

ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR NEWS UPDATE

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OIL AND GAS SECTOR



CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT TEAM IN NIGERIAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED

The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, has appointed a new management team for the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation Limited (NNPC), to be led by the Group Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Bayo Ojulari. The President has instructed the newly constituted board to conduct a strategic portfolio review of NNPC-operated and Joint Venture Assets to ensure alignment with value maximization objectives.

135.5 KM STANDARD GAUGE RAIL LINE CONNECTING SOUTH EAST CITIES TO ONNE PORT

The Enugu State Government in collaboration with the Nigerian Railway Corporation and Chinese companies on rail infrastructure to develop a 135.5-kilometre state-owned standard gauge rail line, designed to connect key South-East cities to the Onne Port in Rivers State.

DOMESTIC BASE PRICE AND WHOLESALE PRICE OF NATURAL GAS FOR 2025 BY NMDPRA

The Nigerian Midstream & Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NMDPRA) has issued the Domestic Base Price (DBP) for natural gas and applicable wholesale prices for the Power

sector, Commercial sector and the Gas Base Industries in natural gas operations. The Domestic Base Price is set as USD 2.13/MMBtu, with an additional amount of USD 0.50. The floor price for gas-based industries is set as USD 0.90.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BANS THE IMPORTATION OF OIL PIPELINE INTO NIGERIA

The Federal Government of Nigeria has banned the importation of oil pipeline into Nigeria. The aim of which is to promote and support local producers in the country.

ELECTRICITY SECTOR



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSIONED 400KW SOLAR AT YOBE STATE UNIVERSITY TEACHING HOSPITAL

The Federal Government of Nigeria has commissioned the a 400-kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic (PV) power plant at the Yobe State University Teaching Hospital, Damaturu, as part of its plan to decentralize energy access and promote renewable alternatives across the country's health sector.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA (FGN) SIGNS A CONTRACT WITH CHINA MACHINERY CORPORATION(CMEC)

The FGN and CMEC signed a contract agreement worth 328.8 million dollars aimed at improving power supply across the country, this project will be coordinated by FGN Power Company, a special

purpose vehicle established by the federal government.

The Contract will cover 544KM of transmission lines with a load capacity of 7,140 megawatts, spanning both brownfield and greenfield sites and covers Engineering, Procurement, Construction, and Financing (EPC+F) for the development of 330kV and 132kV transmission lines across the country, aimed at improving grid reliability and reducing stranded generation capacity.

ABIA STATE GOVERNMENT APPROVES 10,000MW INDEPENDENT POWER PROJECT FOR ABIA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Abia State Government has approved the establishment of a 10-megawatt (MW) Independent Power Project (IPP) at Abia State University (ABSU), Uturu. This is aimed at providing a steady and reliable power supply within the university campus and surrounding host communities.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA LAUNCHES THE SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ACCESS POWER INITIATIVE

The Federal Government of Nigeria has entered into a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Association of Local Governments of Nigeria, Data Analytics & Solutions International Ltd, and CCK Electric Power Technology Company. This MOU is made for the Sustainable Energy Access Projects (SEAP) initiative, which was commissioned with the launch of a 30-megawatt power facility in Shagamu Local Government Area, Ogun State and aims to deliver a minimum of 5 megawatts of clean, decentralized energy to each of Nigeria's 774 Local Government Areas.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA REVEALS PLANS TO BAN IMPORTATION OF SOLAR PANELS

The Federal Government of Nigeria has revealed plans to ban the importation of solar panels in

Nigeria. This aims to promote local manufacturing of Solar Panels and accelerate Nigeria's shift toward clean energy solutions.

The importation ban aligns with the with Presidential Executive Order No. 5 which prioritizes local content in science, engineering, and technology.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA OPENS NEGOTIATION WITH THE KATSINA STATE GOVERNMENT ON THE WIND FARM PROJECT

The Katsina State Government, through its partnership with Genesis Energy, expressed interest in taking over the wind farm facility of 10 megawatts which has been non-functional for nearly 20 years from the Federal Government, to enhance electricity supply in the state by integrating additional solar energy. The transfer is expected to unlock the plant's stalled potential and allow for hybrid expansion with solar energy through a private-sector partnership with Genesis Energy.

MINING SECTOR



NIGERIA-SOUTH AFRICA MINING COLLABORATION

Nigeria and South Africa signed a Memorandum of Understanding to enhance cooperation in the mining sector. This partnership aims to diversify Nigeria's economy by leveraging on South Africa's mining expertise including joint geological mapping, sharing minerals data and exploring agro and energy minerals within Nigeria.

ISSUANCE OF MINING LICENSES IN NIGERIA

The Federal Ministry of Solid Minerals has issued 867 new mining licenses in the first quarter of 2025 and 118 private mineral buying centers has been approved for registration. This development indicates a significant advancement in the industry and aligns with the government's efforts to revamp the mining sector.

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