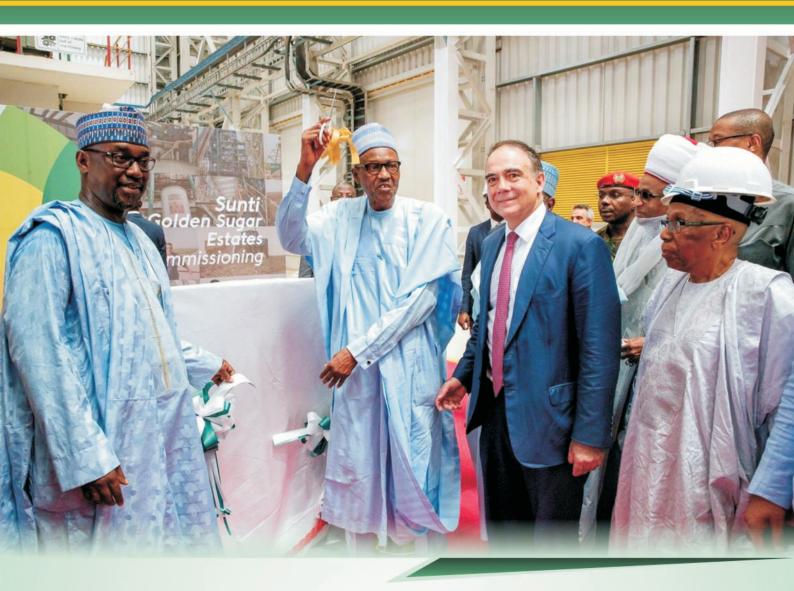


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# **Editorial**

The recent official commissioning of the multi-billion naira Sunti Golden Sugar Estates project owned by the Flour Mills of Nigeria (FMN) is without doubt a significant achievement in Nigeria's quest to among other goals, attain self-sufficiency in sugar production as contained in the Nigerian Sugar Master Plan (NSMP).

President Muhammadu Buhari led top government functionaries, captains of industry, traditional rulers and stakeholders in the sugar sector to officially commission the project on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. According to stakeholders, the successful completion of the project is an eloquent testimony of the fact that the Backward Integration Programme component of the NSMP is being pursued vigorously.

The Sugar News Editorial Board had an engaging and fruitful interview session with the Honourable

Minister of State, FMITI, Hajia Aisha Abubakar where she bared her mind on the largely untapped potential and opportunities in the sugar sector.

Also, within the period under review, the Governing Board of the National Sugar Development Council (NSDC), was inaugurated by the Honourable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Dr. Okechukwu Enelamah. The newly inaugurated board has veteran journalist and current National Publicity Secretary of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Malam Bolaji Abdullahi as Chairman.

As usual, in this edition are interesting events and issues within the sugar sector for your reading delight. Welcome on board.



AbdullahiW. Yunusa Editor - In-Chief

#### Applause as President Buhari commissions N50 Billion sugar project in Niger

resident Muhammadu Buhari has commissioned the N50 billion Sunti Golden Sugar Estates owned by Flour Mills of Nigeria (FMN) in Niger state. The project is located in Sunti, Mokwa local government area of Niger state. Speaking at the event, President Buhari said, the magnitude of investment in the sugar estate is a clear manifestation that the policy on economic diversification of the government is attracting the right kind of support and engagement.

"With N50 billion invested into Sunti Golden sugar Estates, this makes it the largest Agro-allied investment in Nigeria today. The sugar factory will produce 100,000 metric tonnes of sugar annually, employ 10,000 people directly and a network of 3,000 small scale outgrowers of sugarcane."

President Buhari then reassured Nigerians that the administration is committed to the transformation and diversification of the economy adding that they will continue to support businesses and investors by creating enabling business environment.

In his speech, the Chief host and Governor of Niger state, Alhaji Abubakar Sani-Bello said, Niger state indigenes are proud farmers, adding that the sugar estate would utilize the farmers and make them productive.

He said that 2018 have been earmarked

as the year of agricultural revolution in the state calling on investors to invest into the state which is a perfect model for investment.

The Chairman of Flour Mills of Nigeria, Mr. J o h n Coumantaros said the Sunti sugar factory is to ensure that local sugar is produced in Niger state, adding that the factory is showcasing the shift in the focus from crude oil to agriculture.

The Sunti Golden Sugar Estate occupies 17,000 hectares of land in Mokwa local government area of Niger state out of which 10,000 hectares is being used as sugarcane farm.



President Muhammadu Buhari, flanked by dignitaries during the official commissioning of the Sunti Golden Sugar Estates, Mokwa, Niger State.

### Dr. Enelamah inaugurates NSDC Governing Board ....Malam Bolaji Abdullahi chairs board

n line with the directive by President Muhammadu Buhari for Governing Boards of Ministries, Departments and Agencies to be inaugurated, the Honourable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Dr.Okechukwu Enelamah has inaugurated the Governing Board of the National Sugar Development Council (NSDC) and other agencies under the Ministry.

The NSDC Governing Board which has veteran journalist, politician and current National Publicity Secretary of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Malam Bolaji Abdullahi as Chairman, has representatives from statutory government agencies like the

Ministries of Industry, Trade and Investment, Finance, Agriculture, Nigeria Customs Service, investors as well as representatives of interest groups as members.

In his address at the event, Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Dr. Okechukwu Enelamah urged them to bring their wealth of experience to bear in their new assignments, stating that, "This administration is committed to address the change mantra which is improving security, tackling corruption and revitalizing the economy".

To the new board members, Dr. Enelamah said, "You are therefore, expected to provide policy guidelines, approve operational targets, and ensure efficient management of resources to achieve the set targets of your parastatals and agencies".



Dr. Okechukwu Enelamah Honourable Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment,

### THE MAN BOLAJI ABDULLAHI: Chairman, NSDC Governing Board

allam Bolaji Abdullahi was born in 1969. He attended one of Nigeria's leading universities, the University of Lagos, Akoka-Lagos where he graduated with a B.Sc. Second Class Upper degree, in Mass Communication.

Mallam Abdullahi started his working career as a volunteer and part-time worker in civil society organizations and international agencies before joining ThisDay newspapers as a reporter in 1997.

In his first year as a journalist, he won a nomination for the Nigerian Media Merit Award for the Best Newspaper Feature of the Year. In 1998, he joined the Africa Leadership Forum, a civil society organization based in Ota, Ogun State as a Publications Officer, and later a Programme Officer.

He returned to ThisDay in 2000 as the Deputy Editor of the ThisDay title on of ThisDay daily title a year later. However, it was for his weekly column, "Grains of Wit" that he made his mark.

In 2003, he was appointed as the Special Assistant, Communications and Strategy to the Executive Governor of Kwara State, Dr. Bukola Saraki, and in 2005, he was appointed Special Adviser on Policy and Strategy to the Governor.

In April 2007 he was appointed as the Commissioner of Education, Science and Technology, a position he held until May 2011. His tenure as Commissioner recorded key achievements which had great impact on the educational system in Kwara State such as the comprehensive educational reforms and significant State-wide improvement in educational standards.

In recognition of his laudable

Sunday, and became the Deputy Editor achievements and inspirational leadership qualities, Mallam Abdullahi was appointed as the Minister of Youth Development by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, His Excellency, Dr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, in July 2011.

> Mallam Abdullahi speaks English, Yoruba, Hausa and Pidgin English fluently and enjoys reading, photography, jogging and aerobics. He is happily married and blessed with children.



Mallam Bolaii Abdullahi Chairman, NSDC Governing Board

### Dr. Busari tasks NSDC staff on dedication, commitment to duty

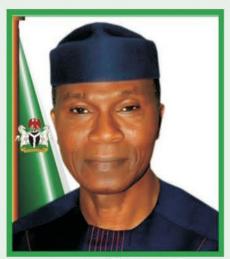
For the National Sugar employment and generate Development Council (NSDC) to electricity, said Council shall effectively carry out its statutory continue to come up with functions as the regulator of the measures that would accelerate nation's sugar industry, Council the attainment of the NSMP goals. staff must show commitment and engagements.

the Council's Head Office in Abuja. promptly.

Dr. Busari who enjoined NSDC staff Dr. Busari also tasked staff to be to key into the main objectives of innovative and analytical in the Nigerian Sugar Master Plan thinking, stressing that the (NSMP), which is to meaningfully present day world is largely driven grow the local sugar sector to by ideas, innovation and smart bring about self-sufficiency in thinking. sugar production, create

dedication in their daily official He said strict adherence to Council's Core Values of Respect, Integrity, Discipline, Excellence This was the position of the and Reliability (RIDER) forms part Executive Secretary of the NSDC, of the measures put in place to Dr.Latif D. Busari during the Staff ensure that members of staff carry General Meeting held recently at out assigned tasks diligently and

He said while the Council will continue to reward outstanding conducts and practices amongst staff, it shall however not hesitate to penalise erring staff in accordance with the NSDC's Conditions of Service Rules.



Dr. Latif Busari **Executive Secretary** National Sugar Development Council (NSDC)

### FMITI organizes workshop for Public Affairs Officers on "Ease of Doing Business"

oised to ensure that government's programmes, policies and ongoing reforms across sectors are adequately communicated to the general public and desired results are achieved, the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment recently held a oneday media workshop for Heads of Public Affairs Units in all the parastatals under the Ministry.

The workshop with the theme, "Role of the Media in Improving Ease of Doing Business in Nigeria" was hosted by the Oil and Gas Free Zones Authority (OGFZA) and was attended by the image and reputation managers from parastatals within the Ministry.

In his welcome speech at the event, Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Mr. Edet Sunday Akpan,

commended the initiators of the programme, adding that "the event couldn't have come at a more auspicious time than now, especially now that the present administration is focusing on the diversification of the economy from oil to non-oil sector".

"This workshop therefore is aimed at reviewing the activities of the media units in all the parastatals of the Ministry bearing in mind the five pillars of the Ministry and Ease of Doing Business campaign".

The National Sugar Development Council, Nigerian Export promotion Council, Nigerian Investment Promotion Council, Standards Organization of Nigeria, Nigerian Export Processing Zones Authority, Tafawa Balewa Square Management Board, Industrial Training Fund, Nigerian Commodity Exchange and the Oil and Gas Free Zones Authority were agencies present at the workshop.



Participants at the one-day workshop for Public Affairs Officers held in Port Harcourt, Rivers State



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Hajia Aisha Abubakar: Honourable Minister of State, Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment.

The Editorial Team of the Sugar News, a quarterly publication of the National Sugar Development Council (NSDC), recently had an engaging and fruitful audience with the Honourable Minister of State, Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Hajia Aisha Abubakar. The Honourable Minister responded to questions bordering on new investments in the sugar sector, NSMP implementation, challenges as well as prospects that abound in the nation's sugar industry.

SUGAR NEWS: Honourable Minister, you were recently in Sokoto State to witness the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Sokoto State Government and Goyonyo Sugar Company for the construction of a sugar factory. What are your immediate and future expectations in terms of the opportunities from the project?

HON. MINISTER: The signing of Memorandum of Understanding between the Sokoto State Government and Goyonyo Sugar Company marked the beginning of a new dawn for the state and my immediate expectation is to witness the takeoff and subsequent delivery of the project. Presently, a lot is being done to deliver on the project and we expect that the sugar factory when fully operational will stimulate economic activities, create job opportunity for the youths as well as generate wealth for the state.

The construction of Goronyo Sugar Factory in Sokoto will not only provide investment opportunities for the state but also create jobs for its people. Currently, employment in the primary sugar industry accounts for about 58% of total employment in rural communities in the agriculture and processing sectors. The Goronyo Sugar project would create additional 20%

jobs over the next 5 years and further fast track the implementation of NSMP. An estimated 500, 000 additional construction jobs will be required to develop and expand infrastructure during the same period. Therefore, the Goronyo Sugar Factory does not only provide opportunity for investment but it also holds promises for the state.

SUGAR NEWS: The Backward Integration Programme (BIP) component of the Nigeria Sugar Master Plan (NSMP) is to ensure the development of the local sugar sector through the provision of incentives for investors. Do you think the BIP scheme is yielding the desired results?

HON. MINISTER: The Implementation of Backward Integration Plan in the sugar sector began with the Official Launch of the Nigerian Sugar Master Plan and the subsequent approval of three (3) sugar refineries for (BIP). The Government in its commitments to the



L-R: Niger State Governor, Alhaji Abubakar Sani-Bello, H.E, President Muhammed Buhari (GCFR), Chairman Flour Mills Nigeria, Mr. John Coumantaros, Etsu Nupe, HRH, Alhaji Yahaya Abubakar and FMNL Director, Allhaji Ahmed Joda at the official commissioning of Sunti Golden Sugar Estates, Sunti, Niger State



R-L: Executive Secretary, National Sugar Development Council (NSDC), Dr. Latif Busari presenting copies of NSDC Publications to Sokoto State Governor, Rt. Hon. Aminu Waziri Tambuwal during the MOU signing between Sokoto State and Goronyo Sugar Factory in Sokoto State.



The NSDC Management team in a photo-session at the end of its retreat in Bauchi, Bauchi State.



Executive
Secretary,
NSDC,
Dr. Latif D. Busari
fielding questions
from newsmen
at the official
commissioning
of the Sunti
Golden Sugar
Estates, Sunti,
Niger State.



L-R: Secretary to the Sokoto State Government, Prof. Basir Garba exchanging documents with the Managing Director, Goronyo Sugar Company, Mallam Hamza Muhammed Sambo after the signing of the MOU on the establishment of a sugar factory in Goronyo, Sokoto State.



Participants at the one-day media workshop for Heads of Public Affairs Unit in FMITI in a group photograph session.

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full implementation of the Backward Integration Programme approved some trade measures and offered concessionary tariff of 5% Duty and 5% levy, as incentive for the investors to support the development of the sector. We also set out key target indicators as a basis for measuring the performance and seek commitment of the investors. After a mid-term review of the BIP, the three investors overall rating was about

40.7% which is far below project performance (i.e Dangote Sugar Refinery 45%, BUA 19%, and Golden Sugar Company 58%).

The Golden Sugar Company commissioned a 50,000 Metric ton per annum factory in Sunti, Niger State which is fully operational and Dangote Sugar Refinery is at the final stage of completion, while BUA is still at land clearing and based on these assessments, we can say that the BIP is yielding result but at a very slow pace. Although, there are challenges which we have noted such as issues of land access, community hostilities, flooding and other administrative lapses. As a result, we decided to consider a more radical approach to the implementation

of the BIP and the Government has taken steps to support the sector and provided key interventions that would further facilitate the Implementation of the BIP. A guideline has been established to fast track the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the BIP and henceforth all allocation will only be considered on verifiable improvements in performance.

The Government in its desire and commitment to industrialization and diversification of the economy is working hard to provide adequate measures to fast track the implementation of policies in order to achieve inclusive growth and

sustainable development for Nigeria.

SUGAR NEWS: During the recent Mid Term Review Meeting of the NSMP, challenges faced by the operators were highlighted. Two key challenges were access to land for sugar projects and community hostility. How can the Federal Government help to resolve these challenges?



Hajia Aisha Abubakar

HON. MINISTER: We identified issues of land acquisition, community grievances and hostilities, flooding and other administrative lapses as some of the critical challenges which has slowed down progress in the implementation of the BIP. Additionally, the issues of interference by political/traditional elites on land compensation and request for equity stake in the projects has greatly delayed progress of some potential projects which has further created uncertainty in their execution. We have however taken steps to engage the state government to resolve specific

challenges and sensitize the communities on the prospects of industrial projects in their communities.

In November, 2017, we made presentation at the National Executive Council (NEC) Meeting to discuss some of these challenges and as result of this efforts, a subcommittee of the NEC was established where we further

discussed extensively on critical issues and subsequently, the Committee resolved that we present the reports at the Governors Forum which we did and presently, we are waiting for their responses on a number of issues. We hope that the resolutions of the Governors will be in the best interest of our industrial sectors and the country at large. We believe that the convergence of State Governments will create the opportunity to have a resolution that will bring about a change in the industry.

SUGAR NEWS: States like Niger, Nasarawa, Jigawa, Ondo and recently, Sokoto signed different sugar projects agreements with some private companies in the country in order to harness the enormous sugar potentials in the states. Are these agreements in line with the FG's roadmap for the sugar industry?

HON. MINISTER: Indeed Yes, all agreement signed by the Government must be consistent with the approved roadmap to Local manufacturing of Sugar and its clear objectives to be achieved. The overall objective of the National Sugar Master Plan was to achieve self-sufficiency in Sugar production and reduce the importation of sugar products which has increasingly added pressure to the Nigerian Foreign Exchange demand.

SUGAR NEWS: How would you want the recently launched FG's Ease of Doing Business programme to be domesticated in the sugar industry, especially as it relates to dealing with foreign investors?

HON. MINISTER: The Presidential Enabling Business Environment Council (PEBEC) promoting initiatives of ease of doing business was established in fulfilment of this administration's change Agenda to create an enabling business environment for businesses to thrive in Nigeria. The Nigerian Sugar sector is not left out in this regard and there is lot going on to support the sector in terms of registration, documentations and government procedures required to catalyse NSMP implementation.

SUGAR NEWS: The NSDC has continued to raise the red flag with regards to smuggling of sugar into the country. Some banned imported sugar brands are still being seen in our local retail outlets across major cities thereby frustrating the efforts of local investors. Aren't you bothered as it relates to the huge revenue losses attached to these

practices? What can government do to address the problems?

HON. MINISTER: Smuggling of sugar and sugar products into the country is one of the critical challenges facing the sector but we have identified some anti-smuggling measures to mitigate these challenges, such as the establishment of anti-smuggling task force. Presently, we are working with Nigerian Custom Service to determine the most vulnerable and highest incidence borders to minimize smuggling.

The Government is currently reviewing some of the existing and impending changes to investment policies and incentives to determine their efficiency and alignment to the Nigerian industrialization programme. The launch of Pioneer Status Incentives and Compendium of Investment Incentives for Nigeria by the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission are part of efforts to spur additional investment in all the manufacturing sectors of the economy.

SUGAR NEWS: Finally, do you have any message for investors as well as potential investors? HON. MINISTER: The Nigeria Industrial Development Plan (NIRP) provides the framework for structural economic diversification and industrialization of the economy and our focus on key sectors of the economy such as the Sugar is part of a broader strategy to stimulate growth and achieve sustainable development for Nigeria. The Objective of the NIRP is to accelerate the growth of manufacturing industry and diversify the industrial base of the economy mainly through the development of key sectors where Nigeria can dominate for competitive advantage and drive economic industrialization. Accordingly, the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investments took an important step towards creating the desired enabling environment to drive a structural economic diversification with an emphasis on increasing industrial productivity and achieving sustainable growth for Nigeria. Investors in the sugar industry are encouraged to leverage on the existing initiatives of government and pursue progress towards increase production.

### **Sokoto state signs MOU on new sugar factory**

The Sokoto State Government and Goronyo Sugar Company have signed a memorandum of understanding for the establishment of a new Sugar Factory in the State.

The event which took place in Government House, Sokoto State, was witnessed by the Executive Governor of Sokoto State Rt. Hon. Aminu Waziri Tambuwal, Members of the State Executive Council, the Honourable Minister of State Hajia Aisha Abubakar, the Executive Secretary National Sugar Development Council Abuja, Dr.



L-R: Secretary to the Sokoto State Government, Prof. Basir Garba exchanging documents with the Managing Director, Goronyo Sugar Company, Mallam Hamza Muhammed Sambo after the signing of the MOU on the establishment of a sugar factory in Goronyo, Sokoto State.

Latif Busari, officials of the Goronyo Sugar Company and other top government officials.

At the occasion, Governor Tambuwal said the Government wants to create opportunities for the

citizens by setting up viable industries and supporting the private sector to invest in the State.

Both the Hon. Minister of State and the Executive Secretary NSDC expressed the readiness of the Federal Government to do everything possible to ensure a smooth take-off of sugarfactory

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# Staff Matters

## **General Staff Meeting**

The Council held its first General Staff Meeting for the 2018 working year on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

The meeting had in attendance the Executive Secretary, Management staff and entire staff of the Council, including those from the North-West, North-East, South West Zonal offices as well as Lagos Liaison office.

Issues that topped agenda at the meeting bordered on how to achieve NSDC's mandate, staff commitment and dedication to duty, general welfare as well as the need for staff to imbibe modern work ethics.

### **Management Retreat**

The entire Management Staff of the National Sugar Development Council converged on Bauchi State for the 2017 edition of the annual Management Retreat. It held between 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 at Chartwell Hotel and Suites, Bauchi in Bauchi State with the theme 'Work Ethics, Value Re-orientation and Corporate Dynamics in NSDC".

## Retirement

Mr. Aliyu B. Chado, Assistant Chief Confidential Secretary (Finance and Accounts) retired from the service of the Council after attaining the mandatory retirement age of 60 years. He was a staff of the Council for 24 years. He formally left the Council on 13th February, 2018. Here is wishing Mr. Chado the very best in his future endeavours.

# **MSC Training**

In line with its resolve to run a working and functional government agency devoid of laxity and shoddiness to enable it achieve speedy and sustained results, the Management of the NSDC has submitted its entire Management System for assessment and certification on ISO-9001:2015 by the International Standardization Organisation (ISO).

The training exercise which is to run in batches began on 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 with the Management staff and a few principal officers as trainees. Other batches are expected to take their turns.

# Weddings



Kehinde Yusuf and her amiable husband during their wedding ceremony at Abekoko Ife, Ogun State

All roads led to Abekoko Ifo in Ogun state as **Kehinde Yusuf** of the PPRS department began her marital journey on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. The event was graced by members of the NSDC family. Here is wishing the newly wedded couple God's blessings and protection in the days



Habib Abdullahi and his dear wife during their wedding ceremony in Katsina

Our amiable and ever-smiling **Habib Abdullahi** of the Technical Services Department said final goodbye to bachelorhood as he walked down the aisle on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2018 in Katsina State. We wish the newly wedded couple Allah's blessings and guidance.

# DATA ON SUGAR IMPORTATION IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2018 - JANUARY - MARCH

Month	Importer	Qty (MT) (NPA)	Qty (MT) (NCS)	Levy Paid (N)	Country of Origin	Discharging Port	Type of Sugar
January	Dangote Sugar	46,120	90,501	509,385,801	Brazil	Apapa	Raw
	BUA Sugar	-	85,000	390,090,019	Brazil	Tincan	Raw
	Golden Sugar	-	41,637	326,338,157	Brazil	Apapa	
February	Dangote Sugar	96,437	15,630	80,178,952	Brazil		Raw
	BUA Sugar	-	-		-	8	-
	Golden Sugar	45,016	30,000	153,894,274	Brazil	Apapa	Raw
March	Dangote Sugar	-	43,000	155,963,087	Brazil	Apapa	Raw
	BUA Sugar	-	-	( <b>-</b> (	-		-
	Golden Sugar	45,150	46,321	235,536,107	Brazil	Tincan	Raw
	Total	232,723	352,089	1,851,386,397			

# SUMMARY OF AVERAGE LOCAL & INTERNATIONAL RAW AND REFINED SUGAR PRICE: JANUARY - MARCH, 2018

MONTH	SOURCE (STATE)	SUGAR TYPE	WHOLESALE N/50KG	WHOLESALE N/MT	RETAIL N/50KG	RETAIL N/MT	INTERNATIONAL RAW SUGAR AVERAGE PRICE S/MT N/MT		INTERNATIONAL WHITE SUGAR AVERAGE PRICE S/MT +N/MT	
JANUARY	Lagos, Kano, Abuja, Adamawa ,kwara	Refined Dangote/ Bua/ Golden	15,669.25	313,383	16,047.55	320,949	311.36	95,209.36	371.65	113,643.22
FEBUARY	Lagos, Kano, Abuja Adamawa ,kwara	Refined Dangote/ Bua/ Golden	14,971.25	299,425	15,292.5	305,850	299.19	91,514.52	358.51	109,659.80
MARCH	Lagos, Kano, Abuja Adamawa ,kwara	Refined Dangote/ Bua/ Golden	15,010.76	300,120.04	15,357.49	307,149.1	289.27	88,451.90	354.23	108,317.20
AVERAGE MONTH TOTAL			15,217.08	304,309.34	15,565.84	311,316.03	299.94	91,725.26	361.46	110,540.07

\*NOTE: MT=Metric Tons (50kgx20), kg=kilogram, N=Nigerian currency naira, \$=USD, Weight conversion: 1000kg=1 Metric tonne, \$/MT= c/lb x 22.04 Country and State are NOT applicable to International raw and white sugar price. Source: International Sugar Organization Market Report & Local Market Survey

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