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The Honourable Minister of Transportation, Alh. Muazu jaji Sambo has commended the Managing Director, of NPA, Mohammed Bello - Koko for his determined and pragmatic administrative style which culminated into better service delivery and revenue increase and remittances to the organization and the federal government at large.

The Minister gave the commendation during his maiden official visit to the Authority's Corporate Headquarters, as part of the programmes marking the occasion of the World Maritime Day 2022 celebrations.

Speaking further, the FMOT said "I commend you and your management team for your efforts in moving the nation forward especially the increase in revenue generation to the government coffers".



The Honourable Minister of Transportation Alh. Muazu Jaji Sambo has showered commendations on the Managing Director of the NPA Mohammed Bello-Koko for his sterling performance especially in the areas of increased revenue generation, pragmatic administrative style and improved service delivery as contained in this edition.

The General Manager, ICT, Anthony Edosanwa on the One-On-One page in this edition, advised young professionals to spend more times on skill advancing aspect of the internet rather than the Twitter and Instagram etc.

Other regulars like vox pop which featured high calibre officers, Health & Safety and your favorite birthday column are all included in this edition.

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“A Smooth Sea Never Made a Skilled Sailor.”

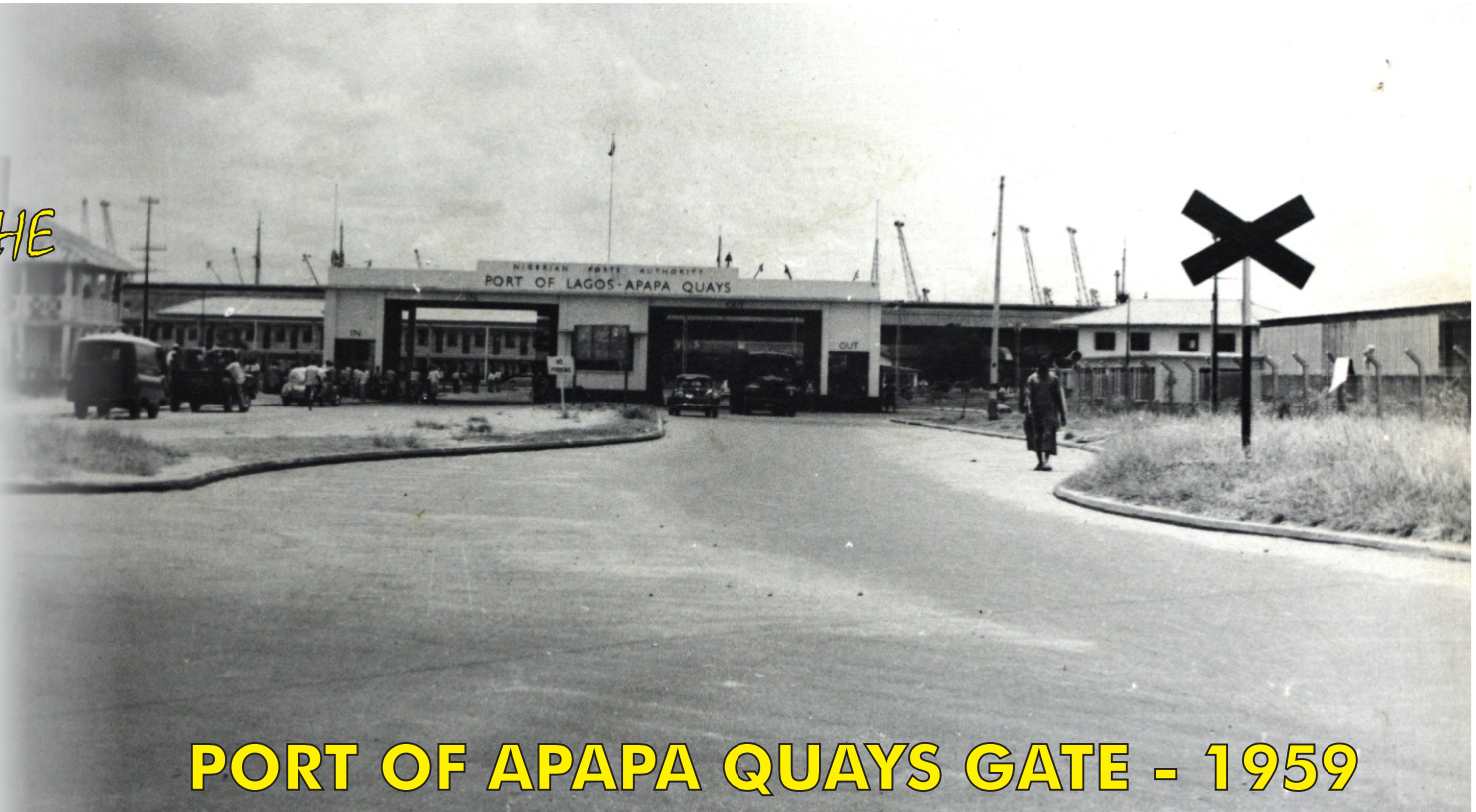
-Franklin D. Roosevelt



OUR VISION: TO BE THE MARITIME LOGISTICS HUB FOR SUSTAINABLE PORT SERVICES IN AFRICA



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PORT OF APAPA QUAYS GATE - 1959

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UPCOMING PROFESSIONALS SHOULD LEARN SKILLS ON THE INTERNET, RATHER THAN WASTE ALL THE TIME ON INSTAGRAM AND TWITTER

- ANTHONY EDOSANWA, GM, ICT

Can we meet You?

My name is Anthony Edosanwa, General Manager Information and Communication Technology

We know You were moved from one department to this department, what is your dream for this department?

In ICT basically, we want to align technology with management objectives, you know management have their business goals which they have set out for the authority, so where we come in is to see that management vision, this strategy and see where we can use technology to enable it to make sure that management objectives are fully realized

and even exceeded, technology is the only way to go about it. The good thing is the present group of management happens to be one that is highly sophisticated and exposed in different ways.



What would be your advice for an upcoming professional in a division like this?

To work hard, learn new skills that keep changing every day, the good thing with the internet is that you have so many resources, unlike when we were coming up, to learn new skills either you go for training abroad, which was not always very possible or you needed to go and read manuals, you know YouTube, on the internet, there are so many sites where you can go and upskill yourself, and get yourself ready for the next wave of technology that is coming up, so let them work hard, let them take advantage of all these resources that is possible for them to be in an organization like NPA, which has given them so much time and resources in order to be able to actualize their potentials, so they should spend less time on Instagram and Twitter and spend more time on sites that are beneficial to their careers.

Are there things that you'd love to add to this interview?

The present group of management is a blessing to NPA and they have very lofty ambitions, so we just pray that, the Port Community System this conceptualization can only come from somebody with a broad mind, so we pray that all these kinds of multi-agency initiatives and other parastatals cooperate with him to make us realize this dream, because it is the next step for NPA, to be automated and NPA is driving it.

We would like to know your philosophy of life?

Work and pray, to keep it short and simple, work hard and pray hard. Don't be too serious about yourself so that you don't end up in the accident ward.

ENDLESS QUEST

FOR NIGERIA

Drifting like an air-plane
in search of radar
like the new born
seeking comforting
nutrients of mummy's
breast.

Languid members
assembled in starched
apparels
Chilling daily in the
dome
muffled voices
birth embalmed
precepts
dollarised suitcase
wobble orderlies.

I am Motherland
whose long awaited
Advancement
is a canoe sailing
the Craggy Mississippi.

A quester
whose corrosive climb
up the
Kilimanjaro
lands at the slippery
base of the Everest.

Now rainbow sparkles
from the horizon.

Extract from **MUSINGS OF A QUESTER**

INSIGHT ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT



LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA

An Act to make public records and information more freely available, provide for public access to public records and information, protect public records and information to the extent consistent with the public interest and the protection of personal privacy, protect serving public officers from adverse consequences of disclosing certain kinds of official information without authorization and establish procedures for the achievement of those purposes and for related matters.

Enacted by the National Assembly of the Federation Republic of Nigeria

(I) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act, law or regulation, the right of any person to access or request information, whether or not contained in any written form, which is in the custody or possession of any public official, agency or institution howsoever described, is established.

(ii) An applicant under this Act needs not demonstrate any specific interest in the information being applied for.

(iii) Any person entitled to the right to information under this Act, shall have the right to institute proceedings in the court to compel any public institution to comply with the provisions of this Act.

(i) A public institution shall ensure that it records and keeps information about all its activities, operations and businesses.

(ii) A public institution shall ensure the proper

organization and maintenance of all information in its custody in a manner that facilitates public access to such information.

(iii) A public institution shall cause to be published in accordance with subsection (4) of this Section, the following information –

A decision of the organization and responsibilities of the institution including details of the programs and functions of each division, branch and department of this institution;

A list of all –

Classes of records under the control of the institution in sufficient detail to facilitate the exercise of the right to information under this Act, and

Manuals used by employees of the institution in administering or carrying out any of the programs or activities of the institution;

A description of documents containing final opinions including concurring and dissenting opinions as well as orders made in the adjudication of cases;

Substantive rules of the institution

Statements and interpretations of policy which have been adopted by the institution, Final planning policies, recommendations, and decisions;

Factual reports, inspection reports, and studies whether prepared by or for the institution;

Information relating to the receipt or expenditure of public or other funds of the institutions;

Health and Safety

8 TYPES OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT YOU NEED FOR HOME FIRE SAFETY



Have you made your home a cent percent fire safety using appropriate firefighting equipment? How do you monitor and maintain your home fire safety?

1. FIRE PROTECTIVE DOORS

A fire door as firefighting equipment helps to fight against fire actively and save family lives passively. The fire protective doors are used to make solid forms, wood composite materials, or flax boards with a special seal. They are well framed fitted with doors that do not pay scope to pass fire. Helps to withstand the fire, heat, or smoke following any path. Normal doors used to burn quickly, but fire doors take time. As usual, a fire door delays 30 minutes. Within this time every family member gets a chance to escape themselves from the burning spot. It saves lives, pays time to pick out the precious things from fire-free adjacent rooms.

2. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

An Extinguisher is a peaceful smart red gentleman who deserves your usages at every level of your home building. The fire distinguishers have a profound role to save lives and property from fire. As usually most of the buildings keep up a different kind of portable firefighting equipment. This set of firefighters is built to protect the early stages of fires before they break out on a larger scale. You might need to learn and understand the right fire extinguisher classes to determine which tools are you requiring. As usually there are five extinguishing fire classes. They are:

- (i) Fire Class A: Wood, Paper, Fabric, Cardboard, Plastic
- (ii) Class B: Flammable Liquids, Oil, Gasoline, Gas, Diesel
- (iii) Fire Class C: Electric source and Electrical factor
- (iv) Class D: Flammable metals
- (v) Fire Class K: Cooking Oil, Cooking Fat, and Any Grease

The portable fast and easy extinguishers can contain water, dry powder, foam, CO/CO₂, or wet chemicals. They can be stored in the kitchen or any other quick accessible place to cover a single floor area.

3. FIRE SPRINKLERS

Worldwide popular an automatic fire sprinkler system can save your family lives and property at a cost-effective expenditure. As all-time ready firefighting equipment, sprinkler works direct fire protection uses the power of water supply speed connecting with a hydrant or water distribution pipeline. Due to cost-effective firefighting systems, automatic sprinkler systems are used in small residential homes.



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By Engr. Dafe T. S. Prin. Manager, Safety

WORK HOUR RELAXATION

VOX-POP

MANAGEMENT RECENTLY COMPLETED THE RENOVATION OF A WORLD CLASS TRAINING CENTRE AT APAPA, TO CATER FOR TRAINING PROGRAMMES, WHAT IS YOUR TAKE ON THIS DEVELOPMENT?

I've been at the new Training Centre thrice on inspections and once as a trainee.

The ambience is exciting. Especially for those of us that knew the state of that space in yesteryears.

But there is need for a deliberate attempt on workers' attitude and organizational culture that will move away from the wrong mentality of DTAs & estacode benefits rather than capacity development from Training Programmes.



B. O. Olotu Mrs.
PM LPC

The newly commissioned port training centre, Apapa is suitable for training. It is conducive for teaching - learning process and capable of facilitating knowledge, skills and aptitudes. It should however be noted that the training centre will limit employees exposure to international best practices. On this note, I wish to advise that management should continue the use of external facilities to complement the centre. This will provide broader perspectives to employees horizon. Kudos to the management, because its a wonderful development to the organization.



Zainab umar kwande
AGM Servicom, HQ.



Engr. Chukwuma U Ngini
Land & Asset Admin, HQ

Good, comfortable and speaks good of NPA to have provided such a training facility that compares favourably with a any such facility elsewhere.



Dr. Nyong A. Offisong
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We need to commend and salute our indefatigable Managing Director, Mohammed Bello-Koko and his management team for the vision and commitment to make the Nigerian Ports Authority a learning organization. The establishment of a world class ultra-modern Port Training Institute (PTI) in Dockyard has placed the organization far above its peers I the sub region. The PTI with state of the arts facilities: multipurpose Hall, Lecture halls, ICT room, kitchen, restaurant etc is adjudged the destination point for conducive meetings, conferences and trainings. As we speak many consultants within and outside have made reservations for the use of some of our facilities. Kudos to our management for establishing an institute for robust capacity building in the organization.

Khalil Mohammed Jamil
Security Division, HQ



The renovation and upgrade of our training center to a world class standard with state of the art faculties is a welcome development and key deliverables by the Management in line with it's Vision and Mission to emplace industry standards and international best practices across the ports and by extension the Maritime Sector as a whole.





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