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BRIEFS TO THE NIGERIAN GOVERNORS' FORUM
ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER
RESOURCES FROM MAY, 2007 TO DATE BY THE
HON. COMMISSIONER OF WATER RESOURCES
PHARM. B. B. BUKAR AT BANQUET HALL
GOVERNMENT HOUSE, BAUCHI ON SUNDAY
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The Ministry of Water Resources was created in February, 1996 in accordance with Water Resources Act of 1993. It was vested with responsibilities of providing potable drinking water to the people of Bauchi State, Management of Dams and reservoirs for Hydro-power or irrigation purposes. The Ministry supervises the activities of the Bauchi State Water Board and the Bauchi State Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency (RUWASSA).

In accordance with State policy thrust on water supply, Bauchi State Government has made tremendous achievement in areas of provision of portable drinking water to various communities and organisations in the State. This was made possible through the provision

of water supply schemes. The water supply schemes are either motorised boreholes, Hand pump or solar powered boreholes. That portable drinking water was provided to so many communities, towns and villages, Secondary schools, higher institutions and hospitals; others include Internally displaced persons Camp, Emirs palaces as well as organisations with acute water shortage.

From May, 2007 to date, contract for the construction of two hundred and thirty one (231) motorised boreholes were awarded to different reputable Contractors at the total cost of Three Billion, One Hundred and twenty Two Million Four Hundred and Eighty Eight Thousand Eighty Naira Eighty Seven Kobo (**N3, 122, 488, 080:87**). Out of the total number of Motorised boreholes, one hundred and seventy five were completed and commissioned. Similarly, fifty nine (59) hand pump boreholes were constructed and the Construction of forty (40) solar powered boreholes at the sum of Seven Hundred and Forty Six Million Nine Hundred and Eight

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Thousand nine Hundred and Sixty Naira (N746, 908, 960:00) in various communities are on progress. The construction of fifty six (56) motorised boreholes and solar powered boreholes that are on-going have reached advance stage in various locations in the State and would soon be completed.

This administration has made tremendous achievement in Gubi water treatment plant and Azare water supply system. In Gubi Dam, 5.0 MVA Transformer worth Forty two Million (N42, 000,000:00) was provided. Similarly, Two (2) 1,500 KVA generating sets worth One Hundred and Sixteen Million Naira were provided to alleviate the constant power failure in the water treatment plants. In addition to the 10 million gallons per day water treatment plant in Gubi Dam, additional 2.5 million gallons per day capacity plant was provided at the cost of Four Hundred and Forty Three Million, Two Hundred and Seventy Thousand, Seven Hundred and Ninety Six Naira Fifty Kobo (N443, 270, 796:50). The expansion of Gubi water treatment plant

is an attempt to meet the water demand of the teeming population of Bauchi Metropolis. Motorised boreholes and hand pumps were provided in some parts of Bauchi town where water supply from Gubi Dam could not be at their disposal.

On Dams and reservoirs, the State Government has awarded a contract for the Rehabilitation of Abayayawo Earth Dam in Misau Local Government. It is a medium size earth Dam of 4m crest high and gross capacity of over 400,000 cubic meters of water. It ^{was} awarded to Teleview Nig. Ltd in May, 2008 at the total cost of Twenty Two Million Six Hundred and Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Six Naira Ninety Two Kobo (N22, 618, 476:92). The Rehabilitation of the Earth Dam was completed in February this year.

Similarly, contract for the Environmental Impact Assessment of Kafin-Zaki Dam in Ganjuwa Local Government was awarded to Thematrix Associates at the cost of Forty Five Million Naira (N45M) in June, 2008. This is with a

view^{to} undertake^{ing} the construction of the Dam. The assessment has been completed and the report has been displayed to the public at designated centers. Presently, we are waiting for Review Panel as the final stage on the process of EIA ^{guideline} ~~to be~~ set by the Federal Ministry of Environment before actual construction of the Dam.

With this short brief on the activities of my Ministry I therefore wish to sincerely welcome our guests and wish them all the best throughout their stay in Bauchi.

Thank You.

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MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, BAUCHI STATE
ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THIS
ADMINISTRATION IN MAY 2007

The Ministry was established on the 17th February 2005 out of the Ministry of Education with the following functions: -

- i) Advising the Executive Governor and the Executive Council on matters concerning Higher Education.
- ii) Monitoring and supervising the administration and academic programmes of the four (4) tertiary institutions under its jurisdiction i.e. Abubakar Tatari Ali Polytechnic, A. D. Rufa'i College for Legal and Islamic Studies Misau, College of Education Azare and the Adult and Non-Formal Education Institute, Kangere.
- iii) Determine the Higher Education needs of the State and make appropriate recommendations to the Government.
- iv) Supervise the award of scholarships to Bauchi State indigenes for studies within and outside Nigeria as well as advice and implement policies on scholarships in the State.
- v) Supervise the Adult and Non-Formal Education Agency.
- vi) Supervise the activities of the State Library Board.
- vii) Inspect and license all private institutions operating in the State offering post-secondary courses.
- viii) Spearheading the establishment of the proposed Bauchi State University.

In the last two and a half years the Ministry has recorded successes in the following areas.

1. Preparations for the proposed Bauchi State University have gone far as these have been put in place.

- i) The State Executive Council has approved its establishment.
 - ii) The Ministry was able to send the relevant working documents to the Ministry of Justice which drafted the bill and passed to the State House of Assembly for ratification.
 - iii) Consultants were engaged to prepare the standard design of the University as well as the academic programmes at the cost of ₦23,000,000.00.
 - iv) An implementation committee has been set up by the Executive Governor for the University take off.
2. The College of Education Azare has secured accreditation from the National Universities Commission to run degree programmes in nine (9) fields. Out of the total number that applied, only 12 were successful in the Country and out of the 12 the COE, Azare came 5th.
 3. The A. D. Rufa'i College for Legal and Islamic Studies has been completely renovated upgraded and furnished at the cost of over 2 billion naira, the commissioning of which has been done by His Excellency. It is expected to serve as the Law Campus of the Bauchi State University when it takes off. It is currently affiliated to the Bayero University, Kano.
 4. The Tatari Ali Polytechnic has also successfully hosted the accreditation team from the NBTE and provisional accreditation has been accorded to some 12 courses.
 5. The Adult and Non-Formal Education Agency is renovating its offices at Bakin Kura for the sum of ₦17 million while construction work is going on at the Agency's institute at Kangere.

6. In the Library Board, the establishment of an E-library is currently going on being undertaken by Boris Ventures.
 - i) Also the Automation of Library services is ongoing by **FALCON INVESTMENT LTD.**
 - ii) Approval was given for the payment of **CONTISS** to staff of the Board by His Excellency, the Executive Governor.
7. A special programme for the selection and training of Bauchi State indigenes in overseas countries was introduced and as at now we have the following in place:
 - i) 10 students at Florida Institute of Technology Melbourne, Florida in the USA studying Piloting.
 - ii) 11 students at the Embry-Riddle Aero University Daytona Beach, Florida in the USA studying Aircraft Maintenance Engineering.
 - iii) 23 Female students at the AIN SHAMS University, CAIRO reading Medicine.
 - iv) 15 male students at the University of Alexandria, Egypt also studying Medicine.
 - v) On the home front the government has set up a Committee to go round some Universities in the Northern parts of the country to help secure admissions to Bauchi State candidates.
 - vi) 2 post-graduate students also at the University of Alexandria reading Community Medicine.
 - vii) Currently 14 students have been selected to read various science and Engineering courses at Brazilian Universities but are now undergoing a Portuguese Language course at the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife and will from there proceed to Brazil for their main courses.

8. Approvals have been granted by His Excellency for the award of the following contracts at the College of Education, Azare:

- i) Construction of a 250 capacity lecture theatre for the sum of~~₦~~35,000,000.00
- ii) Construction of the official residents of the College Provost.....~~₦~~30,000,000.00
- iii) Construction of Academic Office Block I.....~~₦~~22,187,000.00
- iv) Construction of Academic Office Block II.....~~₦~~22,187,000.00
- v) Rehabilitation of the Library floor~~₦~~13,200,000.00