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Major General. Ijioma N. Ijioma Rtd

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from the Galilee International Management Institute in Israel. He successfully passed all his promotion examinations at First Attempt and rose to the rank of major general on November 21, 2014, having never missed a n y promotion at First Attempt.

During his career in the military, the General attended several courses at home and overseas, some of which includes the mortar platoon commanders' and second-in-command course at United

Kingdom School of Infantry, Netheravon, Wiltshire District, in 1991, Young Officers' Course (Infantry), Junior and Senior Command and Staff Course, at Jaji, Nigeria. Others were the National Defence College Course Number 18 in Nigeria from 2009 to 2010 and the National Security Course at the Galilee International Management Institute (GMI), Israel, in 2012. The General held both staff, instructor, and command appointments. He was an instructor at the rank of a major at the Nigeria Defense Academy for four years before proceeding for his senior staff college course in year 2000.

He was the Chief Instructor Peace Keeping Wing from 2008 to 2009 when he proceeded to the Pearson International Peacekeeping Centre at Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, Canada in 2009 for the senior management course on integrated peace mission.

He was a staff officer at Army headquarters for eleven years, from 2002 to 2013, through the rank of major, lieutenant colonel, colonel, and brigadier general.

As a brigadier general, he was both the commander sector South, as well as the Nigerian Contingent Commander of the United Nations Mission in Darfur (UNAMID), Sudan (October 5, 2013-December 30, 2014) where he distinguished himself with laurels. Upon

returning to Nigeria in 2014 after his promotion to the rank of major general while in the mission, he was appointed the director of operations at Army Headquarters, Abuja.

The General saw active service in various theatres of operations. He participated as a young officer (lieutenant) in the liberation of Liberia 1990 under the auspices of the Economic Community of West African Group (ECOMOG), and in 1992 as a captain, he also fought in the same theatre where he earned the "Purple Heart" medal for battlefield injury. He saw action in Darfur, Sudan, as both sector commander and contingent commander and in the North East of Nigeria as director of operations for the Nigerian army which decimated the insurgents (Boko Haram) and made the 2015 General Election in Nigeria possible. In May 2015, he served at the Defence Headquarters as Director of Civil Military Affairs (DCMR). He was retired from the Nigerian Army on June 9, 2016 on the rank of major general after a period of thirty-three years of meritorious service.

Major General Ijioma N. Ijioma (Rtd) is the author of "MY HOLY BIBLE EXTRACTS OF 1,401 POWERFUL VERSES" first and second edition which are currently selling via www.amazon.com and www.barnesandnoble.com. The first edition was released in August 2020 in the United States of America, while the second edition was equally released in the United States of America in November 2021.

General Ijioma is the Founder of IJIOMA NEW DEAL FOUNDATION (INDF) with Headquarters at No. 6A Factory Road Umuahia, he is also the Founder of IJIOMA LEADERSHIP AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (ILAYDA) with Headquarters at No. 49 Macaulay Street, Umuahia. Ijioma is a great son of Abia State and a courageous and fearless Abian, who puts Abia first in everything that he does.

He is married to Mrs. Caroline Akudinigbe Ijioma. The marriage is blissfully blessed with seven lovely children, five boys, and two beautiful daughters. He enjoys the game of football, long-distance driving, and reading.

Ma j o r General Ijioma N. Ijioma (Rtd) was born on the 12th day of June, 1963 into the family of Chief James Ijioma Igbe and Chief Mrs. Grace Akajiaku Ijioma, both of blessed memory.

He is a native boy of Amaokayi Compound, Umuokwe Umuhu Ezechi in Bende Local Government Area, Abia State in Nigeria, West Africa.

In 1970, he enlisted into Ezechi Primary School Umuhu Ezechi from where he obtained his First School Leaving Certificate in 1976 with a Distinction. He gained admission into Abam High School, Ozu Abam, in 1976 but later transferred to Igbere Secondary School, Igbere, in 1979 from where he obtained his West African School Certificate in 1981.

On July 4, 1983, General Ijioma was admitted into the Nigerian Defense Academy (NDA), Kaduna, for his officer cadet training as a member of the 34th Regular Course.

On the 28th day of June 1986, he graduated from NDA and was commissioned into the Nigerian Army infantry corps in the rank of second lieutenant and was subsequently posted to 83 Mechanized Battalion Lokoja. In service, the General obtained his B.Sc. with honors in political science from the University of Abuja, Nigeria, M. Sc. in strategic studies with Distinction from the University of Ibadan and his Ph.D. is in view

Rt. Hon. Dr. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia House Of Representative Member Of The Year 2021

Hon Barr. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha was born in Umuada Ngodo Isuochi, in Umunneochi Local Government Area, Abia State.

She attended Isuochi Central School for her First School Leaving Certificate FSLC, Ovim Girls Secondary School Isuikwuato, for her SSCE, University of Nigeria Nsuka, for her bachelors of Arts degree, - B.A. Hons Abia State University Uturu, for her LLB Degree and Nigerian Law School- Abuja Campus for her BL., Imo State University Owerri for her M.Sc, PhD from University of Nigeria Nsukka.

He has held several political positions in the state including the Commissioner for Resource Management and Manpower Development between 2003 – 2004, Local Government Chairman, Umunneochi Local Government Area, between 2004 – 2005.

In 2007, she vied and won a seat as a Member House of Representatives and has remained in that position till date.

Hon. Onyejeocha is the Deputy Chief Whip, House of Representatives and Member representing Isuikwuato\Umunneochi in the House Representatives.

She is a fourth time member and has made remarkable impact with the development of her Constituency in particular and Abia State at large.

Her legislative interest's border on sponsoring bills that will enhance the standard of living for Children, Women, Youths and the less privilege, Education and infrastructure. Her target achievements include, delivering of good and lasting democratic dividends to her constituency and Nigeria at large through responsive legislation.

Hon, Onyejeocha has represented her people effectively and attracted monumental developmental projects and programmes for the enhancement of the Living standard of her people.

PERSONAL INTERVENTIONS

On self-effort and personal interventions, Hon. Onyejeocha has done a lot in different areas of Life to enhance the living standard of her people. As a firm believer in the importance of service to humanity, she has personally intervened in the areas of Health by touching the lives of her people through annual Free Medical Treatments that include surgeries for the past 14 years.

She did that with the technical services of over 150 Medical Doctors and personnel from the United States of America, and over 10,000 citizens have benefited.

She renovated and equipped Isuochi General Hospital Nkwoagu Isuochi, constructed Community based Hospital, Madam Susan Mba Health Care Centre to take care medicals needs of the widows and down trodden in the society.

On the area of education, Onyejeocha renovated Eziam Nneato Primary School, awarded scholarships to over 70 Indigenes of Isuikwuato/Umunneochi Federal Constituency in the University, as well as Scholarships to 46 indigenes of Isuikwuato/Umunneochi Constituency from Nursery to Secondary School.

Annually, she pays for WEAC and JAMB fees for all the final year Secondary School students in public Schools in Isuikwuato/Umunneochi Constituency for the past 3 years.

Renovated Lokpanukwu Central School and many others.

Infrastructurally, she Constructed Civil Centre for Umuada Community Ngodo Isuochi, Umunneochi LGA, Civil Centre for Aro Autonomous Community in Isuikwuato LGA,

Sank motorized borehole at Isuochi General Hospital and donated funds to communities across Isuikwuato/ Umunneochi Federal Constituency for community-based development projects.

She also constructed and furnished Court halls, for Umunneochi High Court, Umunneochi Chief Magistrate Court and Umunneochi Customary Court.

The Honourable member also reconstructed Ngodo Town Development Union Hall, Women's Wing.

Religious Support Programmes:

She constructed and furnished St Matthew's Methodist Church Ngodo Isuochi, Chapel at Bishop's house Nneochi Diocese, Church building for Methodist Church Umuehihie Amuda Isuochi, Hotel for Methodist Church Isuikwuato Dioceses and gave financial support to Church building to churches like Catholic, Methodist, Anglican Communion and many other Christian Denomination.

She constructed manse at Grace Methodist Church Umumeze, donated fund to the Hausa Community in Umunneochi for their program, gave Wrappers and food items to the Moslem Community in Umunneochi, donated Vehicle to Churches and renovated Church Hall for United Church of Christ Isuochi.

In the area of

empowerment, Onyejeocha gave out 15 vehicles to Umunneochi and Isuikwuato indigenes, 36 Tricycles to her constituents and 285 Motor cycles to her constituents.

She gave financial assistance to indigent women, Youths and men in her constituency to assist them to start business.

She distributed over 1000 sewing machines to indigent women and youths, constructed 2-bedroom apartment for 7 indigent persons in the constituency, a 3-bedroom apartment to 3 indigent/widows in the constituency and 5-bedroom apartment to an indigent constituent etc.

She gave out Sporting materials to over 25 Secondary School and Primary Schools across the constituency and Sponsored annual Football fiesta for youths of Isuikwuato/Umunneochi Federal Constituency.

The last but not the least is that she sponsors quarterly league for Ngodo Youths Association.

She is a recipient of many professional, religious, social and international awards.



Senator T. A. Orji, Ochendo

All Facts Newspaper [AFNEWS] Abia Senator Of The Year 2021

Senator Theodore Ahamefule Orji was born in his hometown Amaokwe-Ugba, Ibeku in Umuahia North Local Government Area of Abia State on November 11, 1950.

His father Chief Tom Orji Ikoro was a man of great means by all measurable standards and ramifications.

Going by his background as the only son of his mother, and one whose father was a well-known warrant Chief that built the very first storey building in the modern Umuahia capital city, one can say without equivocation or any iota of contradiction that Theodore Ahamefule Orji was indeed born with a silver spoon in his mouth.

He started his primary education at St. Michaels Catholic Primary School, Umuahia, Abia State, obtained his First School Leaving certificate before he proceeded to Santa Crux Secondary School, Olokoro, in the present-day Umuahia South LGA in Abia State, for his WAEC certificate before going to Holy Ghost College, Owerri for his Higher School, HSC Certificate.

Theodore Orji capped his educational pursuit with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from the prestigious University of Ibadan in 1977, and Upon graduation, young Theodore got enlisted to the National Youth Service Corps Scheme, and was deployed to Sokoto State where he was posted to teach at Government Secondary School, Shinkafi, Isa Local Government Area of present-day Zamfara State.

On his successful completion of the NYSC scheme in 1978, Theodore Ahamefule Orji offered himself to public service and was employed as an Administrative Officer in the old Imo State Civil Service on December 18th, 1979.

Upon the creation of Abia State in August 1991, Orji returned to Umuahia to contribute in the course of laying a strong foundation for the smooth take-off of the new state. He served at various times in Government House, Umuahia, at Bureau of Budget and Planning, and Ministry of Agriculture. In all the places he served, he left indelible footprints in the sands of time. This is one special feat that has endeared him to all who came in contact with him.

On March 1st 1996, T.A. Orji was seconded to the National Electoral Commission of Nigeria (NECON) now INEC, Abia State, as Administrative Secretary, and was later redeployed to Enugu State in 1997 where he supervised the elections that ushered in the democratic



government in that state in 1999. He returned to Abia State to take up another assignment as Principal Secretary, Government House, Umuahia, and later Chief of Staff to the Executive Governor.

In December, 2006, Chief Theodore Orji heeded the clarion call of his people of Abia State to offer himself for the governorship of Abia State, which he consequently contested for, and won the Governorship primaries of the Progressive People's Alliance. He contested the 2007 governorship elections in Abia State and was sworn in as Governor on May 29, 2007 as the 3rd democratically elected Governor of Abia.

He governed Abia for 8 solid years making notable reforms in Education, Agriculture, commerce, infrastructure and gender issues.

The awards he has so far garnered stands as a true testimony of his stewardship. They include Best Governor on security matters by African Security

watch in Ghana, Best Governor in Agriculture by All Farmers Association of Nigeria, ICON of Democracy award by Champion Newspapers, ZIK Award by Hallmark Newspapers, Man of the year 2012 by Daily Independent Newspapers, Best Governor on Health, Housing Governor of the year 2014 by Nigerian Housing Group Abuja, Best Governor in Sports by Sport Writers Associations off Nigeria, Justice of Peace, Peace Ambassador bestowed by The Abba Gana led National Peace Committee, Commander Order of Niger CON by the Federal Republic of Nigeria and, Most Gender friendly Governor of the Year and still counting.

Additional Firsts accorded to him are that he is the first Ibeku person, first Umuahia son, first Abian in the entire Nigeria to win election from the hot enclosures of the prison yard though based on politically motivated charges.

Most importantly, he is the first governor to genuinely advocate for power shift as contained in the Abia Charter of Equity which produced Dr. Okezie Victor Ikpeazu as a governor today.

He made history when he promoted all civil servants to the next level, and he is the first Civil Servant to be elected Governor of Abia State! It is on record that he is the first to install industrial size elevators located at the new secretariat built by him!

He Other feats he achieved include building the first International Conference Centre in Abia, appointment of a female a registrar in ABSU for the first time, installation of six dialysis machines at the diagnostic Center, which were before now viewed only in pictures where they exist abroad. He sited and commenced the construction of the first Government House in Abia, independent of colonial structures.

He was elected to the senate in April, 2015, not resting on his oars, has sponsored the following bills and motions, some passed as acts of parliament and others at different stages.

They include, Bills in the senate, SB. 71 A bill for an Act to make provision from freedom from hunger-Food security bill 2015. This bill in an Act waiting presidential accent, SB 72. A bill for an Act to repeal the Nigerian Investment Promotion Council Act Cap N117 2004 repeal and re-enactment Bill, now on second reading, SB 73A

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Eze Chikamnayo

Dr Eze Chikamnayo is the current state Commissioner for information in Abia .

In this interview with a team of All Facts Newspaper reporters, he reacted to a lot of issues that have risen from the On-goings in the state since he became the Commissioner, particularly the weighty allegation of carting away the sum of N5 Billion, allegedly from Abia State Independence Electoral Commission, ABSIEC and

other issues.

Excerpts:

The All Progressive Congress APC representative in the state House of Assembly, Hon. Chijioke Chukwu alleged that N5 billion was catered away from the state ABSIEC and the government is not saying or doing anything about it what is your reaction to this weighty allegation?

The allegations he made are false in all it's materials and implications. They are also libelous to the highest order for which the state reserves the right to take necessary legal actions and they are smacking of utter discontent for the sensibility of the average Abia person.

Is N5 billion a small amount of money that a particular Parastatal will launder? That's a criminal allegation. Money laundering is not a

civil matter. If Chijioke was not sleeping and waking up in transits, he would have been going to specifics telling you that Mr A or Mr B of so so so and so organization, according to investigations carried out by so so so and so reputable organization, have been indicted as having laundered so so and so amount of money. To put a whole organization and institution of government like ABSIEC together and say they laundered money is ridiculous; who in ABSIEC laundered the money? Is it the Chairman, or the treasurer, or the admin. Sec. Or the lawyers in the legal department?

You see why I told you that am going to pack Chijioke, Ichita and all these terrible minority noise makers in the House to Itumbuzo for medical examination. I want to now make it official, I want to invite Chijioke, Ichita and other noise makers who are hiding under the House of Assembly to quickly, without delay, meet up with me for a very necessary and crucial session in terms of checking their sanity. I want to also appeal now to members of the national and state house of assembly to make it compulsory that whoever that must come to the House must go through medical examination as per sanity and perfectness of the brain cause it appears to me that Chijioke is losing it which means he has joined the band wagon of those needing medical examination.

First of all I want to say and maintain that the House of assembly with very noble men, educated men, and reputable men deserves our collective respect, which means that at all times, everybody that finds himself within the Hallowed Chambers ought to comport himself in a very respectable and responsible manner which to my mind has been the trademark of Abia state House of Assembly. Unfortunately, hirelings like Chijioke are beginning to make people believe that he

has a capacity to convert Abia state House of Assembly to Abia state house of noise makers. We will not allow that because in that house we have a lot of very reputable gentlemen with strong and sound pedigree.

Chijioke is afflicted by a combination of ignorance and hallucination. I do not blame him because of his very questionable pedigree. That is what happens when a man finds himself in the hallowed Chamber as a result of political accident. If he had ran through a taxi wherein he went through the mills to appear in that house, he would have known that before you come to the public to make empty allegations, the onus of proof will fall back on you because in law we say he who allege must prove.

Audits of state governments are not presented at press conferences and I want to warn that our hallowed profession of journalism should not be desecrated by people who come to make all manner of bombastic assertions that have no proof. I was expecting you to have said that after that particular slight of fancy, that Chijioke presented copies of the said audit to journalists. The copies exist in his cerebral cortex in the inner caucus of his empty non skull. Because if he understands how serious governance is, if Chijioke is not a product of political accident, he would have known that before you come to the public with such weighty allegations you must arm yourself with facts.

Journalists are not peddlers of rumours, but serious minded citizens, we do not help people to propagate their imaginations. So I want to warn Chijioke and his likes to stop converting Abia House of assembly to Abia house of noise makers because the very many reputable and noble honourable members who currently occupy that house, deserve a lot of our respect.

In one of his outings to the

press, Hon. Chijioke also called on Governor Okezie Ikpeazu to apologize to FG, for alleging that no home grown packages exist in Abia rather all are as a result of FG interventions: What do you have to say to this?

Chijioke so called is a pathetic apology himself. We cannot apologize to somebody whose name is apology, he is an apology to legislation. How can he say if he is not pathetic that he does not realize that the road that leads to his village from Umuahia, is a federal road and that the onus is on him as a member of the ruling opposition at the federal level to extend his influence within his party to attract resources within the state.?

Immediately after every election session , politics should take the back page and development should come to the front burner, that is what is required of every visionary politician which means that in a state like Abia where you have the federal government APC and the state government PDP, what is expected is that those members of the APC, who belong to the federal government will leverage on their influence and contacts within their party to bring federal resources within the state while those in the PDP will accentuate the resources available in the state because a member of the APC naturally has more in -role into the resources and personalities within his party. But are you aware that since his accidental emergence in the house of assembly, that Chijioke has not gone to Abuja apart from going to Millennium Park once or twice for site seeing. I challenge Chijioke to show evidence that he has entered any federal ministry since he became a member of the house of assembly. Look at Ikonne in Aba, he is a federal appointee in APC. Is he not leveraging on that to see what he can do for his state

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bill for an Act to provide for National Planning Process and for other matters connected-Bill 2015, SB 77-National Emergency Bill, also for second reading, SB 119-A bill for an Act to amend the Deep Offshore and Inland Basin Production Sharing Contracts Act CAP D3 LFN 2004 Amendment Bill 2015 (SB – 119), SB 79-A bill for an Act to provide for the management and conservation of Nigeria's Biodiversity Bill 2015 (SB. 79), SB 129 A Bill for an Act to alter the provision of Constitution of the federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 [alteration] portfolio Designation Bill 2015.

Others include; SB 78-A bill for an Act on Deoxybionucleric Acid (DNA) Bill 2015 (SB. 78) is aimed at checking crimes, SB 256 A bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the National Centre for disease Control Prevention (Establishment etc) Bill 2016 (SB. 256), SB 260-A bill for an Act for the regulation and effective monitoring of metallurgical inspection and raw material development in Nigeria. Bill 2016 [SB. 260], 11 SB 259-A bill for an Act to regulate the manufacture, importation, distribution and quality control of fertilizers in Nigeria and for related matters. Now for second reading, SB 500 The Nigerian palm oil research and development Board 2017, SB 602 2018 Jan 30. Federal Polytechnic Aba, Abia State, Motions, Indiscriminate Rock blasting, Motion on public procurement Council in accordance with the Act 2008, [AIB] Accident investigation Bureau, The need to publish results of investigations on air accidents, Motion urging the senate to investigate the continuous use of drugs banned in the UK, and the NNPC burst pipes in Osisioma.

He is a potent voice in the senate and unwavering in national issues, especially those that affect Abia State and her people. His numerous admirers and opinion molders have added new appellations to him such as "Papa Ukwu, Grand Governor, Father of equity, and more."

The Ukwu na Ngwa in appreciation of his equity bequest have honored him as Omeziri Mba and Oporuiche. Closeby. The Verbatim Magazine added, Beacon of Democracy followed by Senator of the year 2017 by the Authority Newspapers.

Senator Orji has outside these attracted electricity, road and water projects here listed. He has embarked on self-sponsored scholarship programmes that have empowered 180 students in different schools to indigenes of Abia Central and will be topped to 240



students by 2019.

Additionally, items like wheelchairs, Generators, fertilizers, tricycles, motorcycles and numerous materials shown in the pictures have been doled out as empowerment components. Senator Orji continued his achievement-oriented style in the senate and was selected 3rd most productive senator of the 8th senate in 2016, [see Daily trust newspaper of 13 June 2016].

On February, 23, 2019, he was re-elected for a second term in the Senate to which he has sworn to pursue vigorously these additional programmes. In his words:

TO EXPAND MY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME TO INCLUDE MASTERS AND DOCTORAL STUDENTS, TO EXPAND MY EYE HOSPITAL, TO CATER FOR PATIENTS WITH HYPERTENSION AND HIV AIDS, CONCENTRATE ON THE YOUTHS OF MY CONSTITUENCY ON CAPACITY BUILDING AND EMPOWERMENT, TO CONSTRUCT TWO POLICE BARRACKS IN MY CONSTITUENCY, TO IMPROVE SECURITY IN SECURITY WEAK AREAS AND TO SPONSOR BILLS AND MOTIONS THAT WILL ENHANCE THE OVERALL GROWTH OF NIGERIA.



Chief Raymond Onyinye Ofoegbu

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) ICON Of The Year 2021

Raymond Onyinye Ofoegbu was born on Friday April 14, 1985 in Kaduna State, into the family of Mr James Ejikemeuwa Ofoegbu (JP) and Mrs Ann Chikamnele Ofoegbu, both from Umuebiziem Umuda-Ofeme, Umuhu, Ohuhu, Umuahia North LGA of Abia State.

As a young boy, Ray as he was fondly called grew in wisdom and intelligence, and as a result of that, he was the toast of everyone because of his promising future he demonstrated as a child.

He started his early education at Amaetiti community School Ofeme, where he obtained his first school leaving Certificate and was one of few children in those days who showcased their high performance of academic excellence and brilliance.

He later attended Secondary Technical School, Ofeme, Ohuhu where he sat for his West African School Certificate Examination and came out with flying colours, before he proceeded to Abia State Polytechnic cum IMT Enugu respectively.

In 2001, he attended Police College Oji River in Enugu State and joined Nigeria Immigration Service as an Assistant Inspector in 2006. Because of his excellence his in discharging his duties, he was among the few that were sent to the United State of America for an official assignment.

In his quest for quality Education, he enrolled to study nursing at Tarrant County College, Dallas Fort -Worth Texas, United State of America in 2017-2020. He has always been thirsty for knowledge, and in his educational pursuit, determination for excellent achievement and positive advancements to a better future, he achieved this goal with Walmart E-Commerce Center and Logistics.

There is a proverbial saying that every man's obligation is to put back into the word at least the equivalent of what he takes out it.

For this reason and more, young Ofoegbu founded Onyinye Ohuhu

Humanitarian Aid Foundation, which in a short while, became one of the most vibrant foundations around, with amazing projects channeled towards giving succor to the society. They include establishment of a modern health Center in Ohuhu; rebuilding market and providing funds for development of Ulonna Farm Settlement for more food supplies as well as agro expansion. The Onyinyechi Ohuhu Foundation has been working hard to put smiles on the faces of our people through free medical services, delivery of many wrappers to widows of Ohuhu and paid for the WAEC /NECO and JAMB examinations for Abia sons and daughters.

He distributed laptops to some under graduates and encouraged many without JAMB in his community through counseling and financial support to go back and do the needful.

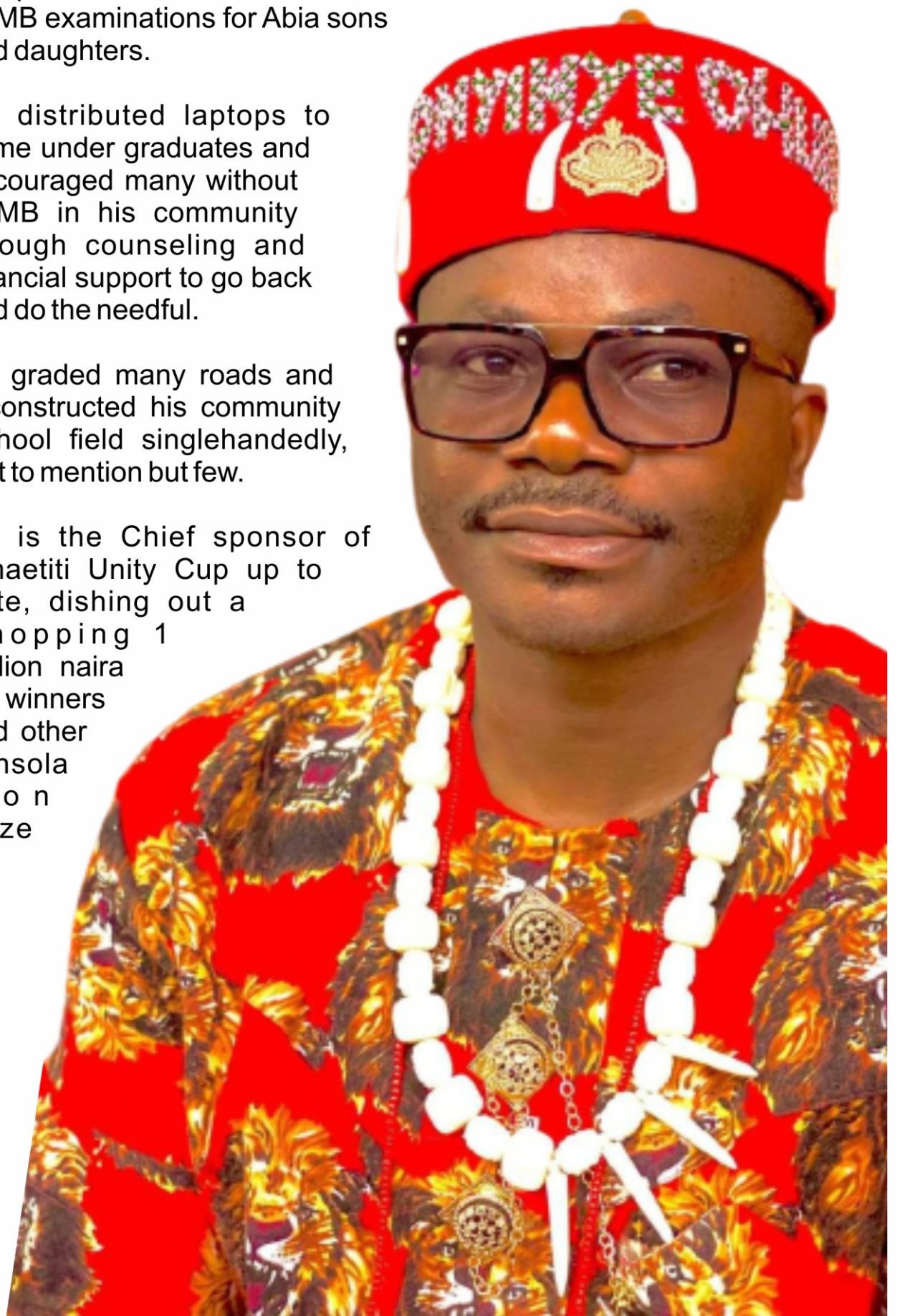
He graded many roads and reconstructed his community School field singlehandedly, just to mention but few.

He is the Chief sponsor of Amaetiti Unity Cup up to date, dishing out a whopping 1 million naira for winners and other consolation prizes.

philanthropist to the core, A helper of the down trodden and a breath to the future, Raymond always seeks to promote the warfare of others especially by the generous donations of money to good courses.

In the words of Herbert Switzer, "the only ones among you who are really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve". Raymond Onyinye Ofoegbu serves, he is supportive and a help to the helpless.

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Honorable Ginger Onwusibe

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia House Of Assembly Member Of The Year 2021

Exactly 49 years ago, Hon. Okenze Ginger Obinna Onwusibe, the member representing Isiala Ngwa North State Constituency in the Abia State House of Assembly was born in Ntigha Clan in Isiala Ngwa North LGA of Abia State.

Onwusibe, an astute grassroots politician, community leader and a progressive for more than 2 decades has since 1999, shown his mettle in politics, delivering lots of democracy dividends to his people and touching the lives of every person that has come across him.

Respectively he has been elected into the position of a Councillor, Special Adviser to the Governor on Sports, two-times TC Chairman of Isiala Ngwa North LGA, an Executive Chairman of Isiala Ngwa North LGA, and now the member representing Isiala Ngwa North State Constituency in the the Abia State House of Assembly since 2019.

He doubles as the Traditional Prime Minister of his community, Amapu Ntigha Ancient Kingdom as a man of the people.

In his less than two years in office as a legislator, Hon Onwusibe has demonstrated that he is not the ordinary Nigerian politician who makes promises before ele

ction, only to decline from fulfilling it once elected, but one who is "Representing beyond legislation".

His electoral campaign promises to the people of Isiala Ngwa North State Constituency when he was seeking election as House of Assembly member have all been fulfilled, which has proven that he is a man of his words.

He has given to his constituents beyond legislation by building, installing and powering 150 units of 60 watts solar-powered street lights in all busy areas, junctions, and market squares in Isiala Ngwa North LGA, including, but not limited to Isiala Ngwa junction, Uratta junction, Amaoriji junction, Ntigha Junction, Ikputu Nsulu, Eziala Nsulu, Nkwo Ntigha, Orié Ntigha, Ahiaba Ubi, Umuogele Umuakwu Nbawsi etc.

He has also built and completed three-classroom block with principal's office at Abayi Isingwa Community Secondary School, in addition to building and completing Chuku Wachuku Mini Stadium with perimeter fencing at Nbawsi.

Onwusibe has also been embarking on massive road grading in all parts of the LGA without discrimination, including, but not limited to Umunka - Umuogele- Nsirimo Road, Abayi- Amaorji Road, St. Jude-Umuogidi- Umuerim Avor Ntigha Road, St. Goerges Nbawsi Nbawsi Road, Umuezenta Road, Abu- Umuololo Road, etc.

He attracted the on-going construction of Nbawsi-Umuze-Ikputu- Ururuka Road from the Abia State Government, the building and completion of a four- room block by ASUBEB at Secondary Technical School, Amapu Ntigha.

building of a three- classroom block with Head Teacher's office at Okpuala Ntigha Primary School, building of a Health Centre with water bore-hole scheme and staff apartments at Umuoha.

There also exist the construction of an on-going mini-stadium at Umuosu Primary School, Nsulu, Construction of an on-going mini-stadium at Osusu in Ngwaukwu, Construction of an on-going mini-stadium at Group School, Eziamá Ntigha and the Installation of a 300KVA transformer at Amuzu Umuobiri.

In sponsorship, he is Sponsoring the Nbawsi Umuomainta Football Competition., Sponsoring the Oha Amapu Ntigha Football Competition, Sponsoring Oha Ntigha Football Competition, as well as Donated school uniforms and exercise books to primary school pupils.

The State House of Assembly member has empowered 20 constituents with mini buses (20 buses) under the Otawaike Transport Empowerment Scheme, Donated motorcycles to some youths, Shared 225 bags of rice with cash of over N7,000,000,00 (seven million naira) to constituents in 2019 Christmas celebration.

As a legislator, Hon. Onwusibe has remained a strong voice of all Abians on the floor of the Abia State House of Assembly.

He initiated and sponsored many Bills, moved many motions and chaired house committees. He particularly sponsored inter alia, the motion for the initiation and building of the Ntigha Inland Container Depot which was unanimously adopted and passed by the house.

In sports development, being a sportsman himself, he has been exceptional; using his hard-earned resources to sponsor sports activities and providing the infrastructure thereto. Ginger is a great footballer an also plays basketball very well. Apart from the two stadia completed and many others still under construction and the sponsoring/hosting of many football competitions, he has sponsored the Isiala Ngwa North LGA. He has hosted the ABIA STATE UNDER 13 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT and their camping at the Ginger Sam Amanaha Mini Stadium, Amapu Ntigha which stadium he personally built. He also invited and bought European and other foreign football player's scouts to the Ginger Sam Amanaha Mini Stadium, Amapu Ntigha to hunt for young football talents for export to Europeans clubs.

It is these achievements in area of sports development that The Abia State (Football) Referees Council and the Nigeria Football Supporters' club have found Hon. Okenze Ginger Onwusibe (Onwa Ntigha) worthy to receive honour and award in commemoration of his 49th birthday as the "PATRON" of the Abia State Football Referees' Council and the Nigeria Football Supporters' Club's "SPORTS AMBASSADOR" respectively.

Meanwhile this great politician and community leader has a Bachelors and Master's Degree respectively in public Administration and is Currently a student of Law at the Abia State University.

He is married with children to his hearts - throb, Chief Mrs. Ugochin Ginger Onwusibe (Anyanwu Ututu).

Ginger remains an enigma of sort. He is that Politician who loves his people and his people love him in return.

The Ginger Phenomenon, the Big Masquerade, the leader- servant, a man at home with his people, the Grassroots politician, we wish you many more years in the service of God and humanity



Those Alleging Non-payment Of Salaries Are Pilfering Abia Resources - Eze Chikamnayo.

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I challenge Chijioke to show evidence that he has entered any federal ministry since he became a member of the house of assembly. Look at Ikonne in Aba, he is a federal appointee in APC. Is he not leveraging on that to see what he can do for his state Abia? look at other members of the oppositions in other states, are they not seeing that as an opportunity to use their relationships at the federal level to bring things to their states? but Chijioke suddenly woke up few months to election to realize that he has been in the guard rooms and he decided to resort to a rubble rousing. There are three tiers of government that must at all times work in concomitance with each other. Immediately after elections there is little or no distinctions between federal, state, and local government in terms of development. There must be synergy and corporation. That is why when we wanted to flag off our small and medium scales enterprises, we called the federal government led by the president who sent his vice president Osibanjo to come here and commission our SME hall in Aba.

The SME hall in Aba, is it not a home grown idea of Abia state government? Did we not invite Osibanjo who came here and said Abia, Aba in particular, is the SME capital of Nigeria? As at the time Eneghema was minister for investment, even though he was appointed by the APC, was he not synergizing with us to develop the resources of our people that are bound in Aba?

Chijioke needs extra morale in development dynamics. We have a lot of home grown state projects, policies and programmes. We cannot in the name of political opportunism disassociate ourselves from development. Counterpart funds mean that for any development that affects the generality of the people, state government contributes, federal government contributes and sometimes local government contributes. And you cannot, to everybody who is sane apart from these individuals who are taking to Itumbuzo, you cannot tell me that anybody who has been in governance for long will begin to draw boundaries when it comes to that.

The school feeding programme that he is talking about, how many classes were captured by the federal government? 3. (Primary 1-3). The state government captured primary 3 to JSS 3 (6 classes) and he is saying that we shouldn't have done that. Before we used to have SUPEC not ASUBEB- State Universal Basic Education Board, from time immemorial, it has always been a joint project between the federal and state government. When we had SURE-P was it not a corporation between the federal and state government?

I want to appeal to the speaker to quickly organize some sort of refreshment course for Chijioke and other members. The house of assembly is not a place for unserious minded people. It is a place for educated individuals.

How do you feel being appointed the Commissioner for information in the state at almost the last lap of this administration?

So far it has been a blessing and a rare privilege to be called upon to serve in the transformational administration of governor Okezie Ikpeazu. As you know, governor Ikpeazu is on a mission to rebuild Abia state by rebuilding the structures and institution in every sector and segment of Abia society. It is an onerous task, it is a momentous and historic task that requires that all hands must be on deck. So to be called upon to be part of this historic movement that will depict to posterity, a better Abia is a rare privilege.

We want you to react to the allegation that Governor Ikpeazu has not given infrastructural development in the state enough attention, or has he?

Yes you don't need a mirror to examine a ring on your fore-fingers. As at 2015 the infrastructure situation in Aba in particular was completely in comatose. Before you make a fair assessment you must do a comparative analysis. What did governor Ikpeazu meet on the ground and where has



Eze Chikamnayo

he taken us to so far? And I make bold to say that whereas the government of Chief TA Orji did very well in providing legacies as it affects administrative infrastructure in the state capital Umuahia. Most of what we enjoy today in Umuahia- the International Conference Centre, the secretariat, so many administrative skeleton of this state, governor TA Orji laid the foundation and brought them as legacies that will continue to live. I do not want to talk about Orji Uzor Kalu's years because Orji Uzor Kalu used 8 years to run for president and he was much interested in playing politics, but under governor TA Orji, some form of foundations were laid for the administrative infrastructure of the state and you discover that when Ikpeazu came, he didn't need to start building new secretariat conference centre; government is a continuum, but then in Aba, everything was in shambles.

I remember a trip I took to Uzor Azubuike's house in 2013. Even as a commissioner, I could not move from Ikot Ekepe road to Umuola road. I was stuck for more than 4 hours because the whole of the Ogbor Hill area was completely gone, but governor Ikpeazu came to rebuild Aba. He started rebuilding Aba quietly, steadily, from one end and today, he has in-putted in Aba, over 50 roads and about 13 ongoing. Whereas as at 2015, if you want to enter Aba, you must come to Aba Owerri road starting from Osisioma junction to the park.

Under governor Ikpeazu today, he has created alternative routes into Aba aside the express road. Am talking about Obikabia road,

Osuokwa road all the way to Obikabia junction then of course in that area all the roads have been open Umuola road, Ukaegbu road, Echefu road, all the auxiliary roads around Ogbor Hill area is done. So if you want to go to Aba now and you don't have need to be somewhere at Umungasi, you can conveniently enter Aba, do your business and come out through the Ogbor Hill flap that was under governor Ikpeazu, it was never like that. Of course the dualization of Ururuka road is ongoing and has gone to an appreciable extent. If you go there it looks like what you see in Abuja. Dual carriage, pedestrian walkway, street lights, flowers, never before in Aba, but now you see those things happening under governor Ikpeazu.

Ezukuwu road had trees growing right in the middle of the road before 2015, people could not access from Aba Owerri road into Ezukuwu road all the way to the general hospital. Governor Ikpeazu has done Ezukuwu road phase one and two, he has done Ojike lane, he has done Park road, he has done all the auxiliary roads in that area. We know the condition of Osusu road, we know that it was completely taken over by wastes. It became a swamp. People could not even drive bicycle on Osusu road. Governor Ikpeazu cleaned all of that, used cement technology and has built an ultra modern road in Osusu.

Governor Ikpeazu is building Aba in all ramifications. He is building the economic fulcrum of Aba, rebuilding the legacy for which Aba is known, which is the ingenuity of the Aba person. Governor Ikpeazu has rebuilt Aba as the SME capital of Nigeria, he has brought back the companies. Before 2015, even students were kidnapped in Aba. Osisikankwu drove away all the industrialists in Aba, there was general insecurity in that area. Governor Ikpeazu restored security, restored confidence, industries came back. Apart from industries coming back, he rebuilt the small and medium enterprises fulcrum of Aba and brought Aba back

to reckoning, he rebranded Aba. Even this week as we speak, there is coming up the Aba fashion week; it is a legacy of Governor Ikpeazu, it was never there before. He has brought back the Enyimba automated shoe factory, its a legacy of governor Ikpeazu, he has brought back the leather and garment business. Aba is known for commerce and governor Ikpeazu has rebuilt the reputation and capacity of Aba to retain that appurtenant name. So apart from the roads he is building, he is building the individual, the capacity of the Aba person. He is bringing in technology hubs within Aba.

Recently, the Governor was quoted as going to give pregnant women who deliver their baby in government hospital the sum of N500 as health care package, did the Governor actually say that or is this the hand work of mischief makers?

I was part of the governor's interview, and what the governor said is that under his watch he has been able to reduce maternal and child death, and increased the number of mothers that now patronize the regular primary health centres spread across the nooks and crannies of Abia state. Before governor Ikpeazu, there was preponderance of avoidable infant and maternal deaths. But he came in an ingenious manner he was able to encourage our wives and mothers to begin to embrace the primary health care centers as centers of excellence when it comes to provision of basic primary health care services. In outlining the components of that package, he named 3 things; namely Free delivery, which is a package that you and I know that if your wife delivers in a private clinic, it costs between 20,000 and 50,000 depending on the level of complication. Sometimes, it could be more if God forbids there is a serious surgery accompanying it. But ordinarily an average private hospital will take between 50-70,000. Governor Ikpeazu provided that 50-70,000 free of charge to

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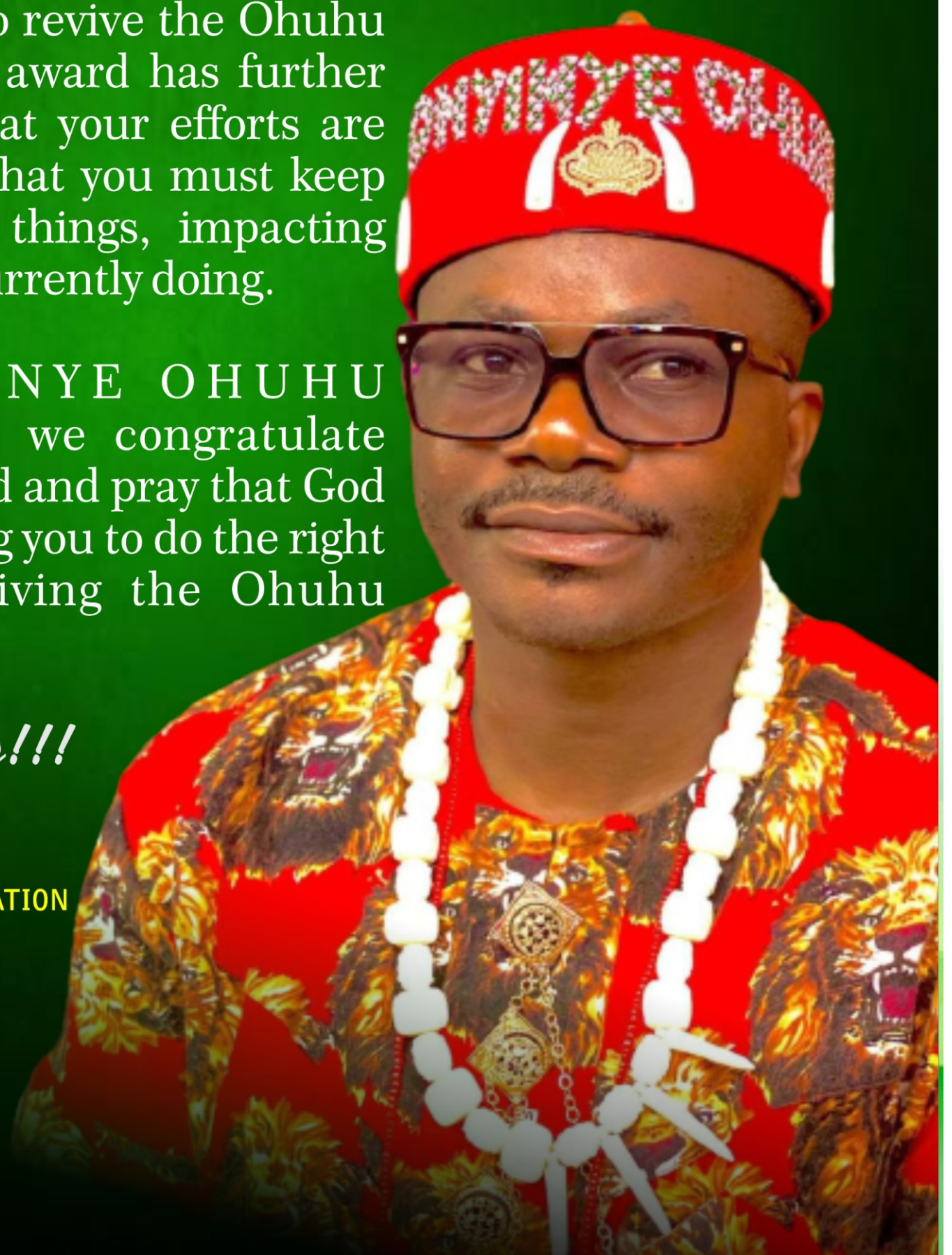
Congratulatory Message

The steps you have taken so far has proven your sincerity in your bid to revive the Ohuhu Project and this award has further demonstrated that your efforts are recognized and that you must keep doing the good things, impacting lives as you are currently doing.

We at ONYINYE OHUHU FOUNDATION, we congratulate you for this award and pray that God will keep enabling you to do the right things and reviving the Ohuhu project.

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GOODWILL MESSAGE

Congratulations to a man who has personified Excellency and progressive results; a man who through all his ages has established himself as one that the highest bar is his standard.

Major General Ijioma N Ijioma Rtd., The Founder, Ijioma Leadership and Youth Development Association. From the days in the military right through to the rank of Major General, commanding very strategic and important positions in the Army and delivered exceptional and brilliant results with trails of awards and recognition from the local and International community.

A man, who in his everyday life, has personified that Jesus Christ is the anchor, the beginning and end of all his activities.

A man, who has the milk of human kindness running through him.

His work, off and on his profession has today yet again put him in the limelight as Abia Facts Newspaper Personality of the Year 2021

Major Gen Ijioma (Rtd) is driven by passion to see that the needs of the less privileged is fulfilled and that a new change is birthed, he has an imminent desire to do more, and bring about a new level of living standard academically, socially, Politically and Economically, for people around him.

Today, the world celebrates you with an honor well deserved. You are truly the PERSONALITY of the YEAR!

Congratulations!!!

Major General Ijioma N Ijioma Rtd
Founder, Ijioma Leadership and Youth Development Association.



Dr. Pastra Arinze Etie
National Coordinator Ilayda



Pharm. Dr and Pharm. Dr (Mrs)

Chike Ezeoke
of Nashville Tennessee USA.

Congratulatory Message



Wishes to felicitate and Congratulate Maj.Gen Ijioma N. Ijioma for the award of Personality of The Year by All Facts Newspaper on Dec 9th 2021. Maj. Gen Ijioma is an all round person, a trail blazer, an accomplished author, a true and thorough Abia /Igbo son.

His accomplishments both in the military where he served and his public life is a testament to who he is. This is an award well deserved and long in coming.

As Abians troupe out to recognize their illustrious and accomplished son, we testify they have found the Moses who will lead them to the promised land. We rejoice with you sir, and extend our heartfelt message of Congratulations to Ndi Abia and the Igbo race in general. THE CAP FITS

Honorable Chima Agbaeze

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia LGA Chairman Of The Year 2021

Chief Servant Leader, The Executive Chairman, Isuikwuato local government area, Hon. Chief Chima Agbaeze was born into the family of Late Stephen Agbaeze and Mrs Eunice Ngozi Agbaeze of Umuagbagu in Obilohia Autonomous Community, Umuobiala, Isuikwuato LGA of Abia state.

He started early in life to design his career and future through enrollment into Western Education by his parents, and firstly attended St Paul's Primary School, Diobu Port Harcourt, before proceeding to the famous College of Immaculate Conception, Enugu for his post primary education.

As a child that is brilliant, young Chima took his Senior School Certificate Examination and came out in flying colours, thereafter, proceeded to Rivers State Polytechnic for his undergraduate studies and obtained the National Diploma and Higher National Diploma certificates in Marketing (Upper Credits).

Due to his insatiable penchant and undiluted quest for academic excellence in his chosen field, Hon Agbaeze enrolled for his post graduate studies at the Abia State University, Uturu, obtained his Post Graduate Diploma (PGD), and Master of Science (M.Sc) Degree in Marketing.

He was among the best graduated students in his Department that year and because of his desire to hit the pinnacle of Academics, he enrolled for his Ph.D program with the same University, and is currently a Doctorate Degree student with a (PH.D) Certificate in view.

Upon the conclusion of his National Youths Service Corps, NYSC program, and as one endowed with good communication and interpersonal relationship skills, he worked with Nigeria Engineering Works (NEW) limited, where he started his career as a Sales Representative of the company and rose through the ranks, to become the Marketing Manager and Head, Marketing Operations, East.

As a man with drive for excellence, a consummate team player, and a target oriented and self-motivated individual, Hon Chima Agbaeze, bequeathed lasting legacies for posterity, and records are still speaking for him in that organization years after leaving the organization to join politics.

After his voluntary resignation from Nigeria Engineering Works Ltd, he joined politics, and through his assiduousness and participation in the River State Politics, he was rewarded with appointment, where he worked closely with the Wife of the former River State Governor, and distinguished himself in service, and has remained a staunch member of the People's Democratic party, PDP till date.

Hon Chima Agbaeze, came home and joined



Not dissuaded by his inability to clinch victory, he remained a loyal party man, invested his time and personal resources to consolidate the reign of the People Democratic Party in the local government area. His selfless sacrifices were not left unnoticed as he was rewarded by Governor, Okezie Ikpeazu, who appointed him as Special Assistant and Special Adviser in his administration at different times.

He was at one time appointed the Chairman of Isuikwuato local government area Urban Renewal Committee, and as a phenomenal grassroots mobilizer and a team player, his slogan always is "We are better and greater together".

As a Youthful politician who knows the value of youth inclusiveness in politics, he founded and funded the "Ekwedasieike Youth Movement" and is serving as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

He is the Abia State Coordinator, Youth Mobilization for Okezu Abia, and at one time

mobilized over one million youths in solidarity for PDP government in Umuahia.

The dexterity and performance of Hon Chima Agbaeze in handling positions of responsibilities in the aforementioned political groups, created the visibility and political platform for him to be appointed as a Transition Committee Chairman, Isuikwuato LGA, in 2019 and he excelled.

Following his superlative performance in the previous positions he held in both state and local government, when the local government elections were scheduled to be conducted in December 2020, he showed interest, contested and won his party nomination, and later won the LGA Chairmanship position as he was massively voted by his people to emerge as the Executive Chairman through the polls.

Having come from a Christian home, Chima Agbaeze was a former member of the Anglican Communion and has contributed immensely in renovating some local and township churches. He is a lover of music which made him pick interest in learning and playing various musical instruments, as he is also a vocalist.

He later joined the Living Faith Church, (aka, Winners Chapel), where he has also contributed to the spread of the gospel, and was a former LCC Chairman of the Church.

Hon Agbaeze is a community leader of repute who has greatly contributed to the development of Umuobiala community in particular, and Isuikwuato at large. He has served Umuobiala community both at home and abroad, and still playing key roles in the sustainability of the town union. He was a former Youth Chairman, Umuobiala Development Union, Port Harcourt branch.

Hon Chief Chima Agbaeze is married to his hearthrob, Evangelist Becky Chima Agbaeze, and their marriage is blessed with God fearing children.



Barrister Chinomnso Ibe Onwuchekwa

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Upcoming Business Giant Of The Year 2021

Barrister Chinomnso Ibe Onwuchekwa was Born on Nov 10th 1989 to the family of Prof. I.S Onwuchekwa and late Mrs S.C Onwuchekwa of Amuzukwu Ibeku in Umuahia North LGA of Abia State.

She had her Primary Education at Margaret Nursery and Primary School, Umuahia, Abia State where she obtained her First School Leaving Certificate in the year 2000. This was the foundation of what will become an excellent career for Barr Onwuchekwa.

In 2006, she proceeded to International Secondary School, Abia State University, Uturu and passed her Senior School Certificate Examination in flying colors.

The young and brilliant Chinomnso gained admission at the Prestigious Abia State University in the same year she finished secondary school and obtained her Bachelor of Law Degree (LLB) in 2011. The career trajectory of Barr Chinomnso from the outset has been patterned and consciously followed through grueling sacrifices and commitment. This is evident in the way she kept moving ahead of her time and completed her early scholarly pursuit before most of her peers.

The legal mind further proceeded to the Nigerian Law School, Bwari Abuja campus and was called to bar after her successful graduation as a lawyer and



solicitor of the Supreme Court of Nigeria in 2013.

She could have rested on her laurels but in her quest for more knowledge, Barr. Onwuchekwa went to her Alma Mater, the Abia State University, Uturu and obtained a Master's Degree in Law.

Currently, she's a Law Lecturer at the Abia State University, Uturu, and as a serial entrepreneur and the Chief Executive Officer of Nonny's

Tigernut Milk, a Small and Medium Enterprise (SME), venture, and due to her diligence and acumen, she built her brand beyond anticipation.

She is a member of the Nigerian Law Teachers Association of Nigeria, (NALT) the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), and Academic staff Union of universities (ASUU).

Barr. Chinomnso Onwuchekwa is humility personified, endowed with good communication skills, interpersonal relation as well as good leadership skill, she is a motivational speaker, counselor, mentor, mediator, business strategist and leadership developer.

She has been a voice to the voiceless and a strong advocate for humanitarian acts.

A lawyer, a teacher and a businesswoman, Barr Onwuchekwa is unconventional and seeks to disrupt the status quo.

She is passionate about her job, sharing knowledge is her forte and students privileged enough to come under her tutelage can attest to drinking from her refreshing fountain of knowledge.

She loves researching, reading and travelling.

CSP Chukwuemeka Okezie Ubani

[CSO to Abia state Governor]

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Upcoming Business Giant Of The Year 2021

CSP Chukwuemeka Henry Okezie Ubani was born to the family of Late Chinyere Sampson Ubani (Nwatee) and Late Jane Ugochi Matilda Ubani (Nee Anaba) at Enugu on the 19th day of March, 1974.

Being guided under the tutelage of a renowned educated father who was an exceptional Civil Servant of repute and a mother who was a sound teacher, Emeka started his educational pursuit from Eton day Nursery School, old Nekede Road, Owerri. He enrolled into Waterside Primary School, also in Owerri, and obtained his First School Leaving Certificate.

He proceeded to Emmanuel College Owerri where he obtained his Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination in distinctions, in the year 1991.

In 1999, he marched on to obtain a first degree in Linguistics from Abia State University, after which he proceeded to Efon Alayee in Ekiti State for the mandatory National Youth Service Scheme.

While serving he became the copper's liaison officer for Ekiti South West Local Government and after his national youth service programme, he obtained a master's degree on international Affairs / diplomacy.

He was enlisted into the Nigeria Police Force as a Cadet ASP on 15th August, 200, and subsequently, Postings took him to Jigawa



State where he excelled and acted as Aide de Camp to the former Governor, His Excellency Saminu Turaki.

He had a short stint at Force Criminal Investigation Department (FCID) General Investigations Department Abuja, Delta State Police Command as a detective at Anti-Fraud Section State CID Asaba, Charge Room Officer Ekpan Police Station, O/C Anti Robbery Ekpan Police State, Second in Command/Administration State Provost Department Asaba, Head Operation Delta Storm Asaba, Unit Commander Mopol 31 Asaba, Unit Commander Mopol 18 Owerri, 2i/c Mopol 18 Owerri, Commanding Officer Mopol 18 Owerri, Commanding Officer Mopol 35

Dutse and now the Chief Security Officer to the Governor Abia State.

Emeka has attended several courses both Locally (Police Mobile Training Operations and an Instructor in the Nigeria Mobile Squad Training Collage Ila) and internationally and a member of The International Association of Chief of Police (IACP) and The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executive in the United State of America (NOBLE).

Emeka obtained an LLB in Law from the Faculty of Law, Abia state University, Umuahia campus and holds so many Chieftaincy titles namely Nwa di Oha nma Etiti Ohanze, Enyi Oha Ihiagwa Owerri North, Ezi Enyi Uturu and High Chief Agu Na Eche Mba 1, Anunu Ukwu Kingdom while his wife Barrister (Evangelist) Eunice Ubani Holds the Chieftaincy Title of Ebube Agu Anunu Ukwu Kingdom.

CSP Chukwuemeka Henry Okezie Ubani is happily married to his best friend Barrister (Evangelist) Eunice Ubani, a God fearing, loving, loyal and a simple-minded lady.

The marriage is blessed with six (6) lovely children namely; Obichi, Ikechi, Ogechi, Nwachi, Udochi and Ebubechi, the concept of 'see something, say something' drives the mindset of Emeka which is why he is a respecer of criticisms in all ramification.

Michael Oni

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Radio Personality [OAPI] Of The Year 2021

Michael Oni is a broadcast journalist, versatile in voice over, program presentation, audio editing and news reportage.

He began his journalistic journey as an undergraduate in the University of Ilorin, Kwara State, working with the school radio station with a brief stint with Ray Power FM in Ilorin, Kwara State while still being a student.

The one-year compulsory Youth Service brought him to Abia State, where he distinguished himself at the Camp, located at Umunna, Bende LGA, Abia State. As a result, the National Youth Service Corps awarded him the best broadcaster and was subsequently posted to Flo 94. 9 FM, Umuahia despite being a



graduate of Micro Biology.

Being a pioneer staff as a corp member of Flo 94.9 FM, his diligence, hard work and professionalism set him apart and gave him a permanent job at the organization. He has since risen to become a voice to be reckoned with in Abia State as a result of his radio shows.

Amassing several awards from different organizations like Umuahia Literary Society, Abia State Association of Photographers etc, for his work in the broadcast industry, he anchored the biggest political discussion in Abia State, during the 2019 general election, which is the Abia State Gubernatorial debate.

Honorable Augustine Akomas

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Councilor Of The Year 2021

Hon. Augustine Akomas hails from Nenu Autonomous Community in Obingwa LGA of Abia State.

Hon. Augustine Akomas started his education career from Nenu Community Primary School in Obingwa LGA, where he obtained his first school leaving certificate (FSLC) with distinction. He immediately enrolled into Nenu community secondary school in the same Obingwa LGA and finished at Oboro Secondary School in Ikwuano LGA of Abia State.

Hon. Augustine Akomas proceeded to another prestigious institution for his higher education after a sterling performance both in his WAEC and JAMB examinations. This time, the most prestigious Abia State University Uturu, admitted to study Banking and finance, he later graduated as a departmental President of the National Association of Banking and Finance Students NABAFS ABSU Chapter.

Former Secretary, Nenu Youth Organization, President, Mgboko Umuahia Youth Assembly, Convener, Maduforo Youth Movement, "Founder, It's Working" and the present Councilor Representing Aba



During the last Easter celebration, the chief whip of Aba south legislative council, Hon. Augustine Akomas, donated rappers, among other items to the widows of his ward.

In a bid to key into the efforts of the Governor Okezie Ikpeazu led administration in the education sector, the Councilor Representing Aba South and Chief Whip of the House, Honourable Augustine Akomas distributed instructional cum writing materials to pupils of Constitution Crescent Aba.

The gesture, which is part of his Constituency project aimed at encouraging pupils to be studious, is among projects embarked by the Councilor since he assumed office January, in January, 2021.

Hon. Augustine Akomas single handedly sponsored the training of 50 graduates in various skills acquisition trainings like soap making, detergent making, perfume making and many others.

Motor Park, The Chief Whip of Aba South Legislative Council and the House Committee Chairman on Education (ASLC).



Pastra Arinze Etie

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia ICT ICON Of The Year 2021

Pastra Arinze Etie is a Businessman, techpreneur, innovator and administrator.

He is the Founder and Group Managing Director of The Bems Group.

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BEMSTRAZ Constructions Ltd
Bems Network Ltd
BemsFarms.
The Bems Knowledge Transfer Centre,
BemsSoft Inc
The ICTHub.

Dr Pastra Arinze Etie is the NATIONAL CORDINATOR IJIOMA LEADERSHIP AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION. He is also the



former chairman, Okigwe Micro-Finance Bank Ltd.

Pastra has a diverse background as a serial entrepreneur, Project Consultant, IT expert.

He is the Ochiagha Nneato and the Akaeze Ezioba.

He is a member of the International Youth Society and is currently the Director of Communications.

Dr Pastra holds an honorary doctorate from Morris Cerullo Christian University.

He is also a recipient of many awards, both local and international.

Dr Pastra is married with kids.

Promise Uzoma Okoro (PUO)

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia LGA Deputy Chairman Of The Year 2021

Promise Uzoma Okoro was born on Monday 15th April 1991 in Alayi, Bende Local Government Area, Abia State.

Promise Uzoma Okoro was not privileged to be among those born with silver spoons in their mouth. He was born in a poor family and lost his father when he was barely 4 years of Old. Little Promise did not enjoy fatherhood but was under the tutelage of his God-fearing mother Deaconess Oyidiya Okoro who was doing all manner of menial jobs to feed her children.

Promise Uzoma Okoro entrance into the blogosphere in 2013 followed years of media activism on Facebook which paved way for him to get thousands of followers who depend on him for information.

In 2014, Promise Uzoma Okoro launched PUO REPORTS, a news portal which till date remains a source of information to the general public.

MEDIAEXPERIENCE.

Media Consultant to Assemblies of God Nigeria 2016-2020.

Publisher PUO REPORTS.

SOJOURN to Politics.



Hon. Promise Uzoma Okoro sojourn to active politics followed his appointment as a Senior Special Assistant on Media by the Governor of Abia State Dr Okezie Victor Ikpeazu in February 2019.

The Speaker of the Abia State House of Assembly Rt. Hon. Chinedum Enyinnaya Orji few days after his emergence as Speaker appointed Hon Promise Uzoma Okoro as his Special Assistant on Media 2019-2020.

At the last Local Government Area Elections in Abia State, Hon. Promise Uzoma Okoro was nominated by his party the People's Democratic party (PDP) as the Deputy Chairmanship Candidates of the People's Democratic Party (PDP) was subsequently elected and sworn in as the Deputy Chairman of Bende Local Government Area.

Within one year in office, Promise Uzoma Okoro has demonstrated leadership acumen through various means ranging from payment of School Fees, Payment of WAEC fees of Students and embarking on Legacy Projects in his Local Government.

It is on record that Hon. Promise Uzoma Okoro has paid WAEC fees for Four Students in Bende Local Government Area, Paid one year School Fees for Four Students.

Just recently, he commenced and completed the construction of an 8 Units of Open Market Stalls in his community, Amaokwelu Amankalu Alayi.

Presently ongoing is an erosion control measure/ construction of culvert for the people of Umuachiki Amaokwelu Alayi among other Projects.

Hon. Promise Uzoma Okoro is married and the marriage is blessed with two children for now.

Sir Etomchukwu Harris Alaekwe Uba

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Charity ICON Of The Year 2021

Sir Etomchukwu Harris Alaekwe Uba was born into the family of late Elder Stephen N. Uba and late Mrs Mercy A. Uba in Obinolu Ngodo-Isuochi, in Umunneochi LGA of Abia State.

He was raised up by his parents in a Christian way to be honest and diligent.

He had his secondary education at Obinolu secondary technical school, Isuochi in Abia state.

Etochukwu Alaekwe is a self-made successful businessman and a relentless philanthropist who attributes everything he has achieved to divine providence as he believes that he has nothing without God.

Widows and less-privileged in his home town and Lagos where he resides can testify to his kindness and kind gestures towards them.

He is married to one wife, Mrs Jane O. Uba and the union is blessed with three wonderful children.



As the the MD/CEO of Etoville Global Resources Limited, his business interests cut across several sectors including entertainment, education, building materials, oil and gas, real estate, auto sales, etc.

He is the founder of Dream Ville Schools which is located in satellite town Lagos state.

He is a community builder and an opinion maker who is very accessible by all and sundry, humble to the core, highly respected, and loved by his people and friends.

His philanthropic achievements include distribution of food and clothing items to indigent members of his community, an annual ritual he has performed for over 10 years through a foundation named after his parents.

He built houses for the homeless in his community, and as a major financier in building the magnificent church auditorium for his village church, and the

sole sponsor of the annual football competition for the youth of his home town, Ngodo-Isuochi, Sir Etomchukwu Harris Alakwe Uba has several been described as a man of the people.

Dr Pastra is married with kids.

Dr. Iroemeha Christian Ike

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Dr. Iroemeha Christian Ike is from Isuochi in Umunneochi local government area of Abia State.

He is a registered pharmacist in United States of America and Nigeria. Ike worked as a clinical pharmacist in various hospitals in the State of Florida and Georgia and also as Pharmacy manager in various pharmacies before venturing into private Pharmacy practice.

He is the President/CEO of Social Circle Pharmacy in the state of Georgia USA. While in Nigeria, Ike was the President/CEO of Richmonds Pharmacy Ltd, Portharcourt, and currently the President/ CEO of Best Outcomes Ventures Ltd, Lagos.

Dr. Ike received his Pharmacy degree from University of Nigeria Nsukka, and a Master of Science in Conflict Management from Kennesaw State University, Georgia, and a Doctor of Pharmacy from Tennessee.

He is also a graduate of Harvard Business School program on Global Leadership. Ike as a Ridley Scholar did a research work on the abandoned property policy of the Nigerian government after the Nigerian Civil War. He holds a certificate practical program on Humanitarian Crisis management from the Indian River College, Florida; and as part of his conflict management training in 20013 he was in Northern Ireland to understudy their conflict resolution programs. He is a trained mediator.

Ike among others is a member of the Academy of Independent pharmacies (AIP)



in Georgia, Georgia pharmacy Association (GPhA), Pharmaceutical society of Nigeria (PSN), and a Fellow of the Nigerian Institute of Management (FNIM), Fellow of the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (FPSN).

As a community organizer, he has served in various Abia state cultural associations/unions in the United States, namely, President Abia State National Association of North America, USA, Inc.(ASNA-NA), 2013-2017.

Secretary of Abia State Development Union of Atlanta, GA, 2008-2012, the first PRO of Abia Association south Florida 2005 to 2007 and the first

financial secretary of Umunneochi progressive union USA 2000 to 2002.

As the National President of ASNA-NA Dr. Ike spearheaded the first made in Aba fashion show in the city of New York USA, during the association's October 2017 biannual -convention.

In December 2014 and December 2016, Dr. Ike lead a team of medical professionals (Medical doctors, Pharmacists, Public Health officers, Registered Nurses, Laboratory Scientists etc) from the United States to.

Abia State on successful medical missions and need assessment tour of Abia Hospitals and the Medical Missions to Abia State Nigeria covered the three senatorial zones and treated thousands of patients including Surgeries.

In 2016, Ike received an "Excellent Service to Humanity Award "from the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria Abia State after delivering the Key note speech at the Worlds Pharmacists Day.

He is married to Nkem Ike, and together they have four children, and as practicing Christians, they attend St. Faith Anglican Church Riverdale Georgia, where he has served as Treasurer in the Men's Fellowship of the church.

He is a Knight of St. Christopher (Ksc.) who believes that service to mankind is service to God.



Chief Obiaruko Ndukwe

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Online Personality Of The Year 2021

Born to the family of Mazi A.J. Ndukwe and Ihuoma Ndukwe of Ndi-Ugbo, Elugwunta-Obayi Ovim after the Nigeria-Biafra Civil War in Enugu. Her primary education was at the W.T.C primary school, Enugu from where she had admission into Ovim Girls and the Federal Government Girls College Owerri. She later opted for the later for her secondary education where she excelled both in the science and the Arts.

She later gained admission into the prestigious University of Nigeria Nsukka to study Pure and Industrial Chemistry.

Having had the passion for the arts, something that runs in the family, she went on to write for the Financial Telegraph Newspapers in Abuja.

In 2002, she finally moved to Port Harcourt and after a few attempts in other sectors of business, she decided to swim through the difficult terrain of publishing. This eventually led her to establish a weekly newspaper, known as 'The Beam'. To further improve on her writing and journalistic skills, she enrolled into the Nigerian Institute of Journalism, NIJ.

The story and the success of The Beam Newspaper can better be told by those residents in Rivers State and other neighbouring states.

While doing this and partnering with some of the state governments, she had always had a craving for the poor and the less privileged, a trait which had earned her the title of "The Great Philanthropist" by her father who had noticed that early in her life.

She had always prayed for two things – to own her own publishing outfit and to run a charity organisation. Having succeeded in the first one, inadequate funding made it impossible to embark on the second project, as such she continued to run it on a low scale.

She has always stood for justice, equity and fair play, which sometimes portrays her as an activist of some sort though sometimes misunderstood.

Her strong belief in justice led her to stand firmly on the side of the truth when the present governor of Rivers State, Rt. Hon. Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi was involved in a nine-month battle to fight for justice when he was unlawfully substituted with someone else as the candidate of the PDP by those who had no regards for the rule of law.

Oby or Onyeuko as she is fondly called was dogged and fully involved in the legal battle that has become a major milestone in our political and judicial history.

She employed her Newspaper as well as collaborated with other media organisation to bring to light the truth of the matter even when it looked very impossible for the Governor to regain his ticket. Her position in the face of threats and intimidation earned her yet another uncommon feat as one of the closest friends of the governor.

This of course led to more open doors in business and contacts, as such she decided to follow her passion. She began the process of establishing a foundation in honour of her parents – A.J. NDUKWE FOUNDATION for Peace, Unity and Development.

Under the foundation, she embarked on the reconstruction of a 3km road from Agbo-sign board to



Oriendu. Something that has never been done by any single individual in the history of Ovum and beyond.

She also embarked on the provision of water with the drilling of the first bore-hole on the very difficult topography of Elugwunta.

Next is the roofing and completion of the Obayi Town Hall as well as the Methodist Church Obayi and the Catholic Church, Mbienku.

The age-old meeting and prayer hall known as 'Agbala-perey' in Elugwunta is also being reconstructed with the support of our daughter.

She also embarks on a street lighting of some of the roads starting from Ndi-Ugbo, Elugwunta. Many students, families, churches, individuals and organisations in Ovim and beyond have also benefitted immensely from her magnanimity. (The list is unending).

Also she embarked on a sensitization and awareness campaign which is aimed at drawing our people into active politics and governance. Her experience and current studies in the Department of Politics and International Relations in the University of London has exposed her to the importance of politics in the development of a people. It is her sincere desire to see Ndi-Ibayi (our people) come out en masse to take part in the business of governance.

She is also at the fore front of the need for the Ovim Consciousness in our people so that we can collectively gather our resources for the development of our town.

Her foundation will also partner with other world bodies to enhance both the education and the living standards of our people which in turn will help in National Development.

A scholarship programme for five Ovim youths and three Isuikwuato youths has also been established to help indigent students.

OBIARUKO which means 'Nwa-nganga' that is 'Our Pride' is truly the Pride of the Ovim people and Isuikwuato in general as she is a true Ambassador of our people.

Two years ago, she unofficially started the Quest for Good Governance and toured the nooks and crannies of Cross River State to ascertain the level of development there. Precisely in March 2019, the Quest grew to be known as Citizens Quest and was established in 5 out of the 9 States under the Niger Delta Development Commission. On October 3, 2019, the Corporate Affairs Commission registered it as a Non Governmental, Non profit organization as Citizens Quest for Truth Initiative.

Various Contributions

1. Roofing and flooring of the Obayi Town Hall
2. Reconstruction of the Elugwunta-Obayi Prayer Hall (Agbala-Pray)
3. Drilling of a 450ft bore-hole
4. Street lighting of Ndi-Ugbo compound, Elugwunta Obayi Ovim.
5. Construction of a dilapidated 2km of a 6km Agbo-sign board-Oriendu road.
6. Temporary roofing of the Evangel Methodist Church Obayi Ovim.
7. Commitment to the building of the Parish Priest office of the Catholic Church, Mbienku-Ohoroho Ovim.
8. Payment of school fees for many students in Ovim
9. Sponsorship of the record/VCD for the Ovim Community League, OCL, Enugu Branch.
10. Medical bills for some sick women
11. Empowerment of some Ovim youths
12. Establishment of the A.J. Ndukwe Foundation for Peace, Unity and Development
13. Sponsorship of the 3rd women's synod of the Methodist Church Ovim Circuit Isuikwuato Diocese.
14. Provision of one and half plots of land for the building of the OCL Town Hall in Trans Ekulu, Enugu
15. Two buses for the OCL women wing, Enugu branch
16. Provision of over 10,000 exercise books for Abia students
17. General Empowerment and support services for youths in the Niger Delta region, some who have today become leaders in political parties and occupying key positions in government. She has also assisted many to gain admission overseas as well as in Nigeria.

To her, giving is not only a calling but a passion. This is largely responsible for her popularity and large followership across the states of Nigeria!

High Chief Obi Aguocha

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Community President General Of The Year 2021

Sir Obi Aguocha is the first-born child of the late Chief (Dr) O. B and Lady Clarice Oroni Aguocha of Umuafiaka Umuohuru, in Okaiuga Nkwoegwu, Ohuhu – Umuahia North LGA of Abia State. A US trained economist and successful businessman whose humble beginnings can be traced to the prestigious Government College Umuahia in the late 70s.

He has worked in several capacities in the recent past, including, Special Adviser in the office of the Chief Economic Adviser to the then late President, Umaru Musa Yar'Adua, and Policy Consultant to the trio of: the then former National Security Adviser (NSA) to President, Goodluck Johnathan, late Lt Gen. Owoye Andrew Azazi, and Rtd. Inspector General of Police (IGP) Ibrahim Kpotum Idris and

to former Governor of Imo State, HE. Owelle Rochas Anayo Okorocha respectively. Sir Aguocha is currently in private business specializing in Real Estate, Commodities distribution and Construction.

Sir. Obi Aguocha ran unsuccessfully, both in 2007 and 2011 for the Abia State Governorship position. He is currently the President General of Ohuhu Welfare Union, having also served as the President General of Okaiuga Nkwoegwu Improvement Union.

Sir. Obi Aguocha holds the traditional titles of: Ogwumabiri Umuahia and Udo Ji Agu-Ohuhu, Knight of St. Augustine of the Church of Nigeria, Anglican Communion and is blessed with five Children and a grandson.



Ifeanyi Elvis Ogbonna

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Philanthropist Of The Year 2021

Ifeanyi Elvis Ogbonna (Ignes) hails Atani Village, in Arochukwu Ancient Kingdom, Abia State.

He was born 1st of May 1989, married to Grace Ogbonna and God has blessed them with 4 children. He is currently the Special Assistance on (Special Project) to the Honourable Minister of State for Mines and Steel Development.

Ifeanyi Elvis Ogbonna is an entrepreneur, investor and philanthropist, Ifeanyi is the President of Ogbonna Ignes Investment Limited , HENG4 Nigeria Limited, a conglomerate with over four subsidiaries and interests across a variety of industries.

He has conducted many youth empowerment programs like skill acquisition, football tournament where skilled youths were harnessed,



scholarships, grant to widows, food, clothing and phones to widows and orphans, etc.

Ifeanyi Elvis Ogbonna is the last son from a family 8 of Late Chief Stanley Ogbonna,

Former District Chairman of National Port Authority (NPA).

His foundation is called Ignes Ogbonna Foundation.

He started his education from Magnificat Nursery and Primary School Lagos, then Ideal Comprehensive High School Lagos, he has Diploma Advance Degree, Advance Executive Management Certificate, a Certified Professional Enterprise Manager, Certified Business Enterprise Professional (CBEP).

He also attended African Institute of Enterprise Development and Management, Lagos State and obtained a BSC in Public Administration from National Open University.

Honorable Chukwu Chijioke

All Facts Newspaper (AFNEWS) Abia Prominent Opposition Voice Of The Year 2021

Honorable Chukwu Chijioke was born into the family of Mr/Mrs Chukwu Eke of Ndieke Isieke, Amaba Ugwueke in Bende Local Government Area of Abia State. He had his Primary Education at Community Primary School, Amaba Ugwueke before proceeding to Ugwueke Secondary School and Igbera Secondary School all in Bende Local Government Area of Abia State for his Junior and Senior Secondary School respectively.

Honorable Chukwu Chijioke holds a B. Sc (Hons) degree in Applied Biochemistry from the Nnamdi Azikiwe University Awka and a Post-Graduate Diploma in Business Management of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. He is a businessman, public

commentator and a politician.

In 2019, he was elected into the Abia State House of assembly under the platform of All Progressives Congress (APC) to represent Bende North State Constituency.

He is currently the Minority Leader of the Abia State House of Assembly.



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every Abia mother delivering. He provided free post delivery packs made up of cotton wools, drugs, napkins, some sizeable quantity of beddings. He also provided what we called a health Centre management committee in all wards made up of the chairman of the autonomous community, the traditional ruler, the nurse managing the health Centre, wherein the equipment's which used to be stolen are now monitored and coordinated, which means that the Abians living in rural areas have taken ownership of management of their health centers leading to more efficiency. And he said when I help that mothers to deliver free of charge, I save her about 50-70 thousand and when I give this free packs, then the cost could come between 5 and 15, 000 depending on the content, and then I make sure that I provide transport for those who are going home.

When the governor was referring to the cost of keke that takes people home, he was not talking about the total package. The total package is worth over 70,000 that the governor provides free of charge. So it's an act of utter mischief, absolute irresponsibility on the part of anybody Who wants to hype the cost of keke, above the cost of free delivery and free maternal child pack. The misinformation and misrepresentation of the governor's interview was politically motivated and should be ignored by all well-meaning Abia citizens and beyond.

In what ways has the Governor empowered our Youths?

Youth empowerment is not about dolling out money to the youths, but about employment, self-reliance and provision of opportunities in a sustainable manner. So when a governor creates for instance an agency that has never existed like ABSAA and it now absorbs about 100 youths, he has empowered youths. He may not dash those 100 youths motorcycles, but he has indulged them in a productive venture. When a governor creates an agency like TIMASS, that is youth empowerment. Those young girls and boys that you see on the road helping to ease traffic

on our roads where hitherto, unemployed, but today they are proud to adorn the new form of TIMASS and all of us enjoy the benefit of less traffic congestion at major junctions.

Governor Ikpeazu employs the youths and empower them in a sustainable manner in such a way that even when he is gone, TIMASS will remain there to keep those youths employed. Governor Ikpeazu offers scholarships to Abians. For the first time, the Abia Scholarship Board has been revived, a number of the youths have gone to India, some Australia on scholarship that is youth empowerment. Governor Ikpeazu has created the Enyimba automated shoe factory in Aba.

30 of our youths were trained in China, they came back with a skill, transfer of technology, they are now transferring that technology down the line. All those boys who are making the shoes, the ones who are supplying the leather, the ones who are distributing the finished work, they are all Abia citizens and they are young people who are now earning their living, who couldn't have otherwise, had a source of livelihood.

Youth empowerment under Ikpeazu, is not about giving out fish, it's about teaching people how to fish.

What is the state Government doing with regards to payment of salaries in places like Abia polytechnic, Hmb etc?

Let me repeat for the umpteenth time that Abia state government is not owing one kobo to any civil servant in Abia state that is under its employ. What I mean is, civil servants employed under the Abia State Civil Service Commission, these are the people you see; Ministry of Health, Ministry of Information, Ministry of Works. All the civil servants that are within the Abia State Civil Service System, they are not being owed. Now an Agency, a Board, they have a Board of Directors, they have the right to hire and fire which means you bite as much as you can chew. A doctor who comes into a Health Management Board,



Eze Chikamnayo

there is a Board Chairman, this doctor and Board Chairman, are to sit down, they are supposed to decide in a slim and fit manner just as you decide in your own organization, how many workers do we need in the Health Management Board?

How many workers do we need in the polytechnic? How many workers do we need within the resources available? They will cut their coat according to their cloth and then optimize their potentials. Now successively, before governor Ikpeazu came on board, those Agencies and Boards that are supposed to be self-sustaining and self-regulating, became a cease pool of flagrant abuse, and that is where we are.

Government is doing two things; continue to pay the civil servants while revamping these Parastatals, Agencies and Boards. But in life there will always be consequences when there are causes. We have over 5 million Abians, we cannot afford to take all the resources that belong to the 5 million Abians to an insignificant number of those who have fallen short of the rules.

In Abia Polytechnic, it is established that at a time, they had over 100 people in the restaurant alone. I challenge any doctor in Aba or anywhere to tell us why he

will run a successful private clinic side by side with where he is supposed to work. He maintains his clinic at the detriment of the place where he is supposed to work, at the end of the month, expects a place he had run down to bring out salary.

It smells of lack of patriotism, lack of sincerity, lack of responsibility for me and you and any Abian to run down public institutions in favour of our private institutions and turn around to ask government in the name of those institutions they have run down to continue to pay us. Remember that in the code and ethics of the civil service rules that you are not supposed to maintain a private clinic when you are working under the employ of the government, but what we have before now for instance, is when a doctor posted to Isuikwuato General Hospital, hardly goes there in a year, maintains a private clinic, sometimes equipment, drugs brought into that General Hospital finds its way into a private clinic. Then when you have successfully disempowered the public clinics, directed the patients to your private clinic, you turn around to blame government for not paying you for an institution you have destroyed.

How much does it take to do surgery? The average surgery is between 50-

70,000. How many surgeries are carried out in Abia state public hospitals in a month? If you say that you are the VC of a university or you are the rector of a state owned polytechnic, and your counterpart in the private sector is able to sweat it out, pay salaries, make profits, open other campuses, and you are there forgetting that the only obligation by law that a government owns a Parastatal is payment of a subvention. A subvention is assistance. The law empowers you to hire and fire, increase and decrease and operate. Government can be in business with them somehow, to help shore up the IGR of a state.

Now these Agencies and Parastatals that are supposed to help shore up the IGR, now becomes a sneaky holes through which the IGR, the collective resources of the state is being pilfered away and no government will allow that to happen. We are revamping these places and in less than few months from now, we will bring them around to optimum performance.

If the Government is making allegations, it means that they know those who are causing these problems in the affected institutions, why can't the Government bring such people to book?

You cannot cast out a demon without first knowing the name of the demon. The fact that we are now calling them by their names, is part of the reform. We now know what our problems are. Our problem is not health management board, our problem is not the Parastatal, our problems are the individuals who have shunned their responsibility to make these government establishments be exactly what the law establishing them intended. You can't solve a problem without first identifying the cause. We have identified the problems and government is revamping the institution. Sooner than later, we are going to restore every Parastatal and Agency to its original intention.

