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Teachers



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Laud the **SAIL EMPOWERMENT FOUNDATION** Initiatives

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Enitan Oshodi (President
ATTF & Vice Chairman ITTF
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Lagos GAC Leader (Prince Tajudeen Olusi) and BOI MD (Dr. Olasupo Olusi) Visit SAIL INNOVATION LAB, Commend Senator Abiru's Visionary Leadership

Since his election to the Nigerian Senate in 2020, Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru has demonstrated exceptional dedication to transforming lives and communities. His efforts are strategically anchored on three pivotal pillars: **Legislative, Empowerment and Facilitation, and Endowment.**

Under the Endowment Pillar, Senator Abiru, together with his wife, Mrs. Feyisola Abiru, co-founded the Senator Abiru Innovation Lab (SAIL) Empowerment Foundation, a platform designed to drive human capital development and foster innovation. The Foundation operates under the governance of independent Trustees, ensuring transparency and sustainable impact.

The flagship initiative of the Foundation, the SAIL Innovation Lab, is managed entirely by Co-Creation Hub (Cc-HUB), Africa's foremost technology and innovation company with offices in Lagos (Nigeria), Kigali (Rwanda), Nairobi (Kenya), Windhoek (Namibia), and the United Kingdom. This partnership underscores the Lab's commitment to delivering world-class programs that equip participants with the skills and tools needed to thrive in a technology-driven economy.

To date, the SAIL Innovation Lab has directly impacted **over 9,000 participants** through its carefully designed programs, which include:

Tech Talent Development – Equipping young Nigerians



with cutting-edge tech skills to meet global demands.

SAIL Teachers Fellowship – Enhancing the capacity of educators through inquiry-based learning and the integration of technology in classrooms.

STEM Education for Senior Secondary Students – Promoting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics among the next generation of leaders.

Startup Accelerator – Supporting innovative entrepreneurs to scale their ideas into viable businesses.

Notably, through these initiatives, the Lab has facilitated decent job placements for nearly 250 participants, contributing significantly to reducing

youth unemployment and driving innovation-led growth in Nigeria.

The leader of the Lagos prestigious Governance Advisory Council, GAC, Prince Tajudeen Oluyole Olusi, paid a visit to the SAIL Innovation Lab in Ikorodu area of Lagos State.

The respected elder statesman and national political figure, who was elated by the magnificence of the Innovation Lab that has trained and provided decent jobs to hundreds in Lagos East Senatorial District, commended the visionary leadership of the co-founders, Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru, and his wife, Mrs Feyisola Abiru.

Prince Olusi, who toured the facility in the company of political leaders in the Ikorodu division, who are also members of the GAC, called for more collaborative efforts in unlocking young people's potential through digital skills and innovation.

The prominent political leader further thanked President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, for encouraging Senator Abiru to join politics to deploy his wealth of experience in the corporate sector for the service of the people. He stressed that the Senator had justified the trust reposed in him with the transformation he has brought into public service.

The Lagos State Honourable Commissioner for Commerce, Cooperatives, Trade and Investment, Mrs. Folashade Ambrose-Medebem, was also part of the dignitaries who toured the facility described SAIL Innovation Lab as remarkable,

great, and innovative.

Managing Director, Bank of Industry, Dr. Olasupo Olusi, referencing the global development trend, disclosed that digital and allied skills had the potential of accelerating the nation's economic growth and unlock untapped opportunities for many young people.

Senator Abiru appreciated Prince Olusi, alongside notable leaders in Ikorodu division - APC apex leader in Ikorodu division, His Excellency, Prince Abiodun Ogunleye, Asiwaju Reuben Olorunfunmi Basorun, Senator Adeseye Ogunlewe, all GAC members and other eminent personalities for coming to the Innovation Lab, and the motivation they offered to the beneficiaries. Also present at the tour were: Mr. Deji Abisola, (Chief Impact Consultant, SAIL) , Dr. (Otunba) Saheed Ibikunle, among others.



The Leader of the 10th Senate, Senator (Dr) Michael Opeyemi Bamidele, CON, paid a visit to the SAIL Innovation Lab in Ikorodu

Senate Leader, Senator Opeyemi Bamidele visits SAIL Innovation Lab, Ikorodu



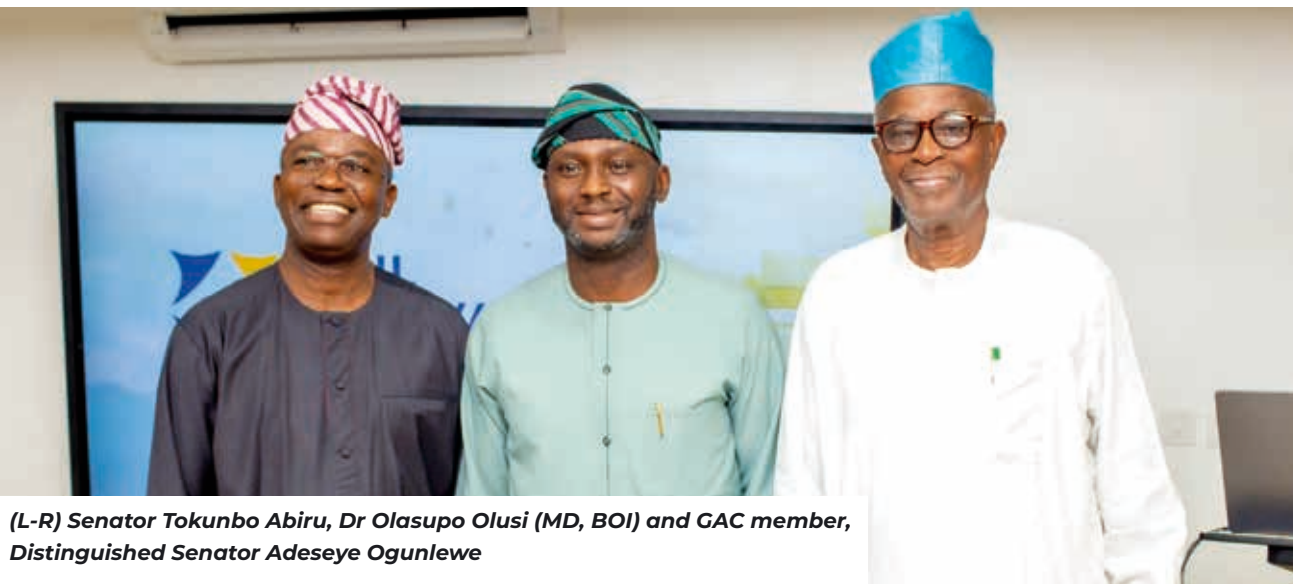
“It is a very good example that this property is being used for the education and developmental training of our children who are the future leaders of our country, who will contribute immensely to the economic development of Nigeria”

- Prince Tajudeen Olusi
(Lagos GAC Leader)



“Several studies have shown that one of the best ways to grow the economy faster is to invest in the digital economy, and that has several components including digital skills, infrastructure. This wonderful edifice is an asset to the nation”

- Dr. Olasupo Olusi (MD, Bank of Industry)



(L-R) Senator Tokunbo Abiru, Dr Olasupo Olusi (MD, BOI) and GAC member, Distinguished Senator Adeseye Ogunlewe



The Lagos State Honourable Commissioner for Commerce, Cooperatives, Trade and Investment, Mrs. Folashade Ambrose-Medebem



Senator Tokunbo Abiru Inspects SAIL Innovation Lab, Sport Centre Under Construction In Ibeji-Lekki



Building on the remarkable success of the SAIL Innovation Lab in Ikorodu, Lagos, which has directly impacted over 9,000 lives, Senator Tokunbo Abiru has commenced the construction of a new SAIL Innovation Lab, Technical/Vocational Skills Training, and Sports Centre in the Orimedu area of Ibeju-Lekki Local Government, Lagos State. Situated on an expansive 8,000-square-metre prime property along the road leading to the Lekki Free Trade Zone, the facility is designed to transform lives through innovation, vocational training, and sports. With cutting-edge features, including a 750-seater sports arena, advanced co-

working spaces, and technical training laboratories, this project underscores Senator Abiru's unwavering commitment to empowering communities and fostering sustainable development in Lagos State.

The 750 seater capacity sport facility, consists of an indoor table tennis hall and standard football pitch, changing room and catering service area. The Innovation Lab section will comfortably sits over 200 trainees at a time, ample spaces for co-working, with the complement of operational offices both at the ground and first floors.



Senator Abiru visited the construction site in the company of team, including the Chief Impact Consultant for the SAIL Innovation Lab, Mr Deji Abisola, Media Aide, Mr. Enitan Olukotun, Ibeju-Lekki Local Government Chairman, Hon. Abdullahi Sesan Olowa and Lekki Local Government Development Area, LCDA Chairman, Hon Rasaki Bamidele Kasali, and some prominent community leaders in the area.

In his remarks shortly after the inspection, he said, "This facility is meant to harness the creativity of our resourceful youths. There is a football pitch, indoor sports like table tennis and snookers would also be available at the facility. In addition, there would also be our extension of the SAIL Innovation Lab here.

"This will make our youth to align with the way the world is thinking, that is Innovation, Technology and digital skills. What we have also done is that the same faculty that is training our youth in our main centre in Ikorodu would also be training here. It will be for the overall benefit of the community".

The Chairman of Ibeju-Lekki LGA, Hon. Olowa, in his response expressed deepest gratitude for the Senator for his remarkable equitable feats across the Lagos East Senatorial District, stressing that the people of Ibeju-Lekki would be forever grateful for his thoughtfulness and exemplary leadership.

"On behalf of the people of Ibeju-Lekki, I want to express my deepest appreciation to the distinguished Senator for bringing this innovative project to our local government. Like he rightly said, this is going to support youth development. The structures that are being put up here, are strategically designed to support youth innovation, technology and development", Hon Olowo said.

The project is expected to be completed before the end of 2024.

Transforming Education Through Innovation:

SAIL INNOVATION LAB Empowers 4,000 Teachers



SAIL Empowerment Foundation in partnership with MTN Foundation and re:Learn by Cc-Hub collaborated to transform Nigeria's educational system and has successfully graduated 4,000 teachers, equipped with modern skills and innovative teaching methods. These graduates were selected from a competitive pool of 15,000 applicants across the country, marking a significant milestone in improving human capital development.

The program underscores the transformative power of innovative education. Held at the SAIL Innovation Lab in Ebute, Ipakodo, Ikorodu, Lagos State. The graduation ceremony was graced by notable figures, including government officials, traditional rulers, political leaders, and many stakeholders in the education sector.

Odunayo Sanya, executive director, MTN Foundation, emphasised the Foundation's 20-year legacy of impactful initiatives, with investments totalling over N30 billion across health, education, and empowerment sectors.

She underscored the Fellowship's transformative role in shaping the nation's future through teacher development, and further challenged the teachers to become change-makers.

"The knowledge you have gained is not for you alone. You are expected to empower other teachers

and uplift your students, ensuring the impact of this training spreads beyond you," Sanya stated.

Several prominent figures commended the initiative and its potential to reshape Nigeria's educational landscape. Pastor Cornelius Ojelabi, State Chairman, All Progressives Congress (APC), described Senator Abiru, whom he served with under the administration of Mr Babatunde Fashola, SAN, as a performing representative of the people, that is impacting positively.

He expressed the delightfulness of the party that he is representing as the chairman at the representation of the Senator and thanked stakeholders in Ikorodu for supporting him.

"With what Senator Abiru has decided to do in empowering the people, he is preparing them for the future to become employers of labour.

"You are playing your part in building the future and making sure that one day, all of us will be called upon to give account of our stewardships. You can beat your chest as far as the East Senatorial District is concerned. you have been able to impact on the lives of the people, both materially and in the area of human capital development", Pastor Ojelabi.

Hon. Tolani Sule, Lagos State Commissioner for Tertiary

"With what Senator Abiru has decided to do, he is preparing people for the future to become employers of labour."

- Pastor Cornelius Ojelabi
(Chairman, APC Lagos State)

Education, emphasized the importance of quality teachers in achieving educational excellence. He highlighted the state government's ongoing efforts to upgrade both infrastructure and teacher training, stating that partnerships like the one with SAIL Lab would further improve the sector.

The Apex leader of the All Progressives Congress, APC, in Ikorodu division, His Excellency, Prince Abiodun Ogunleye, commended Senator for the innovations he brought into politics, and public service. He admonished beneficiaries to maximize the opportunities availed by SAIL Innovation Lab and MTN Foundation.

The SAIL Teachers Fellowship Program aimed to equip educators with advanced tools, knowledge, and



techniques to transform classroom learning. During the ceremony, Mr. Deji Abisola, Chief Impact Officer of SAIL Empowerment Foundation, emphasized the success of the program.

“The SAIL Teachers Fellowship Program has been a journey of empowerment, equipping educators with tools, knowledge, and techniques to revolutionize classroom teaching across Nigeria,” said Abisola. He highlighted the significance of transitioning from traditional instructional methods to inquiry-based learning, improving digital literacy, and embracing innovative classroom management practices.

The program trained teachers from public primary and secondary schools across Nigeria in two phases, focusing on three core objectives: Transition to Inquiry-Based Learning - Teachers were trained to adopt modern, interactive teaching methods that prioritize student curiosity and engagement, participants learned to use digital tools and techniques to meet the demands of 21st-century education, and practical strategies were shared to help teachers manage large classrooms effectively and improve learning outcomes.

These objectives aim to empower teachers to foster a dynamic and inclusive learning environment, aligning with global education trends.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru, co-founder of the SAIL Empowerment Foundation, reaffirmed his

dedication to human capital development and educational advancement. In his remarks, Abiru noted that the testimonies of participating teachers reflected the program’s transformative impact on classrooms and student learning.

“This program underscores our steadfast commitment to human capital development and educational advancement. We aim to scale this initiative further with continued support from the MTN Foundation and other private-sector partners,” said Senator Abiru.

The Senator also charged the graduating teachers to leverage their newly acquired skills to inspire their students and drive positive change in their communities.

As the SAIL Lab continues its mission to empower educators, its impact resonates far beyond the classroom, contributing to a brighter and more innovative future for Nigeria.

Other dignitaries at the ceremony were Oba Ajibade Bakare Agoro, the Ranodu of Imota, Oba Semiudeen



Kasali, the Adeboruwa of Igbogbo, Sir Abiodun Ogunleye, former Deputy Governor of Lagos State, Sen. Adeseye Ogunlewe, former Minister of Works, Asipa Kaoli Olusanya, APC chieftain, Chief Bode Oyedele, APC chieftain and Dr Saheed Ibikunle, Permanent Member, Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board, Dr Adeola Jokomba, State Secretary, APC and Alhaji Fatai Lasisi, former Special Adviser on Taxation among others.

Senator Abiru and Mr. Waheed Enitan Oshodi (President of the African Table Tennis Federation & Vice Chairman of the International Table Tennis Federation) debut First Mixed Table Tennis Championship in Africa



Senator Tokunbo Abiru, flanked by President, of the African Table Tennis Federation (ATTF), Mr. Enitan Oshodi during presentation of trophy and prizes to overall best team, and runner-up team of the final matches.



The SAIL Empowerment Foundation, an endowment of Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru, and his wife, Mrs Feyisola, sponsored Africa's first Mixed Team Table Tennis Championships in Lagos. This sporting event is part of the Foundation's youth empowerment program.

The Tennis tournament took place at the Molade Okoya-Thomas Sports Hall at the Teslim Balogun Stadium in Surulere, Lagos, between October 31 to November 2nd 2024. Clubs and teams from within and outside Nigeria are expected to compete in this three-day tournament, which boasts a prize pool of N4



million.

Organised under the auspices of the Nigeria Table Tennis Federation (NTTF), over 20 teams participated with each mixed team comprising two to three players per gender.

Wahid Enitan Oshodi, President of the African Table Tennis Federation (ATTF) and Executive Vice President of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) emphasized the tournament's role in discovering new talents and familiarizing players with this new tournament format in Africa.

Tournament Director, Adesoji Tayo highlighted the open nature of the event, noting significant interest from teams in Ghana, Togo, and Benin Republic.

"We are excited about being the first country to host a Mixed Team tournament in Africa. This shows that we are a pacesetter on the continent. The support from SAIL Empowerment Foundation confirms the popularity of table tennis and the dedication of the team behind the tournament.

"We are grateful that our sport is gaining more friends outside the sports industry with the involvement

of SAIL Empowerment Foundation. We hope and believe this will be an exciting event, based on the feedback from teams and players. This is another step in empowering our youth and engaging them in meaningful sporting activities. We look forward to an explosive event and hope to discover new talents like Quadri Aruna," Tayo said.

Deji Abisola, the Chief Impact Officer of SAIL Empowerment Foundation, said, "We are focused on human capital development, and we have been very strong in the education and tech talent development sector till now through SAIL Innovation Lab. Another area we are committed to is developing our youth in the area of sport, specifically through identifying and nurturing talents into global reckoning. We are happy to sponsor the 1st Senator Abiru Mixed Team Table Tennis Championship in Africa, and we remain committed to the development of our youth."

He commended Senator Abiru for supporting table tennis and encouraged other Nigerians to empower youth through sports.

SAIL INNOVATION LAB Partners LASUSTECH On Tech Training For Students

... Senator Abiru Speaks On Passion For Youth Development At “Dare To Dream Boot Camp and Tech Summit”



SAIL Innovation Lab, partnered with the Lagos State University of Science and Technology, LASUSTECH, Ikorodu on tech training and development for its students, starting with students of College of Engineering and Technology.

Senator Abiru who spoke at the opening ceremony of the 5-day tech boot camp and Tech Summit, tagged, Dare to Dream, held at LASUSTECH, said he was passionate developing the capacity of young people, stressing the importance of tech and digital innovation in positioning young people for the enormous possibilities in the tech space.

He said, **“You are the next generation of leaders, innovators, and creators who will harness the immense power of technology to solve pressing challenges, create new opportunities, and drive**

social and economic progress.”

Senator Abiru drew the attention of the students numbering almost 1000, to the fast changing global business environment that is essentially being shaped by digital innovation. He said the partnership between SAIL Innovation Lab and LASUSTECH, is geared towards positioning the students to harness opportunities in the fields of Artificial intelligence (AI), robotics, blockchain, the Internet of Things (IoT), big data, and virtual reality, that are presently and will continue to transform industries, reshape economies, and alter the way we live and work.

His words, “This is where my vision for the SAIL Innovation Lab comes in. When I look at the challenges we face as a nation, I see tremendous opportunities—opportunities for young Nigerians to rise up and lead

us into a new era of growth and prosperity.

“The SAIL Innovation Lab is my contribution to this vision. Through this Lab, we aim to provide a world-class innovation space that will allow you to learn, create, and collaborate on projects that have real-world impact. Our focus is on the technologies that are shaping the future—AI, blockchain, data science, software development, digital marketing, games development, and more”.

In addition to commitment made towards strengthening the existing digital and innovation assets of the school, the Senator pledged some high-end laptops for five top participants at the 5-day boot-camp.

COMMISSIONING: Senator Tokunbo Abiru Delivers 40-Bed Hospital At Mascara Agboyi- Ketu, 2 Blocks of 22 Classrooms At Wright Memorial Nursery/ Primary School, Somolu



(L-R) Senator Tokunbo Abiru, GAC Member, Senator Anthony Adefuye, SSA to the President on Sustainable Development Goals, SDGs, Her Excellency, Princess Adejoke Orelope-Adefulire and Chairman Somolu Local Government Area, Hon. Abdulhamid Salawu during commissioning of 2 Blocks of 22 classrooms at Wright Memorial Nursery and Primary School, Somolu.



Executive Chairman, Somolu LGA, Hon. Abdulhamid Salawu, GAC Member, Senator Anthony Adefuye, MHR, representing Somolu Federal Constituency, Hon. Ademorin Kuye and Senator Tokunbo Abiru with pupils of Wright Memorial Nursery and Primary School, Somolu

Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru, FCA, officially handed over completed and fully equipped 2 blocks of 22 classrooms at the Wright Memorial Nursery and Primary School, Somolu and a 40-bed Primary Health Centre constructed inside the popular Mascara Health Centre, Agboyi-Ketu LCDA.

Senator Abiru, who is widely commended for his impactful programmes and projects across Lagos East Senatorial District, was joined at the well-attended event by the Special Senior Assistant to the President on Sustainable Development Goals, SDGs,

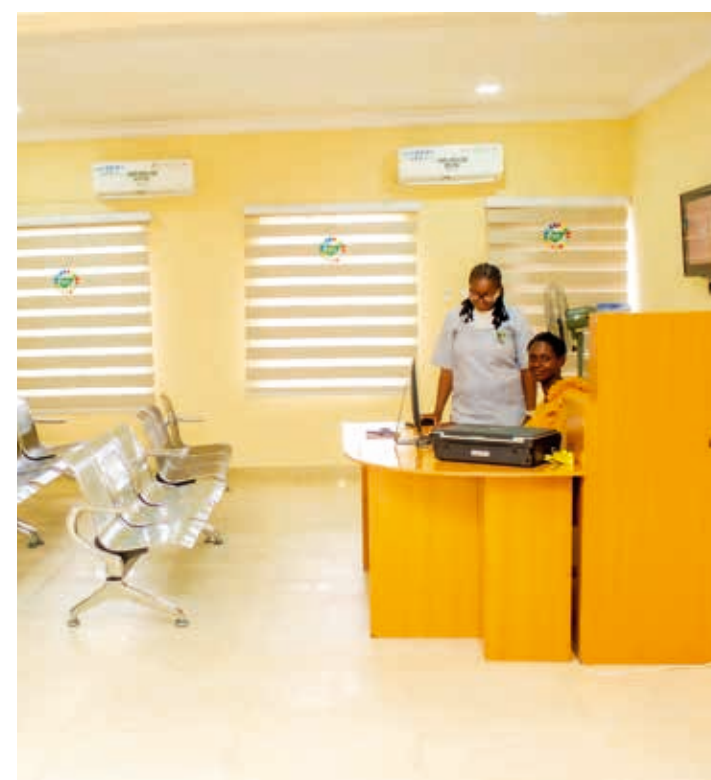
Her Excellency, Princess Adejoke Orelope-Adefulire, whose office was instrumental to the provision of the projects.

In his remarks, Senator Abiru, expressed profound gratitude to President Bola Tinubu, GCFR, for providing the needed leadership and support which contributed to the success of the projects. He highlighted the importance of creating a conducive environment for early childhood education which is crucial in shaping a child's future.

He said, "The quality of education they receive at

this stage significantly influences their academic success, social skills, and overall well-being. By creating a nurturing and stimulating environment here at Wright Memorial Nursery and Primary School, we are giving our children the best possible start in life".

Shortly after the commissioning exercise in Somolu LGA, the Senator and the SSA to the President on Sustainable Development Goals, and members of the Senator's team headed to Agboyi-Ketu LCDA, under Kosofe LGA, to commission another landmark project, a 40-bed Primary Health Care facility, facilitated by Senator Abiru, through the office of SSA on SDGs. In his speech, Senator Abiru said, "This 40-bed facility, with its modern medical equipment and a dedicated team of healthcare professionals, will significantly improve the quality of care in this community,



(L-R) HRM Oba Balogun Taiwo Oyero, Alaketu of Ketu Land, Pa Stephen Oyedele, Senator Tokunbo Abiru, Omooba Olumuyiwa Sosanya, SSA to President on SDGs, Princess Adejoke Orelope-Adefulire, HRM Oba Monsuru Abimbola Ladega, The Olu of Agboyi Land, HRM Oba Taiwo Lamina, Oruba of Agboyi 2, during the commissioning of 40 bed hospital at Mascara Health Centre, Agboyi-Ketu.

especially in providing maternal and child health services, preventive care, immunisation, among other community health needs".

Eminent leaders of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC), including members of the Governance Advisory Council (GAC), Senator Anthony Adefuye and Omooba Samuel Olumuyiwa Sosanya; serving members of the House of Representatives, Hon Ademorin Kuye (Somolu Federal Constituency) and Hon Kafilat Ogbara

(Kosofe Federal Constituency).

Hon Femi Saheed, member Lagos State House of Assembly; Hon Abdulhammed Salawu, the Chairman, Somolu LGA; royal fathers, other dignitaries were also present.

They all commended the exemplary leadership and excellent record of service of Senator Tokunbo Abiru.

Facilitating Educational Growth: Senator Tokunbo Abiru's Impact on Lagos East Senatorial District (2020 - Present)



Since 2020, Senator Tokunbo Abiru as part of his second pillar - Empowerment and Facilitation, has embarked on a remarkable journey to enhance educational infrastructure across the 16 LGAs & LCDAs in Lagos East Senatorial District. These efforts have resulted in significant improvements to schools, ensuring that students have access to quality education in conducive environments.

1 Aga Primary School, Ikorodu: Four blocks of 24 classrooms equipped with complements of furniture, 16 toilets, and a Solar-Powered Borehole have been constructed, providing a conducive learning environment for students.

2 RCM Primary School, Iwerekun, Ibeju-Lekki: Two blocks of 6 classrooms have been facilitated, expanding the school's capacity to accommodate more students.

3 Ajelogo Primary School, Agboyi-Ketu: One block of 3 classrooms has been constructed, enhancing the school's infrastructure for improved learning outcomes.

4 UPE Primary School, Ajegunde, Eredo: A block of 2 classrooms with office/store furnishing and solar power installation has been facilitated, ensuring sustainable power supply for educational activities.

5 Methodist Primary School, Oke-Eletu, Ijede LCDA: A block of 2 classrooms has been constructed, providing additional space for students.

6 Araromi Primary School, Gbagada: A block of 2 classrooms has been constructed, contributing to the expansion of educational facilities in the area.

7 Aiyeoroju Primary School, Oworo: A block of 2 classrooms has been constructed, enhancing the school's capacity to accommodate more students.

8 Isheri Primary School, Ikosi Isheri LCDA: Two blocks of classrooms have been constructed, providing a conducive learning environment for students.

9 Igboji Junior High School, Somolu: An ICT Centre has been established, equipping students with essential digital skills for the future.

10 Express Way Primary School, Ikosi Isheri: A block of two classrooms with furniture has been constructed, providing a conducive learning environment for students.

11 Isheri Primary School: A block of 2 classrooms has been constructed, enhancing the school's infrastructure for improved learning outcomes.

12 African Bethel Primary School, Ota-Ona Ikorodu: Provision of instructional materials, textbooks, furnishing, and equipment has been made, ensuring students have access to quality learning resources.

13 Pedro Primary School, Somolu: Provision of infrastructural materials, textbooks, furnishing, and equipment has been made, enhancing the quality of education in the school.

14 LG Primary School, Akodo Ibeju Lekki: Provision of infrastructural materials, textbooks, furnishing, and equipment has been made, improving the overall learning environment for students.

15 Kingdom Nursery and Primary School, Egbin, Ijede LCDA: Construction of one block of 2 classrooms has been completed, providing additional learning space for students.

16 UPE Primary School, Irla: Construction of two blocks of three classrooms each (6 Classrooms) has been completed, enhancing the school's infrastructure.

17 Abule-Ayo Primary School, Somolu: Construction of two blocks of three classrooms each (6 Classrooms) has been completed, expanding the school's capacity.

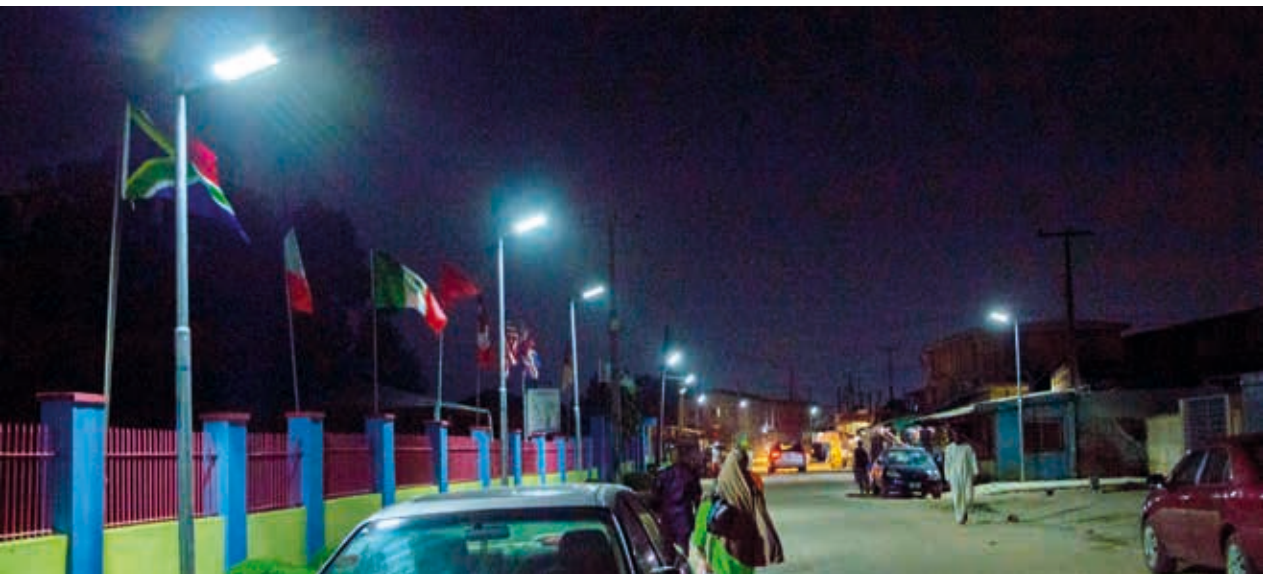
18 Wright Memorial Primary School, Somolu: Construction of a block of 22 classrooms with toilets has been completed, providing a conducive learning environment for students.

19 Methodist Primary School, Imota: Construction and equipping of one block of three classrooms have been completed, enhancing the school's infrastructure for improved learning outcomes.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru's commitment to transforming education in Lagos East Senatorial District has had a profound impact on the lives of students and communities. His dedication to improving educational infrastructure is a testament to his vision for a better future for all.

These achievements from 2020 till date underscore Senator Abiru's commitment to education and his desire to provide the best possible learning environment for students in Lagos East Senatorial District. Through his efforts, Senator Abiru is securing the future of the district and the nation as a whole.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru's Transformative Impact: Powering Communities and Illuminating Paths to Progress (2020 - Present)



In a bid to ensure that communities in Lagos East Senatorial District are not left in the dark, Senator Tokunbo Abiru has embarked on a series of initiatives to facilitate the distribution, installation, and energization of transformers to several communities. Additionally, he has spearheaded the installation of solar-powered street lights, illuminating pathways and contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The following communities have benefited from the distribution of transformers:

- **Ifelodun CDA**, Igbogbo-Bayeku
- **Magodo Community CDA**, Oke Ota Ona, Ikorodu
- **Ikorodu GRA 2**, Ibeshe Igbogbo-Bayeku

- **Ifeloju**, Abule Eko, Ijede Ikorodu
- **Sekungba CDA**, Ikosi Ejirin
- **Isale Agoro CDA**, Epe LGA
- **Ideraoluwa CDA**, Eredo LGA
- **Olugayan CDA**, Imota
- **Idegun CDA**, Imota
- **Gbaga Olorunda CDA**
- **Adamo** (Ikorodu North)
- **Agura Central Gberigbe** (Ikorodu North)
- **Garden Estate** (Agboyi Ketu LCDA)
- **Agunbiade CDA** (Somolu)
- **New Araromi CDA** (Ipakodo, Ikorodu West)
- **Liberty CDA** (Ipakodo)
- **Unity Progressives CDA**, Isawo
- **Elashin Community CDA**, Itamaga, Ijede
- **Ikorodu Town Hall**, Owolowo, Ikorodu
- **Awofusi CDA**, Erunwen Ikorodu
- **The Exclusive CDA**, Igbogbo
- **Adebare Community**, Kosofe

- **Hilltop, CDA**, Odomola

Furthermore, the installation of **200 solar-powered street lights at LASUSTECH in Ikorodu North LCDA**, **50 solar street lights in Gbasemo**, Aga, Ikorodu LGA, **Olayinka Jimbo Street and 25 solar-powered street lights on TOS Benson Road**, Ikorodu West LCDA and **20 at Davis Street Ajelogo**, Kosofe LGA, demonstrates Senator Abiru's commitment to sustainable development and ensuring that communities have access to basic amenities such as lighting.

These initiatives not only improve the quality of life for residents but also contribute to community development and economic growth. Access to electricity enhances educational opportunities, improves healthcare services, and boosts economic

activities, ultimately leading to the overall development of communities.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru's efforts in powering communities and illuminating paths towards sustainable development are commendable. His commitment to improving access to electricity and providing sustainable lighting solutions demonstrates his dedication to the well-being and progress of Lagos East Senatorial District.

By prioritizing the provision of basic amenities such as electricity, Senator Abiru is not only improving the lives of residents today but also laying a solid foundation for a brighter and more sustainable future for generations to come.





Over 60,000 Households In Lagos East Benefit From Senator Tokunbo Abiru Food Packs

Since the inception of the Senator Tokunbo Abiru Food Packs scheme, over 60,000 Households across the Lagos East Senatorial District have so far benefited.

The categories of beneficiaries cut across all demographics in the district, including : Youth, women, Persons living with disabilities, aged, traditional leaders, artisans, political leaders and

members, and many other residents who were randomly shortlisted from the online nominations.

It is worth noting that before the Food Packs scheme, the Senator had supported vulnerable members of the constituency with over N150,000,000 (One hundred and fifty million naira), under his COVID-19 Relief Financial Assistance Scheme.



Senator Tokunbo Abiru has been a driving force behind the development of youth and sports infrastructure in Lagos East Senatorial District from 2020 to 2024. Through his facilitation, several infrastructural projects have been completed, providing youth with opportunities for sports engagement and development.

1 Mini Stadium in Epe: One of the significant achievements

Similarly, a mini sports facility was constructed in Ikosi-Isheri, contributing to the development of sports infrastructure in the district and encouraging youth participation in sports.

5 Mini Sports Facility in Ibeju-Lekki: Senator Abiru's commitment to youth and sports development is further exemplified by the construction of a mini sports facility in Ibeju-Lekki. This facility will not only provide youth with

Empowering Youth and Fostering Sports Development: Senator Tokunbo Abiru's Infrastructure Projects in Lagos East Senatorial District (2020 - 2024)



960-spectator capacity mini stadium, Epe

facilitated by Senator Abiru is the construction of a 960-spectator capacity mini stadium in Epe. This stadium features a two-pavilion sports facility, including basketball and volleyball courts, providing a conducive environment for sports activities and events.

2 Mini Sports Facility in Imota: Senator Abiru also facilitated the construction of a mini sports facility in Imota, further enhancing sports development in the area. This facility will serve as a hub for sports enthusiasts and athletes to hone their skills and participate in recreational activities.

3 Mini Sports Facility in Eredo: In Eredo, Senator Abiru facilitated the construction of another mini sports facility, providing residents with access to sports amenities and promoting a healthy lifestyle among the community.

4 Mini Sports Facility in Ikosi-Isheri:

a platform to engage in sports but will also foster community cohesion through sports activities.

6 Construction of Youth Centre in Ibeju Lekki: Additionally, Senator Abiru oversaw the construction of a Youth Centre in Ibeju Lekki, providing a dedicated space for youth engagement and development programs. This centre will serve as a hub for empowering young people and fostering community development.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru's efforts in infrastructure development for youth and sports in Lagos East Senatorial District demonstrate his commitment to empowering youth and promoting sports excellence. These projects not only provide opportunities for youth to engage in sports but also contribute to the overall well-being and development of the district.



Mini Sports Facility, Eredo



Mini Sports Facility, Imota

Enhancing Healthcare Access: Senator Tokunbo Abiru's Contributions to Primary Health Centres in Lagos East Senatorial District (2020 - 2024)

In line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages, Senator Tokunbo Abiru has been actively involved in facilitating the improvement and construction of primary health centres across Lagos East Senatorial District from 2020 to 2024. His efforts have significantly contributed to enhancing healthcare access and quality for constituents in the district.

1 Construction of a 40-bed Health facility and Dental Centre at LASUSTECH: Senator Abiru facilitated the construction of a health facility and dental centre at the Ikorodu Campus of the Lagos State University of Science and Technology (LASUSTECH), formerly known as LASPOTTECH. This facility will provide essential healthcare services to students, staff, and the surrounding community, promoting health and well-being in the area.

2 Construction of a 40-Bed Health facility at Mascara Health Centre: In Agboyi-Ketu LCDA, Senator Abiru facilitated the construction of a 40-bed health facility at Mascara Health Centre. This initiative aims to improve healthcare access and quality for residents in the area, particularly focusing on maternal and child health services.

3 Construction of a 40-bed hospital at Isiu: Senator Abiru facilitated the construction of a 40-bed hospital at Isiu in Ikorodu North LCDA. This hospital will serve as a critical healthcare facility for residents in the community, providing essential medical services and improving health outcomes.

4 Supply of ambulances to General Hospitals: Senator Abiru facilitated the supply of ambulances to General Hospitals in the district. These ambulances play a crucial role in emergency medical services, ensuring timely and efficient transportation of patients to healthcare facilities.

5 Rehabilitations of Igbo-Olomu and Ori-okuta Primary Health Care Centres: Senator Abiru facilitated the rehabilitation of Igbo-Olomu and Ori-okuta Primary Health Care Centres, as well as the supply of drugs and medical equipment. These efforts have improved the quality of healthcare services provided at these centres, benefiting residents in the communities.

6 Construction of Doctors' quarters at Owode Labora: Senator Abiru facilitated the construction of Doctors' quarters at Owode Labora in Ibeju Lekki. This initiative aims to provide comfortable accommodation for healthcare professionals, ensuring their availability to provide round-the-clock medical care to residents.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru's contributions to primary health centres in Lagos East Senatorial District demonstrate his commitment to improving healthcare access and quality for constituents. These initiatives align with SDG 3, which aims to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages, and are a testament to his dedication to the well-being of the people he represents.



Senator Tokunbo Abiru Distributes Fertilisers Provided By President Bola Ahmed Tinubu To Boost Food Production

The Senator representing Lagos East Senatorial District, Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru, FCA, in the year 2024 distributed over 3,650 free fertilizers to farmers across the senatorial district.

Among the fertilizers distributed were the ones provided by the administration of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, to boost food production and security.

In his remarks, the Senator, represented by his Media Aide, Mr. Enitan Olukotun, disclosed that the initiative was meant to complement the efforts of the President Tinubu government's Renewed Hope agenda on food security, stressing that the government was passionate about fighting hunger.

It will be recalled that prior to this time, Senator Abiru had facilitated agric initiatives and support to farmers in the district, like the distribution of farms inputs, including fertilizers, seedlings, and herbicides to over 300 crop farmers, and the provision of fully vaccinated chickens, feeds, and cages for over 100 livestock poultry farmers in the Senatorial District.

Dr Hakeem Adetugbobo, the Coordinator of Agric-related empowerment for Senator Abiru, also commended Senator Abiru for the laudable initiative.

He said, " We are fast moving into mechanised farming from subsistence farming. We should be thankful for the Senator for his efforts at ensuring that our farmers are well catered for.

He further disclosed that the Senator had also set up farmers cooperatives in Lagos East Senatorial District, for easy access to funds for their business operations.



Alhaja Onifade Muslimot, one of the Beneficiaries from Igbogbo Bayeku LCDA, expressed gratitude to Senator Abiru, saying farmers can now be proud to identify themselves as farmers as a result of the support received from Senator Abiru. Mrs Blessing Nwaezawa and Mr Dauda Taiwo, who were also beneficiaries said the fertilizers will go a long way in boosting their farm yields.

Prominent community leaders, including leaders of the All Progressives Congress, APC in Ikorodu and stakeholders in the agriculture sector attended the distribution exercise. They include: Chairman Ikorodu West LCDA, Hon Sulaimon Kazeem Olanrewaju, Arc Taiwo Kara, Deaconess Wonu Osinowo, APC Lagos East Women Leader, Alhaji Jimoh Tijani, Hon. Princess Adebimpe Akinsola, Dr. Hakeem Adetugbobo, Alhaji Shehu Usman Sampam, Alhaji Rilwan Ishola Jinadu, Alhaji Sulaimon



Musiliu, Bishop Olajide Odusoga and South West Chairman, All Farmers Association of Nigeria (AFAN), Otunba (Dr.) Femi Oke, represented Mrs Adeola Adewunmi- Malik, among others.

Empowering Market Women and Traders: Market Projects for Economic Development in Lagos East Senatorial District (2020 - 2024)

Senator Tokunbo Abiru has played a pivotal role in driving economic development and empowering market women and traders in Lagos East Senatorial District from 2020 to 2024. Through his facilitation, several infrastructural projects have been completed, providing a conducive environment for economic activities and trade.

1 Reconstruction of Oluwo Fish Market in Epe: One of the significant achievements facilitated by Senator Abiru is the reconstruction of the popular Oluwo Fish Market in Epe. The market has been revamped, increasing the number of shops from 259 to 322, comprising lock-up shops, open sheds, and 12 toilets. This reconstruction has not only improved the aesthetics of the market but has also created a more conducive environment for traders

and buyers.

2 Rehabilitation & Renovation of Aladeshoyin Oba Ogunlaja Market: Senator Abiru also facilitated the Phase1 rehabilitation and renovation of the Aladeshoyin Oba Ogunlaja Market in Odo Noforija, Eredo LCDA, Epe Division. This initiative has revitalized the market, providing a better trading environment for women and traders in the area.

Senator Tokunbo Abiru's efforts in infrastructure development for economic empowerment in Lagos East Senatorial District demonstrate his commitment to improving the livelihoods of women and traders. These projects not only provide a platform for economic activities but also contribute to the overall growth and development of the district.



Aladeshoyin Oba Ogunlaja Market, Epe



Lock-up shops, Oluwo Fish Market, Epe



Reconstruction of Oluwo Fish Market in Epe



Financial Grants to Market Women across 16 LGAs & LCDAs in Lagos East Senatorial District

Senator Tokunbo Abiru has demonstrated a strong commitment to the economic empowerment of entrepreneurs in Lagos East Senatorial District through various capacity development initiatives. From 2020 to 2024, Senator Abiru has engaged in several impactful programs aimed at enhancing the business skills and opportunities of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the district.

1 Business Capacity Workshop/Clinic: In partnership with The Fate Foundation and Standard Chartered Foundation, Senator Abiru organized a workshop/clinic that benefited 1000 MSMEs across the Senatorial district. This initiative provided entrepreneurs with valuable insights, skills, and tools to grow their businesses and navigate challenges effectively.

2 Constituency Intervention Revolving Loan: Senator Abiru established a N300 million Constituency Intervention Revolving Loan scheme with a concessionary 6% per annum interest rate. This initiative has provided much-needed financial support to entrepreneurs in the district, enabling them to access affordable capital to grow their businesses.

3 Cash Grants to Market Women: Additionally, Senator Abiru distributed cash grants of N50,000 to 1,250 market women across the district. This support has enabled the market women to expand their businesses, increase their income, and improve their livelihoods.

4 Support for Smallholder Poultry Farmers: In partnership with the Nigerian Agricultural Land Development Authority (NALDA), Senator Abiru facilitated support for smallholder poultry farmers in Lagos East. This support has not only boosted the agricultural sector but has also provided sustainable livelihoods for farmers in the district.

5 Provision of Hand Planters to Rural Farmers: Senator Abiru also provided hand planters to 200 rural farmers in the district, along with N20,000 in cash support. This initiative has helped improve agricultural practices and increase productivity among rural farmers, contributing to food security and economic development in the district.

6 SMEDAN Trade Grant: Senator Abiru facilitated the distribution of trade grants to 200 MSMEs in the

district through the Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN). These grants have helped MSMEs expand their businesses, invest in new opportunities, and create more jobs within the community.

These initiatives underscore Senator Tokunbo Abiru's commitment to fostering entrepreneurship and economic development in Lagos East Senatorial District. By investing in the capacity development of MSMEs, providing them with access to finance and support, as well as empowering rural farmers and market women, Senator Abiru is driving economic growth, creating jobs, and contributing to the overall development of the district.

Through these initiatives, Senator Abiru has not only demonstrated effective representation but has also shown a deep understanding of the needs and challenges faced by entrepreneurs, farmers, and market women in the district. His efforts are not only empowering individuals but are also laying a solid foundation for a more prosperous and sustainable future for Lagos East Senatorial District.



Cash grants of N50,000 each to 1,250 market women across Lagos East Senatorial district



Support for Smallholder Poultry Farmers in partnership with NALDA



The Chairman Senate Committee on Banking, Insurance, and Other Financial Institutions, Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru, FCA, has reaffirmed his commitment to advancing Nigeria's financial services sector through robust legislative interventions.

The Senator, disclosed this at the Stateholders' retreats of the Asset Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON) and that of Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation, (NDIC) recently held in Lagos State.

Senator Abiru emphasised the critical importance of building resilient financial systems to secure Nigeria's economic future.

Themed "Building Resilient Financial Systems through Effective Legislative Interventions," the retreat brought together key stakeholders, including

sector against domestic and global shocks.

Senator Abiru lauded the NDIC for its pivotal role in protecting depositors' interests and maintaining public confidence. Highlighting the recent increase in deposit insurance coverage for commercial banks from ₦500,000 to ₦5 million, Senator Abiru described the policy as a testament to NDIC's responsiveness to economic realities, ensuring that over 99% of depositors are fully insured.

He also commended the NDIC for its proactive measures in resolving challenges associated with the liquidation of failed institutions, such as Heritage Bank. "Your efforts to settle depositors and creditors showcase the operational excellence we expect from our financial regulatory institutions," Senator Abiru remarked.

Amidst growing concerns about emerging risks such as cybersecurity threats and the rise of fintech, Senator

Senator Tokunbo Abiru Advocates for Resilient Financial Systems at AMCON, NDIC Retreats

the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC), the banking community, and policy makers, to deliberate on fortifying the financial

Abiru underscored the importance of modernising Nigeria's legislative frameworks. He called for strengthened oversight mechanisms to address digital vulnerabilities while encouraging innovation and competition within the financial sector.

"Resilience is not static; it is dynamic and must evolve. As lawmakers, we must ensure that our legal frameworks anticipate future challenges while promoting inclusive growth," he stated.

Senator Abiru urged all stakeholders to collaborate in shaping a financial sector capable of withstanding economic shocks and contributing to Nigeria's aspiration of becoming a \$1 trillion economy. He reiterated that building resilient financial systems is a shared responsibility, requiring the active participation of regulators, financial institutions, and the wider public.

The retreat, organised by the NDIC in collaboration with the Senate Committee on Banking, Insurance, and Other Financial Institutions, provided a platform for actionable dialogue aimed at enhancing the stability and inclusiveness of Nigeria's financial systems.

Senate Advances Legislative Efforts to Strengthen Financial Systems, Support MSMEs

The Nigerian Senate, through its Committee on Banking, Insurance and other Financial Institutions, headed by Senator Mukhail Adetokunbo Abiru, FCA, has made significant strides in fostering economic growth and deepen support for businesses through landmark legislative reforms.

At a recent public hearing, the Senate deliberated on three pivotal bills: the Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) Amendment Bill, the Dishonoured Cheques (Repeal and Re-Enactment) Bill, and the Electronic Transactions Bill. These bills aim to revolutionize Nigeria's financial infrastructure, improve digital transactions, and modernise cheque handling practices in tandem with global best practices.

The NDIC Amendment Bill is designed to enhance the corporation's independence and autonomy, streamline governance, and ensure efficient management of the deposit insurance system. This includes restoring

the President's authority to appoint key personnel and instituting interim management protocols for seamless transitions.

The Dishonoured Cheques Bill seeks to update the outdated 1977 law to reflect present-day realities, while the Electronic Transactions Bill establishes a legal and regulatory framework for secure digital transactions. The public hearing drew participation from key stakeholders, including the NDIC, Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), who unanimously supported the proposed reforms.

In his opening remarks, Senator Abiru assured that the Committee would conduct a transparent review process, balancing diverse perspectives to ensure these bills address economic challenges and promote citizen welfare.

Additionally, the Senate passed for second reading

the Factoring, Assignments, and Receivables Financing Bill, 2024, sponsored by Senator Abiru. This groundbreaking bill introduces a legal framework for debt factoring, a financial mechanism enabling businesses, particularly MSMEs, to sell receivables to third parties at discounted rates for immediate cash flow.

Senator Abiru highlighted the transformative potential of debt factoring for small businesses struggling with delayed payments from larger corporations. The bill aims to address the trade finance gap, support MSMEs, and integrate Nigeria into the €2.6 trillion global factoring market.

"Factoring provides a lifeline for businesses, enhancing cash flow and credit management while boosting competitiveness," Senator Abiru stated. "This bill creates an enabling regulatory environment to unlock opportunities for domestic and international trade."

These legislative efforts underscore the Senate's commitment to enhancing Nigeria's financial landscape, empowering MSMEs, and fostering economic resilience through innovative financial instruments and robust governance structures.