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WEST AFRICAN POWER POOL HOLDS ITS 49TH EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

By Ndidi Mbah



WAPP Chairman, Engr. Sule Abdulazizi and Secretary-General, Siengui Apollinaire KI

The West African Power Pool (WAPP) held its 49th Executive Board meeting in Cotonou, the Republic of Benin on the 17th of April, 2021.

Declaring the meeting open, the WAPP Chairman, Engr. Sule Abdulaziz expressed gratitude to the Government and people of Benin, and in particular, His Excellency Mr. Patrice Talon, President of the Republic of Benin, for the warm welcome the Board members received in Cotonou and for providing office accommodation for the WAPP Secretariat since 2006.

The Chairman, while welcoming members of the Board to the meeting, stressed the need for member utilities to pay their dues promptly, to enable WAPP to continue to discharge its duties to member states. He commended member utilities that have paid their dues for the year 2021 despite the effects of COVID-19, and equally encouraged others who were yet to do so, to endeavor to pay. He acknowledged that it is commonplace knowledge that the world economy

has been negatively impacted by the COVID 19 pandemic, with attendant financial difficulties for all businesses. He however noted that there was the need for WAPP to build resilience at this critical time, to enable the Pool achieve its goals.

Engr. Abdulaziz expressed satisfaction with the reports on the implementation status of WAPP priority projects which show that the projects were progressing despite the COVID 19 pandemic and its disruptive effect. He assured the meeting that related challenges such as Right of Way (RoW) issues were being addressed and commended the Secretary General for the successful negotiation with WAPP Technical and Financial Partners on the financing of a significant number of WAPP priority projects.

Speaking at the meeting, the Secretary-General of WAPP, Siengui Apollinaire KI disclosed that within the first quarter of the year 2021, Niger Republic inaugurated NIGELEC's 90MW PPP-built crude oil plant and in Ghana, ERERA/WAPP Joint Technical Working Group also met to discuss the consolidation of activities

of Phase 1 of the Regional Electricity Market and pre-Phase 2 Market Roadmap among others.

M. Apollinaire KI also gave a brief update on the implementation status of other WAPP priority projects including the Burkina Faso Regional Solar Park, which he said was at the pre-qualification stage, while the Mali Regional Solar Park; the Gambia Regional Solar Park; the Niger Regional Solar Park, and the WAPP Median Dorsal were all undergoing feasibility studies.

The 49th Session of the Executive Board examined several issues, including reports of the Human Resources and Governance Committee (HRGC), the study on e-learning strategy and the networking strategy of the regional Centers of Excellence, the cost of participating in the Regional Electricity Market as well as guidelines for sending Operators to the WAPP Information and Coordination Centre. The meeting also ratified five WAPP Organizational Committees for the year 2021.

A comprehensive presentation was also made on the stage of implementation of three main projects being executed by WAPP, including the Cote d'Ivoire – Liberia – Sierra Leone – Guinea interconnection line (CLSG) project, the L'Organisation pour la Mise en Valeur du Fleuve Gambie (OMVG) loop project, and the International Coordination Center (ICC) project. Critical issues affecting the implementation of

WAPP projects as well as the way forward were equally discussed.

As part of the meeting, Members of the WAPP Executive Board undertook a trip to the site of the ongoing construction of the ICC, to inspect/assess the level of works on the project.

The Executive Board consists of fifteen (15) members made up of; eleven permanent members, three rotating members, and one honorary member. The permanent members of the board are the MD/CEO of the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN), who is the Chairman of the Board; Director-General of Cote d'Ivoire Energies (CI-ENERGIES) who is the Vice-Chairperson; and the Secretary-General.

Other members include the DGs of Communauté Electrique du Bénin (CEB) Togo; Electricité de Guinée (EDG); The Ghana Grid Company Ltd. (GRIDCO); Société Béninoise d'Energie Electrique (BEE); Société Nationale d'Electricité du Sénégal (Senelec); Société de Gestion de l'Energie de Manantali (SOGEM); Société Nationale d'Electricité du Burkina Faso (SONABEL) and Volta River Authority (VRA). The rotating members are Energie du Mali EDM-SA; Mainstream Energy; Northern Electricity Distribution Company (NEDCO) and an Honorary Member, Engr. Joseph Makoju.



Members of the WAPP Executive Board on an inspection tour to the site of the ongoing construction of ICC

US FIRM SEEKS INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN TCN

By Kazah Bili Akau



TCN management team and South African Adviser of Sun Africa, Mr Goran Rajsic,

As more foreign companies show interest in doing business in Nigeria, an American firm, Urban Green Technologies LLC, which specializes in small wind and renewable energy systems, is through one of its subsidiaries, Sun Africa, South Africa, seeking investment opportunities in the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) in the areas of substation facility upgrade, grid stability, and injection of new technology to enhance grid reliability.

A team from the Company led by the South African Adviser of Sun Africa, Mr. Goran Rajsic, made this known during a visit to TCN Headquarters in Abuja. In a presentation to TCN Management, the company expressed interest in partnering with TCN among other things, on upgrade of power transmission equipment and facilities, infusion of solar-generated power into the grid and construction of mini-grids across the

country for more efficient and stable grid management.

Mr. Goran Rajsic said that the company was equally seeking to undertake an in-depth study of the current status of the grid to identify areas where new technology could be injected to complement grid operations as well as construct substation energy storage facilities.

In his response, the Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of TCN, Engr. Sule Ahmed Abdulaziz assured them of TCN's preparedness to partner with capable and credible investors and indicated that a committee would be set up, headed by the Executive Director, Transmission Service Provider (TSP), Engr. Victor Adewumi, to work closely with Sun Africa on investment possibilities in TCN.

Engr. Adewumi tasked Sun Africa to provide detailed proposal on how it intends to further strengthen the nation's grid, bearing in mind the unique nature of the country's power structure.

He stated that as the world continues to go green through renewable energy sources, Nigeria has joined the global trend with its Solar Farm located in Giwa, Jigawa State, which has a capacity of 1000MW, patterned after the Marrakesh, Moroccan solar energy farm. TCN, he said, is already working on the 132kV transmission line that would evacuate the Giwa solar farm project when completed. He said plans have been made to install 330/132kV power transformers along the line route connecting the solar farm to the nation's grid.

In his contribution on the team's presentation, the General Manager, Power Systems Planning and Development (PSPD), Engr. Shehu Abba informed the group that TCN was strictly guided by a 20-Year Transmission Expansion Master Plan which he advised the visiting team to acquaint themselves with before proposing new investment to TCN. He finally informed the team of TCN's plans to provide open access to all electricity generation companies intending to access the national grid.



Cross section of TCN management team and Mr. Ademola Bakare, representative of ICPC chairman

THE INDEPENDENT CORRUPT PRACTICES AND OTHER RELATED OFFENCES COMMISSION ESTABLISHES ANTI-CORRUPTION AND TRANSPARENCY UNIT (ACTU) IN TCN

By Stella Ejikonye

The Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) has established an Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit (ACTU) in TCN. The 10-man Committee was inaugurated on Thursday 17th June, 2021 at the TCN Headquarters in Abuja.

While performing the inauguration ceremony, Mr. Ademola Bakare who represented the Chairman of ICPC Prof. Bolaji Owasanoye (SAN), said that the mission of ACTU is to discourage and expose corrupt practices as well as entrench transparency in public service. He disclosed that ACTU is an ICPC initiative approved by the Federal Government to serve as in-house mechanism for corruption prevention within

MDAs, in line with global best practices.

According to him, ICPC places emphasis on prevention as one of the most efficient means of fighting corruption hence the setting up of ACTU as the complimentary arm of the Commission to assist management of MDAs in building strong institutions and entrenching good governance within the organizations.

Mr. Bakare emphasized the need for Management to embrace ACTU and the principles for which it was established as it will assist in promoting sound principles. The duties of ACTU, he said, include, conducting system studies and review of processes and procedures of the TCN and making appropriate recommendation that would enable Management block

corruption loopholes; conducting continuous sensitization of staff on the ills of corruption; developing and implementing code of ethics; monitoring budget implementation; ensuring execution of integrity compliance score card as well as undertaking preliminary investigations into complaints received, among others.

To underscore the importance of the expectations of ICPC, Mr Ademola Bakare charged the newly inaugurated ACTU members to display high ethical standard in the conduct of their assignment and to work as a team in order to promote and maintain the culture of discipline and



Newly inducted members of ACTU-TCN unit

accountability within TCN.

In his opening remarks at the occasion, the Ag. Managing Director/CEO of TCN, Engr. Sule Abdulaziz commended the leadership of ICPC for the initiative which he noted, is an outreach strategy for integrating the agencies of Government into its fight against corruption in the country.

While congratulating the members of the Committee for being found worthy to serve in that capacity, he enjoined them not to abuse the trust reposed in them but rather to work closely and assiduously with Management to ensure that transparency, probity, accountability and integrity are entrenched in TCN.

Engr. Abdulaziz acknowledged that corruption in its broad spectrum covers all forms of abuses of office for private gain with insidious consequences including increasing cost of governance as well as cost of doing business, undermining revenue generating capacity, weakening fiscal regimes, discouraging foreign investment, engendering distrust between government organisations and their

customers as well as undermining credibility among others.

The MD/CEO further said that corruption needs to be properly check-mated and where it is effectively done, accountability is entrenched and goals achieved. He urged TCN staff to rise to the challenge by saying no to any form of corrupt practice.

In his response and speaking on behalf of members of the Committee, the Chairman of the newly inaugurated ACTU of

the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) Mr. Mohammed Lawal Isah, thanked Management for reposing confidence in the committee to deliver on their mandate. He acknowledged the negative impact of corruption to organizations and the country at large as well as the enormity of the assignment and promised diligent compliance and commitment to the call to duty for TCN ACTU team, to enable it achieve its set goal.

Mr. Isah also assured that the Committee will work with Management and the staff of TCN to enable it achieve its goal. He sued for cooperation of Management and staff without which the committee cannot achieve its purpose.

The inauguration ceremony which was conducted in the presence of the top Management of TCN had in attendance the Acting Managing Director/CEO, Engr. Sule Abdulaziz, all the Executive Directors of TSP, ISO, HR&CS, Finance and Accounts, GMs and AGMs at the TCN Headquarters.



Group photograph

NIPSS participants visit TCN to understudy operational policies

By Eric Ephraim Ene

Participants of the Senior Executive Course, SEC Number 43, for the year 2021 of the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies, NIPSS, Kuru – Jos, visited the corporate headquarters of the Transmission Company of Nigeria, TCN, in Abuja.

The Study Group 1 participants led by its Chairman, Rear Admiral E. O. Jaiyeola, were in TCN to understudy TCN's operational policies and were received by the Ag. Managing Director and CEO of TCN, Engr. Sule Ahmed Abdulaziz.

Addressing the participants, Engr. Abdulaziz said the Institute serves as the think tank of the nation on national development. He went on to highlight the milestone records of TCN in less than one year in office of the present Management team.

He said that the present Management of TCN was vigorously pursuing its grid maintenance, expansion, and rehabilitation program, knowing

fully well that as a nexus in the power sector, TCN plays a vital role in providing leadership and a practical show of commitment to the progress of electricity supply in the Nigerian Electricity Supply Industry (NESI). Given this, he noted, TCN has installed several transformers, rehabilitated several substations, reconducted power transmission lines with several projects ongoing, and has also put in place a proactive maintenance program to which it diligently adheres.

“I’m glad to inform you that due to our commitment in TCN, transmission grid disturbances have been reduced to the barest minimum; grid capacity has also increased. Within the first quarter of this year, TCN efficiently wheeled successive all-time peak generation without a hitch, the latest being 5,801.60 megawatts (MW) to distribution load centers nationwide,” said Abdulaziz.

The TCN head further noted that the company



TCN management and NIPSS team

has continued to collaborate with the Generation Companies (GenCos) and the Distribution Companies (DisCos) towards ensuring that power is made more available to Nigerians.

He urged the Institute to consider including officers of the company as participants in subsequent courses, considering the critical role TCN plays in electricity supply nationwide and as a public utility.

In his remarks, Chairman of the NIPSS Study Group 1 Senior Course participant delegation to TCN, Rear Admiral E.O. Jaiyeola, said the course was to prime the participants on developing strategic and specific policies for national development. According to him, Nigeria is neither short of policies nor programs for national development but that the challenge has been in implementation and ensuring that things are done properly. In his words “for this Senior Executive Course, the task from Mr. President is for us to interrogate the challenges and issues surrounding getting things done as we x-ray various policies and programs and that is the reason why we are here, particularly focusing on the power sector.”

During the interactive session, the Market Operator at TCN, Engr. Edmund Eje explained the process that led to the power sector



Market Operator -TCN, Engr. Edmund Eje

privatization and the role of TCN in the power sector with two licenses for Transmission Service and Independent System Operations/Market Operations issued to it by the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC).

The presentation of the report, on inquiries from the visiting NIPSS course participants, was followed by an interactive session with the Management team and General Managers heading the various departments in TCN on various strategies TCN has deployed to boost bulk power delivery in Nigeria and the way forward for the growth of Nigeria's electricity sector.



Cross section of participants

TCN SENSITISES ANAMBRA STATE GOVERNMENT ON RIGHT OF WAY ISSUES

By Mary Philip-Udom



Illegal structures under transmission tower

The Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Anambra State Physical Planning Board (ANSPPB), Barr. Chike Maduekwe, has acknowledged TCN's request to sanitize transmission lines "Right of Way" within the state and assured that action would be taken in line with the request to Anambra State Government, saying that work will be carried out in stages. He promised to work with relevant Ministries, Agencies, and Stake holders to ensure that the Right of Way of transmission lines are not violated.

Barr. Maduekwe gave the assurance during a sensitization programme organized by Enugu Region of TCN in Anambra State. The programme was aimed at drawing attention to the nagging issue and inherent danger in building and conducting business under transmission lines route within Anambra State.

The programme titled "Dangers of Building, and Trading under or beside Transmission Right of Way (ROW)", also attempted to bring home the consequences of living and doing business under

transmission lines route, as well as the need for the violators to relocate from such places.

Earlier, the Regional Transmission Manager, Enugu Region, Engr Emmanuel Nwani, expressed concern over the flagrant encroachment on TCN's transmission lines routes, especially by traders who display their wares unmindful of the dangers. He warned that electromagnetic waves emanating from the lines can cause cancer, leukemia, miscarriages in pregnant women and diseases. He also noted that the cables could snap, leading to fire outbreak and even electrocution as well as other dangerous consequences.

Engr Nwani, appealed to the State Government to assist in ensuring that residents and traders observe the approved distance from the transmission lines, stating that encroachments cause huge unbudgeted expenditure for the TCN in the event of damage to the transmission facilities and litigation in cases of death by electrocution.

In his remarks, the AGM (T), Onitsha Sub-region, Engr. Okonkwo Ifeanyi, appreciated the management of TCN, Enugu Region for organizing the sensitization programme and urged the Representatives of Anambra State Government and other attendees to help ensure compliance to the designated distancing from transmission Line right of ways.

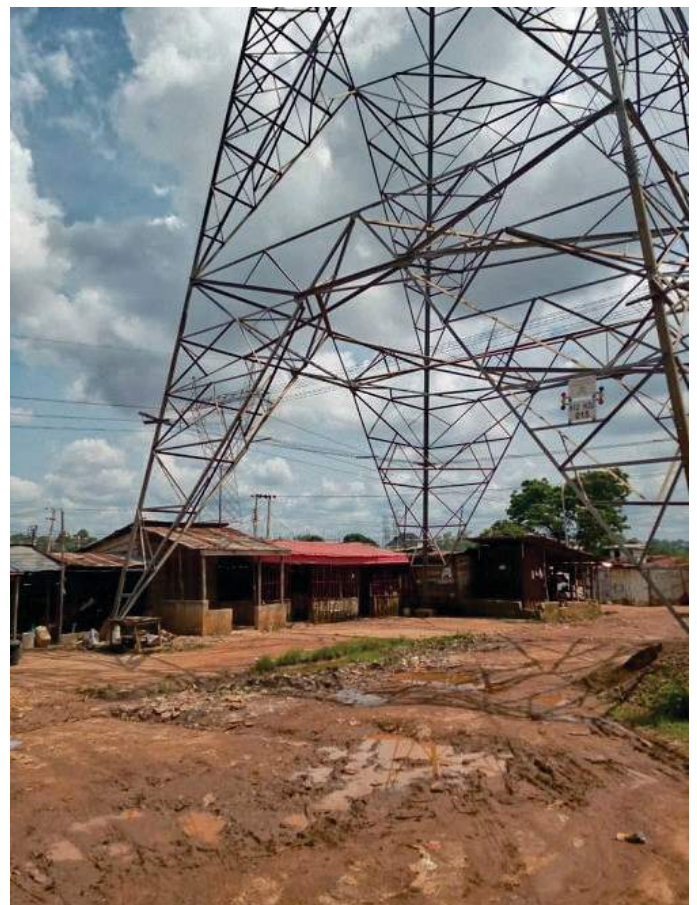
Also in attendance were the Anambra State Commissioner for Trade and Commerce, Hon. Okafor Wipper, President General of Anambra State Market Amalgamated Traders Association ASMATA – Chief Ikechukwu Ekwegbalu, and the secretary of Mgbuka, Obosi old motor spare parts market among others.



Group photograph



Encroachment on Onitsha-New Haven 330kV Transmission Line Single Circuit



Encroachment on Ugwuaji-New Haven 330kV Double Circuit Transmission Line.

TCN MANAGEMENT ASSURES SENIOR STAFF UNION OF IMPROVED STAFF WELFARE

By Eric Ene Ephraim

The Management of TCN has assured the National Executives of Senior Staff Association of Electricity and Allied Companies (SSAEAC) of improved welfare for staff to boost productivity and industrial harmony in the company.

The Ag. Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of TCN, Engr Sule Abdulaziz, gave the assurance during the National Joint Advisory Committee meeting between Management and the national executives of SSAEAC on Thursday 27th May, 2021, in Abuja.

Engr Abdulaziz who welcomed SSAEAC executives to the second meeting since his assumption of duty, said that the meeting affords TCN Management and the Union the opportunity to deliberate on staff issues with the view to finding solutions and creating industrial harmony.

He stressed the need for collaboration between Management and SSAEAC, noting that resolutions from the meetings are usually taken seriously. According to him, TCN has made significant efforts in commissioning new projects and achieving grid stability since the last meeting with the Union in November, 2020.

In the area of staff welfare, the MD/CEO said that

Management has remained committed to addressing all staff issues. He urged SSAEAC to continue to collaborate with Management and reciprocate by upholding agreed resolutions by both parties. He expressed satisfaction at the success of the meeting, noting that it was worth the time and resources invested in it.

Speaking on behalf of the Union, the President General of SSAEAC, Comrade Dr. Chris Okonkwo, congratulated the Ag. MD/CEO for attaining one year in office, and stated that the Union was committed and interested in ensuring that everything that needs to be done to make TCN which is the heartbeat of the power sector maintain its pride of place, is observed.

He commended the present Management for achievements recorded in projects execution and staff welfare. In his words “We are here to extend our usual hand of partnership to you, and we know areas we have bent backwards to ensure we reach an agreement. That sense of partnership is important because such cooperation yields peace and progress at the end of the day”.

He further noted that the Union and the Management have demonstrated understanding in ensuring peace in the work place and described it as win, win for both sides.



Ag. MD/CEO TCN, Engr. Sule Abdulaziz and PG SSAEC, Dr. Chris Okonkwo

TCN CREATES NEW KANO TRANSMISSION REGION OUT OF KADUNA REGION

By Ndidi Mbah



The Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) has carved out a new transmission region from the old Kaduna Region, bringing to ten (10), the number of TCN regional operation centers.

The creation of the Kano Transmission Region became necessary owing to the rapid economic and industrial development being witnessed within Kano State and its environs, as well as the diligent implementation of TCN's strategic "Nigerian Electricity Grid Maintenance, Expansion and Rehabilitation Programme (NEGMERP)" which has enabled TCN complete some ongoing projects, invariably increasing the number of substations within that axis.

Kano Transmission Region has under its supervision one sub-regional office and several Work Centers, all housing a total of thirteen (13)

transmission substations (TS), including the Kumbotso TS, Dan Agundi TS, Dakata TS, Tamburawa TS, Kwanar Dangora TS, Wudil TS, Kankia TS, Katsina TS, Daura TS, Dutse TS, Hadejia TS, Azare TS, and Gagarawa TS. The new Kano region currently has ongoing transmission substation projects which when completed would further increase bulk transmission capacity in the new region.

The region transverses three different states including the entire Kano State, and parts of Jigawa and Katsina States.

The new Kano Transmission Region will further improve operational efficiency and enable TCN engineers readily access and resolve technical issues within the region.

Before the creation of the new Kano Region,

major decisions had to be referred to Kaduna Region for directive, and supply of materials were sometimes delayed due to administrative procedure and distance from Kaduna. The proximity of the new region would radically reduce downtime and eliminate time lost when materials have to be

conveyed to quickly effect repairs or attend to emergencies.

TCN is determined to continue to rehabilitate and expand its network in line with its rehabilitation and expansion plans.

RTM KANO REGION



Engr. B.K Adamu is the Regional Transmission Manager for the newly created Kano Region. Before his appointment, Engr. Adamu was the Assistant General Manager (Transmission) Yola Sub-Region in charge of maintaining and supervising transmission activities in the sub-region. He has acquired vast work experiences in power engineering including installation and commissioning of various rating of power transformers among others.

He has also led various engineering team on projects execution.

Engr. Adamu holds a Post Graduate Diploma (PGD) in Electrical Engineering, HND in Electronic and Communication Engineering, PGD in Business Administration as well as in Development Studies. He has attended various local and international training conferences in Engineering and Administration.

He is a member of the Council for Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) and chartered member, Nigeria Institute of Management (NIM)



Kano Regional Office

WAPP WORKING TOWARDS OPERATIONALISATION OF A REGIONAL ELECTRICITY MARKET WITHIN THE ECOWAS SUB-REGION

By Stanford Nneji

The Chairman, WAPP Executive Board, and Ag. MD/CEO of TCN, Engr. Sule Abdulaziz has said that the West African Power Pool (WAPP) is gradually approaching the date for full operationalization of the regional electricity market within the ECOWAS sub-region.

Engr. Abdulaziz, who was represented at the conference by Engr. Joseph Ciroma, General Manager, Programme Coordination, made this known during the 36th WAPP Technical and Financial Partners Coordination video conference recently.

The MD/CEO noted that progress was being recorded despite the challenges caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. According to him, the regional electricity market when fully operational would greatly improve the socio-economic activities in the sub-region as well as attract huge private sector investments into the region. He noted that the emerging market was also a positive step towards the removal of borders among ECOWAS member states.

The WAPP Chairman further informed the meeting that the construction of the WAPP Information and Coordination Center in Benin was in progress, although it equally faced a lot of challenges during the pandemic period. The completion of this Center, he continued, would significantly improve electricity business within the sub-region, and provide more options to meet the power supply needs of member states.

Engr. Abdulaziz however pointed out some key areas which if not urgently addressed could adversely affect WAPP's progress towards fully operationalizing the electricity market within the sub-region. According to him, "paramount among these is the realization of a seamless and efficient regional power grid; the attainment of Market functionality and existence of the right know-how to manage both technical as well as market-related issues".

The implementation of the WAPP priority projects and the full deployment of the WAPP center of excellence, he stated, remain critical in the short-term needs of WAPP at the moment.

He applauded the existing collaboration among the partners which he said has given WAPP the reputation of a renowned institution of regional integration.

WAPP secretariat also made presentations on the status of development of the ECOWAS Regional Electricity Market, which included presentations on; the status of implementation of WAPP priority projects; status of the realization of the WAPP priority projects; status of the realization of the WAPP capacity building programmes; as well as the status of implementation of 225KW Cote d'Ivoire – Liberia – Sierra _ Guinea, inter correction project by Transco CLSG. The financial partners pledged their continual partnership with WAPP to deliver projects.



Middle, GM (CP) Engr. Joseph Ciroma, representing the WAPP chairman

TCN INDUSTRIAL RELATION STAFF ADVISED TO PLAY BALANCED ROLE BETWEEN MANAGEMENT AND UNION OFFICERS

By Grace Sambe-Jauro



(L-R); GM HR&CS, Mr. Dahiru Gabdo, ED HR&CS, Mr. Justin Dodo, GM HR, Mrs Afolabi and GM IR, Mr. Chuks Nnaji



A section of the newly inducted IR staff

The Management of the Transmission Company of Nigeria, (TCN), has advised newly designated Industrial Relations (IR) staff to play a balanced role between Management and union to enhance industrial harmony in the company.

The Executive Director, Human Resources and Cooperate Services, Mr Justin Ishaya Dodo, gave the charge during a five-day induction course for IR staff themed, “Imperatives of Robust Industrial Relations Management in TCN”, which was held on Monday, 12th April 2021, at TCN Corporate Headquarters, in Abuja.

According to him, the redesignated officers should develop diplomacy and tact in handling industrial

issues as professionals in the organisation. He cautioned that in dispute management, the inductees would have to learn the art of balancing positions between management and the union in their regions to avoid industrial unrest.

He further charged them to work in harmony with other departments “You are not an island to yourself, you didn't come out so that you can be an island to yourself, you are still part of HR and you need to be conversant with the Condition of Service, Career Path and circulars in TCN, as these contain information you would need to work with”.

Earlier in his welcome address the General Manager Industrial Relations, Mr. Chuks Nnaji, tasked the newly designated IR staff across the regions of TCN to work as a team in order to deliver the mandate that has been given to them.

Speaking also at the event, the General Manger Human Resources (ISO), Mrs. Abiodun Afolabi, advised the new officers to be focused while discharging their duties and that to do that, they must understand what their responsibilities are, and ask questions whenever they required clarifications as they are professionals in managing conflicts within TCN.

The General Manager Human Resources (TSP), Mr. Dahiru Gabdo also charged the new industrial relations staff on the continuous maintenance of harmony between the two labour unions in the company.

The five-day programme featured presentations on various aspects of the company's operations by Industrial Relations experts including representatives from the Nigerian Labour Union (NLC).



Voulez-vous apprendre le français?

Do You Want to learn French?

French	English
Bonjour	Good morning
Bonne après midi	Good afternoon
Bonsoir	Good evening
Bienvenu Bon arrive	Welcome
Donnez le moi s'il te plaît	Give it to me please
Merci	Thank You
Comment allez-vous?	How are you?
Comment tu t'appelles?	What is your name?
Je m'appelle	My name is.....
Ou vas-tù?	Where are you going?
Je ne sais pas	I don't know
Pouvez-vous m'aider?	Can you help me?
Je suis désolé	I am sorry
Pourquoi pas?	Why not?
Comment ca va?	How is it?
Ca va bien merci	I am fine, thank you

SHORT STORY

There was an aged artist who lived in a small village. The man used to design beautiful artistic works to be sold at an attractive price.

One day, a poor man among the villagers challenged the old man saying: "You earn a lot of money from your handiwork but why don't you assist poor people in the village?"

Can't you see that the butcher is not as rich as you are, but he still shares free meat to the poor people in the village?

Also, look at the village baker. He is a poor man with a large family. Yet he gives the poor people free loaves of bread".

The artist did not respond angrily to the accusations. He only smiled.

The poor man was confused about the reaction of the artist so he left him and went out spreading rumors that the artist was so rich, but he was a selfish person who only accumulated wealth and refused to help the poor.

The villagers hated the old artist and they all forsook him.

The old artist became sick and could not do anything for himself but nobody among the villagers cared to visit him or helped him so he died a lonely old man.

The days passed by and the villagers observed that the butcher stopped free distribution of meat and the baker could not give the poor people free loaves of bread any more.

When the butcher and the baker were asked why they stopped helping the villagers, they said that: "the old artist used to donate money every month to pay for the free meat and bread for the poor people in the village. Now that he was dead, there was nobody to pay for the free food anymore"

Lesson:
Wrong impressions about you should not influence or destroy who you are.

HOUSE OF REPS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS INSPECTS YANDEV SUBSTATION

Mary Philip Udom

The House of Representatives Committee on Public Account has inspected the recently commissioned 60MVA 132/33kV power transformer at the Yandev Transmission Substation, under the Apir Sub-region, of TCN's Enugu Region.

The Committee which was led by its Chairman, Rt. Hon. Oluwole Oke, inspected the transformer as part of their oversight function under Project Audit on Monday 26th Tuesday, 27th April, 2021, at Yandev Sub-Station.

The Yandev 60MVA 132/33kV power transformer, which is a World Bank project, was energized into service on March 5, 2021, as replacement for the faulty 15MVA 132/33kV power transformer in the substation.

After the inspection, the Committee expressed concerns about some issues which requires TCN's urgent attention such as the termination of contract for the installation of the transformer, copies of the contract termination documents. They equally expresses disapproval against the use of in-house engineers to complete the work rather than allowing the contractor to complete the installation which was already 40%. The Committee also requested copies of documents evidencing payment of Tax, VAT, and Stamp Duty and other relevant documents.

The Committee was conducted round the Yandev Substation by the RTM Enugu Region, Engr. Nwani, AGM (T) Apir Sub Region Engr. Emmanuel Akpa and ROC, Engr. Mike Nwagu, among others.



Left, Chairman, House of Representatives Committee on Public Account Rt. Hon. Oluwole Oke during the inspection tour



At the control room in Yandev Transmission Substation



Group photograph

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The Chairman, West African Power Pool (WAPP), and Ag. MD/CEO, TCN, Engr. Sule Abdulaziz on an official visit to the WAPP Secretariat in Cotonou as part of activities preceding the WAPP Executive Board Meeting



Participants at the two-day workshop on the Role of System Operators in the Control Rooms nationwide and National Control Center (NCC), in MYTO Order



Participants at the U.S.-Nigeria Smart Grid Solutions Initiative technical workshop themed, "Securing the Future through Climate-Smart Infrastructure: Building Nigeria's Smart Grid." hosted by the United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) in Abuja

DID YOU KNOW ???

- That when a traveling wave reaches a lightning arrestor, it sparks over at a certain prefixed voltage, the arrestor provides a conducting path to the waves of relatively low impedance between the line and the ground. The surge impedance of the line restricts the amplitude of current flowing to the ground.
- That Lightning arrestor should not draw any current during normal operating condition, it's sparks-over voltage must be above the normal or abnormal power frequency that may occur in the system.
- That any transient abnormal voltage above the breakdown value must cause it to break down as quickly as possible so that it may provide a conducting path to ground.
- That when breakdown has taken place, it should be capable of carrying the resulting discharge current without getting damaged itself and without the voltage across it exceeding the breakdown value.
- That the power frequency current following the breakdown must be interrupted as soon as the transient voltage has fallen below the breakdown value.

LEGALITY OF LITIGATION



Mr. Smith, a business man, bought a well from Mr. White and paid in full. The next day, Mr. White came to meet Mr. Smith at his office.

Mr. Smith: Ah, Mr. White, welcome. I hope there is no problem.

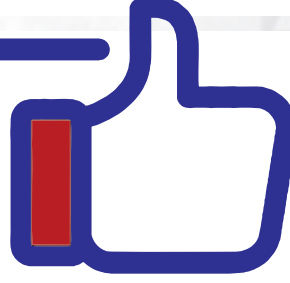
Mr. White: There is no problem Smith, I just came to tell you that I sold you the well, but not the water inside the well. If you fetch water from the well, you will pay me.

Mr. Smith : Ah, Mr. White, I am very happy you came, In fact, I was just about to come and meet you, I don't need the water in the well, I want to use the well to store some of my goods, so I want you to come and carry all your water from the well so that, water will not spoil my goods, If you don't carry your water by tomorrow, I will start charging you rent for using my well to store your water...

Mr. White fainted in the street. 😂😂😂

Lesson: sometimes when you are too smart, you outsmart yourself

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Kabiru Maidala

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This is a welcome development.

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