

NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE CORPS, OSUN STATE
BRIEF ON THE VISIT OF THE GOVERNORS' FORUM TO THE
NYSC ORIENTATION CAMP, EDE ON WEDNESDAY,
1ST SEPTEMBER, 2010

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Osun State NYSC Permanent Orientation Camp which is popularly referred to as Millennium Camp was planned and constructed by the Administration of Prince(Dr) Olagunsoye Oyinlola and was commissioned for use by the former President, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo in 2005.

1.2 This laid to rest the untold hardship being experienced by corps members and camp officials at the former Orientation Ground at Baptist High School, Ede.

2.0 LOCATION

The camp is located very few kilometers from the State capital along Aisu Road in the ancient town, Ede. The location is easily accessible to travelers on Osogbo-Gbogan-Ibadan Road.

3.0 CAMP FACILITIES

3.1 Hostel Accommodation:

The camp is made up of 9 big plus 2 small blocks of hostels for 2,500 corps members and 200 camp officials and 2,100 mattresses plus 1,160 bunks.

As a result of the huge capacity of the camp, corps members are often dislodged from Lagos for their Orientation Course in the Osun Camp. Also each hostel has its VIP toilet.

3.2 **Electricity Supply:**

Apart from the small generators on camp, the camp is endowed with a strong diesel plant which feeds the whole of the camp with light whenever light from the PHCN is not forthcoming. The plant also helps in pumping water for use 24 hours daily.

3.3 **Multipurpose Hall:**

There is a multipurpose Hall used particularly for registration, lectures and variety nights. The Hall also has plastic chairs and comfortable seats.

3.4 **Information Centre:**

There is an Information Centre furnished by a Commissioner under the present State Government. The Commissioner, Alhaja Idiat Aderinto also doubles as the Chairman, State NYSC Governing Board.

3.5 **Other Camp Facilities:**

The Camp also has a well-spaced Kitchen with Dining Hall and Stores. It has the pavilion, the field which also serves as the parade ground.

All the same, there are offices for the State Co-ordinator, the Camp Director and the Camp Commandant. Similarly, there are State Co-ordinator's Lodge, Participants' Hostel and Management Staff Lodge.

3.6 **Orientation Broadcasting Service (OBS):**

The Public Relations Unit also has a designated Broadcasting outfit with modern equipment for camp use.

3.7 **Camp Market:**

The Camp Market is located at the extreme end of the camp and is usually cleaned up before the commencement and during the Orientation Course.

3.8 **Fence:**

The camp, large as it is, has a wide perimeter fence around it with only one gate into it.

4.0 **FURTHER EFFORTS BY THE GOVERNMENT**

Apart from the provision of a befitting millennium Orientation Camp, efforts of the Government are further felt in the following areas

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- i. Supply of 500 mattresses recently
- ii. Donation of a Toyota Bus
- iii. Donation of a Toyota Corolla Car

- iv. Regular visits to the camp and ceremonies by the Executive Governor and his Council members.

5.0 **PRAYER**

The NYSC on behalf of the Director-General, Brigadier-General M.I. Tsiga, is much grateful to the State Government under the able leadership of Prince(Dr) Olagunsoye Oyinlola. We also pray that the State Government will keep this flag of co-operation between it and the NYSC flying as the NYSC is ever-ready to make for any shortfall in the manpower needs of the state.


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