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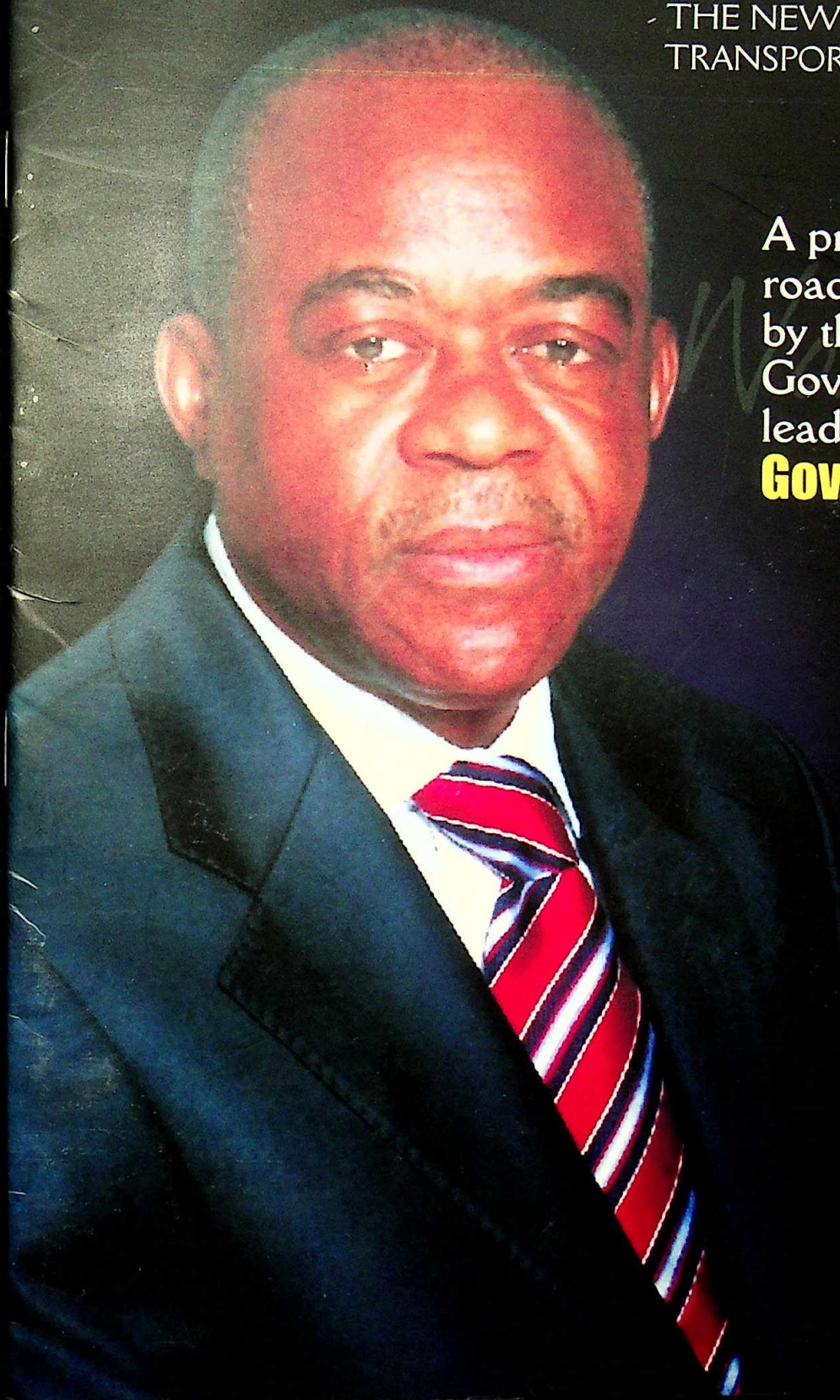
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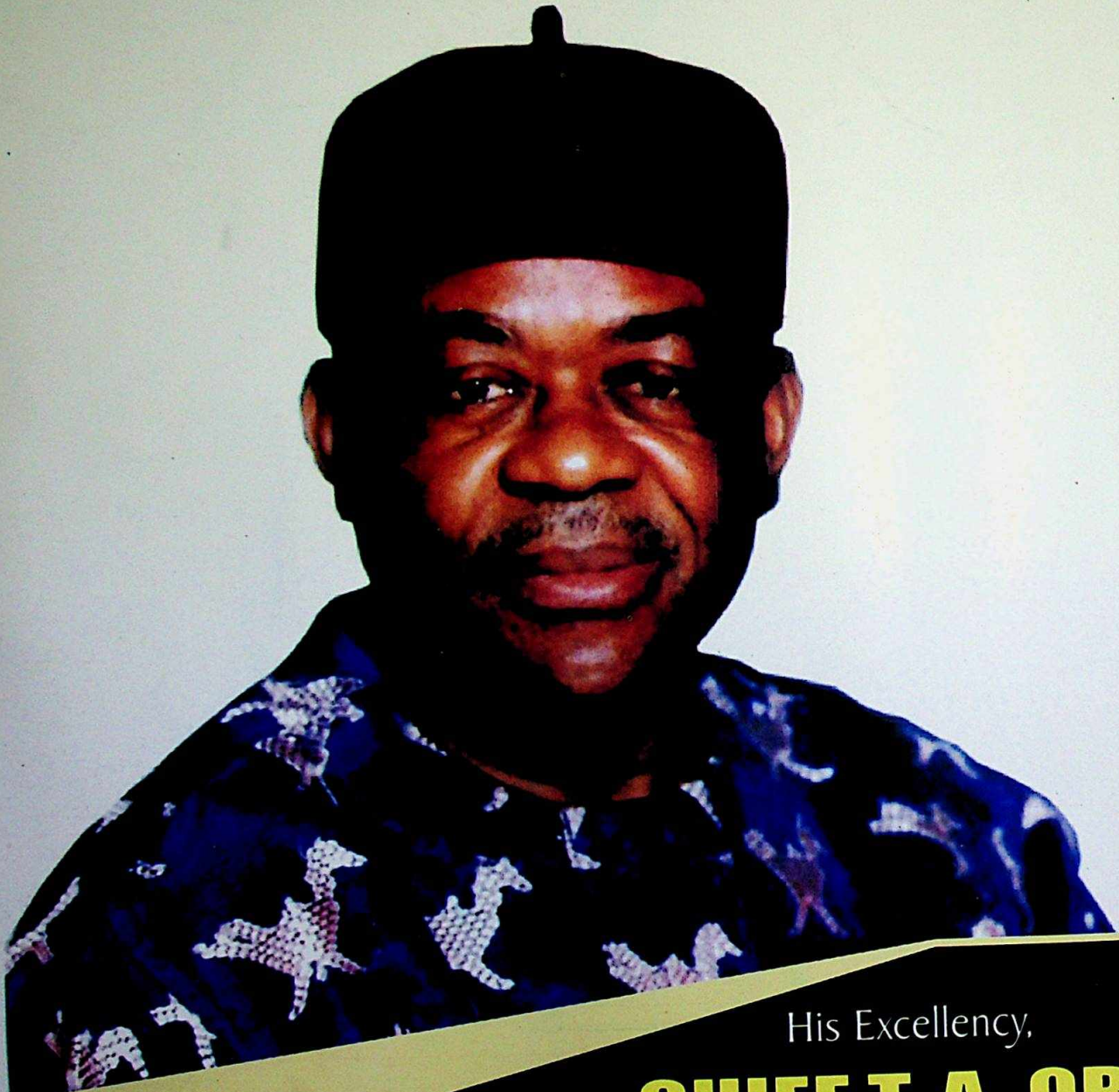
THE NEW FACE OF PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION IN ABIA STATE

A presentation of some
roads being constructed
by the Abia State
Government under the
leadership of
Governor T. A. Orji





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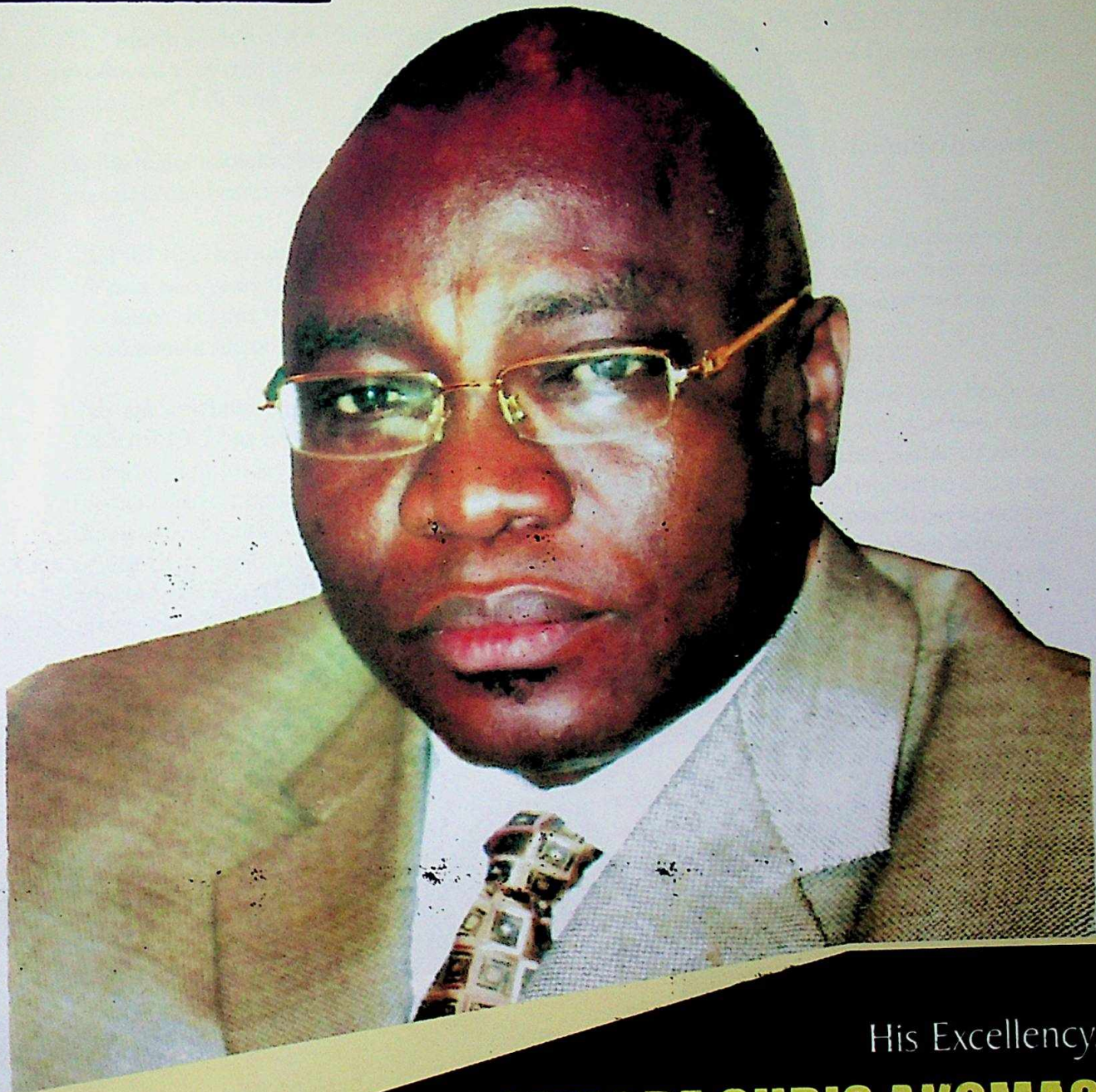


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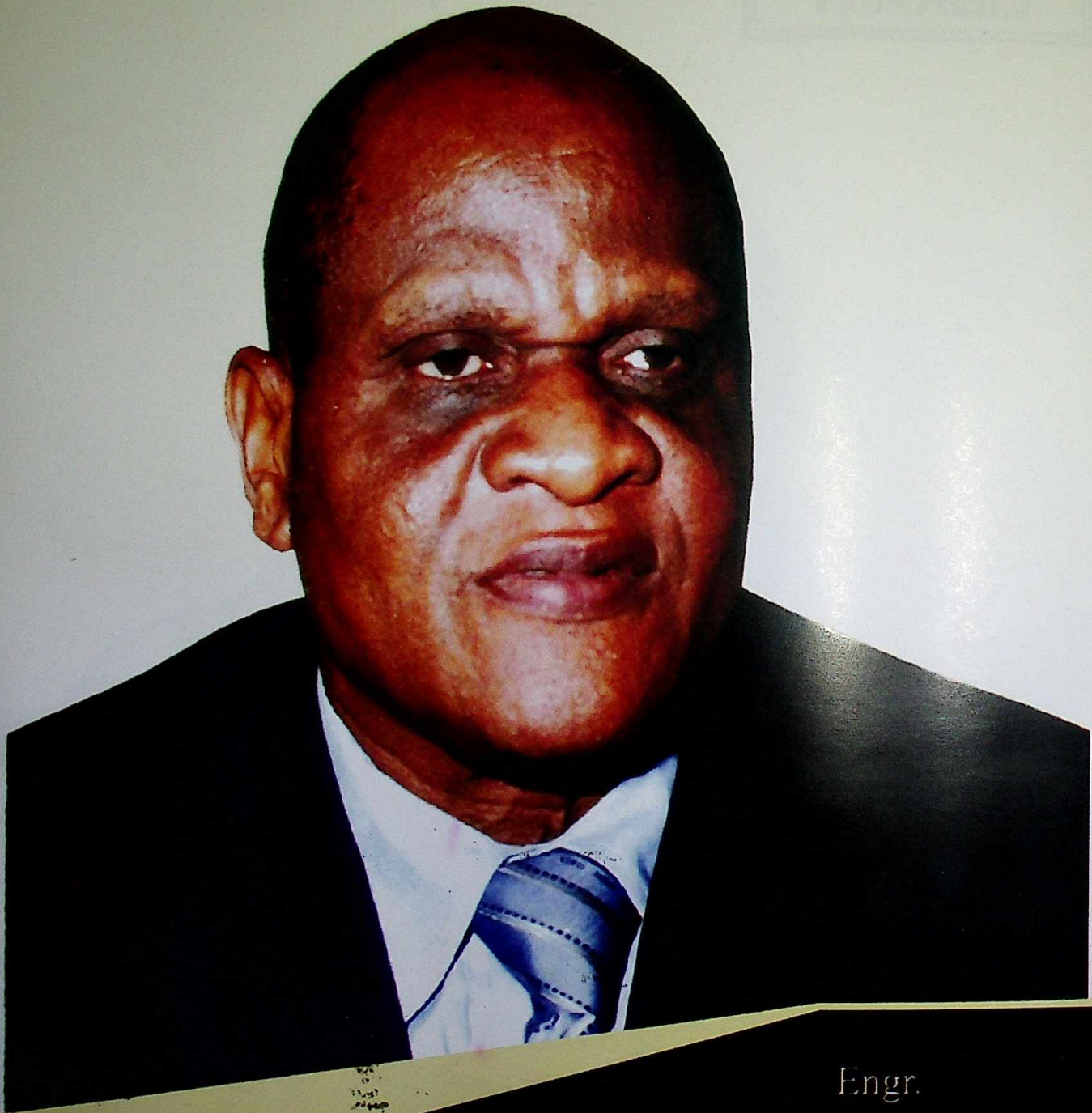


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PROLOGUE

This fourth edition of the Ministry of Works & Transport Publication WORKS DIGEST is being produced as part of the second year anniversary celebration of the Executive Governor of Abia State Chief T. A. Orji.

As the major implementing arm of this Administration, Ministry of Works & Transport has every reason to celebrate with Governor T. A. Orji.

OCHENDO has attained such an unprecedented record in infrastructural development within the past two years that he needs to be celebrated. We have tried in this edition to record the successes of this Administration in the area of road rehabilitation, reconstruction and development sector.

We are celebrating the second anniversary of Chief T. A. Orji in a special way because OCHENDO has within these years, despite strong political and financial constraints been able to make giant strides in infrastructural development in Abia State. The State Capital Umuahia has been given a completely new and befitting look. The roads have been rehabilitated and even dualized with street lights in most of them. The major roads in Aba, the commercial nerve-centre of the East, have also been given the necessary attention. The interesting aspect is that the concern of Governor Orji to give Abia people a good network of motor able all-season roads covers even Federal Government roads in the State.

Within the past two years, the Governor has embarked on the construction and rehabilitation of over 105 roads, covering the three senatorial zones of Abia State. Thirty (30) of these roads have been completed while the others are at various stages of completion.

In the transport sector, the Governor has empowered many Abians by distributing 112 air-conditioned taxis and buses to them. He has also packaged a public private partnership (PPP) which has provided employment for Abia youths and enabled Abians enjoy luxurious taxis.

I want to commend the Management and staff of Ministry of Works and Transport for their loyalty and support to Chief T. A. Orji.

I also commend all the contractors who have partnered with the Governor in the realization of these infrastructural developments.

In this fourth edition of WORKS DIGEST we are celebrating solid achievements of Governor T. A. Orji in the past two years despite all the human and financial constraints. We are celebrating a Governor that was undeterred by the enormity of constraints and challenges thrust upon him by political opponents. We are celebrating a Governor who has made giant positive impact in the socio-economic life of Abia State through infrastructural developments.

BRAVO OCHENDO!!
Engr. Rich Onyeaso FNSE
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EDITORIAL

When the Governor Chief T. A. Orji mounted the rostrum of power on 29th May 2009, he promised to render services which will take Abia to the next level of development.

For the past two years, the Governor had religiously followed this promise, by embarking on various road projects in the state.

This edition of Works Digest therefore is a compendium of achievements of His Excellency Chief T. A. Orji (Ochendo) in the area of Roads construction, reconstruction and rehabilitation in the State from May 2007 – May 2009.

While we commend Ochendo for his commitment in taking Abia to the next level of development not minding the encumbrances of the global economic melt-down, we appeal to contractors and indeed all Abians to co-operate with the governor to realize his programme of a durable network of roads in the state.

DUALIZED UMUAHIA OSSAH ROAD



ROAD PROJECTS

AZIKIWE ROAD, UMUAHIA



OCHENDO BYEPASS, UMUAHIA



ROAD PROJECTS

INTERNAL ROADS IN THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY





ABIA SOUTH

S/N O	PROJECT	CONTRACT OR	L. G. A.	STATUS
1.	Construction of Timber & Allied Products Market Roads, Aba	JPROS	ABA SOUTH	Earthworks achieved for 1.5km Asphaltic wearing course – 1.0km Drains – 950m
2.	Reconstruction of Uratta Road, Aba	HAJAIG	ABA SOUTH	Asphalt overlay – 1.5km Base course – 1.5km Drains – 1.0km
3.	Reconstruction of Aba – Owerri Road, Aba	ZEROCK	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic Concrete binder course-completed Stone base – Completed Drainage – On going
4.	Reconstruction of Faulks/Brass Roads, Aba	HAJAIG	ABA NORTH	Clearing – completed De-silting of drains – on going
5.	Construction of Okwu street, Aba	JPROS	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete-completed Drainage – nearing completion
6.	Construction of Ikonne street, Aba	JPROS	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete-completed Drainage – nearing completion
7.	Construction of Nwala street, Aba	AMICO	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete-completed Drainage – Completed
8.	Construction of Mt. Zion Road, Aba	B O K	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete-completed Drainage – Completed
9.	Construction of Ezeogu street, Aba	BENCOV	ABA NORTH	Stone base - completed Asphaltic concrete – Completed
10.	Re-construction of A-Line, Ariaria Market Aba	JPROS	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete-completed Drainage – Completed
11.	Reconstruction of F-line, Ariaria Market Aba	JPROS	ABA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete-completed Drainage – Completed
12.	Vegetation Control of P.H -Enugu Dual carriageway Aba	BENICOUX	ABA NORTH	Kerbing – completed Grassing – on going
13.	Construction of Unity Garden/Osisioma Ring Road	WORLDWIDE	OSISIOMA	Earthwork – competed Stone base- completed Asphaltic concrete – 1.5km
14.	Construction of Umugo-Ugwunagbo LGA, HQ Road	BENCOV	UGWUNAGB O	Clearing – completed Earthworks – on going
15.	Construction of Mkporobe-Ohanku Road	B M A	UKWA EAST	Clearing - completed

ABIA CENTRAL

S/N O	PROJECT	CONTRACT OR	L. G. A.	STATUS
1.	Construction of Isieke-Okwuta-Ahiaeke Road with spur to CENOTAPH	NEW IDEA	UMUAHIA NORTH	Drainage – 3.9km Asphaltic concrete – completed
2.	Dualization of Umuahia-Ossah Road	ZEROCK	UMUAHIA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete – completed Drainage – nearing completion Median dividers – completed
3.	Rehabilitation/Bifurcation of Library Avenue, Umuahia	TECHNYCO	UMUAHIA NORTH	Median dividers – completed Expansion – completed Drains – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed
4.	Construction of Internal Roads of Abia House of Assembly Complex	JPROS	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Stone Base – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed Lane Marking – completed
5.	Beautification of Umuwaya/Aba Roads, Umuahia	CEEKEEM	UMUAHIA NORTH	Paving stones – 2.5km Kerbs – 2.5km

ROAD PROJECTS

ABA OWERRI ROAD

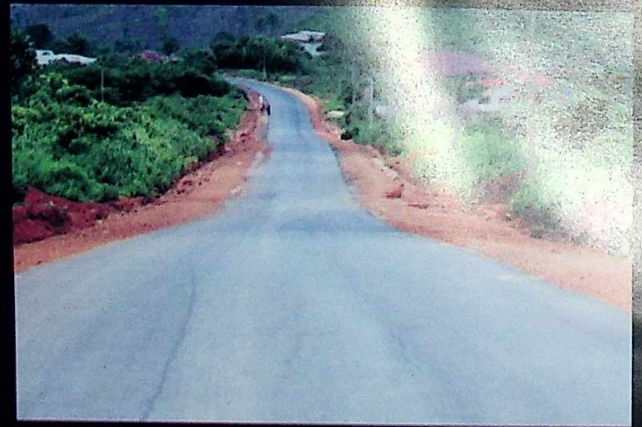


NKATA ROAD, UMUAHIA



ROAD PROJECTS

ON GOING CONSTRUCTION OF AMANKALU
ALAYI-AKOLI, IMENYI ROAD



OSISIOMA RING ROAD, UNITY GARDEN RD



YELLOW BUSES AND TAXI

- THE NEW FACE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN ABIA STATE

When the present Administration of Chief T. A. Orji mounted the rostrum of power on the 29th of May 2009, it was faced with the challenges of improving the Transport Sector, as well as addressing the other sectoral needs of the State.

To tackle this problem, and change the face of public transportation in the state, the Governor embarked on a programme, towards providing sustainable Buses and Taxi transportation that will meet the needs of Abia State.

This programme paid-off on the 4th and 5th November 2008 when the Governor Chief T. A. Orji (Ochendo) launched the Abia Modern Buses and Taxi Scheme in Umuahia and Aba respectively, with a total of one hundred and twelve (112) brand new Buses and Cars, all painted yellow.

To further boost the new Transportation initiative and put it on a steady part of progress, the Administration of Chief T. A. Orji involved the private sector to partner with the State Government in meeting the transportation needs of the State.

Through this Public Private Participation (PPP), Carnation a giant in the Transportation Business, brought in forty (40) brand new cars for Taxi services in Umuahia, the capital City. The Governor flagged off the taxi scheme in Umuahia on 13th March 2009, and was code-named 'Hello Taxi'.

The taxis which are also painted Yellow have been operating in all parts of Umuahia and its environs, and will extend to Aba soon.

This new face of public transportation in Abia State have been carefully designed to serve as economic empowerment to Abians through providing employment to those who have learned the art of driving but lack the resources to purchase their own vehicles, as well as many school leavers who may wish to engage in the transportation business.

The Yellow Buses and Taxis including thee 'Hello Taxi' have not only changed the face of Abia, but have also added to the aesthetics of the cities where they operate.

It will also be a boost towards meeting the challenges of modern transportation, by ensuring comfort for passengers, as well as make inter and intra-city movements faster and safer.

As an economic empowerment, the Governor allowed beneficiaries of the first 112 Buses and Cars under the modern Buses and Taxi Scheme to repay the cost of the vehicles within 3 years through monthly instalment payments.

Equally, Carnation a partner in this new transportation initiative has also promised to transfer ownership of the Hello Taxis to their Operators (drivers) after three years successful operation.

To ensure the success of this new Transportation Scheme, the Administration of Governor T. A. Orji has within two years in office embarked on massive construction, reconstruction, and rehabilitation of roads in all parts of the state, including Federal roads.

This effort of the Governor will ensure good motor able roads in the state, and facilitate the evaluation of agricultural products from the hinterlands to the city centres.

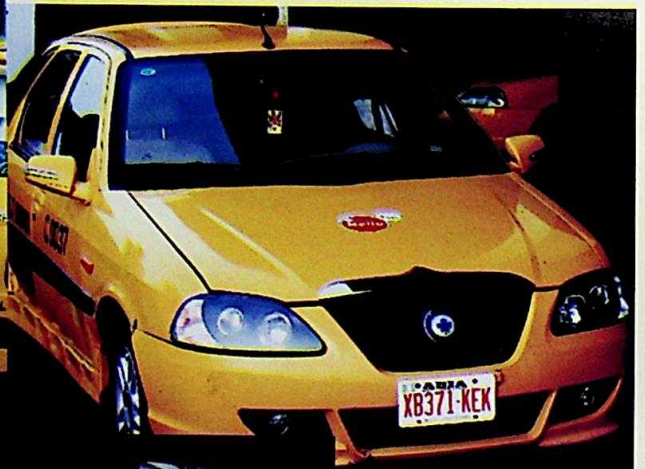
The new public transportation initiative has offered an alternative to the commercial motorcycle popularly called 'Okada' which has been a major transportation system in the state. People can now choose the comfort of air-conditioned yellow buses and taxis for inter and intra-city travels, or the accident prone 'okada'.

This project embarked upon by the Administration of Chief T. A. Orji (Ochendo) in Abia State, has left no one in doubt that his mission in governance is to bring prosperity to the people.

BY
MR. FRIDAY IKPEOHA

YELLOW BUSES AND TAXI

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THE ABIA ROAD MARSHALL

CHIEF T. A. ORJI

When he was sworn – in, on 29th May 2007 as the Executive Governor of Abia State, very few people believe CHIEF T. A. ORJI could deliver in Governance. But the Governor confounded his most ardent critics with his style of Governance which social commentators have come to call OCHENDOMANIA – a type of Political economic engineering which combines fluid bureaucracy and the swiftness of the private Sector in turning the state around on the path of development and progress.

By this his peculiar system, the Governor CHIEF (DR) T. A. ORJI has been Able to affect the facet of the state's economy, including roads and the transport Sector.

It is the Road and Transport Sector which is under the Ministry of Works and Transport that the barometer of the achievements of the Governor will be measured. The Governor on being sworn in on the 29th of may 2007 in a very spectacular and miraculous way identified early in his Governance, that for him to affect the Governed, that he must create access to the communities in the three Senatorial Zones of the State.

Thus he initiated the “One road to every local Government Council “policy” of his administration, without losing focus of the urban centres of Umuahia, Aba, Abiriba, Arochukwu, Igbera, BEnde, Ukwa, Ohafia etc.

Within two years in office, our dynamic and amiable Governor has awarded over 100 road projects, cutting across the three senatorial Zones of Abia South, Abia Central and Abia North.

Many of these roads have been completed and commissioned, many are nearing completion and a few at various stages of completion.

The underlisted road projects have been completed and would be commissioned on the 29th May 2009 to commemorate the Governor's two years in office.

One thing with the Executive Governor and the Ochendomania phenomenon is that the Governor does not only depend on reports by his lieutenants. He personally visits and inspects the development projects himself. Having come from the Civil Service, (his Constituency) the Governor as a seasoned technocrat knows that sometimes some of these reports are misleading, that also informed his directive that only Contractors who have earned job certificates on projects would receive his approval for payment – an apostle of probity and accountability.

The Governor having also recognized that the Civil Service in Abia is a Partner in Progress, for the first time provided asphalted link roads between the five major housing estates in Abia namely: World Bank, Low Cost Housing, Isieke, Agbama and Ehimiri Housing estates to the Nnamdi Azikiwe secretariat and Government offices (Federal and State) in the new Government Layout.

For visitors, when you are in Abia and you hear of the ROAD MARSHALL, Abians are not talking of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), they really mean CHIEF (DR) T. A. ORJI – a man who has bestrode the Abia development terrain like a human Collossus he is: ORJI – the towering Iroko tree. When next you see him, remove your cap, and say “BRAVO, your Excellency” on your two years in office.

– BY ELDER B. E. OGBONNA
DIRECTOR PRS



ABIA CENTRAL CONT'D

S/N O	PROJECT	CONTRACT OR	L. G. A.	STATUS
6.	Construction of Umuafai-Lodu-Ahieke Road	WORLDWIDE	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed Drainage – 3.4km
7.	Construction of Umuafai-World Bank Housing Estate-Low-cost Housing Estate Road	WORLDWIDE	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – 2.5km Asphaltic concrete – 1.0km Drainage – 3.0km
8.	Construction of Enyiukwu-Afara Road, Umuahia	FICEP	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – 1.2km Drainage – 1.0km
9.	Construction of Ibeku St. Extension Umuahia	NEW IDEA	UMUAHIA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete – completed Drainage - completed
10.	Construction of Abia Transport Corp. Road, Umuahia	REBAZ	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed Drainage – on going
11.	Construction of Okigwe Park-Ubakala street Bye-Pass Umuahia	BENCOV	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic completed Drainage – completed
12.	Construction of Uwalaka-Orie Ugba Market Road, Umuahia	NEW IDEA	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed Drainage – on going
13.	Construction of House of Assembly – Nkata Road, Umuahia	NEW IDEA	UMUAHIA NORTH	Clearing – completed Earthworks – 2.0km Prime coat – 500m Drainage – 1.0km
14.	Construction of Umuovom – Nkata Road (Ochendo Bye pass)	NEW IDEA	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed Drainage – completed
15.	Construction of Link Road between World Bank Housing Estate and Aba Road, Umuahia (opposite G. G. B.)	BAWAS	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic concrete – 220m Drainage – 480m
16.	Construction of Ahii-Isiama Afara Road Umuahia	BAWAS	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Prime coat – completed Drainage – completed
17.	Rehabilitation of Cyril Ibeto Street, Umuahia	TECHNYCO	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed
18.	Asphalt overlay of internal Roads of Modern Ceramics Industry Umuahia	J & J TECHNO	UMUAHIA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete - completed
19.	Construction of Nkata Alike-Umukabia Road with spur to Umuagu – Umule Road	AG VISION	UMUAHIA NORTH	Asphaltic concrete – 1.4km Earthworks – 5.8km Drainage – 3.7km Culverts – 13 No
20.	Construction of Amaogwugwu-Umukabia-Umuekwule Road	ENAP	UMUAHIA NORTH	Earthworks – 2.0km Drainage – 3.0km
21.	Construction of Umueze – Agbo-Ubani Ibeku Market Road Umuahia	C.E. HENZ	UMUAHIA NORTH	Clearing – completed Earthworks – 1.6km Drainage – 800m
22.	Construction of Link Road between	KELLON	UMUAHIA	Earthworks – completed



ABIA NORTH

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1.	Construction of Ozuabam-Ndi Okereke-Arochukwu Road	ZYBRA	OHAFA AROUCHUKWU	Clearing – completed
2.	Construction of Eunice Kalu Road, Igbere	JPROS	BENDE	Earthwork – completed Asphaltic concrete – completed
3.	Construction of Amankalu Alayi-Akoli Imenyi Road	GEMEX	BENDE	Earthworks – 2.4km Asphaltic concrete – 1.2km
4.	Construction of Amaekpu-Okagwe Ohafia Road	WORLDWIDE	OHAFA	Clearing – completed Earthworks – on going
5.	Construction of Amangwu-Achara Ihechiowa Road	WORLDWIDE	AROUCHUKWU	Clearing - completed
6.	Construction of Nunya-Isuikwuato Road	HAPEL	ISUIKWUATO	Asphaltic concrete – 3.0km Drainage – 4.0km Prime coat – 5.5km

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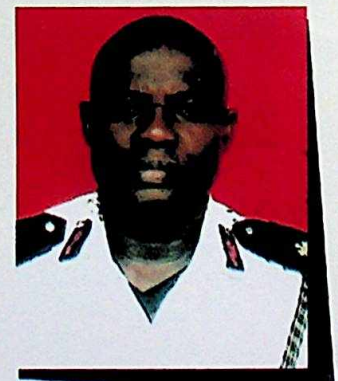
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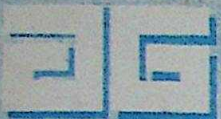
Executive Governor, Abia State

On his monumental achievements within two years in office,
especially in the area of Road Construction and Rehabilitation.

Ochendo, we are happy to be associated with your
Administration's Programme of building massive road network in the
State.

Congratulations!

Signed - Management.



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WITH HIS EXCELLENCY CHIEF T.A.ORJI
(OCHENDO)
EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR OF
ABIA STATE**

We in A.G. VISION are happy that we share in the network of durable roads achieved in the state within your two years in office as Executive Governor.

Once again Hearty Congratulations.

Signed: Management