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TIN CAN ISLAND PORT

COMMEMORATES

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

2025



The Tin Can Island Port marked World Environment Day with a significant event themed "Ending Global Plastic Pollution."

Organised by the Environment Department of the Port. The event brought together distinguished guests and environmental enthusiasts to address the pressing issue of plastic pollution, particularly in the maritime industry.

Addressing stakeholders on the occasion, Engr. Abdul Ibrahim, General Manager, Health, Safety and Environment (HSE), represented by Anthonia Uchegbulam, Assistant General Manager, Environment, highlighted the devastating impact of plastic pollution and encouraged responsible waste management practices, starting from our homes.

Earlier, Abubakar Sani Isa, the Port Manager, emphasised the need for collaborative efforts to tackle the menace of plastic pollution, which he described as a threat to the

ecosystem, wildlife, and human health.

Engr Dipo Olanrewaju, District Manager of African Circle Pollution Management Limited, delivered an extensive lecture on the history of plastic pollution, its effects on the environment, and potential solutions. He stressed the need for individual responsibility, community action, and government policies to curb plastic pollution, as well as the importance of alternative materials, recycling, and proper waste management.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks and a call to action to protect the environment and reduce plastic waste. The participants were encouraged to take concrete actions toward a plastic-free world and to reaffirm their commitment to environmental protection.

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THE EDITOR'S DESK

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EDITOR



As we reflect on significant events that shape our world, we are reminded of the importance of environmental stewardship. Tin Can Island Port's commemoration of World Environment Day 2025 is a timely reminder of our collective responsibility to protect our planet.

Likewise, it is with heavy hearts that we bid farewell to our team member, whose sudden passing has left us in shock and sorrow. May his memory continue to inspire us to strive for excellence and to make a positive impact on our organisation and the world around us.

Your favourite column Vox Pop, focuses on the persistent security concerns in the country that affect the productivity of the workforce. We also highlight some immigration rules to consider when travelling to another country.

Our regular features on health and safety, maritime terminologies and work ethics are also included for your reading pleasure.



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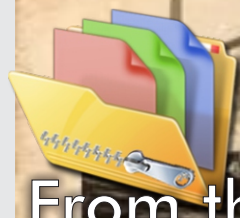
because things will get better.
It may be stormy now, but it never
rains forever.

My Dear Valentine

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



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in Memoriam

Bidemi Agboola

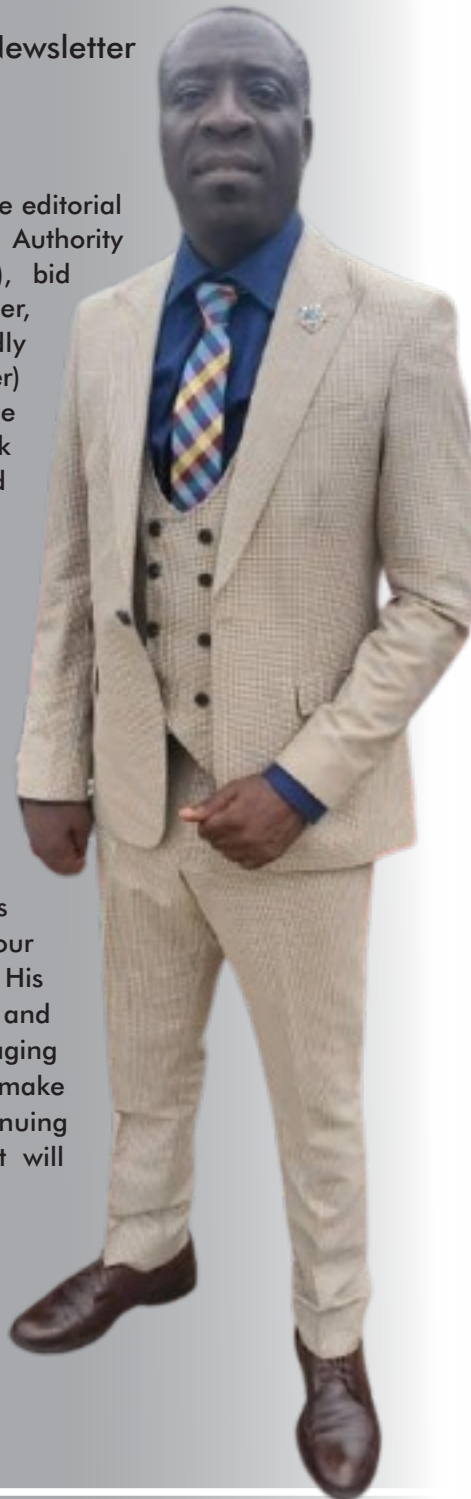
and His Impact on the Authority's Newsletter

It is with heavy hearts that we, the editorial team of the Nigerian Ports Authority Newsletter (NPA News online), bid farewell to our dear team member, Abidemi Shedrak Agboola fondly called (Bido's or Rocket launcher) amongst the sport community whose sudden passing has left us all in shock and sorrow, but also with a profound appreciation for the impact he had on our organisation and the Authority's newsletter.

Over the years, he became an integral part of our editorial process and was known for his creative photo shots, attention to detail, and unwavering commitment to excellence.

As we reflect on Mr. Agboola's contributions to our newsletter, we are reminded of his exceptional skills and ability to capture the essence of our organisation's mission and vision. His photos were not only informative and attention-grabbing but also engaging and thought-provoking. We will make sure to honour his memory by continuing to produce top-notch content that will make him proud.

.....ADIEU, fellow officer



work ethics

PROACTIVENESS:

A Push for Workplace Success

Proactiveness is a mindset that transforms the way individuals and teams function in any work environment. It involves anticipating challenges and opportunities, taking initiative, and acting without waiting for instructions. Proactive workers drive efficiency, foster innovation, and stimulate growth by spotting inefficiencies, suggesting improvements, and driving change.

Being proactive enhances productivity, contributes to a more agile workplace, and fosters leadership development. Proactive employees become natural leaders, inspire others, and earn the trust of management. They build credibility by consistently delivering results, making them valuable assets to any organisation.

Proactiveness cultivates a workplace culture of collaboration and accountability, reducing the need for micromanagement and allowing managers to focus on strategic decisions. It breeds continuous improvement, enabling employees and organisations to shape their future and stay ahead of challenges. By embracing proactiveness, organisations can achieve lasting success and sustainable growth.

- **Osio Daniel** is a corp member with the C&SC Division in the NPA Headquarters

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MARITIME TERMS



Compiled by Albert Orem

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Tugboat: Strong v-hull shaped boat used for maneuvering ships into and out of port and to carry supplies. A ship is too powerful to pull up to the wharf on its own. It cuts power and lets the tug nudge it in. Generally barges are pushed by **towboats**, not tugs.

Twenty Foot Equivalent Unit (TEU): A unit of measurement equal to the space occupied by a standard twenty foot container. Used in stating the capacity of container vessel or storage area. One 40 ft. Container is equal to two TEU's.

Vessel: A ship or large boat.

Vessel operator: A firm that charters vessels for its service requirements, which are handled by their own offices or appointed agents at ports of call. Vessel operators also handle the operation of vessels on behalf of owners.

Warehouse: A place in which goods or merchandise is stored.

Way bill: The document used to identify the shipper and consignee, present the routing, describe the goods, present the applicable rate, show the weight of the shipment, and make other useful information notations.

Wharf: The place at which ships tie up to unload and load cargo. The wharf typically has front and rear loading docks (aprons), a transit shed, open (unshedded) storage areas, truck bays, and rail tracks.

Wharfage fee: A charge assessed by a pier or wharf owner for handling incoming or outgoing cargo.

Yard: a system of tracks within a certain area used for making up trains, storing cars, placing cars to be loaded or unloaded, etc.

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BENEDICTA ONWUEMENE

IMMIGRATION RULES: 10 THINGS EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW BEFORE TRAVELLING TO ANOTHER COUNTRY



Travelling to another country can be an exciting and enriching experience; however, failing to prepare adequately can turn what should be an enjoyable trip into a nightmare. From understanding immigration rules to being cautious about what you carry, TUKO.co.ke shares 10 critical things travellers should know before crossing borders

➤ Know the immigration rules

Travel expert Anthony Wambugu told **TUKO.co.ke** that each country has specific immigration rules that visitors must follow. Some countries require visas, while others allow visa-free entry for a certain period. Before you travel, check the visa requirements for your destination.

"Overstaying a visa can result in fines, deportation, or even a ban from returning," he explained.

Some nations also require proof of onward travel, sufficient funds, or vaccinations, so it's important to prepare all necessary documents in advance.

➤ Never carry packages for strangers

One of the most common ways travellers get involved in legal trouble abroad is by unknowingly transporting illegal substances. Never accept packages or bags from strangers, even if they seem harmless.

Drug smuggling laws in many countries are severe, and claiming ignorance will not protect you from prosecution.

"If someone asks you to carry an item for them, politely refuse and report any suspicious activity to authorities," Wambugu warned.

HEALTH & SAFETY



DIGITAL SIGNAGE FOR EMERGENCY ALERTS: HOW TO USE

When an organization faces an emergency, taking every step possible to ensure the safety of employees and other stakeholders is critical. Using alerts and digital signage through emergency notification software can enhance safety measures.

WHY ORGANISATIONS NEED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

Organisations have a duty of care to their employees and other stakeholders to ensure that they are safe. When you have hundreds or even thousands of people you need to keep safe, it makes sense to use as many different tools as possible in an emergency to ensure that they are alerted to the issue and can take appropriate actions.

Emergency notifications are a critical element that organisations can deploy in response to an emergency. They appear on screens – desktop computers, laptops, tablets, cell phones and other digital screens – letting people know about the emergency and what to do next.

These can be used in notification alongside other emergency alerting measures, such as alarms, sirens or alert systems for schools or hospitals and are designed to grab attention quickly.

TYPES OF EMERGENCIES ORGANISATIONS MAY NEED TO RESPOND TO

Emergencies can occur at any time, often without any warning. This can include: Fires, Active shooters, Natural disasters, Intruders, Acts of terror, Gas leaks, Chemical spills, Accidents, Illness and injury, Pandemic related issues, Severe weather.

BENEFITS OF DIGITAL SIGNAGE FOR EMERGENCY ALERTS

Using digital signage for emergency alerts allows you to use any screen within your organization to broadcast information about an emergency. This can include both a warning as well as provide information about what steps people need to take to be safe, for example, having to evacuate or sheltering in place.

Because of the visual nature of digital signage, you can also include visual information such as maps of evacuation routes or even video demonstrations of what steps to take to be safe.

Digital signage is particularly beneficial as part of a multi-channel approach to emergency communication: this is where you use various tools to communicate the same message, increasing visibility. With emergency communications, the more channels you use, the more likely it is your employees will get the information in a time-sensitive manner and be able to take the appropriate steps to be safe.

After all, in an emergency, every second counts.

DESKALERTS INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS SOLUTION

Engr Dafe, T. S; Asst. Gen. Manager, Safety (Rtd)
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The persistent security concerns in the country have made life quite uncomfortable for the average Nigerian, especially the working class. What are your thoughts on the impact of this security on productivity?

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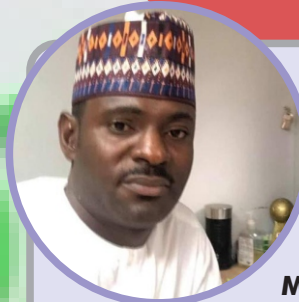
Work Hour Relaxation

VOX-POP

When there are unresolved security challenges in our nation or place of work, it can hinder employees' performance and productivity in the organisation or company. This usually comes as a result of fear due to the happenings in our society, such as kidnapping activities, banditry, Boko Haram, and other social vices that are common all over the country.



Igangan Brown, Fire Service, Warri



Mohammed T. Musa, ED, F&A Office, HQ

It's impacting my ability to commute to work safely. I've had to change my route or mode of transportation, which wastes time and energy.

The security situation is really affecting my productivity. I'm always worried about my safety, and it distracts me from focusing on my work.

Mohammed Ahmed Kagara, Human Resources, Warri



The government needs to do more to address the security concerns. Until then, productivity will continue to suffer, and people's lives will be further disrupted.

Security refers to the measures designed to safeguard lives, properties, and businesses. When individuals do not feel protected, they are unlikely to perform at their best in any job or business, ultimately leading to reduced productivity and negatively impacting the organisation or business.

Davies Owukori Hutton, Audit, Onne Port



The stress and anxiety from the security situation are taking a toll on my mental health, which affects my productivity and overall well-being.

Obed Ocheme, ICT, Lagos Ports Complex



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