



Agreement Between the Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF) And the Labour Movement Represented by the NLC and the TUC on Implementation of the National Minimum Wage of N18, 000


The Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF), the Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC) and the Trade Union Congress (TUC) held a meeting in Abuja on Tuesday 19th July, 2011 on the implementation of the new minimum wage. The meeting agreed that:

1. The 36 States of the Federation agree to comply with the new National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Act, 2011;
2. The States shall conclude negotiations with labour on the implementation of the new minimum wage not later than July 31, 2011;
3. Detailed negotiations on salary across board will be done with a view to effecting payments by August 2011, while modalities for payment of the minimum wage will be worked out according to the peculiarities of each state
4. The 36 States agree that the effective date for the implementation of the new minimum wage shall not be later than 1st August 2011 provided that any worker who earned less than the =N=18,000 between 1st April and the effective date of the implementation of the new minimum wage shall be paid arrears of the difference;

5. The timeframe for the payment of the arrears of the difference of the new minimum wage effective April 1, 2011 shall not be later than October, 2011;
6. No State shall victimize any worker in any manner or form as a consequence of the implementation of the new minimum wage;
7. In the face of the commitment by the Governors, labour resolves to suspend the 3-day warning strike called for this week in the States.


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