



**Nigeria Weekly Summary of Security Update**  
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The following section illustrates the date alerts were reported from 6th - 13th March, 2023. The majority of alerts reported were Shooting (Gunmen) with Anambra having the most recorded incidents.

**ALERTS DATE:** 6th March, 2023

### GUNMEN

- Bandits in their large numbers stormed Maru village with the intention of abducting residents. On receiving information of the attack, the Divisional Police Officer mobilized his men and some vigilantes to put up a strong resistance and repel the attackers but while in a gun battle with the bandits, the DPO, an Inspector, and a vigilante were killed. While on the deadly operation, the bandits shot a villager dead for attempting to prevent them from carrying out the operation. The state Commissioner of Police has deployed reinforcement to pursue the fleeing hoodlums and arrest them for investigation and prosecution.

### DRUG ABUSE

- The National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) said it Intercepted 778,190 pills of pharmaceutical opioids including tramadol from suspects in Taraba and other states. Mr Femi Babafemi, Director, Media and Advocacy, NDLEA disclosed this in a statement on Sunday in Abuja. Babafemi, said a drum of 270kg Methylene Chloride was recovered by the operatives from a suspect, Eric Yohanna, 33, in Jalingo, Taraba on Monday Feb. 27 following credible intelligence. He said that the operatives also seized a Daylong tricycle used in distributing the illicit substances. Babafemi further said that the house of a wanted notorious drug dealer in Adamawa, Mamudu Njobdi, was searched at Sebore, Gyalla road, Dougada ward, Mubi, during a raid by NDLEA and a shocking seizure was made. "The raid was carried in the early hours of Monday Feb. 27 during which he was arrested and drug exhibits recovered.

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### BUSINESS

- Ibom Air plans to add seven new routes to its flight schedule. In less than two months, aircraft bearing the Ibom air logo and flying the Akwa Ibom flag will be seen and hoisted at airports in seven countries spanning West, North, and East Africa. Libya, Ghana, The Gambia, Cameroon, Gabon, Sierra Leone, and Cote d'Voire are the countries involved. The general manager, marketing and communications department of Ibom Air, disclosed this while addressing the members of the correspondents' chapel of Nigeria Union of Journalists, NUJ, Akwa Ibom state council on their popular interactive forum titled "Arena" on Thursday. Ibom Air is now world class, adding 'you can buy your ticket in any part of the world and go to Akwa Ibom'. The image maker, who spoke about what is delaying the delivery of the airbuses ordered by the state government and the next steps, refuted the allegation that Ibom Air has barred other airlines from operating at the Victor Attah international airport, claiming that Ibom Air has no such power. According to her, Akwa Ibom state government owns Ibom Air entirely through Akwa Ibom Investment Corporation.
- Since the start of the intervention of the Central Bank of Nigeria, it has given beneficiaries under its 100-for-100 Policy on Production and Productivity a total of N114.17 billion. Launched in January 2022, the CBN programme is for a select 100 private sector companies with projects that have the potential to significantly boost domestic production and productivity, lower imports, boost non-oil exports, and generally enhance the capacity of the Nigerian economy to generate foreign exchange.

This information was provided in a statement released by CBN Governor following the most recent meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee in Abuja. He claimed that 71 projects in the healthcare, industry, and agricultural sectors used the funding. "Moreover, the Bank has distributed N20.78 billion to nine initiatives in the fields of healthcare, manufacturing, and services under the 100 for 100 Policy on Production and Productivity. This brings the total amount paid out under the facility to 71 projects spanning healthcare, manufacturing, services, and agriculture to N114.17 billion, he added.

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### **ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE**

- The family of a 15-year-old have been thrown into daylight mourning after soldiers attached to Operation MESA allegedly shot him dead around Makoko Yaba, Lagos State. Residents who witnessed the ugly incident said it appears like the Soldiers were hired by political thugs to carry out a reprisal on their opponents in the community on Sunday, February 26. Another source gathered that when the soldiers got to the community, they started shooting indiscriminately and in the process a stray bullet hit Pelumi who was on his way to buy drinks for his friends to celebrate his birthday. The soldiers, who were led by an identified political thug were also said to have gunned down a tricycle operator, identified simply as Aloma, whom they mistook for one of their targets.
- A dying Soldier have reportedly shot a motorcyclist amidst the protest against fuel and naira notes scarcity at the Apata area in Ibadan, capital of Oyo State. The protests which happened across the major cities of the state grounded activities and had youths carrying placards expressing their grievances on the situation since Friday. According to an eyewitness as reported by Nigerian Tribune, the shooting incident happened in the early hours of Saturday after men of the Nigerian Army were deployed on the street to douse the tension in the state. "We saw soldiers' vehicles pass through Brent, and all we heard were gunshots. An eyewitness added that there was also a female casualty in the shootout who is currently receiving treatment at the Lafia Hospital.

### **TERORRISM**

- In a rivalry fight in Gezuwa camp, terrorists from the Islamic State's West Africa Province (ISWAP) killed over 200 members of the outlawed Boko Haram insurgents and their family members. The degraded Boko Haram has taken several hits from both ISWAP and the unbearable conditions in the bush, forcing more than 560 people to surrender to military authorities, including top commanders, fighters, farmers, women, and children. As the crisis worsened, top Boko Haram commanders, including Laminu, the group's gun truck commander and handler of other lethal weapons, conceded defeat and decided to surrender to Nigerian authorities.



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- Suspected Boko Haram terrorists have abducted seven people from Ngamma community of Magumeri Local Council of Borno State. The abduction followed the terrorists' storming of Ngamma on March 2, 2023, in the north-west part of the local council. A counter-insurgency expert in the Lake Chad region, Zagazola Makama, disclosed, yesterday, in Maiduguri that the terrorists kidnapped three men and four women at gunpoint. In another development, a military source in Maiduguri also said that Boko Haram terrorists were exposed to hunger and hardship due to the consistent attacks by the Nigerian military and Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP), stating that they were forced to kidnap people for ransom. According to the source, over 300 Boko Haram terrorists surrendered in a week to Nigerian troops in Konduga, Bama and Mafa local councils in the state. "The ISWAP terrorists dislodged the strongholds of the Boko Haram at Gaizuwa in the axis of Mantari-Gabchari-Maimusari in Bama Local Council of the State.

### GUNMEN

- Gunmen have killed Rev. Musa Hyok, and his two sons in the Ganawuri community of Riyom Local Government Area of Plateau. DSP Alfred Alabo, the Alabo, who said that the slain cleric was a priest of the Church of Christ in Nation (COCIN), was killed on Sunday morning. "The command has commenced an investigation to unravel those behind the attack," he said.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- A domestic worker alongside two other fleeing suspects, has allegedly used a sharp object to cut some vital organs including the genitals of a 72-year-old woman in Umunze Orumba North Local Government Area of Anambra State. Sources gathered that the septuagenarian was at her residence when Ezeh led the two other suspects into the premises on Thursday. While on the premises, the suspects pinned down the 72-year-old woman, brought out a sharp object and reportedly used it in cutting the woman's genitals, ear, nipple, and fingers, among others. After perpetrating the crime, the suspects fled and abandoned the septuagenarian for dead. In a desperate attempt for survival, the aged woman, while writhing in pain, raised the alarm, and neighbors, who heard her cry for help, rushed her to the hospital for medical intervention.

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### **KIDNAP**

- Officers and men of the Bauchi State Police Command have killed two suspected kidnappers who attempted to kidnap an innocent man going about his daily activities. The operatives engaged the kidnappers in a gun duel which forced them to scamper in disarray with possible gunshot wounds. Consequently, two of the kidnappers met their Waterloo at the spot, while one AK47 was retrieved during the encounter. The victim was rescued and immediately taken to the Federal Medical Center Birnin Kudu in Jigawa State for treatment "Furthermore, concerted efforts have been intensified in a bid to follow their trail and arrest the fleeing suspects to face the full wrath of the law," he said.

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### **KIDNAP RESCUE**

- Soldiers have disarmed bandits and rescued 23 abductees from the Dogon-Daji community in Kagarko LGA, Kaduna State. On Monday, a resident whose relative was among those kidnapped confirmed the rescue. He claimed that on Sunday, soldiers accompanied by vigilantes from Jere and Kagarko stormed the bandits' camp inside a forest between Jere and Kagarko and engaged the bandits in a gun battle. The rescued victims were transported to the Jere Police Division and reunited with their families.

### **SUICIDE**

- On Sunday, a soldier committed suicide after shooting three people dead at the Forward Operating Base's accommodation center in Rabah, Sokoto State. According to sources, the victims include Lt. Sam Oladapo, Commander of the Forward Operating Base, Rabah Command, Sergeant Major Iliyasu Inusa, the FOB, Rabah Command, and another private soldier, Attahiru Mohammed. According to a military source, the events that led to the soldiers' deaths began with an argument involving only the Oladapo. According to the source, during the argument, Inusa and Mohammed intervened, and Chinonso allegedly shot the three soldiers dead before killing himself. Investigation had been ordered into the matter to ascertain the cause of the incident, the source, however, linked the incident to a post-traumatic stress disorder, adding that the corpses had been deposited at the Usman Danfodiyo University Teaching Hospital's morgue.

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### MANSLAUGHTER

- The Ondo State Police Command has arrested a 16-year-old girl for allegedly pushing a 52-year-old woman, Medinat Aliu, to death in Isolo, in the Akure area of the state. News has it that on the day of the incident, the deceased and the suspect had an argument over a matter that bordered on a well in the neighborhood. A source in the community said the argument degenerated into a scuffle, and in the process, the teenager allegedly pushed Aliu and she fell to death. "The issue began when the suspect was fetching water from the well in the area after she had earlier taken her bath. The deceased observed that the suspect did not cover her hair and she told her to cover the hair. The case has been transferred to State Criminal Investigative Department for further investigation.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- A pregnant woman has been reportedly killed by her husband, for allegedly delaying in opening the gate for him. The incident was said to have happened at Ezi-Ogwugwu community in Otolo Nnewi, Nnewi North Local Government Area of Anambra State. The suspect who has allegedly admitted to the crime after he was summoned by his in-laws for explanation on the development is currently in police custody. Though the suspect blamed the action on domestic violence, he said, "I returned home in the morning of March 2, 2023, and was knocking at the gate, but my pregnant wife did not open the gate immediately. "In that anger, I started shouting at her. I first slapped and hit her from the gate to the house before angrily grabbing her on the neck and strangling her. "I couldn't believe what happened because I never expected that such actions would lead to her death.

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### **ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENT**

- A family of ten was killed in a road accident on the Kaduna-Kachia highway on their way back from a wedding in Kano State. The tragic accident occurred near Makyelli, near Idon, on their way to Kachia town around 5 p.m. on Sunday. The victims were all male family members, including married men. According to reports, the vehicles were involved in a head-on collision with a lorry transporting firewood, which resulted in their deaths. The incident was confirmed by the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) Sector Commander, who blamed the accident on a dangerous overtake that caused the driver to lose control. The Gulf car, he claims, was overloaded at the time of the accident. He stated that the victims included eight adults and two children.

### **DEFENSE**

- Nigeria's National Defence College (NDC) and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) have pledged to work together to strengthen the two countries' national power. The Head of Delegation, NDC UAE, and Commandant, NDC Nigeria made the pledge during the UAE delegation's visit to Nigeria on Monday in Abuja. Brig-Gen Alahababi stated that the visit was significant for the Arab country because it allowed them to share their knowledge about the two NDCs' strategic studies and how Nigeria conducts business to meet its mission. According to him, the UAE believed that the armed forces were the mechanism for measuring national power, and that the two countries needed to work in harmony.

### **MILITARY OPERATIONS**

- Sector 3 Multinational Joint Task Force (MNJTF) troops successfully repelled Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP) attacks on the Monguno community in Borno State. According to a task force officer, ISWAP fighters attacked the Cameroonian border community on Sunday, March 4, in an attempt to penetrate the town on Lake Chad's shores. Zagazola Makama, a counter-insurgency expert in the Lake Chad region, revealed yesterday in Maiduguri that the terrorists sneaked into the community through Abbari community and Charly 6 formation, and the troops quickly engaged the terrorists in a fierce gun battle that lasted more than 30 minutes. Makama noted that the army's superior firepower resulted in the successful repulsion of the terrorists. Maj-Gen. Abdulsalam, Commander of the MNJTF, confirmed the development.



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### POLITICS

- Concerned Ndigbo Lagos on Monday endorsed the re-election of the state governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, for a second term in office. The group, while appealing to all residents of the state to consider the experience and scorecard of each governorship candidate vying for office, described Sanwo-Olu as the most experienced of all the candidates. Speaking during a press conference, the coordinator of the group, Chibunna Ubawuike, alongside the group's patron, Igwe Ikechukwu Ojede, and secretary, Ozoemena Nliam, said Sanwo-Olu's re-election would be in the interest of the Ndigbo in the state. Ubawuike explained that a vote for Sanwo-Olu became imperative because his administration had performed without discriminating against any tribe in the state.
- The full list of members-elect to the 10th House of Representatives has been released by the Independent National Electoral Commission. Along with the presidential election, the National Assembly elections were held on Saturday, February 25, 2023. The legislative arm of government, composed of the Red and Green chambers, will have a new set of members, with some returning familiar faces. Among the new faces in the House of Representatives are 34 members of the Labour Party, who defeated rivals from the ruling All Progressives Congress and the opposition Peoples Democratic Party to secure a seat in the National Assembly for themselves and their party.
- The ruling All Progressives Congress (APC) would most likely zone its Senate presidency seat to the Southeast zone. According to sources, given that the president-elect, Bola Tinubu, is from the Southwest region and the vice-president-elect, Kashim Shettima, is from the Northeast, the Southeast zone is well placed to secure the seat of Nigeria's third citizen. According to this newspaper, top southeast APC politicians such as Senator Orji Uzor Kalu of Abia North Senatorial District and Governor Dave Umahi of Ebonyi State are among those lobbying for the position. According to a member of the APC's National Working Committee (NWC), some party elders believe that zoning the Senate presidency seat to the South is a good idea.

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### NATIONAL SECURITY

- Governor of Edo State, has urged the federal government to decentralize the nation's security agencies in order to effectively combat crime across the country. He made the announcement at a special valedictory court session in Benin in honor of Justice Rita Nosakhare Pemu, the retired Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeal, Owerri Division. We believe and advocate that in order for Nigeria to have an effective security system, the security system must be decentralized, as the federal government cannot secure the entire country on its own. "You witnessed what occurred on February 25. The calm and peace we saw in the country after the election is because people know there is an institution where they can believe and hope for justice. They are holding back, shielding their swords until the outcome of the legal process is known," Obaseki added. He described the judiciary as the last hope for the citizens. Half of the problem is solved once a court's registry is sanitized. A proactive and untainted registry is a boon to any court. There will be no court if the registry is not in good health."
- The Nigerian Army has launched an investigation into the killing of a soldier and his colleagues at Forward Operations Base (FOB) Rabbah in Sokoto State. According to Army spokesperson Brig General Onyema Nwachikwu, the unfortunate incident occurred on March 5, 2023 at the FOB, where troops were deployed for Internal Security Operation (ISO). The circumstances leading up to the incident could not be ascertained immediately, as the soldier who killed his colleagues also shot himself immediately, terminating his own life. The General Officer Commanding (GOC) 8 Division Nigerian Army, who also doubles as the Commander Joint Task Force Northwest Operation Hadarin Daji and other senior officers have visited the location, where he commiserate with troops for losing their colleagues in such an unfortunate situation.

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- The Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) announced yesterday that its officers from the Service's Federal Operations Unit (FOU), Zone A, busted a two-man syndicate that specialized in forging Customs clearance documents for vehicles in Benin Republic. During a press conference in Lagos, acting Customs Area Controllers, FOU, Zone A deputy Comptroller Hussein Ejibunu revealed that the unit intercepted contraband with a Duty Paid Value (DPV) of N501.4 million from the South-West in the previous month. The suspects were apprehended with fake Customs valuation stamps, a forged Customs Duty Chart Book, and other clearing documents. In a major breakthrough in our fight against smuggling and economic saboteurs, this unit busted and arrested a two-man syndicate that forges Customs clearing documents. Following the arrest of one suspect (Shuaibu Kolo) in a 2007 Mercedes Benz on Ogun State's Ajilete-Ikoro Road, an in-depth investigation revealed over 600 pictures of vehicles domiciled in Benin Republic awaiting forged clearance by the same criminal syndicate before being moved into Nigeria.
- The Indigenous People of Biafra, or IPOB, has declared that it will fight any attempt to enthrone Fulani emirates in Nigeria's South-East region. IPOB went on to say that any politician or political party pushing the agenda should abandon it because it will never see the light of day. The group announced this in a statement issued on Wednesday by its Media and Publicity Secretary, Emma Powerful. Under the leadership of Mazi Nnamdi Kanu, we warn against any plan to enthrone Fulani Emirates in the South-East especially in Imo and Abia States. Any Igbo politician or party that has reached an agreement to enthrone the Fulani Emirates in any Christian community in Biafraland will be resisted with everything we have.

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- Following recent armed attacks on the Opu-Nembe Community Nembe Local Government Area, Bayelsa State, the residents have pleaded with the federal and state governments, as well as security agencies, to come to their aid. It should be remembered that three people were brutally murdered on February 15 and 16 by gunmen who stormed the town. Chief Ezekiel Ikoli, Chairman of the Opu-Nembe Council of Chiefs, lamented that the people now live in fear, and that many have deserted the community and been forced to live as internally displaced persons across the state. Ikoli, who identified a surveillance security contractor from the area as the mastermind of the killings, expressed regret that, despite several petitions by the royal throne and the people to various security outfits across the country, no action had been taken. With the ongoing 2023 general elections and the amount of money at their disposal, and the precedent of repeated attacks on Opu-Nembe Kingdom, particularly the most recent one on February 15th, 2023, every eligible voter in the community who has become internally displaced is afraid to return home even to exercise their franchise.

## CRIME

- An area court in Gwagwalada, FCT, ordered on Tuesday that two cattle herders who pleaded guilty to kidnapping and raping a woman be remanded in a correctional facility until their sentencing. Earlier, the prosecutor, Dabo Yakubu, told the court that the defendants, Nuru Tukur (21) and Yusufa Haruna (29), abducted an eight-month pregnant woman from her home in Abaji Area Council of the FCT ON 25th February, took her to a bush, and raped her. According to the prosecutor, the offenses violated Penal Code Sections 96, 262, 264, and 387. The Judge, Malam Abdullahi Abdulkarim, postponed sentencing so that he could see and assess the victim's condition.

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- The Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) has seized a multi-million naira property owned by Bauchi State Governor, Senator Bala Mohammed, who was previously Minister of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT). The ICPC's intelligence-led investigation revealed that Senator Mohammed, in his official capacity as FCT Minister, had assigned the property to a school with himself and family members as directors and shareholders, despite the Federal Ministry of Agriculture's existing right to the land. To that end, the Commission will issue seizure notices and serve them on the appropriate land registry, ministry, and department where the property is located, as required by law. Following the seizure notice, the Commission will apply to the court for an order of forfeiture under Section 48 of the ICPC Act, in accordance with Federal Government Policy focusing on the recovery of criminal proceeds, pending when the governor's tenure expires.
- Officers of the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) busted a two-man syndicate that specialized in forging Customs clearance documents for vehicles in Benin Republic. Zone A deputy Comptroller Hussein Ejibunu revealed that the unit intercepted contraband with a Duty Paid Value (DPV) of N501.4 million from the South-West in the previous month. According to Ejibunu, the suspects were apprehended with fake Customs valuation stamps, a forged Customs Duty Chart Book, and other clearing documents. "In continuation of our onslaught against smuggling and economic saboteurs, this unit made a major breakthrough in the bursting and arrest of a two-man syndicate that forges Customs clearing documents," the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) said yesterday. Following the arrest of one suspect (Shuaibu Kolo) in a 2007 Mercedes Benz on Ogun State's Ajilete-idiroko Road, an in-depth investigation revealed over 600 pictures of vehicles domiciled in Benin Republic awaiting forged clearance by the same criminal syndicate before being moved into Nigeria. e Service busted a two-man syndicate in Benin Republic that specialized in forging Customs clearance documents for vehicles.



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### BUSINESS

- The Nigerian stock market closed flat on Tuesday, more than a week after the country's presidential election and three days before the gubernatorial election. The Nigerian stock market closed flat on Tuesday, more than a week after the country's presidential election ended and three days before the gubernatorial and state assembly elections. According to trading results released by the bourse at the end of trading in Lagos, the Nigeria Exchange broad gauge, the All-Share Index, closed with a zero change, neither rising nor falling. The index closed at 55,603.94 points, up from 55,605.57 points on Monday. Ten stocks gained, including Dangote Cement (0.72%), FCMB (3.5%), and OANDO (2.8%), but their impact was offset by the weight of ten others that lost, including MRS (lost by the daily maximum limit of 10%), NCR (9.9%), and Honeywell Flour (6.4%), among others. According to analyst Abiola Rasag, Tuesday's flat close reflects investors' efforts to understand the market's possible direction in the context of Nigeria's political climate.
- MTN Nigeria Plc stated in a statement filed with the Nigerian Exchange Limited that it raised N125 billion through the issuance of commercial paper. The issuance was part of its N150bn CP issuance program's Series 4 and 5 Commercial Paper issuance. While the telecom company had hoped to raise N100 billion, the transaction was "125% subscribed, with a total of N125 billion raised," according to the company. The company stated that it issued two papers, 188-day commercial paper with a yield of 11% and 267-day commercial paper with a yield of 12.50%. "The CP issuance is part of MTN's strategy to diversify its funding sources. The proceeds will be used for the company's "short-term working capital and funding requirements," according to the company.

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- The Association of Licensed Telecoms Operators of Nigeria (ALTON) has announced the implementation of harmonized short codes across all networks as part of the Nigerian Communications Commission's regulatory modernisation initiative (NCC). The goal of shortcode harmonization is to implement a streamlined process for common shortcodes across the industry, to make life easier for Nigerians by memorizing single codes for various services across all networks, and to provide a cohesive regulatory framework that is consistent with global best practices. "Following the directive from NCC, the Association hereby inform the general public that the Network Operators have begun implementing the shortcodes, working closely with the NCC. The Commission has given subscribers enough time to adjust to this new development. "We are confident that this will improve customer experience across networks," ALTON said in a statement on Tuesday.

## FIRE OUTBREAK

- One person has reportedly died as the Akere Spare Parts Market in Olodi-Apapa, Ajegunle area of Lagos State, was gutted by fire. Firefighters from Ajegunle Fire Station quickly contained the raging fire and prevented it from causing further damage. Ajegunle Fire Station firefighters quickly contained the raging fire and prevented it from causing further damage. The outbreak started at about 03:28 Wednesday wee hours, a fire outbreak was alerted to Akere Spare Parts Market, Kirikiri Road, Akere Bus Stop, Olodi-Apapa, Ajegunle, Lagos, which saw the Ajegunle Fire Station of the Lagos State Fire and Rescue Service as the first respondent. The raging fire was quickly contained by firefighters from Ajegunle Fire Station, preventing further damage. The raging fire was quickly contained by firefighters from Ajegunle Fire Station, preventing further damage.

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### FUEL SCARCITY

- According to oil marketers, the scarcity of Premium Motor Spirit, also known as petrol, in Abuja and other northern states could last until after Saturday's gubernatorial elections in various states. Petrol scarcity worsened on Monday in Abuja, Nasarawa, Niger, and other Northern states, as thousands of motorists swarmed the few filling stations that dispensed the commodity. Petrol prices rose to as high as N400/litre at independent marketers' filling stations, while black marketers sold the product for between N450/litre and N500/litre. Many motorists resorted to obtaining the product from black market dealers, but the majority of these dealers lacked the ability to conduct mobile transactions, exacerbating the plight of frustrated fuel seekers. Members of Nigeria's Independent Marketers Association confirmed that approximately 90% of their filling stations were closed due to a lack of products. Similarly, most major retailers' stores were closed, and the few that did sell gasoline were met with long lines of motorists.

### THREAT TO LIFE

- The Lagos State Police Command has charged a landlord with 'trial by ordeal' after his tenants reported that he took their names to a shrine after a misunderstanding at their state residence. He was arraigned before an Ojo Magistrate's Court in the state on two counts bordering on conspiracy and trial by ordeal. The prosecution's counsel told the court that the defendant committed the crime on February 21, 2023, in Ira Quatres, Ojo, Lagos. He said following a misunderstanding with his tenants, the defendant resorted to taking their names to the shrine of a deity known as 'Arusi Okija'. According to the prosecutor, the complainants, they received a call from the shrine's herbalist, who invited them to appear in person before February 27, or face death. According to the prosecutor, the defendant first referred the case to mediation and then to a court in Badagry, but after being dissatisfied, resorted to the illegal method of trial by ordeal at the shrine.



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- The National Drug Law Enforcement Agency has met with its Pakistani counterpart, the Division of Controlled Drugs Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan, to discuss ways to collaborate in order to limit illicit drug trafficking channels between Nigeria and Pakistan. Sunday PUNCH reports that the agency's Chairman/Chief Executive Officer, Brig. Gen. Buba Marwa (retd.), had approved the trip of a delegation comprising directors of the commission to a meeting in Vienna, Austria, in February, to discuss modalities on how both countries could end drug trafficking. Among the delegates were Joseph Nbona, Director, Prosecution and Legal Services; Gadzama Bashir, Director, Operations and General Investigation; Abdulrahman Adebawale, Head, Data/Digital Intelligence, Directorate of Intelligence; and Aminu Jega, Directorate of Seaport Operations, who were joined by Aderemi Afolabi, Deputy Director, Investigation and Enforcement of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control.

### **FRAUD**

- A 33-year-old Point of Sale operator, was arraigned before an Ota Magistrates' Court in Ogun State on Tuesday for allegedly defrauding a company of N891,000. The prosecutor, Inspector E.O Adaraloye, told the court that the defendant committed the crimes around 10:00 a.m. on October 20, 2022. Seun was accused of committing the crime at No. 5, Fatimilola St., Afobaje, Itele, Awori, Ota, Ogun State. According to Adaraloye, the defendant was given N891,000 by Monie Point International to pay some customers but failed to do so. "Instead of fulfilling the agreement between him and the company, the defendant fraudulently converted the sum of N891,000 to personal use," he said. According to the prosecutor, the offenses violated Sections 390(9) and 419 of the Criminal Code, Laws of Ogun, 2006.

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- The Association of Mobile Money and Bank Agents in Nigeria has stated that only unlicensed POS agents can carry out point-of-sale terminal theft and fraud. The activities of these agents, according to the association, were having a negative impact on the POS industry. The association's President stated this at the association's sixth national conference, titled 'Agency Banking in the Digital Age: Enforcing Standards, Seizing Opportunities, and Managing Risks.' He stated that the association would no longer tolerate unlicensed operators' activities. "We are also working with the operators," he added. The Association of Licensed Mobile Payment Operators is in attendance at this event. He claims that the organization currently has 1.4 million registered agents. "Most significant is the quantum leap in the aggregate number of new mobile money and bank agents we have in the market space today," Olojo continued.

## METRO

- Due to the cash crunch caused by the Central Bank of Nigeria's (CBN) naira redesign policy, the Lagos State Government has begun the free release of impounded vehicles to their owners. The vehicles have been released to their owners since last Saturday and are still being released. Dr. Frederick Oladeinde, the Lagos State Commissioner for Transportation, said in an interview yesterday that the governor had ensured that vehicles impounded for minor traffic violations were returned to their owners with fines waived. The release excludes major crimes committed. These are just minor traffic offenses that have been committed in Lagos and this is showing empathy and trying to understand how difficult it has been and it is not a reason for us to stop you from making ends meet and so hence the governor's magnanimity.





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### NATIONAL SECURITY

- Governor of Edo State, has urged the federal government to decentralize the nation's security agencies in order to effectively combat crime across the country. He made the announcement at a special valedictory court session in Benin in honor of Justice Rita Nosakhare Pemu, the retired Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeal, Owerri Division. We believe and advocate that in order for Nigeria to have an effective security system, the security system must be decentralized, as the federal government cannot secure the entire country on its own. "You witnessed what occurred on February 25. The calm and peace we saw in the country after the election is because people know there is an institution where they can believe and hope for justice. They are holding back, shielding their swords until the outcome of the legal process is known," Obaseki added. He described the judiciary as the last hope for the citizens. Half of the problem is solved once a court's registry is sanitized. A proactive and untainted registry is a boon to any court. There will be no court if the registry is not in good health."
- The Nigerian Army has launched an investigation into the killing of a soldier and his colleagues at Forward Operations Base (FOB) Rabbah in Sokoto State. According to Army spokesperson Brig General Onyema Nwachikwu, the unfortunate incident occurred on March 5, 2023 at the FOB, where troops were deployed for Internal Security Operation (ISO). The circumstances leading up to the incident could not be ascertained immediately, as the soldier who killed his colleagues also shot himself immediately, terminating his own life. The General Officer Commanding (GOC) 8 Division Nigerian Army, who also doubles as the Commander Joint Task Force Northwest Operation Hadarin Daji and other senior officers have visited the location, where he commiserated with troops for losing their colleagues in such an unfortunate situation.
- The Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) announced yesterday that its officers from the Service's Federal Operations Unit (FOU), Zone A, busted a two-man syndicate that specialized in forging

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- security agencies, to come to their aid. It should be remembered that three people were brutally murdered on February 15 and 16 by gunmen who stormed the town. Chief Ezekiel Ikoli, Chairman of the Opu-Nembe Council of Chiefs, lamented that the people now live in fear, and that many have deserted the community and been forced to live as internally displaced persons across the state. Ikoli, who identified a surveillance security contractor from the area as the mastermind of the killings, expressed regret that, despite several petitions by the royal throne and the people to various security outfits across the country, no action had been taken. With the ongoing 2023 general elections and the amount of money at their disposal, and the precedent of repeated attacks on Opu-Nembe Kingdom, particularly the most recent one on February 15th, 2023, every eligible voter in the community who has become internally displaced is afraid to return home even to exercise their franchise.

## CRIME

- An area court in Gwagwalada, FCT, ordered on Tuesday that two cattle herders who pleaded guilty to kidnapping and raping a woman be remanded in a correctional facility until their sentencing. Earlier, the prosecutor, Dabo Yakubu, told the court that the defendants, Nuru Tukur (21) and Yusufa Haruna (29), abducted an eight-month pregnant woman from her home in Abaji Area Council of the FCT ON 25th February, took her to a bush, and raped her. According to the prosecutor, the offenses violated Penal Code Sections 96, 262, 264, and 387. The Judge, Malam Abdullahi Abdulkarim, postponed sentencing so that he could see and assess the victim's condition.

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- The Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) has seized a multi-million naira property owned by Bauchi State Governor, Senator Bala Mohammed, who was previously Minister of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT). The ICPC's intelligence-led investigation revealed that Senator Mohammed, in his official capacity as FCT Minister, had assigned the property to a school with himself and family members as directors and shareholders, despite the Federal Ministry of Agriculture's existing right to the land. To that end, the Commission will issue seizure notices and serve them on the appropriate land registry, ministry, and department where the property is located, as required by law. Following the seizure notice, the Commission will apply to the court for an order of forfeiture under Section 48 of the ICPC Act, in accordance with Federal Government Policy focusing on the recovery of criminal proceeds, pending when the governor's tenure expires.
- Officers of the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) busted a two-man syndicate that specialized in forging Customs clearance documents for vehicles in Benin Republic. Zone A deputy Comptroller Hussein Ejibunu revealed that the unit intercepted contraband with a Duty Paid Value (DPV) of N501.4 million from the South-West in the previous month. According to Ejibunu, the suspects were apprehended with fake Customs valuation stamps, a forged Customs Duty Chart Book, and other clearing documents. "In continuation of our onslaught against smuggling and economic saboteurs, this unit made a major breakthrough in the bursting and arrest of a two-man syndicate that forges Customs clearing documents," the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) said yesterday. Following the arrest of one suspect (Shuaibu Kolo) in a 2007 Mercedes Benz on Ogun State's Ajilete-idiroko Road, an in-depth investigation revealed over 600 pictures of vehicles domiciled in Benin Republic awaiting forged clearance by the same criminal syndicate before being moved into Nigeria. e Service busted a two-man syndicate in Benin Republic that specialized in forging Customs clearance documents for vehicles.

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### BUSINESS

- The Nigerian stock market closed flat on Tuesday, more than a week after the country's presidential election and three days before the gubernatorial election. The Nigerian stock market closed flat on Tuesday, more than a week after the country's presidential election ended and three days before the gubernatorial and state assembly elections. According to trading results released by the bourse at the end of trading in Lagos, the Nigeria Exchange broad gauge, the All-Share Index, closed with a zero change, neither rising nor falling. The index closed at 55,603.94 points, up from 55,605.57 points on Monday. Ten stocks gained, including Dangote Cement (0.72%), FCMB (3.5%), and OANDO (2.8%), but their impact was offset by the weight of ten others that lost, including MRS (lost by the daily maximum limit of 10%), NCR (9.9%), and Honeywell Flour (6.4%), among others. According to analyst Abiola Rasag, Tuesday's flat close reflects investors' efforts to understand the market's possible direction in the context of Nigeria's political climate.
- MTN Nigeria Plc stated in a statement filed with the Nigerian Exchange Limited that it raised N125 billion through the issuance of commercial paper. The issuance was part of its N150bn CP issuance program's Series 4 and 5 Commercial Paper issuance. While the telecom company had hoped to raise N100 billion, the transaction was "125% subscribed, with a total of N125 billion raised," according to the company. The company stated that it issued two papers, 188-day commercial paper with a yield of 11% and 267-day commercial paper with a yield of 12.50%. "The CP issuance is part of MTN's strategy to diversify its funding sources. The proceeds will be used for the company's "short-term working capital and funding requirements," according to the company.



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### **DRUG CONTROL**

- The National Drug Law Enforcement Agency confirmed the arrest of 793 people in the Federal Capital Territory for illegal drug possession last year. While addressing the press on Tuesday during a grassroots sensitisation and awareness campaign on the dangers of illicit drugs, the Commander of the NDLEA in FCT, Kabir Tsakuwa, also confirmed the seizure of 13,125 kilogrammes of illegal drugs in the country's capital. Tsakuwa noted that the records of seizures, arrests, and convictions were impressive during the sensitization led by the Director, Drug Demand Reduction, NDLEA, Dr Ngozi Madubuike, in collaboration with Nababa Global Concept Limited. "In the last year, 13,125kg of various drug substances were seized, with 12,660.3 kg of cannabis sativa accounting for the majority of the seized drugs. Others include 21.957 kilograms of cocaine, 0.008 kilograms of heroin, and 443.693 kilograms of various psychotropic substances, as well as 78 people with drug use problems, 74 males and four females, who were successfully counseled and rehabilitated during the same time period. During the same time period, 793 suspects were arrested, including 768 males and 29 females, and 167 convictions were recorded, including 161 males and six females.

### **FRAUD**

- A 33-year-old Point of Sale operator, was arraigned before an Ota Magistrates' Court in Ogun State on Tuesday for allegedly defrauding a company of N891,000. The prosecutor, Inspector E.O Adaraloye, told the court that the defendant committed the crimes around 10:00 a.m. on October 20, 2022. Seun was accused of committing the crime at No. 5, Fatimilola St., Afobaje, Itele, Awori, Ota, Ogun State. According to Adaraloye, the defendant was given N891,000 by Monie Point International to pay some customers but failed to do so. "Instead of fulfilling the agreement between him and the company, the defendant fraudulently converted the sum of N891,000 to personal use," he said. According to the prosecutor, the offenses violated Sections 390(9) and 419 of the Criminal Code, Laws of Ogun, 2006.



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### METRO

- Due to the cash crunch caused by the Central Bank of Nigeria's (CBN) naira redesign policy, the Lagos State Government has begun the free release of impounded vehicles to their owners. The vehicles have been released to their owners since last Saturday and are still being released. Dr. Frederick Oladeinde, the Lagos State Commissioner for Transportation, said in an interview yesterday that the governor had ensured that vehicles impounded for minor traffic violations were returned to their owners with fines waived. The release excludes major crimes committed. These are just minor traffic offenses that have been committed in Lagos and this is showing empathy and trying to understand how difficult it has been and it is not a reason for us to stop you from making ends meet and so hence the governor's magnanimity.

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### ARSON

- The troops of 13 Brigade Nigerian Army, Calabar, deployed for Operation Akpakwu have rescued Mrs Gertrude Njar, the Commissioner for Women Affairs in Cross River. The Army Public Relations Officer, 13 Brigade, Calabar issued a statement announcing her rescue. On February 1, the Commissioner was kidnapped in the Mayne Avenue area of Calabar South. "Acting on actionable intelligence on the victim's whereabouts, troops laid a tacit ambush for the kidnappers around Peter Effiong Creek, Messembe, Jebes. "The gallant troops tactically sprung an ambush to take the kidnappers by surprise while in search of the victim and overpowered them when they came in contact, the criminals were forced to abandon the victim and fled into the creeks.



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### **SHOOTING GUNMEN**

- According to security sources, 26 fishermen were killed in an attack by suspected Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) terrorists in Gamborun Ngala, Ngala local government area of Borno State. According to sources, the fishermen were killed on Wednesday while fishing and fetching firewood by a swarm of terrorists who stormed the field on motorcycles, used their fishing net and wrapped them before they started torturing them, after they became unconscious, they opened fire at them killing them at random in Mukdolo village, which is located about 19 kilometers north of Dikwa town in the State. Sources said that nine among the victims managed to fled with three of them with bullet wounds, while the rest were rounded up by the gunmen and were murdered.

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### LIFE THREAT

- An Ibadan-based broadcaster has expressed concern about threats to his life in connection with a political jingle aired by his former employer who works for Honor FM. He stated that he had left the station, which the people claimed broadcast opposing jingles and news items deemed to be anti-political. The threatened broadcaster told journalists in Ibadan on Wednesday that he received threat calls where the callers promised to take his life and that of his wife and children if all the news items being used for opposition parties in his former station are not discontinued.

### POLITICS

- The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has announced that the governorship and house of assembly elections will be held on March 18. The elections were originally scheduled for March 11 across 24 states. On Wednesday, the Court of Appeal denied an application by Peter Obi, the Labour Party (LP) presidential candidate, to prevent INEC from reconfiguring the bimodal voter accreditation system (BVAS) ahead of the governorship and state assembly elections. INEC, in a statement late Wednesday signed by Festus Okoye, INEC national commissioner and chairman, information and voter education committee, said while the ruling of the tribunal makes it possible for the commission to commence the preparation of the BVAS for the governorship and state assembly elections, it has come far too late for the reconfiguration to be concluded". "Consequently, the commission has taken the difficult but necessary decision to reschedule the Governorship and State Assembly elections which will now take place on Saturday 18 March 2023. "By this decision, campaigns will continue until midnight on Thursday, March 16, 2023, or 24 hours before the new election date," the statement reads.



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### **METRO**

- Three people are believed to have died after a train collided with a fully loaded high capacity bus carrying Lagos State Government employees in the PwD/Shogunle area of Ikeja, Lagos State. According to an eyewitness, the bus was traveling from Oshodi bus terminal to Ikeja via PwD when the collision occurred, as it attempted to negotiate the route while passing through the rail track without anticipating an oncoming train. The Lagos State Traffic Management Agency confirmed that there had been casualties and that efforts were underway to transport victims to the nearest hospital. When contacted, the emergency team, which included the police and the Lagos State Emergency Management Agencies (LASEMA), stated that they were on their way to the accident scene when this report was written.

### **BUSINESS**

- The Nigerian National Petroleum Company Limited (NNPCL) will assist Gambia in exploring and evaluating potential oil resources. Mele Kyari, the NNPCL's Group Chief Executive Officer (GCEO), confirmed that the company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Gambian National Petroleum Corporation (GNPC) in this regard. The exploration activities will include geological and geophysical studies, as well as seismic data acquisition and analysis, with the NNPCL also collaborating with the GNPC to identify potential exploration blocks and carry out drilling activities in the country, while the MoU will provide the two countries with unique opportunities to collaborate in the oil and gas sector. The signing of the MoU is part of Nigeria and the NNPCL's efforts to maximize oil production both locally and across the region.



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### CRIME

- Okechukwu Akube, a witness for the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, testified in a Federal High Court in Lagos on Wednesday about how N2 billion was allegedly diverted from the Nigerian Air Force Special Emergency Account to a property in Ikoyi, Lagos. The witness revealed this while testifying in the ongoing trial of a former Chief of Air Staff, Adesola Amosu, and two others for alleged N21 billion fraud. At the case's resumed hearing on Wednesday, Akube, the first prosecution witness, was led in evidence by prosecution counsel Rotimi Oyedepo, SAN. On November 13, 2018, the EFCC re-arrested Amosu, along with a former Chief of Account and Budgeting, Air Vice Marshal Jacob Adigun, and a former Director of Finance and Budgeting, Air Commodore Gbadebo Owodunni, on an amended 13-count charge of money laundering totaling N21 billion.
- The Adamawa State Police Command arrested two suspected armed robbers who were allegedly terrorizing commuters on the Mayo Belwa-Ngure highway. The highway is located south of Yola, the state capital. Ibrahim Sajo and Isiaka Yunusa of Numan Local Government Area's Baputolo and Kona communities are the two suspects. According to the police, one other suspect escaped as the identified two were being apprehended on Saturday, March 4, 2023, shortly after their operation along the road that night. Ibrahim and the other suspects had armed themselves with machetes and sticks, barricaded the road, and begun what they hoped would be another successful day of robbing travelers.



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### PROTEST ACTION

- On Thursday, the Association of Local Government Nigeria (ALGON) in Benue State issued a warning about simultaneous attacks by armed intruders in six Local Government Areas in the state. ALGON chairman Mike Uba, speaking at a press conference in Makurdi, expressed concern that armed invaders had recently sustained mayhem on rural dwellers in what appeared to be coordinated attacks. Logo, Guma, Kwande, Gwer West, Agatu, and Makurdi were among the six affected local government areas, according to Uba, who added, "This is the first time that six local government areas have been attacked simultaneously." Soludo. "Seven people were killed on Wednesday - three in the night and four in the morning - at Yelewata community; the menace continues," he said. The security agencies are doing their best, but it would be difficult for them to respond to all of these attacks at the same time. Their numbers are insufficient to do so all at once." Uba, who is also the chairman of the Guma Local Government Area, has urged the Federal Government to send more troops to the state to combat security challenges.

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### NATIONAL SECURITY

- According to the Defence Headquarters, troops from Operation Delta Safe discovered and demolished 74 illegal refining sites in the Niger Delta region over the last two weeks. Musa Danmadami, the Director of Defence Media Operations, a major general, announced this at the bi-weekly news briefing on armed forces operations on Thursday in Abuja. Mr Danmadami stated that during Operation Octopus, troops destroyed 341 storage tanks, 31 wooden boats, 260 ovens, and 15 dugout pits. He also claimed that troops recovered 209,000 liters of crude oil, 145,000 liters of diesel, and 4,500 liters of gasoline. He also stated that 27 different types of weapons, 468 different types of ammunition, two speed boats, two outboard engines, eight vehicles, and four motorcycles were recovered, and 71 criminals. Preparations were made at creeks, waterways, the high sea, towns and cities in Bayelsa, Delta, Rivers, Cross River, and Akwa Ibom states, he said, with positive results.

### ACCIDENT

- On Thursday, five people were burned beyond recognition and three others were injured in a fatal accident on the Badagry-Seme Expressway in Lagos. Mr Sulaiman Taiwo, the Unit Commander of the Federal Road Safety Corps in Badagry, confirmed the accident. According to him, the accident happened on the Badagry-Seme Expressway near Akoro Village. A Honda Pilot SUV with the registration number LSR 772 HE and a motorcycle with an unidentified registration number were involved in the accident. Sources said the driver of the Honda Pilot must have been over-speeding and lost control before hitting the motorcycle laden with petrol while the driver of the jeep collided with the motorcycle resulting in an explosion.

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### **FRAUD**

- A 45-year old man was arraigned in Lagos on Thursday for allegedly defrauding two men out of N950 million. According to the News Agency of Nigeria, the defendant was arraigned in a Sabo-Yaba Chief Magistrates' Court on three counts. He did, however, enter a not guilty plea to the charges of obtaining by false pretenses, forgery, and stealing. The prosecutor, Rita Momah, an Assistant Superintendent of Police, told the court that the defendant committed the crimes in the Ikorodu area of Lagos State between January 2017 and December 2022. Momah claimed that the defendant obtained N450 million from one Mr Olusola Ikuyajesin and N500 million from one Mr Durodola Balogun under false pretenses of using the money to purchase stationery. She also stated that the defendant forged an organization's Local Purchase Orders in order to carry out the acts, in violation of Sections 287, 314, and 365 of the Lagos State Criminal Law.

### **POLITICS**

- The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has vowed to appeal a court ruling ordering the use of Temporary Voter Cards (TVCs) in the upcoming governorship and state assembly elections. In a suit marked FHC/ABJ/CS/180/2023 and filed on February 8, one Kofoworola Olusegun and Wilson Allwell challenged INEC's position that only Permanent Voter Cards (PVCs) can be used in an election. However, in a decision issued on Thursday by Justice Obiora Ekwuatu of the Federal High Court in Abuja, the electoral body was ordered to allow the use of TVC in the March 18 gubernatorial election. The order was issued by the presiding judge while delivering judgment in a suit filed by two Nigerians seeking the use of TVCs in general elections when PVCs are unavailable. According to the judge, the order was issued on the assumption that the plaintiffs were duly registered and captured in INEC's database prior to the start of the general election, but the commission's Chief Press Secretary, Rotimi Oyekanmi, stated that the commission would appeal the decision.

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### **DRUG CONTROL**

- Prof. Christianah Adeyeye, Director-General of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control, NAFDAC, stated on Thursday that Nigeria will not support the trend of legalizing cannabis for non-medical use because the country lacks the financial capacity to combat cannabis cultivation, production, and illegal use. Meanwhile, the International Narcotics Control Board, INCB, has released its 2022 Annual Report. Adeyeye stated at the launch of the INCB Annual Report, Availability Supplement, and Precursor Report for 2022 in Lagos that the 2018 National Drug Use Survey revealed that the prevalence of any drug was 14.44%, or 14.3 million people using drugs between the ages of 15 and 64. She noted that it is relatively high when compared to the global annual prevalence of 5.6 percent among adults in 2016.

### **CRIME**

- A 22-year-old woman awaiting trial in Akwa Ibom State High Court in Uyo was granted bail after giving birth to a baby girl in Uyo Medium Custodial Center. The nursing mother and her younger brother were being held in custody for allegedly receiving a stolen phone worth N20,000. The siblings were granted unconditional bail by Justice Ntong Festus Ntong, who said he was moved to grant the order because of the condition of the nursing mother and the infant, who has also been in prison since she was born on September 24, 2022 to grant the order. Barrister Samson Adula, counsel for the defendants, told the court that her case was sympathetic, lamenting that "a 40-year-old Police Inspector, caused the arrest and detention of the poor orphans, accusing them and two others of breaking into her shop along Aka Etinan Road near Uyo, in December, 2019, to steal phones and recharge cards." The siblings, both senior secondary school dropouts from the Edem Idim Ibakeshi community in the Ini local government area, were charged with conspiracy to receive stolen property and receiving stolen property, and have been imprisoned since January 2022.



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### BUSINESS

- Mr. Roger Brown, the CEO of Seplat Energy Plc, has had his work permit, visa, and residence permit revoked by Nigeria's Minister of Interior, Abuja, following allegations of racism, favoring of foreign workers, and discrimination against Nigerian employees leveled against him by company employees. The federal government also charged Brown with having a Combined Expatriate Residence Permit and Aliens Card (CERPAC) that was not based on a valid Expatriate Quota. Brown was also accused of failing to honor invitations from the Ministry's panel that investigated the matter. The revocation was contained in a March 3, 2023, letter from the Minister of Internal Affairs to the Board Chairman of Seplat Energy Plc, which THISDAY obtained at the Federal High Court Lagos, where some concerned stakeholders today instituted a legal proceeding against Seplat in this regard. "Withdrawal of Work Permit, CERPAC, Visa/Residence Permit of Mr. Roger Thompson Brown - CEO, SEPLAT Energy Plc," the letter stated. "These allegations include racism, favoring foreign workers, and discriminating against Nigerian employees. Several witnesses provided testimony that supported the allegations. Mr. Roger T. Brown refused to attend despite two invitations, claiming he was unavailable, despite the fact that we learned he was in Abuja for other reasons at the time. Mr. Roger Brown was also found to be in possession of CERPAC that was not based on a validly issued Expatriate Quota approved by the Ministry of Interior, resulting in a violation of relevant Immigration Laws and Regulations. As a result of these findings, the Honourable Minister determined that Mr. Brown's continued presence in Nigeria is detrimental to national interests.

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### **ARMED ROBBERY**

- The Zamfara State Police Command rescued 14 kidnapped people who had been held captive for 68 days. On March 10, 2023, while on a mop-up operation near Munhay Forest, police tactical operatives and vigilantes successfully dislodged some bandits' camp belonging to recalcitrant bandits' kingpin Dogo Sule."As a result of the operation, 14 hostages were rescued, including two male adults, seven females, and five children under the age of two.

### **KIDNAP RESCUE**

- After a 45-minute gun battle, police in Ogun rescued a journalist from his kidnappers. On Thursday, Oduneye, the publisher of Issues Magazine, was kidnapped in the Mobalufon area of Ijebu Ode. This is according to a statement issued on Monday by the State Police Public Relations Officer in Abeokuta. He said, the journalist was riding in his Toyota Camry car when he was attacked at about 7.50 pm on his way to Ijebu-Ode from Abeokuta. The abductors later called his wife the next morning using the victim's phone and demanded N30 million in ransom. Following the report, the Commissioner directed the Divisional Police Officer, Obalende Divisional Headquarters, under whose jurisdiction the incident occurred, to ensure the victim's safe rescue.

### **NATIONAL SECURITY**

- According to a video shared on Twitter Friday evening, members of the Nigerian Navy allegedly attacked a police station in Delta State, in the country's south-south area, and assaulted a police officer. According to the Twitter user who posted the video, the event occurred at Enerhen police station, which is located near Warri. The one-minute, 30-second video shows the assaulted officer wandering around restlessly within the police station, surrounded by outraged colleagues pleading with him to remain calm. His face was bloodied, and his police suit was torn in places. "Kingsley, take a deep breath. "Don't take laws into your own hands," a person in the video background yelled. "Make una leave me," the attacked officer shrugged as he yanked off his shirt and dashed towards the gate, ostensibly to confront the naval authorities who had assaulted him.

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### **ASSASSINATION**

- Ogbonnaya Ugwu, the councilor representing Echara Ward 2 in Okposi Village, Ohaozara Local Government Area of Ebonyi State, was assassinated by unknown gunmen. According to PREMIUM TIMES, Mr Ugwu was killed at 10 p.m. on Saturday while returning from his shop. According to Okposi sources, Mr Ugwu was approached by gunmen near the Okposi Court Area crossroads. "The victim was approached while returning from his shop, Angle 90, a popular drinking establishment in Okposi."

They shot him, he fell into a gutter, they burned him with fire right in the gutter and they fled the scene. "As I speak to you, Mgbo N'echara youths in Okposi are protesting the event," one of the individuals said.

### **CRIME**

- The Ogun State Police Command has arrested five suspected members of a ritual gang that specializes in exhuming bodies from tombs and removing body parts for ceremonial purposes. The suspects were arrested on Saturday in Odogbolu, according to police spokesperson Abimbola Oyeyemi, who revealed this in a statement in Abeokuta on Sunday. MAsource gave the suspects' identities as Oshole Fayemi, 60, Oseni Adesanya, 39, Ismaila Seidu, 30, Oseni Oluwasegun, 69, and Lawal Olaiya, 50. He stated that the suspects were apprehended after police at Odogbolu Divisional Headquarters received information that the gang was planning another round of human parts harvesting within Ososa town. He said that the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) of Odogbolu Division, Godwin Idehai, promptly rallied his troops and raided the suspects' hideout, apprehending five of them.

### **CRIME**

- A two-man gang suspected of rape is presently in police custody in Nasarawa for reportedly raping a 15-year-old deaf adolescent in the state. According to the Nasarawa State Police Command, the suspected rapists allegedly pushed the 15-year-old teenage girl and had illicit carnal knowledge of her. A complaint was filed at the Obi division alleging that Aminu Hashimu, 24, and Lukman Dogara, both of Owolosho Street, Obi LGA, Nasarawa State, unlawfully plotted and raped a 15-year-old girl. After receipt of the report, police agents assigned to the Obi division initiated an investigation and manhunt for the culprits. The victim was immediately taken to a hospital for medical examination after the incident.

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- The Ondo State Security Network Agency, often known as Amotekun, caught a suspected robber who stole motorcycles in the state. The suspect, Olamide Wasiu, 35, who was paraded at the Amotekun office on Monday, was accused of stealing over 100 motorcycles in Ondo State with his gang in three months. The syndicate used to operate throughout Oyo, Ogun, and Osun states, according to Amotekun Commander in the state, Chief Adetunji Adeleye. He went on to say that after stealing the motorcycles, the suspect takes them to the Ilesha axis to sell them to his primary buyer. "The level of success as the problem of security in general in Ondo State were credited to the cooperation with all security agencies and the journalists from timely dissemination of info," he said.

## POLITICS

- On Monday, the Court of Appeal in Abuja deferred judgment in an appeal brought by Mr Ademola Adeleke of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) against a tribunal decision that annulled his election as governor of Osun. After hearing from Adeleke's attorney, Onyechi Ikpeazu, SAN, and Lateef Fagbemi, SAN, who appeared for the immediate-past governor, Mr Gboyega Oyetola, the three-member panel led by Judge M. F. Shuaibu, stated judgment will be rendered at a later date. While Adeleke is the appellant, Oyetola and the All Progressives Congress (APC) are the first and second respondents in the appeal, respectively. The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) and the PDP are also joined as 3rd respondent and 4th respondent, respectively.
- The Labour Party's legal team has arrived at the Independent National Electoral Commission, INEC, in Abuja to check materials following its unhappiness with the outcome of the recently ended presidential election. The meeting with INEC personnel at the Commission's national headquarters is intended to kick off the process of inspecting electoral materials used in the February 25 presidential election. Dr Livy Uzoukwu led the team, with about 60 lawyers. They are expected to brief journalists after the meeting



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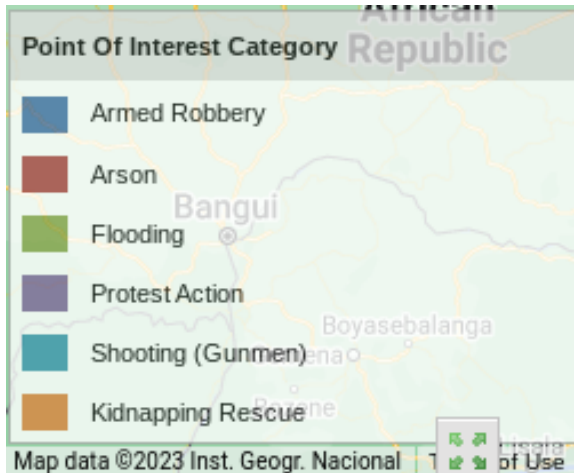
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### **PROTEST ACTION**

- Commercial drivers in Rivers State's Obio/Akpor Local Government Area have protested at Rumuokoro, the same LGA, over the reported killing of a bus driver by members of the state taskforce. Following a quarrel over a transportation ticket, members of the state taskforce allegedly killed the commercial driver. Okechukwu Rufus, the chairman of bus drivers plying the Mile 3 to Ikoku axis. Okechukwu said that the driver died in the hospital on Monday morning. He bemoaned the taskforce members' constant extortion of commercial bus drivers. The chairman urged the state administration to investigate the problem and propose a remedy. Adjoining roads to Rumuokoro have been closed due to commercial drivers refusing to pick up passengers. Long distances are required of commuters.



## WEEKLY INFORMATION REPORTING MAP





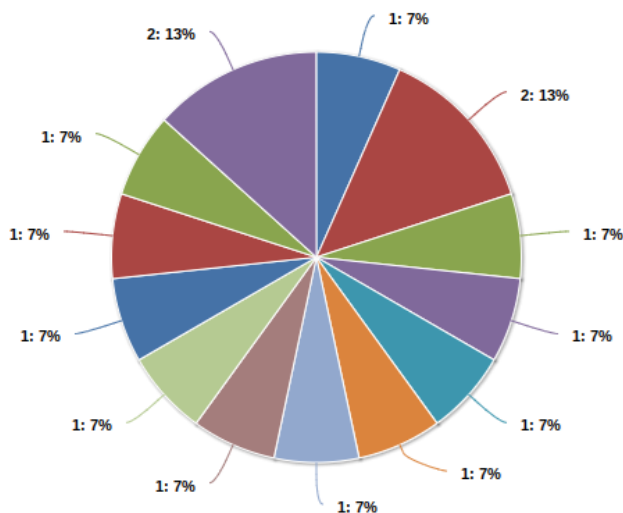
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BAUCHI	1	1
BENUE	2	2
CROSS RIVER	1	1
DELTA	1	1
EBONYI	1	1
FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY	1	1
IMO	1	1
LAGOS	1	1
OGUN	1	1
ONDO	1	1
OYO	1	1
PLATEAU	1	1
ZAMFARA	2	2
	15	15

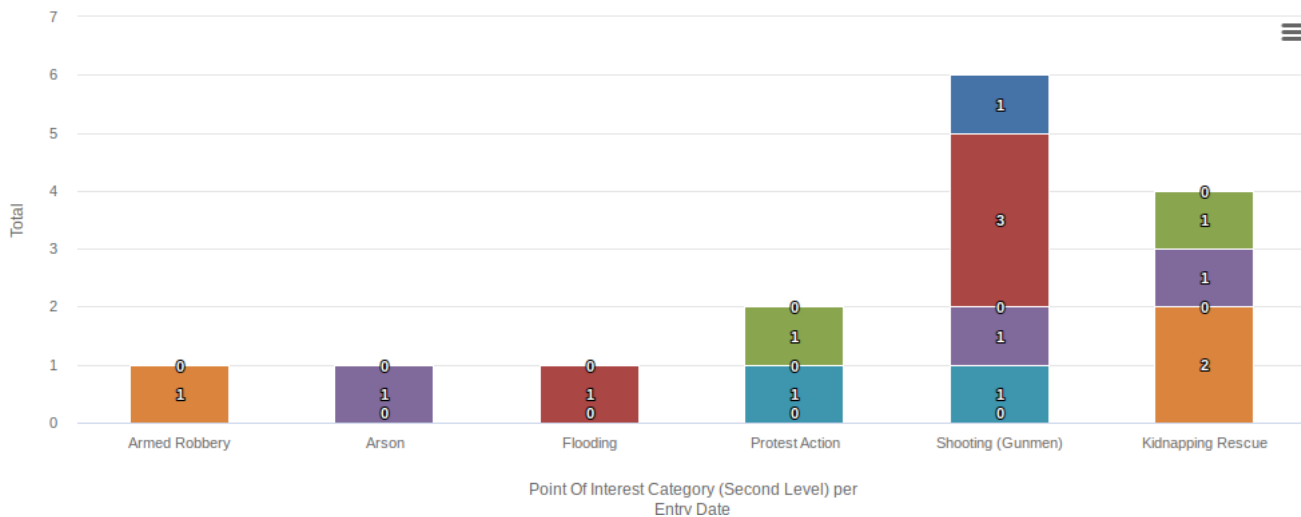


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	Armed Robbery	Arson	Flooding	Protest Action	Shooting (Gunmen)	Kidnapping Rescue	
2023-03-06	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
2023-03-07	0	0	1	0	3	0	4
2023-03-08	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
2023-03-09	0	1	0	0	1	1	3
2023-03-10	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
2023-03-13	1	0	0	0	0	2	3
	1	1	1	2	6	4	15