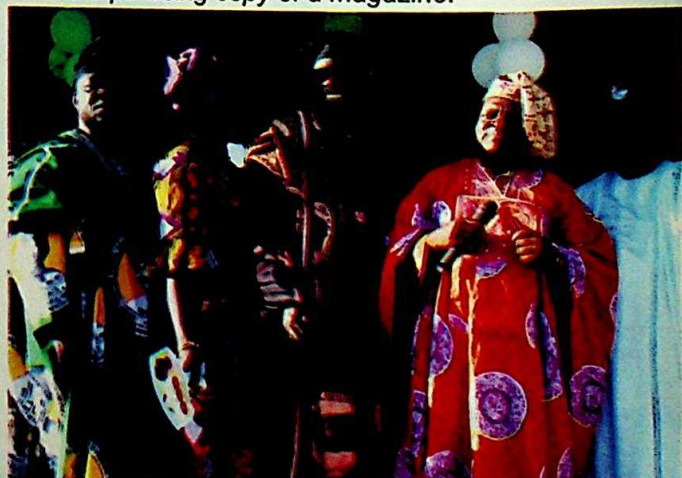
A speaker at a meeting.



OGD perusing copy of a magazine.



People listening to OGD's address.



Chief Coker and others at the rally.



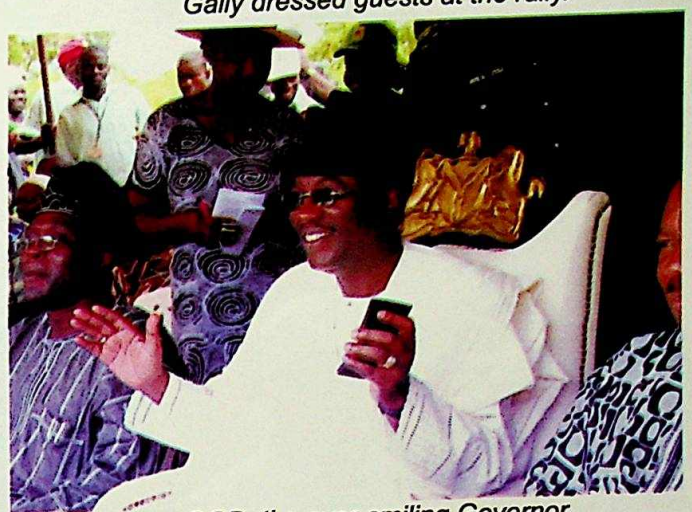
Masquerades entertaining people.



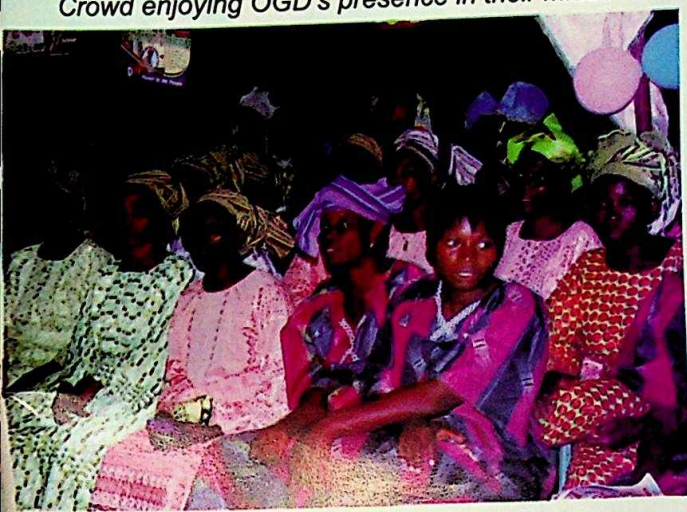
Gaily dressed guests at the rally.



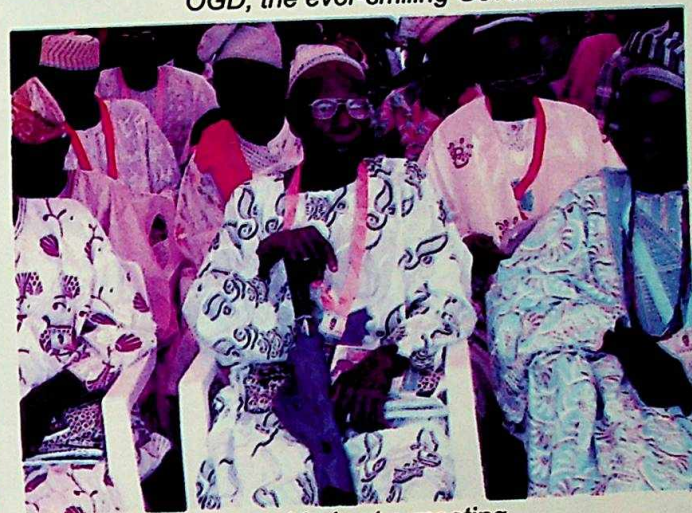
Crowd enjoying OGD's presence in their midst.



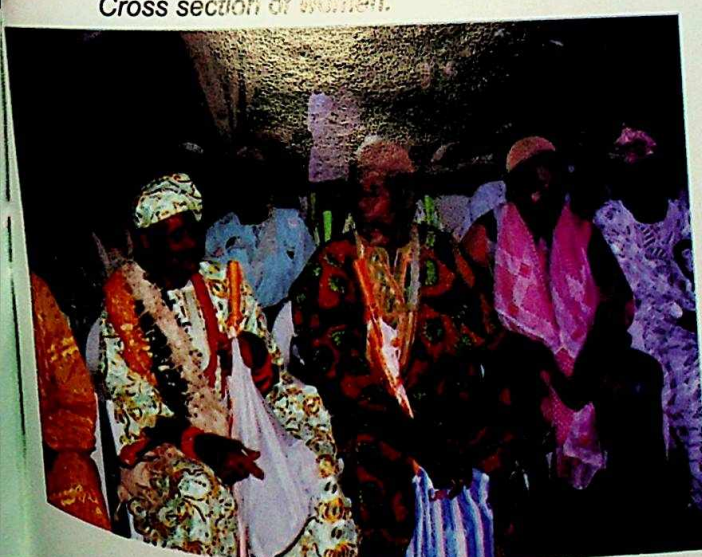
OGD, the ever-smiling Governor.



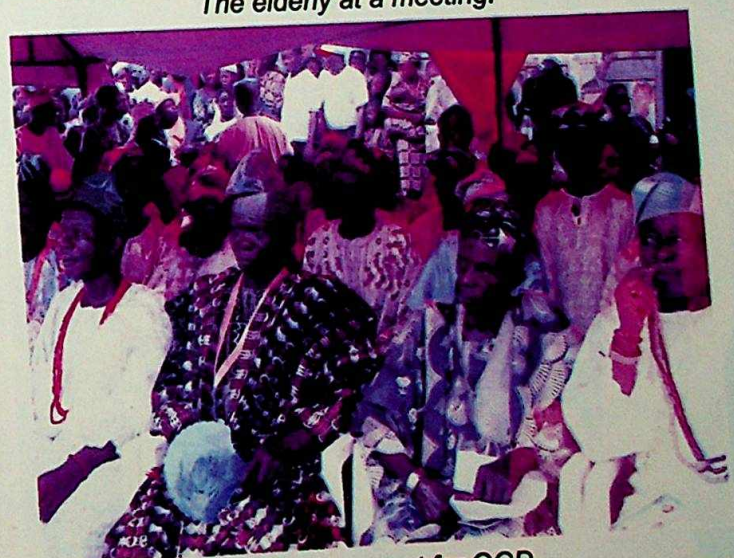
Cross section of women.



The elderly at a meeting.



Baales and Chiefs at a meeting.



Elderly support for OGD.



OGD At Ijebu North East LGA...



OGD's triumphant entry into the LGA.





General Hospital. Inauguration ceremony



OGD being assisted by the LG boss, Chief (Mrs) Remi Odubote to commission a project.



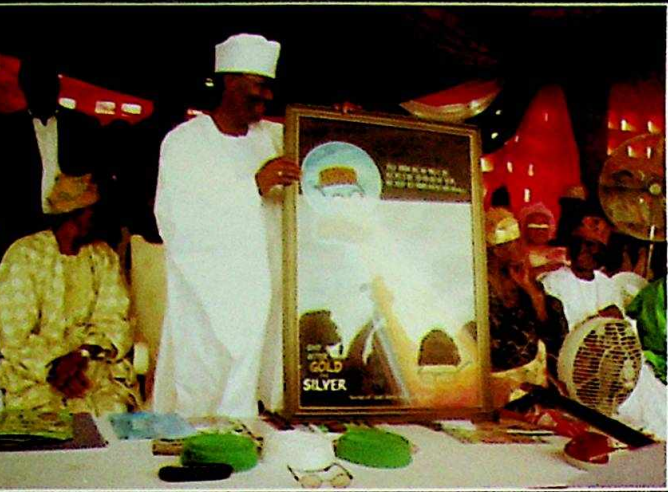
Traditional ruler presenting Calabash to OGD.



Women thanking OGD for his untiring efforts at the rally.



Party stalwarts at a political rally.



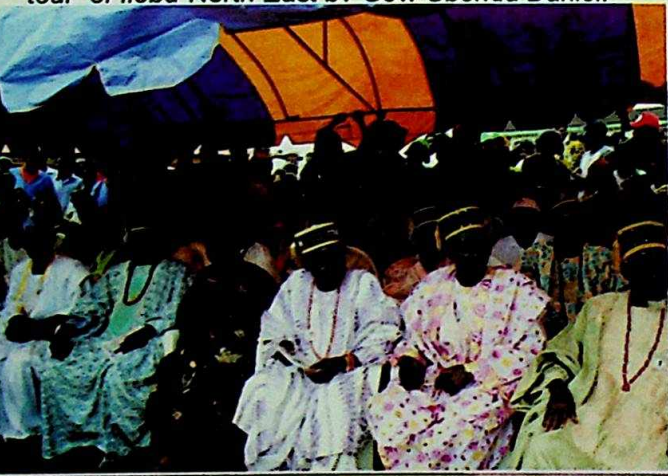
A giant portrait presented to OGD.



Iya alaanu, Yeye Daniel, doing what she knows best.



The above and below photographs showing various activities that took place at a Ward-To-Ward tour of liebu-North East by Gov. Gbenaa Daniel.



People displaying their prizes courtesy GFF at the rally.





OGD AT ITO LGA



Governor Daniel acknowledging cheers from the crowd.



Market women welcome OGD



Pupils welcoming OGD.



Traditional 'igunukos' were not left out



Gov. Daniel and Olu of Ifo at a meeting.



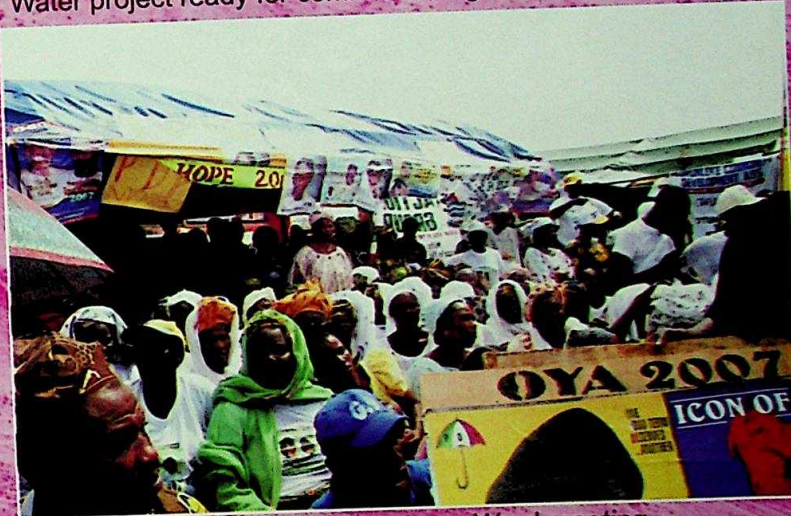
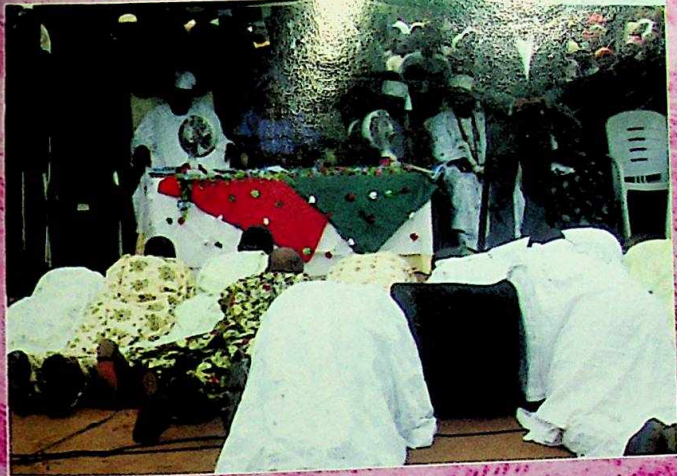
Olu of Ifo welcoming OGD to his domain



Another people oriented project being undertaken by OGD.



Water project ready for commissioning.



Cross section of people during a Ward meeting.



The elderly at a Ward meeting.

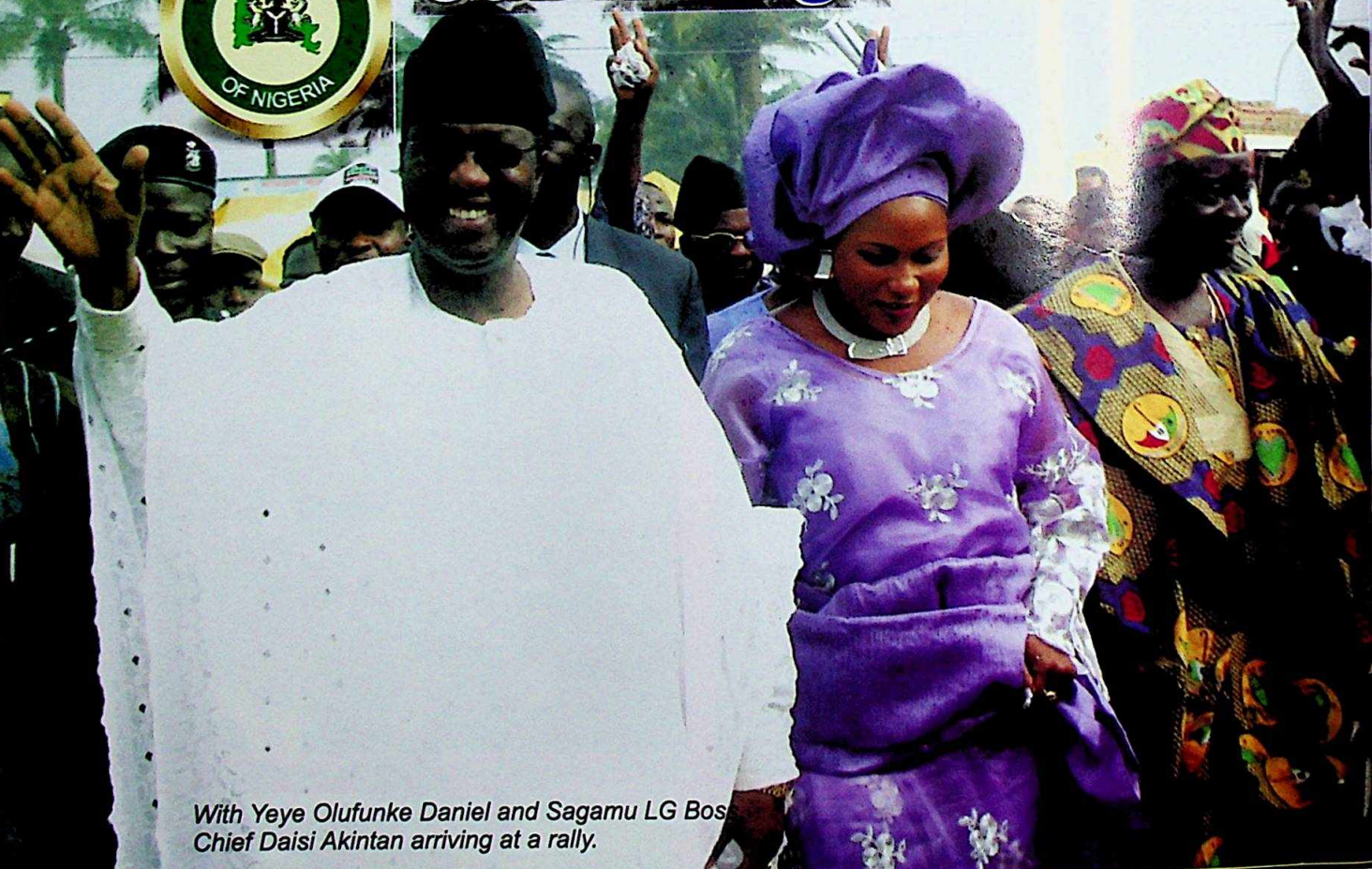




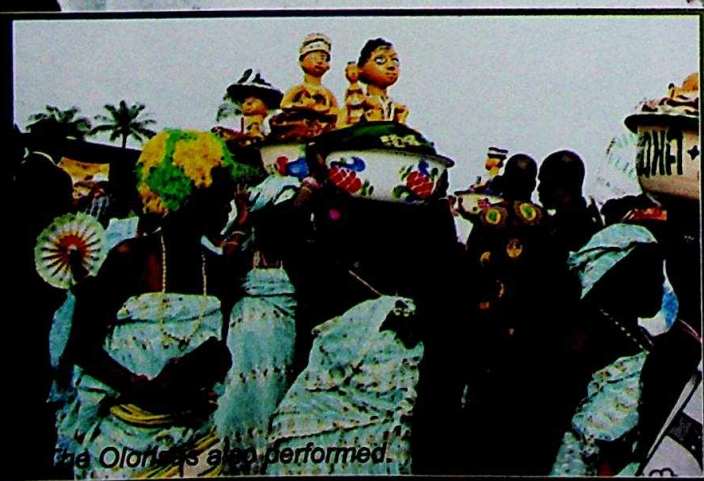
A show of love from the traders to OGD.



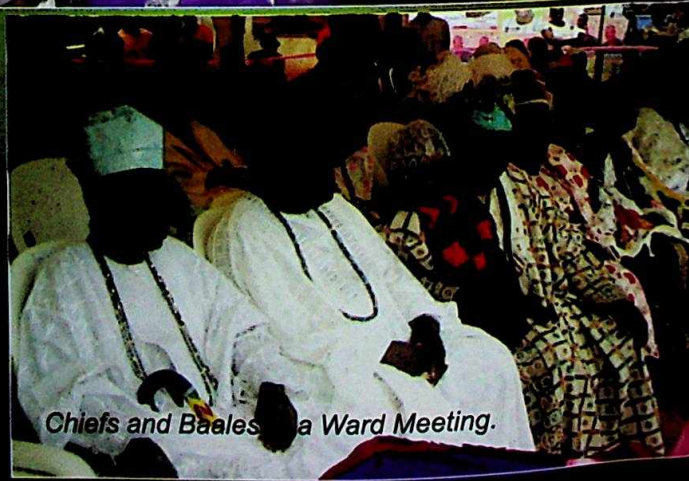
OGD At Sagamu LGA...



With Yeye Olufunke Daniel and Sagamu LG Boss Chief Daisi Akintan arriving at a rally.



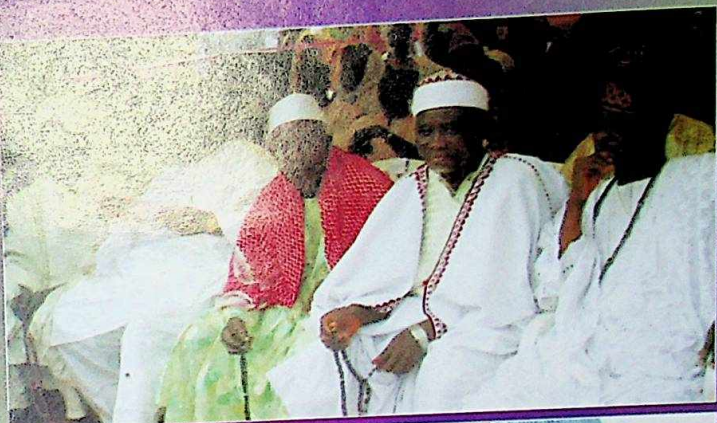
The Oloruns also performed.



Chiefs and Baaales at a Ward Meeting.



OGD commissioning an electricity project.



OGD flanked by traditional rulers at a rally.



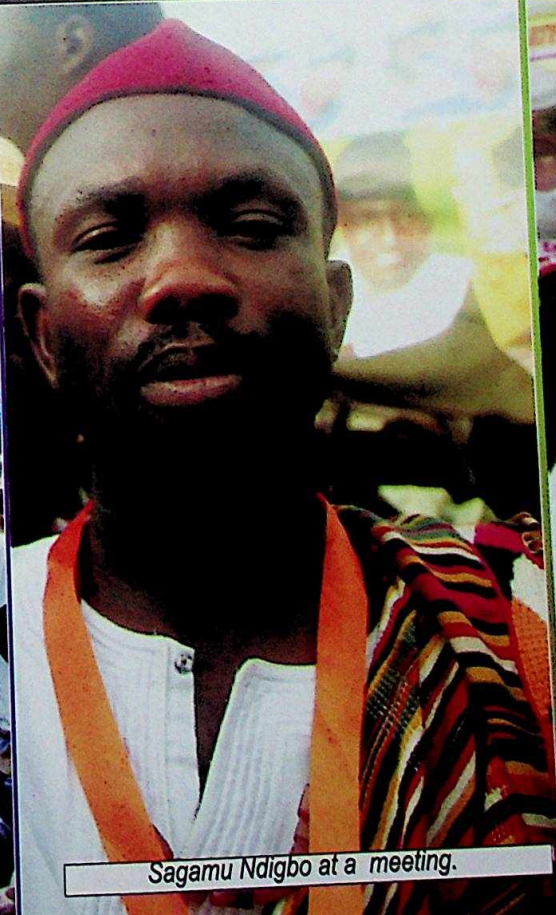
People troop out in large number to see OGD.



OGD addressing the crowd at a rally.



A youth leader making his remarks at one of the Ward Meetings.



Sagamu Ndigbo at a meeting.



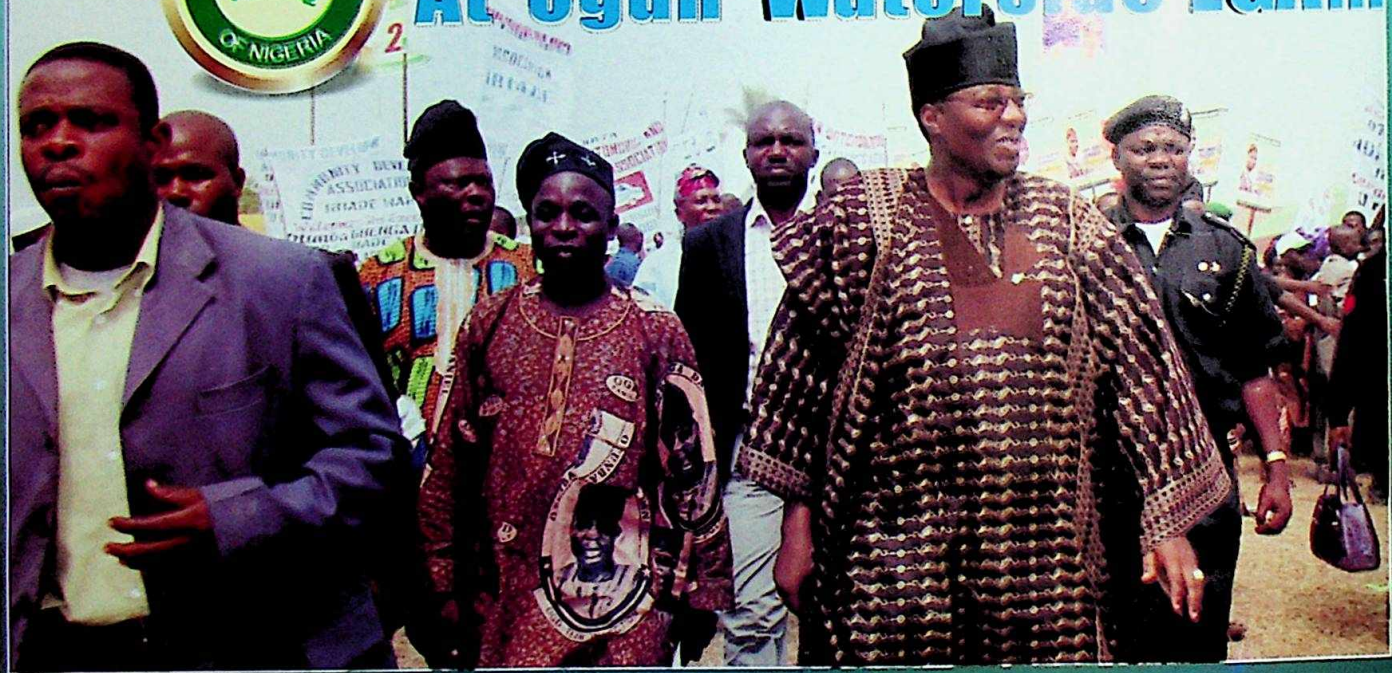
A Baale giving vote of thanks.



A boat regatta organised to welcome, OGD to Ogun Waterside LGA.



At Ogun Waterside LGA...



Commissioner for forest, Chief Dele Odulaja, Mr. Adegboyega Bakare, chairman of Ogun Waterside and OGD during the tour.

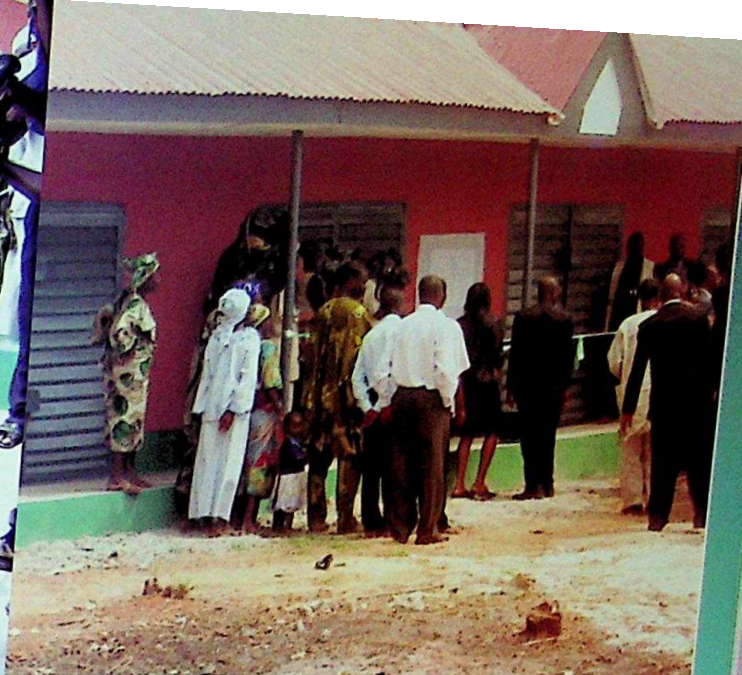


Women hailing the people's governor.

Tumultuous support for OGD!



OGD flanked by the deputy governor and



Chief Bakare commissioning a project.



Singing national anthem at the Ward meeting.



OGD flanked by the Obas.



Alhaja Badru and GM of Gateway Hotel, Abeokuta.



Obas at the rally.



Masquerades entertaining OGD.



OGD and Gboyega Bakare at a Ward meeting.



Water project set for commissioning.



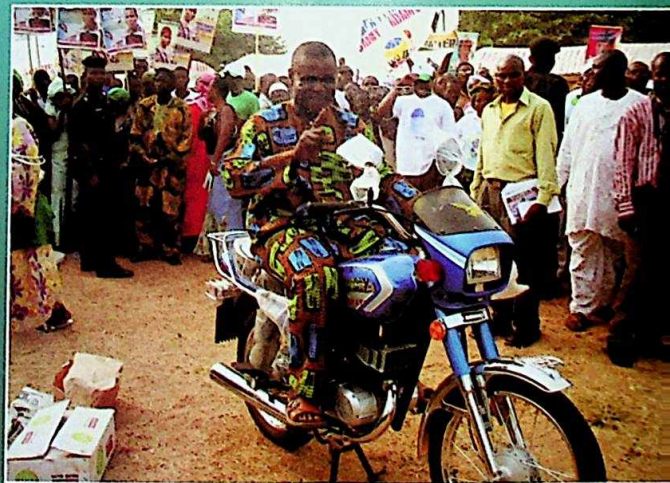
Computers and other empowerment tools for the people.



Cross section of Royal fathers at the rally.



Cross section of Ohanaeze Ndigbo at the Ward meeting.



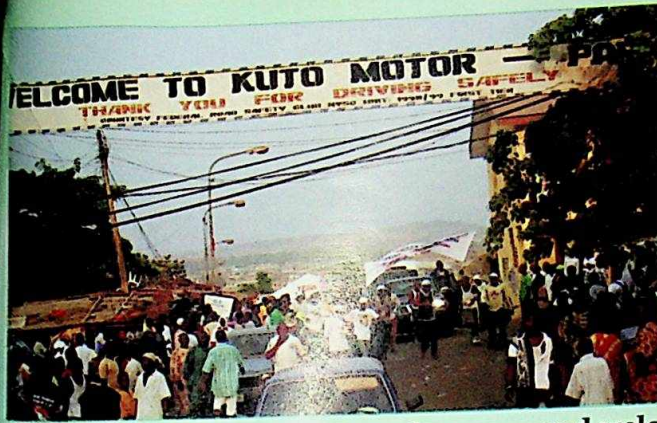
A winner on top of his motorcycle.



A boy displaying a portrait of OGD.



Another beneficiary of GFF's Wheel-of-hope.



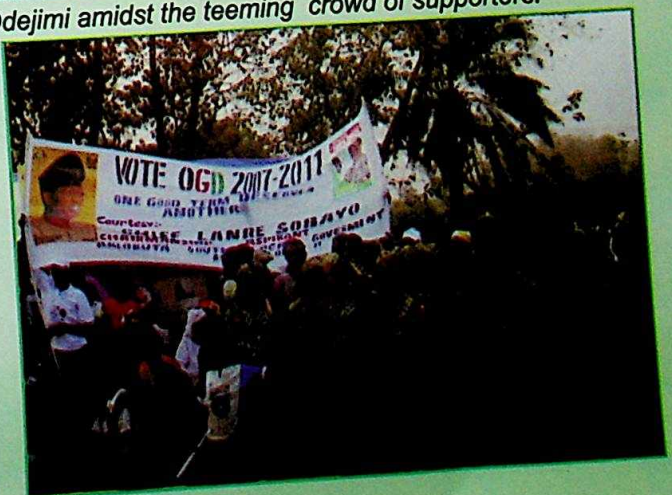
Tumultuous crowd welcomes Governor Daniel at Kuto Motor park.



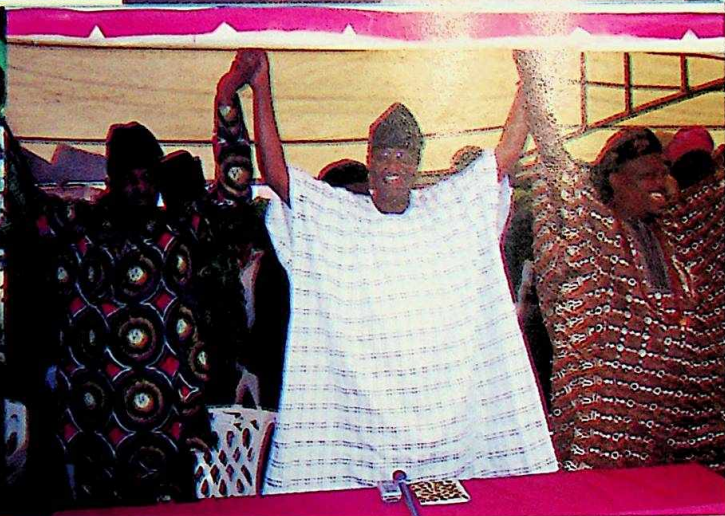
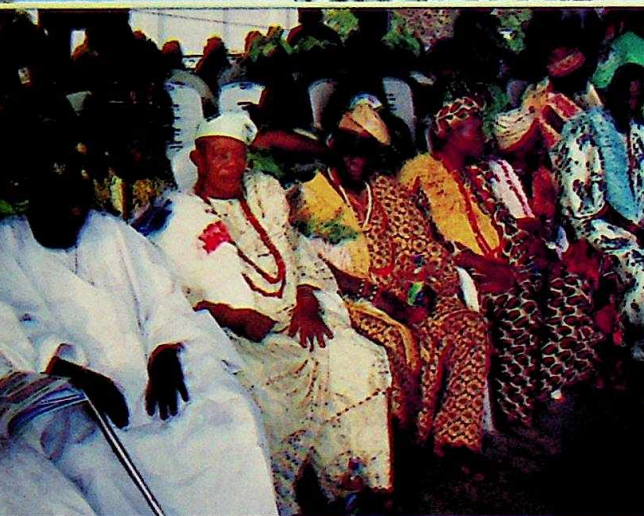
At Abeokuta South LGA...



OGD and Abeokuta South LGA Chairman, Chief Aremu Odejimi amidst the teeming crowd of supporters.



Both youths and the elderly trooped out en masse to welcome OGD.



Baaless at the rally.

Singing PDP anthem!



OGD being assisted by the Abeokuta South LG Boss, Akeem Odejimi, to commission a shopping complex at Itoku.



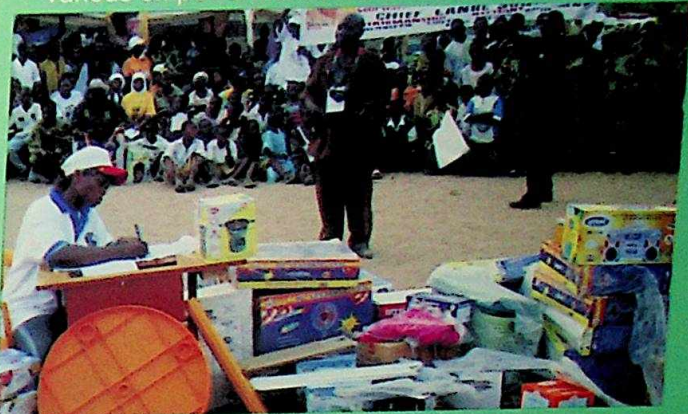
OGD showing his gift to people.



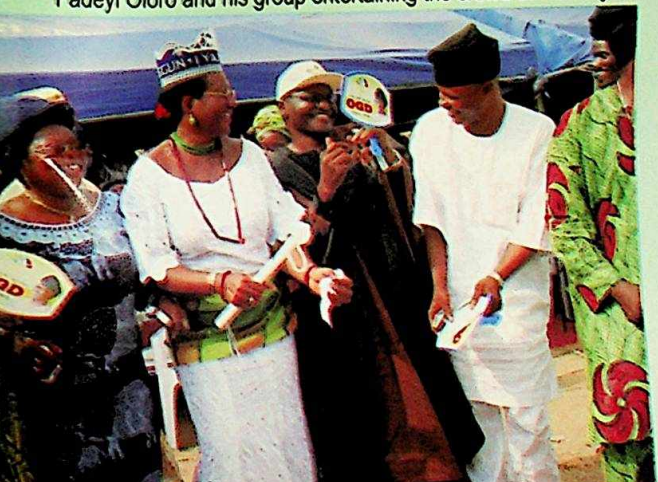
Various empowerment tools for the people



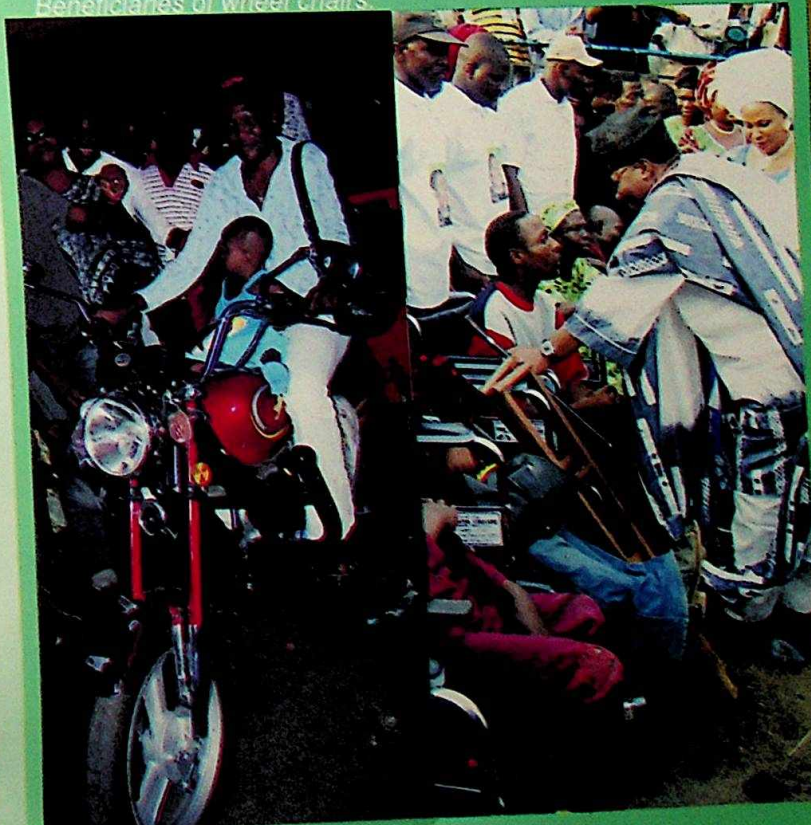
Fadeyi Oloro and his group entertaining the crowd at the rally.



Beneficiaries of wheel chairs



Akogun Kola Onadipe being welcomed to a Ward meeting by Alhaja Titi Oseni and the LG Boss.



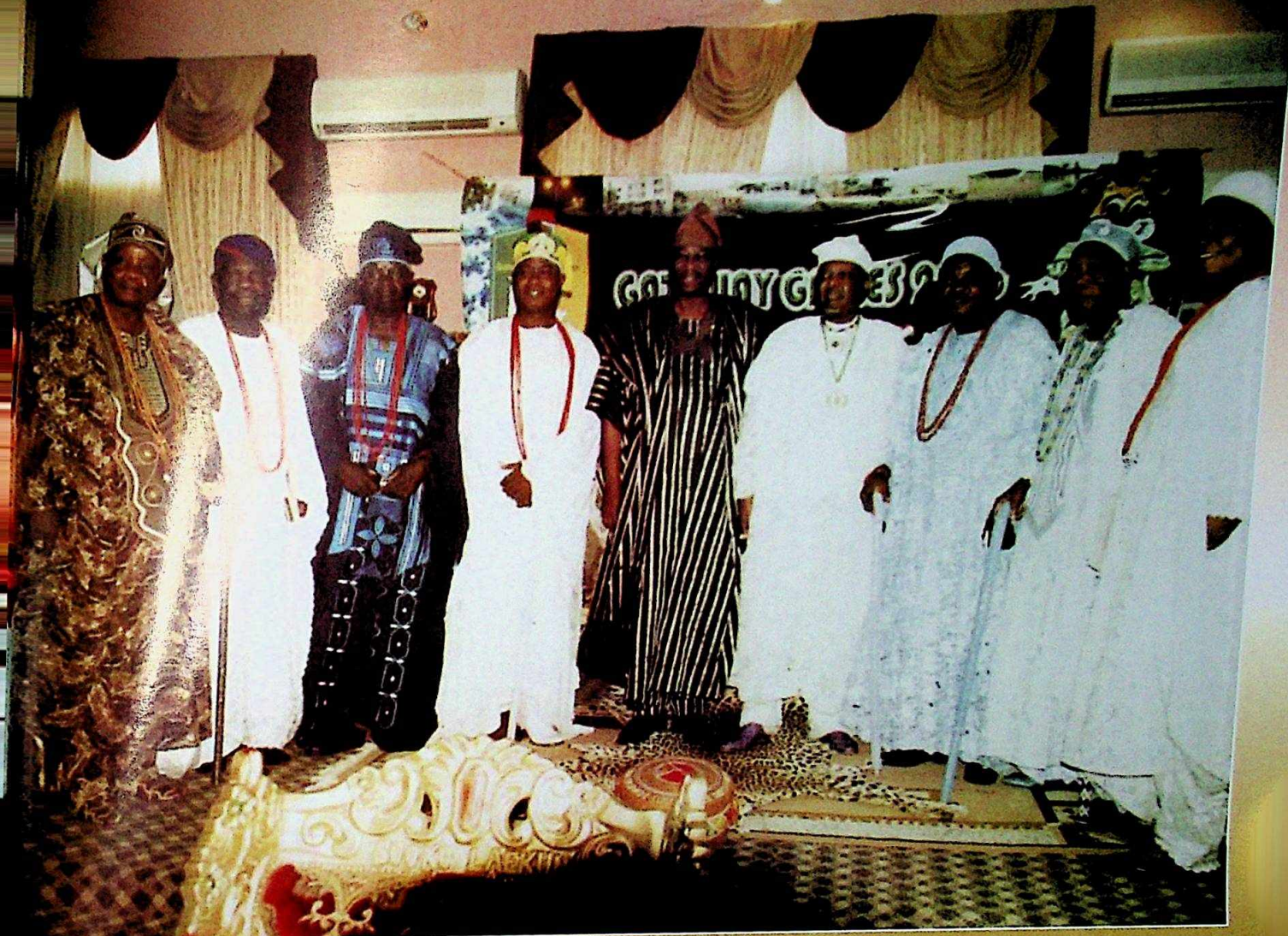
A winner of harvester sitting on top of it.



Cross section of Abeokuta South Political functionaries at the Ward meeting.



*The Governor,
Otunba Gbenga Daniuel
and his wife,
Yeye Olufunke Daniel
in Royal Regalia*



OGD with notable traditional rulers in Yorubaland including the Ooni of Ife, Oba Okunade Sijuwade

OGD'S LOVE FOR ROYALTY

New deal for traditional rulers



OGD discussing with the Awujale of Ijebuland, Oba (Dr) Sikiru Adetona, The Ogbagba II.



The Olu'Nla of Egbaland exchanging pleasantries with the late Alake of Egbaland, Oba Oyebade Lipede



Royal greeting: OGD with Onipokia of Ipokia, Oba Raufu Adeola.



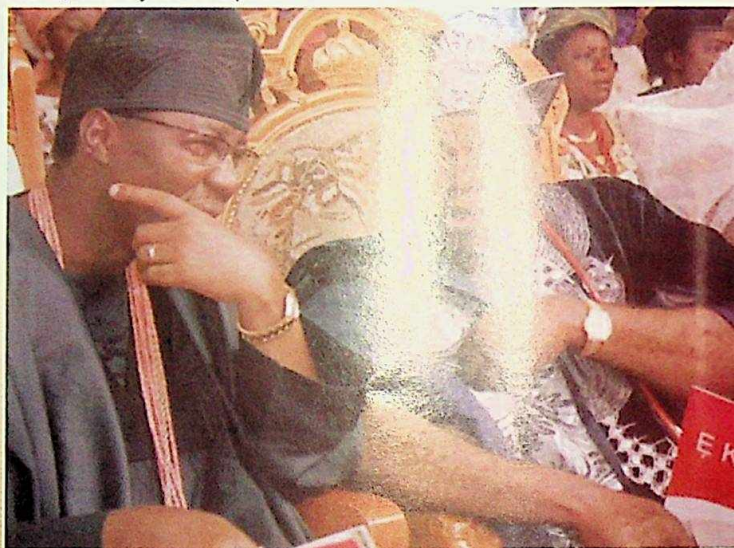
Gen. Buba Marwa (rt) and OGD discussing with Late Alake, Oba Oyebade Lipede.



...with another Royal Father at a function

The traditional institution is on a rebound in Ogun State. More than four and a half years after the inauguration of Otunba Gbenga Daniel as the Governor of Ogun State, this most revered institution that connects us to our roots has witnessed rejuvenation with the custodians of our traditions enjoying a prominence never before seen in the history of the state.

Now Ogun Obas have a purpose-built ultra modern complex where they hold their meetings. Commissioned by President Olusegun Obasanjo during his epochal visit to Ogun State in February, the building situated inside the sprawling



OGD discussing with Awujale at Ojude-Oba festival

premises of the Governor's office Oke Mosan is the first of its kind since inception of the state. The building design (square) represents the four divisions of the state— Remo, Ijebu, Yewa and Egba. It has a large Conference Hall, Library, Archives for traditional artifacts, cafeteria and computer room.

The project is another testimony to the high esteem, which the Otunba Gbenga Daniel administration holds traditional institution and its support for the preservation of our cultural heritage.



Gov. Daniel putting heads together with the Akarigbo of Remoland, Oba Micheal Adeneye Sonariwo.



President Olusegun Obasanjo and Gov. Daniel greeting Royal Fathers at a function.



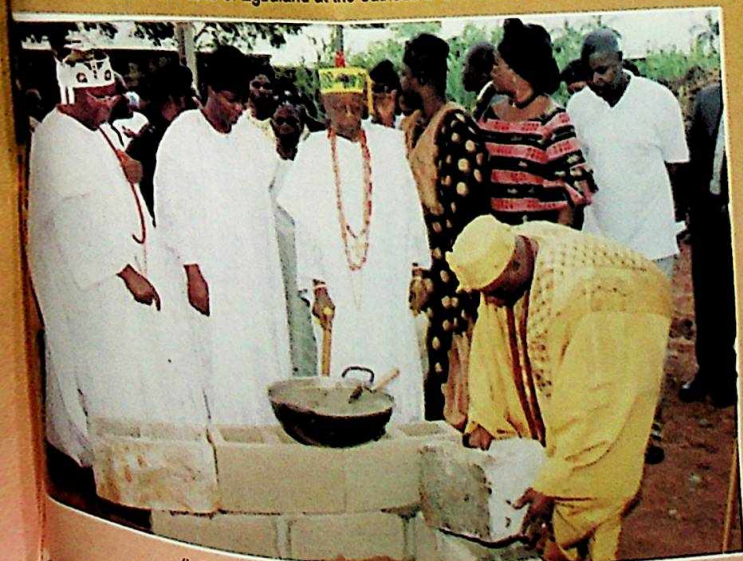
OGD AT 50: Traditional rulers pose for photograph with OGD and his wife, Yeye Olufunke Daniel during the 50th Birthday celebrations.



President Olusegun Obasanjo, OGD and Yeye felicitating with Oba Aremu Gbadebo the Alake of Egbaland at the Cathedral Church of St. Peter, Ake.



Oba Rasaq Adenugba, the Ebumawe of Ago-Iwoye exchanging pleasantries with OGD



(L-R) Oba Adetona, OGD, Late Alake, SSG, Speaker and Akaigbo laying the foundation stone



Olota of Ota, Oba Akari Oyede with OGD



Cross Section of Obas during the conferment of Aare Ajibosin of Owu Kingdom Chietaincy title on OGD



OGD with Akarigbo of Remo

Traditional rulers in Ogun State have continued to laud the Governor for building the complex and have assured Otunba Gbanga Daniel of their continued support and loyalty. The Akarigbo of Remoland, who is also the Chairman of the State Council of Obas, His Royal Majesty, Oba (Dr) M. A. Sonariwo, stated this in a letter of appreciation he wrote, on behalf of other council members, to Governor Daniel over the completion and commissioning of the Ogun State Obas Complex. The paramount ruler said with the completion of the building, the aspiration of traditional rulers to have a permanent secretariat has been fulfilled by the current administration.

"I wish on behalf of members of the Ogun State Council of Obas to express our sincere appreciation for the timely completion of the complex. This is a further demonstration of Your Excellency's avowed commitment towards according due recognition to the crucial roles being played by traditional rulers as well as enhancing their status", the Chairman of the Council wrote.

Oba Sonariwo on behalf of his brother traditional rulers also



The Dein of Agbor signing visitors register during a courtesy call on OGD...

prayed for wisdom and good health for the Ogun State helmsman in "his several endeavours to improve the lot of the citizenry".

Major rehabilitations of the palaces of the paramount rulers in the state have also been undertaken. For instance, a complete renovation of the Ake palace grounds has been effected. The dilapidated wooden dais has now been replaced with a solid concrete one while the palace grounds had been completely tarred, giving it an inviting ambience. To further enhance the status of the Paramount rulers, the Alake of Egbaland, the Awujale of Ijebuland, the Olu of Ilaro and the Akarigbo of Remoland were all given state of the arts cars by the government.

There has also been general upgrading of traditional rulers across the state while their allowances have also been reviewed upward.

Of interest is the extension of solidarity and goodwill to brother Yoruba Obas in the neighbouring Benin Republic. Otunba Daniel has done this with ease and dexterity being a proud Yoruba son. Sons and daughters of Yoruba in diaspora, even in faraway Brazil are being encouraged to come together and partner in the development of their roots.



OGD with guests and Royal Father...



Osile-Oke-Ona, Oba Dapo Tejuosho with OGD.



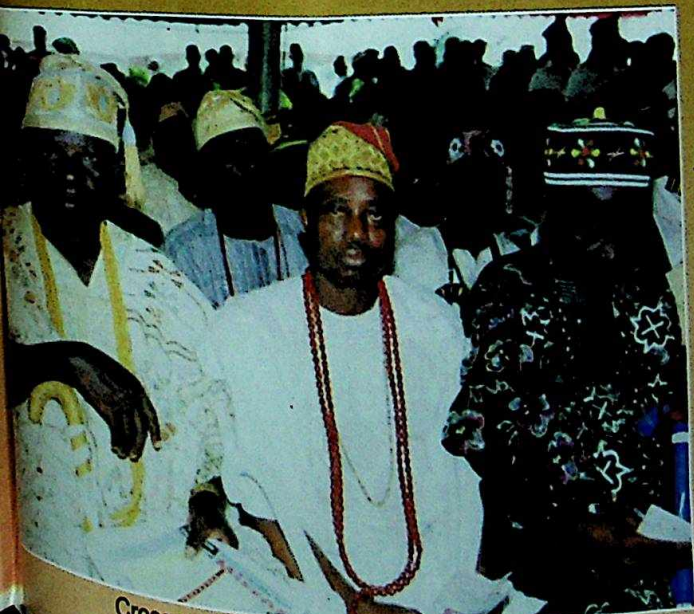
Akarigbo with OGD



Yeye Olufunke Daniel being congratulated after conferment of chieftaincy title at Iperu.



Cross Section of Traditional rulers at a function.



Cross section of traditional rulers at a function



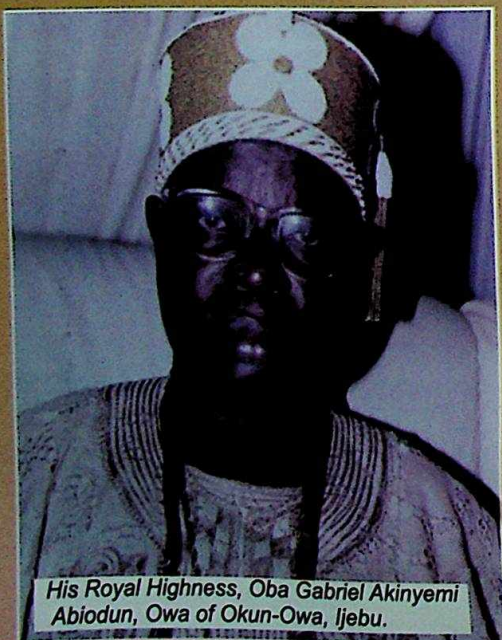
Felicitations from Delta State Traditional rulers



Obas Complex: A rallying point for traditional rulers in the State

The Many Chieftaincy Titles of OGD

1. The Aare Asoludero of Makun, Sagamu
2. Fesojoye of Ile-Ife, The Source
3. Otunba Adeoti of Omu, Ijebuland
4. Fiwajoye of Ipokia
5. Akinrogun of (Oniro Ipokia)
6. Amaiyederun of Iraniken, Sagamu
7. Asalu of Ibido, Sagamu
8. Akorewolu of Ilodo, Ijebu
9. Kiniun of Ilaro, Remo
10. Otunba Majeobaje of Ilaporu
11. Ogidi Omo of Odolewu
12. Otunba Rojugbuwa of Ijagba
13. Otunba Fiwajoye of Ilupeju Legunsen, Sagamu
14. Otunba Atayese of Ode Remo
15. Tayese of Oke Odanland
16. Jagunmolu of Ejila Aworiland
17. Jiradeto (Alatunse) of Ere



His Royal Highness, Oba Gabriel Akinyemi Abiodun, Owa of Okun-Owa, Ijebu.



The Alaperu of Iperu, Oba Basibo Idowu exchanging pleasantries with Otunba Gbenga Daniel.



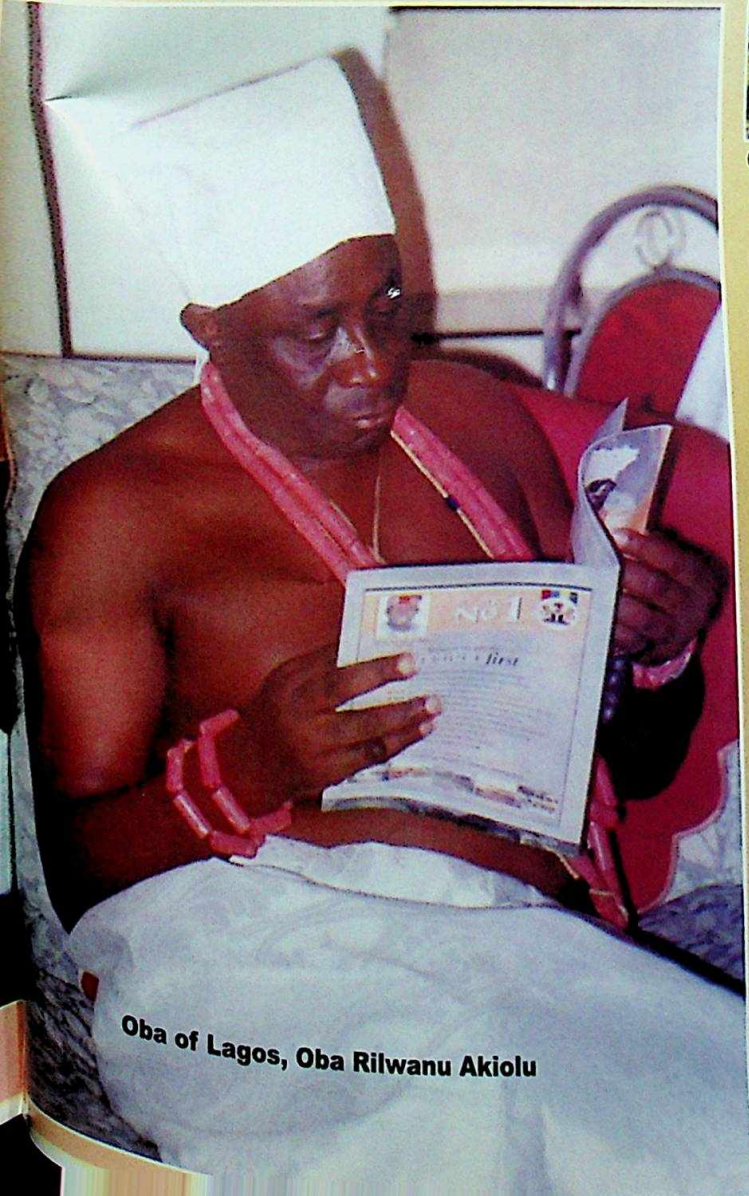
Oba Adade-Ife, Alaketu of Ketuland (Republic of Benin) in a warm handshake with Gov. Gbenga Daniel



With OGD, Onipokia of Ipokia, Oba Raufu Adeole.



Cross section of Obas at a state function.



Oba of Lagos, Oba Rilwanu Akiolu

- 18. Baaloro of Owode
- 19. Apagunpote of Oba Obafemi
- 20. Bobaselu of Iro
- 21. Gbobaniyi of Iwopin
- 22. Mayegun of Egun Community, Ifo
- 23. Mayetoro of Ifo



OGD with Alake of Egbaland, Oba Gbadebo



His Royal Highness, Oba Mukaila Olusegun Abajo, Olowu Iji of Odolowu Ijebu.

- 24. Mayegun of Ewekoro
- 25. Otunba Mayegun of Ibiade
- 26. Adimula of Aiyede in Ikaledland
- 27. Baba Egbe Jagunmolu of Akile Ijebu
- 28. Otunba Atuluse of Abigi-Waterside
- 29. Fesojaiye of Odo-Arawa
- 30. Otunba Atunluse of Ogere
- 31. Obaloro of Aiyeye
- 32. Akogun of Okun Owa
- 33. Aare Muludun of Ijesa-Ijebu
- 34. Asiwaju Awo of Remoland
- 35. Arole of Remoland



OGD and his wife, Yeye Olufunke Daniel b

- 36. Atunluse of Idofa
- 37. Okoesisi of Obinugwu, Imo State
- 38. Bobatolu of Aiyetoro
- 39. Baaselu of Joga-Orile
- 40. Bobagunwa of Gbagura



OGD with the late monarch of Odogbolu.



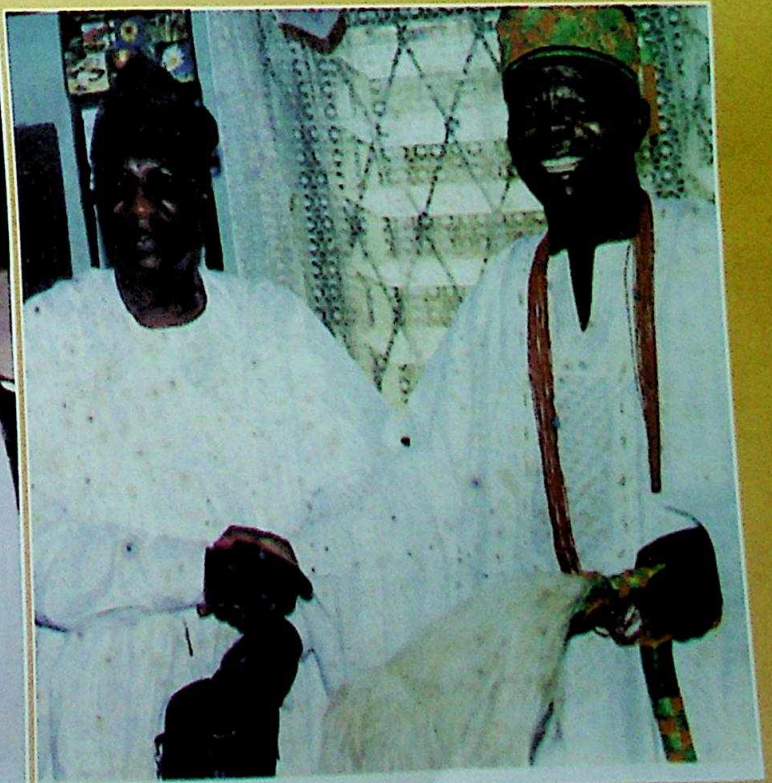
Traditional rulers during an outing



led chieftaincy titles at Remo

- 41. Bashorun of Epe
- 42. Gbobaniyi of Oke-Ona
- 43. Olu-Oba of Imekoland
- 44. Olu-Nla of Egbaland
- 45. Okanlomo of Owode-Yewa

- 46. Aemenre of Luleha, Edo
- 47. Apesin of Ogereland
- 48. Otunba Obalofin of Ijebuland
- 49. Olofin Oodua of Ijebu-Ife
- 50. Otunba Ademoyegun of Idowa
- 51. Erinnla of Igbeseland
- 52. Kinniun Ori-Ite of Ijounland
- 53. Apesin of Igbogila
- 54. Oga-Nla of Yewaland
- 55. Olori Omo-Oba of Omu-Ijebu
- 56. Omoluabi of Imasayi
- 57. Babalaje of Ogun State
- 58. Asiwaju Onigbagbo, Remoland
- 59. Basorun of Agboro
- 60. Akorede of Imopa
- 61. Alatunse of Igbeinland
- 62. Baasalu of Ilogbo
- 63. Aare of Adimula of Owode-Ota
- 64. Aare Ajibosin of Owu Kingdom
- 65. Baariyun of Aawe
- 66. Aare Ajidara of Ipokia
- 67. Ogbagbati Ngba ara Ilu of Wasinmi-Ikorodu
- 68. Adimula of Ifoyintedo



Alaperu of Iperu presenting chieftaincy certificate to OGD.

OGD with the Aloko of Ijebu-Imushin, Oba Onafowokan



OGD decorating Akarigbo and wife at Gateway Games.



The Alaye of Oderemo, Oba Funsho Adeolu with OGD

- 69. Baba Isale of Iko-Idi-Iroko
- 70. Grand Patron of CAN, Idi-Iroko, Area
- 71. Aare Anlyikaye of Ijebu-Musin
- 72. Otunba Atayese of Ikija-Ijebu
- 73. Ogbugbuluja of Itasin
- 74. Opomulero of Itoriland



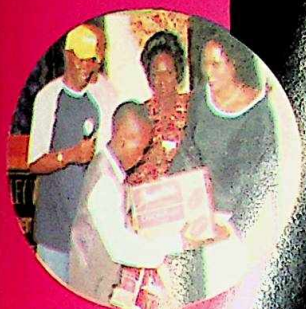
An Irukere for Gov. Gbenge Daniel



Ebumare of Ago-Iwoye, Oba Rasaq Adenugba



Ooni of Ife, Oba Okunade Sijuwade.



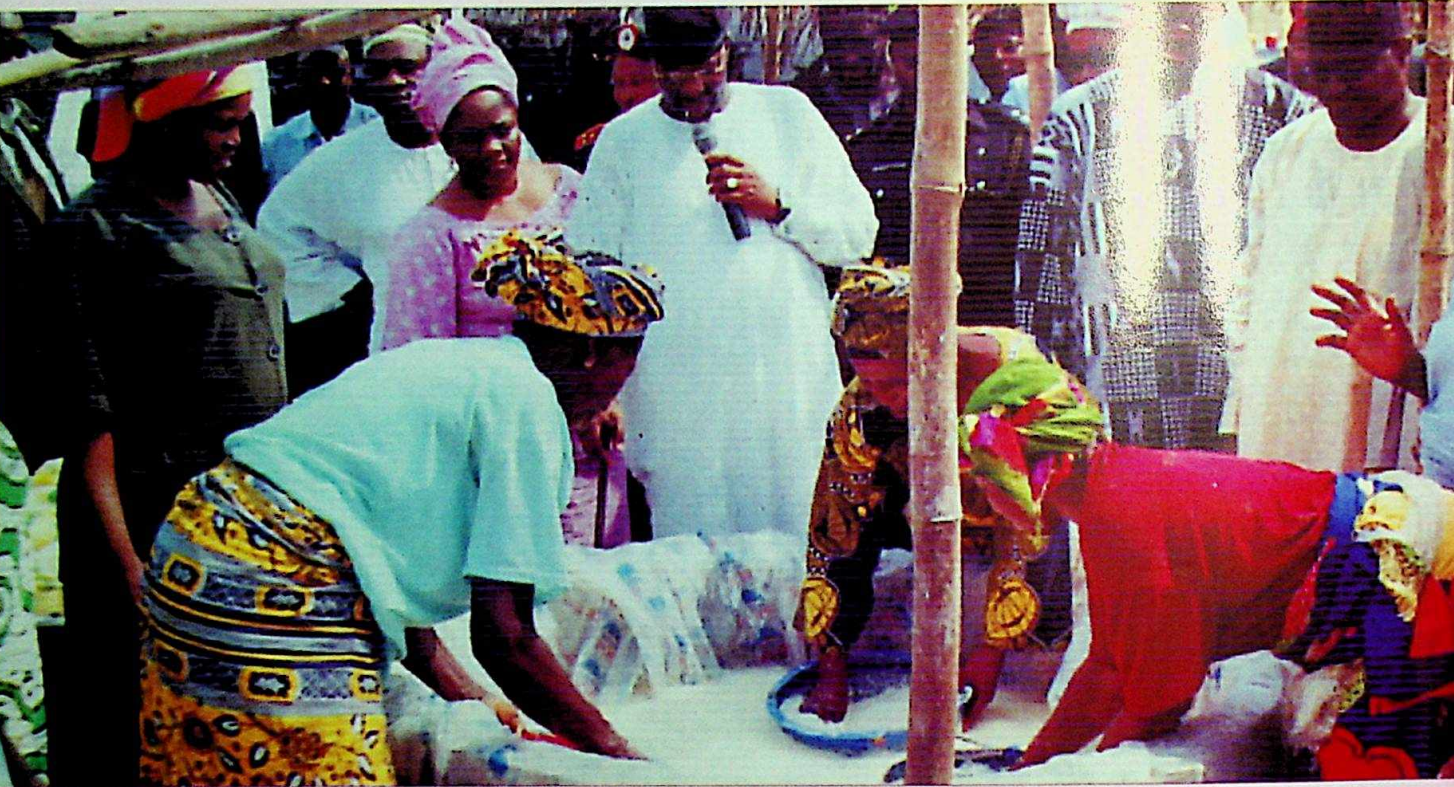
Yeye Olufunke Daniel



Rekindling Hope

Gateway Front Foundation

Putting smiles on people's faces



Women demonstrating 'fufu' processing to Gov. Daniel, Alhaja Badru and other top government functionaries

The story of Gateway Front Foundation (GFF) is the story of the vision of a nuclear family genuinely interested in the welfare and care of the people.

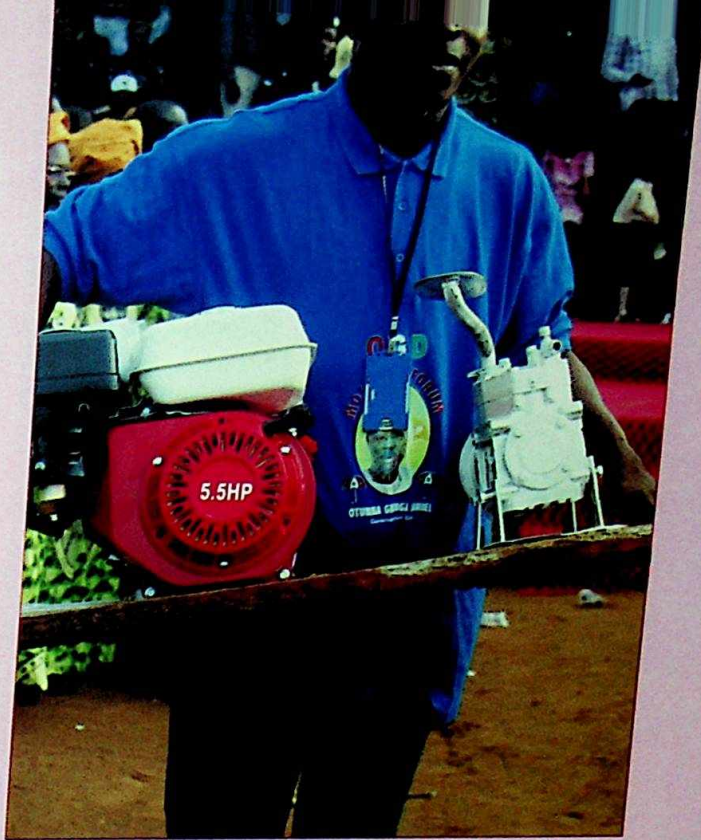
It is the story of a family that continuously desires to spread joy, happiness and smiles on the faces of the poor, the physically challenged, the aged and entire humanity.

Otunba Olugbenga Daniel, founder of GFF, is today the Executive Governor of Ogun State. Before his election some four and a half years ago, he had used the Foundation to touch lives and spread joy in all the nooks and crannies of Ogun State. The positive impact of the Foundation became more visible during his electioneering campaigns and became part of





Gov. Daniel inspects wheelchairs at a Village Square Meeting before donation



Lucky winner of a grinding machine

the political prism through which the people of Ogun State assessed his potentials as a good governor. At that point in time, the GFF put smiles on the faces of people and partly helped to assure the people that a governor, kind, loving and caring was in the offing. Not only did GFF give gifts to the needy, provide micro-credits, it constructed boreholes for some communities.

The contention then was that if a political aspirant could go that length to spread joy and happiness, he was sure to do better if given a chance to govern Ogun State.

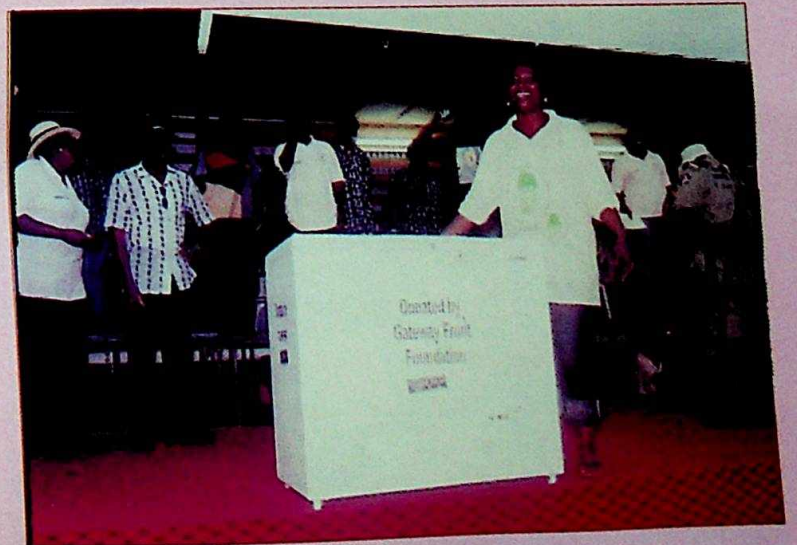
And luckily, the dream to become governor was realized with the successful prosecution of the governorship election on May 27, 2003, and as soon as the governor was sworn into office, it naturally became the challenge of his amiable wife and confidant to continue the GFF vision. Yeye Olufunke Daniel soon became the chairperson of GFF.

It is no gainsaying that the Foundation has progressed in leaps and bounds in its mission. Today, GFF has become a household name in Ogun. It has become famous for its philanthropic programmes and has complemented government activities in several areas.

Yeye Daniel has effectively and most



GFF Medical team immunizing children



An ecstatic winner of a deep freezer expressing her appreciation to Gov. Daniel



Proud winner of a TV set



Set of sewing machines for donation



Wheelchair beneficiaries



GFF medical team attending to health needs of children

efficiently, carried the torch of philanthropy lit by her husband. She has demonstrated the zeal and acumen of a mother and wife ever ready to spread care and joy. Putting smiles on the faces of citizens of Ogun State has become her second nature. The deworming exercise for children of Ogun State, the provision of wheelchairs to the physically challenged, provision of basic needs for the aged and the elderly, total health care through the GFF medical team, provision of relief materials in some disaster areas; and many more have become windows through which citizens of Ogun State have tapped into the Foundation and enjoyed its benefits.

The ward-to-ward community assessment tour became another veritable opportunity for Yeye Daniel and her team to showcase their capability and spread more joy and succour to the people. No wonder, some citizens now refer to its activities as "GFF wonders in Ogun State."

The Yeye Alaanu, as Mrs. Daniel is fondly called, keeps finding new ways and means of improving the welfare of the people. GFF has made more progress since the governor started his second term and has continued to spread more joy and happiness to the homes of the people, putting genuine smiles on their faces.



Yeye Olufunke Daniel presenting Motorcycles donated to beneficiaries

GFF: Our Vision

To seek ways of narrowing the gap between potential and achievement in Ogun State and turn the tide from retrogression to progression, the strategy is to put the people at the center of the train of progress and together begin the process of tapping the vast potentials of our state, since we believe the state so richly endowed should not be perpetually incapacitated by not harnessing the capacity to drive development process.

Our Mission

- ☐ To emphasise the nobility and sanctity of people-oriented ideas and make them the focal point of all activities.
- ☐ To mobilise the people and actively involve them in the task of developing the state.
- ☐ To awaken in the people a dignifying and enduring prospect of self-help activities and programmes.
- ☐ To encourage the people to utilize their abundant potentials for rapid development of Ogun State.

Health

We have a team of medical personnel comprising doctors, nurses, pediatricians/lead, dental therapists & nurses, auxiliary nurses and volunteers who carry out routine health checks,



Winner of "OGD Harvester" test-driving it



An array of donated motorcycles

deworm children and give counseling where needed.

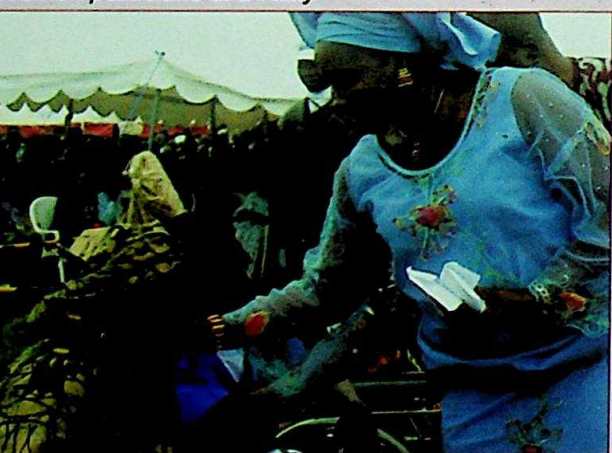
The Gateway Front Foundation's (GFF) presence is most felt in the rural areas of the state. We dare say that mortality rate has dropped sharply, thereby encouraging our



Succour to the needy: Yeye Daniel congratulating a beneficiary of head dryer



Women politicians at a Rally



Yeye Daniel donating wheelchairs to the physically challenged

mission.

Vision Test and Free Eye Care

The Gateway Front foundation (GFF) rose to the challenge of age related glaucoma and cataracts, which were on the increase a few years back. Free vision test are carried out and free eye

glasses given. Opticians go to the rural areas of the State where victims live and treat people free of charge.

Maternal Health

Neonatal health intervention of the organization recognizes the role of proper nutrition and basic health management for mothers to be. The battle for maternal health also reached the market places and this initiative has scored high points because of the large turnout of recipients it caters for.

Education

The NGO organizes an annual debate competition among secondary school pupils in the state known as the brain masters! It carries a prize of Lagos-London return flight ticket. This has made it very attractive and competitive amongst students.

Scholarships and Bursary

Indigent students are helped with this, to support their educational yearning. Further more, various academic materials are distributed to students, textbooks and exercise books, mathematical sets, biros, pencils and sandals, etc are also given to students on a regular basis.

Care For The Aged

The welfare of the aged is a major programme of the organization. The aged are given a day of recognition by supporting them with household items and food such as blankets, buckets, lanterns,



GFF ambulance on standby

towels, beverages and cash. So far, all the 236 wards in the State have been covered.

Widhood Support

The Gateway Front Foundation (GFF) tries to ameliorate the trauma of the loss of a life partner and its related problems in our society by annually setting aside a day when this segment of the society are invited to the state capital for counseling and get-together. At the end of the event they are empowered financially to cushion their pains.

Wheel of Hope

Under this project, wheelchairs are given to deserving beneficiaries, who have polio affliction and other related disabilities. Thousands have been given out but many more are still on the waiting list. Particular effort and attention have been given to indigent and downtrodden people.

The provision of these wheelchairs has positively affected the lives of these victims of polio. Formerly these people were helpless and so resorted to begging, but today they are equipped to fend for themselves having learnt a trade they practice on their wheelchairs.

Poverty Alleviation /

Trade Empowerment

Beneficiaries of this programme have received items to help them start a trade/profession of their choice.

These are in form of blockmaking machines, coolers, water tanks, hair dryers, sewing machines, hair barbing equipment, etc.

Micro Credit

The feminization of poverty has helped to target women as the major recipients in this scheme. Loans have been made available and disbursed



A touch of human kindness: Gov. Daniel pats a physically challenged at the back



Another set of wheelchair beneficiaries



Yeye Daniel donating crash helmet to 'okada' rider

in almost all parts of the state. The revolving loan has supported many homes, especially those headed by women either due to widowhood, divorce or single parenthood. Many have benefited across the state.

Our Needs

Considering the above programmes, the organization will and is in need of support as there are lots of requests from people that are yet to be met including:

- (1) Drugs
- (2) Hospital equipment
- (3) Eye glasses
- (4) Wheelchairs
- (5) Blankets
- (6) Vehicles to enhance health care programme (ambulances & back up cars for support staff): mobile clinic
- (7) Financial support

We look forward to your support in every way possible for the smooth-running of the organization and we promise you the best of positive collaborative effort that would further enhance the lives of our people and develop our state.

CARE FOR THE MOTHERLESS:

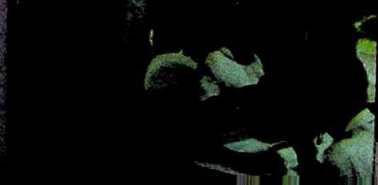
Chairperson of GFF, Oye Olofunke Daniel, is seen with a baby during her visit to Stella Obasanjo Children's Home.



GFF poverty reduction items on display



GFF Health personnel at Government House, Lagos





MAN OF THE YEAR Daniel acknowledging cheers from admirers



School children awaiting the arrival of their governor...

The Future... So bright!

The morning, our elders say, shows the day. There is no other way the future of Ogun State can move other than forward. The legacies of Otunba Gbenga Daniel, Chief Executive of Ogun State, just four and a half years in office, have become imperishable. His footprints on the sands of time are phenomenal and are bound to last even to unborn generations.

Within a span of four and a half years, Otunba Gbenga Daniel has turned the wheel of governance in Ogun State around through his "Business Unusual" policies and everybody seems amazed at the speed with which he delivers democracy dividends. To God be the glory!

Governor Daniel has set Ogun State on an irreversible path to peace, prosperity and progress. He has made every Ogun son and daughter proud just within this short span of governance. Roads are far better, mass housing has improved considerably,

water is flowing through many hitherto dry taps, and more towns and remote villages are now powered by electricity. These are not all. Farming has entered the next level of agrarian revolution as it was in the days of Chief Obafemi Awolowo. Otunba Daniel is already widely accepted as a reincarnation of the late sage.

Ogun State citizens have confirmed this through their unusual show of love, affection and happiness for their governor. They have prodded him on to continue his good works with the second overwhelming mandate given him at the April 14, 2007 governorship election. And as an emerging national leader, one can say with pride that the future is assured. The entire country also needs the likes of Otunba Gbenga Daniel to put smiles on the faces of people and make life more abundant as it is happening in Ogun State at present.

The achievements of Otunba Daniel within four and a half years are not only phenomenal, they are legendary.



A little girl presenting a bouquet of flowers to OGD at a function

They speak for themselves as anybody can see in this book.

To Dr. Onaolapo Soley, former Finance Minister, member of the "pioneer cabinet" and one of the founding fathers of the new Ogun State, the journey has been "so far, so good, but the best is yet to come".

Oh yes, the best is yet to be delivered by Otunba Gbenga Daniel. In his four and a half years of governance, he has achieved what others could not achieve in 25 years or more. He has turned the fortunes of Ogun State around, so much that the state has become an investors' paradise. The commercial life of the state capital and indeed other provincial headquarters has improved. There is

visible government presence in the nooks and crannies of Ogun State than ever before.

The people are happy, but as Dr. Soley observed during the 30th Anniversary Lecture of Ogun State, there is "still many areas to improve upon. What is required in the years ahead is courage and determination to carry on the "business unusual", which will eventually culminate in a new era of governance.

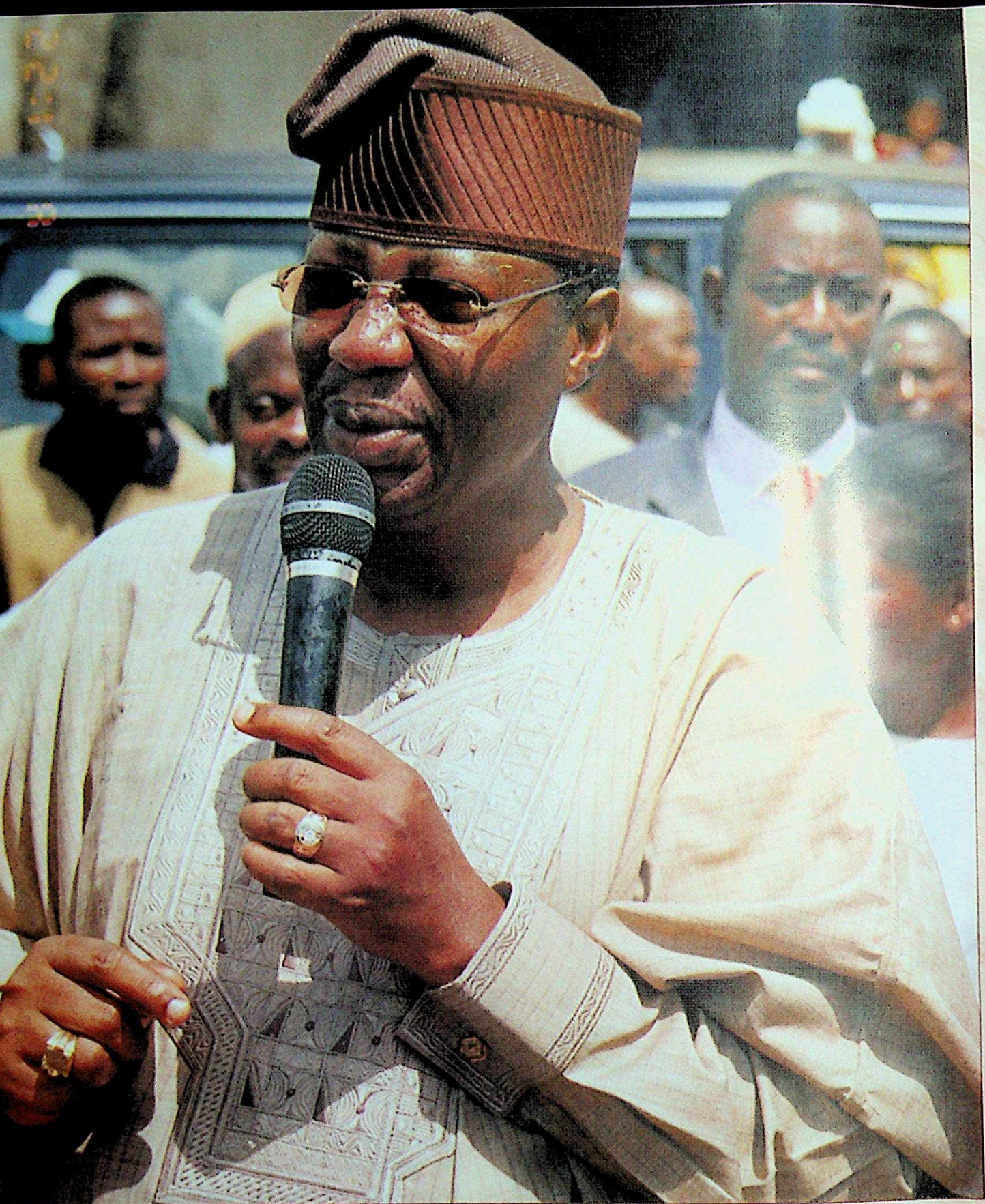
"Courage, an anonymous author has defined is: confronting dragons, overcoming the obstacles, understanding the risk, really living, always believing, going the distance, and finally, expecting the best.

In the 30th commemoration anniversary lecture, Dr. Soley identified few areas that needed improvement as the wheel of governance continues to roll. They include poverty alleviation in all its ramifications, employment generation, re-orientation of the civil service to accept the ethos of "business unusual", continuation of politics without bitterness, continuous maintenance of political and social stability without which progress is impossible, improved emphasis on women and youth development, and improvement of our border communities.

Concluding, Dr. Soley explained that the past 30 years had been spent waging war against poverty, hunger, disease, ignorance, indiscipline, intolerance, complacency, hatred, religious bigotry, ethnic and sub-ethnic chauvinism, ritual killing, cultism, vandalism, arrogance of power.

"We must continue to inspire the young and old to re-committ themselves to the principles of *Omoluabi*, hard work, resourcefulness, justice and fairness, which constitute the national character of the Yoruba"

Well said. The challenges, no doubt, are daunting. But the truth, which must be told, is that Otunba Daniel has the capacity and capability to rise up to the challenges. His performance of the past four and half years is an eloquent testimony. He has moved Ogun State to its next level of greatness and has surpassed all expectations. In popular parlance, he has more than enough of what it takes.



Daniel addressing a crowd at a rally

OGD assures... the future is secured

This, no doubt, explains the avalanche of commendations and endorsements the quintessential gentleman and political strategist has receive and continues to receive.

It is a clear manifestation of his wide acceptance and popularity amongst his people. *The future is secured. It looks so bright!*

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