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El-Rufai fulfills Promise



Gov. El-Rufai and Al-Siddique El-Rufai, his son during his enrollment as a primary one pupil of Kaduna Capital School.

Kaduna State Ministry of Education has applauded Governor Nasir El-Rufai for assuring the public of government's commitment towards revamping public schools to offer quality education.

El-Rufai has enrolled his six-year old child, Abubakar Al-Siddique El-Rufai into Primary one of Kaduna Capital School, Malali, a public school, in fulfillment of the promise made in 2017.

This is a bold step towards building the needed confidence in the state's public school system to deliver quality education and compete favourably with private schools.

By this exemplary act, the governor has once again proven to the public beyond reasonable doubt that he is a true leader, a man of his words, one who leads by example and a leader who promotes equality.

The ministry particularly thanked him for calling on senior officials to also send their children to public schools with a view to redeeming the lost glory of the country's public education system.

The step marks a new beginning in the quest to reposition the education system to offer inclusive education to every child in the state, irrespective of their social background, financial status or physical challenge and assures the general public that public schools are moving forward for quality education delivery to all category of learners at all levels.

In a related development, Governor Nasir El-Rufai has also fulfilled his promise of implementing the new minimum wage for workers in Kaduna state.

With this feat, the state has officially become the first in the country to implement the new 30,000 naira minimum wage.



Al-Siddique El-Rufai (1st left in the front seat) in class after his enrollment.

KADSWAC holds First Quadrennial Delegate Conference



Barrister Fatima Ladi Abdullahi, Secretary and Legal Adviser of the KADSWAC during her address at the event.

The Kaduna State Water Corporation (KADSWAC) has held its first Quadrennial Delegate Conference and election of new executive committee members of the corporation in Kaduna.

During the conference, the Managing Director of the corporation, Comrade Sanusi Maikudi charged its staff to

continue dedicating themselves to their duties.

Represented by the Corporation's Legal Adviser and Secretary, Barrister Fatima Ladi Abdullahi, Comrade Maikudi said the state government has expended billions of naira for the production and supply of clean portable water to the citizens of the state, hence the need for the staff to work harder toward achieving the set objectives. He further charged the new Excos to continue to mobilize their members towards the development of the corporation by generating more revenue through water billing and protecting government property under their care.

In a remark, the President of Senior Staff Association and Government Owned Companies, Comrade Sa'ad Aminu Usman said the corporation has witnessed tremendous success in its day to day activities under the present administration of Kaduna state and the union led by Comrade Yohanna Waziri.

He explained that such successes have given the state branch of the Association an edge over others thus, urging the new Excos to continue to enlighten their members on the need to be hardworking and transparent in performing their duties.

In his post-election speech, the State Branch Chairman,



A group photograph of the President of SSASCGOC and some of the management staff of KADSWAC after the election.

the release of promotions for staff and the payment of arrears by the management of the corporation. Waziri urged staff of the corporation to double their efforts towards revenue generation and warned them against fraudulent activities as the association will never support any dubious activities. The election was peacefully conducted.



A group photograph of the Executive Committee Members of the Corporation after the election.

Comrade Yohanna Waziri thanked the entire staff of the corporation for giving them another mandate to serve, recalling that in their first tenure, the union had succeeded in convincing the state government to pay all outstanding salaries and other benefits. He explained that more effort is being geared towards

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Alh. Ja'afaru Ibrahim Sani, Commissioner of LG Affairs addressing the KIFs.

dictate to them on what to do with resources at their disposal.

Shedding more light on the supervision and monitoring role played by the ministry, he noted that the ministry serves as a watch dog with a view to ensuring due process, cost effectiveness, transparent and prudent application of public funds at their mercy.

Alh. Ja'afaru Sani informed the KIFs that the ministry is currently working on providing schedule of duties to all categories of officers working within it and the 23 LGCs, while training and capacity development of the officers will be given greater attention to ensure speedy implementation of government policies and programmes aimed at improving the economy and living conditions of the citizenry.

He called on local government councils to reciprocate these gestures by doubling their efforts towards providing developmental projects and programmes that will promote the wellbeing of the people as well as unity, peace and stability. Sani explained that the change of emirates and chiefdoms with nomenclature of tribes is aimed at giving additional powers of control to the traditional leaders over whoever resides in their domains irrespective

The Commissioner of Local Government Affairs, Alh. Ja'afaru Ibrahim Sani has reiterated that all developmental strides taking place in the 23 LGCs are independent initiatives by the local governments as a result of the local government reforms initiated by the El-Rufai administration.

The commissioner stated this during an interactive session with the 2nd cohort of the Sir Kashim Ibrahim Fellows on a study visit to his ministry.

Sani explained that the local government councils are now financially buoyant, capable of footing their personnel costs and implement capital projects.

He further stated that prior to the reforms, only few local governments in the state could pay their staff salaries after which nothing is left for capital and recurrent expenditure.

While speaking on local government financial autonomy and freedom, the commissioner explained that directly or indirectly, Kaduna state government does not interfere or

of their affiliations.

Earlier in his remarks, the leader of the 2nd cohort of the Sir Kashim Ibrahim Fellows, Mr. Hosea Sani informed the commissioner that the KIF is one amongst several developmental drives initiated by Governor Nasir Ahmad El-Rufai with the sole aim of educating and preparing the younger generation on modern governance and leadership skills for development.



A group photograph of the KIFs with the management and staff of MLGA during the visit.

State, LGs to Operate Uniform Accounting System



Atiku Musa, Auditor General for LG (in White) while addressing the directors during the meeting.



Area auditors working in the LG councils in the state have been directed to ensure that their monthly reports get to the local government audit headquarters within 14 days of every new calendar month.

Auditor General for Local Government, Atiku Musa gave the directive in Kaduna during an interactive meeting with the local government directors of administration and finance and their deputies.

Musa appealed to the directors to ensure that area auditors attached to their respective local governments get access to all relevant books of account whenever requests for such books are brought before them. This, he said, will enable timely compilation and submission of the area auditor monthly report for further necessary actions.

The AG reminded the directors that the state statutory law establishing the office of the auditor general for local government requires the AG to prepare and forward to the state house of assembly

a yearly audited report and such report usually emanates from the monthly reports forwarded by the area auditors.

According to him, refusal to grant access to books of account or information concerning finances and expenditure of local governments to the area auditors is a breach of the Nigerian constitution as well as a violation of the State House of Assembly law which established the office of the auditor general for local government.

Musa also emphasized on the need for local governments to migrate from their current IPSA cash base accounting system to IPSA accrual base accounting system which is being operated at the state level to enable the maintenance of a uniform accounting system between the state and the local governments.

He drew the attention of the directors on the need to ensure proper documentation of investments done by the local governments to prevent the misplacement or any form of misuse of such investments and assured them that he will operate an open door policy to ensure best practices in the local government accounting system.



A cross-section of LG Directors during the meeting with the LG Auditor General.



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