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Love is patient, love is kind.

It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

**It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily
angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.**

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

- 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

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MARCH 2018

“Blood is the most expensive thing in life.”

- Sheik Dr. Ahmad Abubakar Gumi

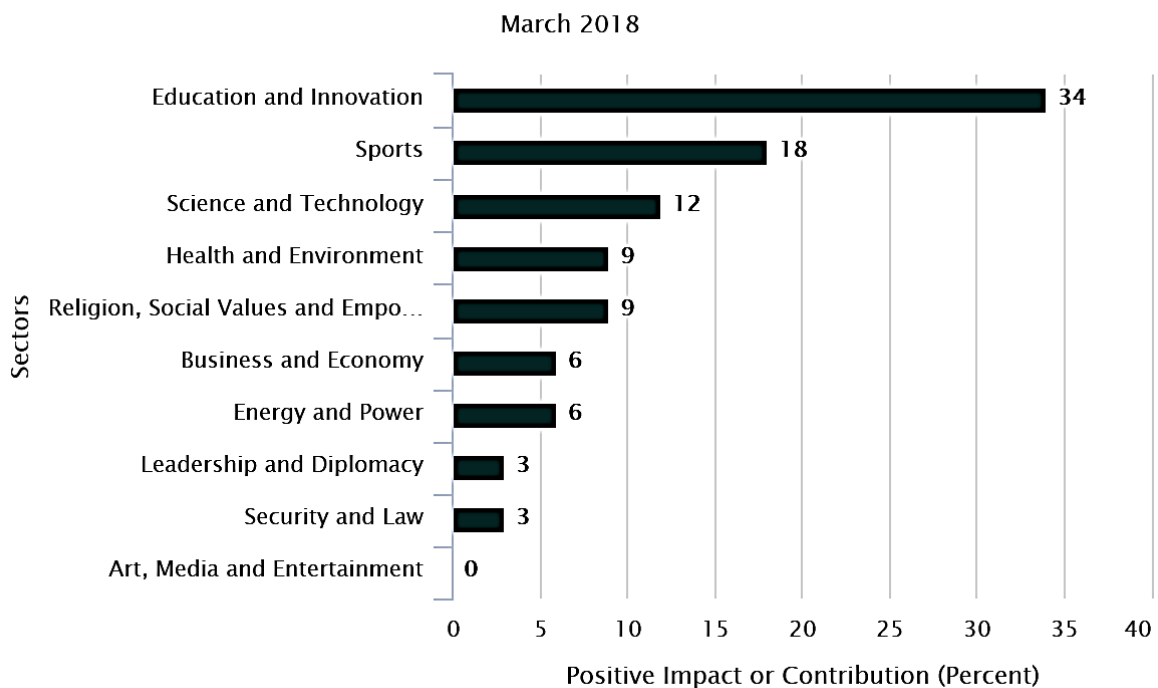
“What you appreciate, appreciates!”

- Lynne Twist

*Excellence
Positive, tough
Uplifting, inventing, loving
The courage to improve
Nigerians*

- Toju Micheal Ogbe

Nigeria’s Monthly Positive Impact Ranking



1. Dr. Michael Odighemeh Develops Ebola & Lassa Fever Detector

Dr. Michael Odighemeh, has announced the discovery of a fuzzy-neutral expert system for detecting ebola and lassa fever. Dr. Michael Odighemeh is a lecturer at the Faculty of Engineering in the Federal University Ndufu-Alike Ikwo (FUNAI), Ebonyi State.

He made the presentation in Abuja titled: "Research and development results, inventions, innovations." He explained that the expert system could be domiciled in an ATM-like interface, and offers self-help in a way that when pressed, it would trigger who to call depending on the symptom acquired. He added, for instance, that if the system gives malaria as its findings, it means that the contagious disease is still mild but if the temperature changes within a period of 30 minutes, it could mean a second stage of ebola or lassa fever. The dectector he stated as having a very low margin of error very low and global validity. Odighemeh said, having only developed the software, the next stage is to publicise and domesticate it for the use of medical facilities across the country. He stressed that the technology would help to reduce the death of medical professionals in the treatment of contagious diseases.

2. Chile Eboe-Osuji Elected President Of International Criminal Court (ICC)

Judges of the International Criminal Court (ICC) at a plenary sitting have elected Justice Chile Eboe-Osuji, a Nigerian as the president of the court for a three-year term.

Judge Robert Fremr from the Czech Republic was elected First Vice-President with Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut of France as Second Vice-President.

Chile Eboe-Osuji, who became the first Nigerian to be elevated to the court in 2012, would serve as ICC president for the next three years.

3. Winners Of The 2017 Teecoks Writing Competition

Towunmi Coker Literary Initiative – a non-governmental organisation (NGO) has awarded winners of the 2017 Teecoks Writing Competition.

Teecoks Writing Competition is organised by the NGO for secondary school students in Lagos State. The competition had as theme '*Flipping the Scripts: An Unemployment Story*,' with entries submitted either in poetry or fictional form.

Poetry category winners:

Omotayo Tomiwa of Maryland Comprehensive School, Ikeja, Lagos, received the first position with Atanda Akpezi Blessing of Diary Farm Secondary School in second place, while Ezeokeh Chelsea of Holy Child College emerged the third winner.

Fiction category winners:

Osumah Katherine of Maryland Comprehensive School emerged winner, while Oluwapemi Adesanya of Oke-Oso Senior High School and Obidi Eunice Onyeaka of ISL settled for the second and third prizes respectively.

Consolation prizes were given to 4th - 10th place winners while the top three winners for each category were given some money and sponsored in a writing workshop.

Unsurprisingly, the Nigeria Police has deployed more than 12,000 personnel to various United Nations, African Union and ECOWAS peace support operations. Only recently, they were the military backbone of the UN Mission in Liberia, thus helping to restore peace in a country that had undergone a series of brutal civil war.

Likewise, the country has also always been at the forefront of the donation of Relief materials to victims of natural and non-natural disasters all over African countries. This has earned the country the position of a 'big brother' in the continent. Importantly, this is largely because all these largesse have always been done unconditionally without any diplomatic back-scratching attached.

All these only give pointers to the fact that the country, with its people, is an enviable one. The Nigerian spirit is not dead. The love of Nigerians for the country continues to wax stronger. Nigerians in the country and the diaspora continue to set enviable trends in all spheres of life.

Taken, the country has had its fair of challenges and difficulties, politically, socially, and economically, the people and indeed the nation are yet not ripped of their kindness, their love of their neighbour and for humanity as a whole. In re-memory of that popular slogan, the country is blessed with "Good People, Great Nation". This is the Nigeria that we are proud of!

- **Adu Michael Adeyemi**

3rd Place Winner of the 2018 PositiveNaija Essay Competition [The Love Of A Nigerian!]

A penultimate law student of the University of Ilorin, Ilorin, I am passionate and optimistic about a Nigeria that works.

I spend my time away from sunlight and can be seen in libraries reading and writing.



JULY 2018

“If Nigeria’s fundamental objectives of state policy are visionary, geared towards lifting the masses out of poverty, tackling corruption and ensuring equity and justice, the nation will be exalted.”

- Leke Alder

“You show what you are waiting on by showing what you are working on!”

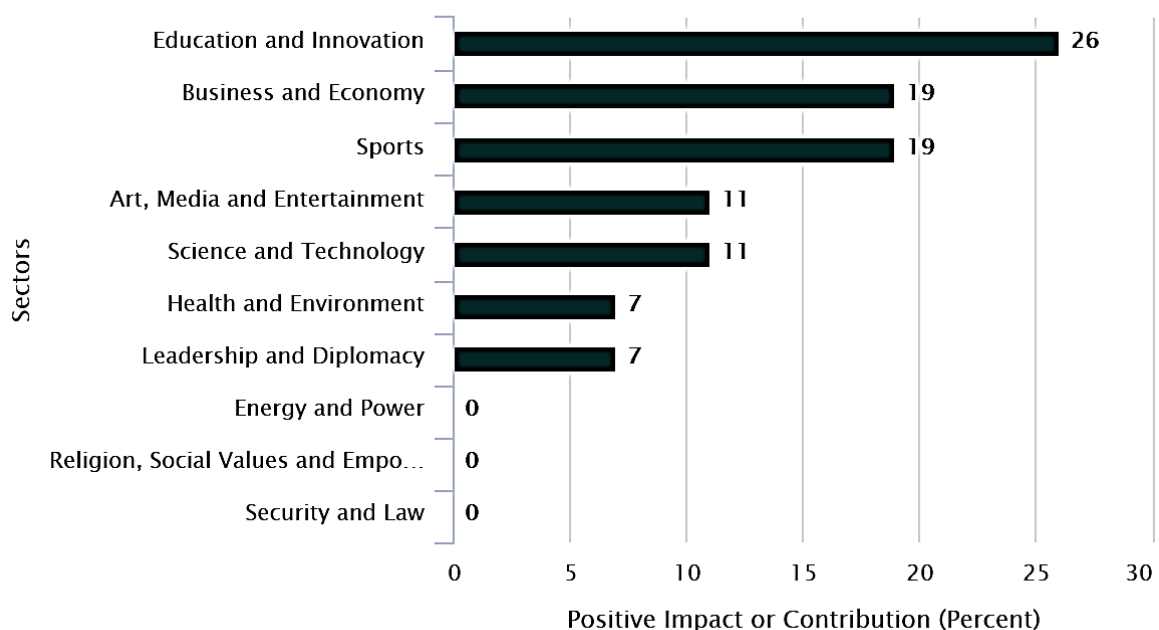
- Bishop Dale C. Bronner

*Hope
Precious, good
Enduring, humbling, welcoming
Proof of human life
Nigeria*

- Toju Micheal Ogbe

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July 2018



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1. Adenike Fajemirokun Appointed Dangote Group's First Female Executive Director [2018]

Adenike Fajemirokun, the erstwhile Chief Risk Officer of Dangote Group has been elevated and now appointed to the office of Group Executive Director, President's Office, where she will take on new roles in addition to her schedule as the Risk Officer. She is the first ever female executive director in Dangote Group.

Ms Adenike Fajemirokun, a consummate Risk Management & Insurance specialist has over 18 years diverse experience in developing and implementing risk management strategies in Financial, Engineering, Manufacturing and other industries.

2. Tonye Cole & Muhammed Sanu Abdullahi Appointed Into World Bank's Expert Advisory Council

Tonye Cole and Muhammed Sanu Abdullahi have been appointed by the World Bank Group into its Expert Advisory Council on citizen engagement.

The council was established in 2014 to guide the development and implementation of the Strategic Framework for Mainstreaming Citizen Engagement in the Bank's operations. The strategic framework of the council was designed to give citizens a stake in decision making to improve the intermediate and final development outcomes of their partnerships with government.

Mr. Tonye Cole, the Executive Director and Co-Founder of Sahara Group while Muhammed Sanu Abdullahi represents the Government of the State of Kaduna.

Other new members joining the Council are: Flavia Milano (Inter-American Development Bank), Helena Bjunemalm (Swedish International Development Agency), and Emily Martinez (Open Society Foundations).

3. Keren Chigozie-Nnah Wins 2018 Nigeria Spelling Bee Contest

Keren Chigozie-Nnah has emerged the 2018 overall national champion of the Nigeria Spelling Bee contest.

2018 National Champions of the Nigeria Spelling Bee Contest

National Champion is Keren Chigozie-Nnah of Deeper Life High School, Port Harcourt. National 1st Runner-up is Ephraim Edokpa of Christ Ambassador's College, Kaduna National 2nd Runner-up is Ogochukwu Anyaso of Bishop Okoye Spiritan Secondary School, Port Harcourt.

Junior 1st - Neta Nnabuenyi of University of Nigeria Secondary School, Enugu Campus; Junior 2nd - Sheriff Abdrahman of King's College, Lagos, and Junior 3rd - Abdulhafeez Sheidu of Dopemu Primary School, Lagos.

The Grand Finale which held at the International Conference Centre of Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State was the culmination of the 2018 Season, which was conducted in more than 20 states across the federation. Regional finals were held where the best emerged to compete at this finals level after 6 distinct Rounds, which included a round of questions from selected Nigerian indigenous language words and another round of words drawn from the book, "Dreams of Tomorrow" by R.B. Alade.

4. Carrot Technologies Limited Develops App For Will Making

A team of young Nigerians have developed an app, Carrotng, to enable people securely create their wills, organise assets and secure their financial future.

The team lead, Odunayo Williams, said the Carrot mobile app and web platform was developed as parts of efforts to protect the rights of widows and family members of a deceased person. He said the platform enables testators to appoint guardians for their children and aged parents, appoint trustees, witnesses and executors.

This, he said, will eliminate the falsification of wills and the struggle for a deceased person's estate especially by family members.

5. Fredrick Oyenusi Receives Tie Of Merit Award

Squadron Leader Fredrick Oyenusi, has broken a twenty-year-old record in the Nigerian Air Force (NAF) after winning the *Tie of Merit* award, only awarded to a distinguished officer.

This feat by Squadron Leader Fredrick Oyenusi was recognized during the graduation ceremony of Senior Staff Course 40, which took place at AFCSC Jaji, Kaduna.

Squadron Leader Oyenusi also won 4 additional awards namely the Best in Tri-Service Terms, Best Commandant's Paper, Best Director's Paper in the Directorate of Air Warfare (DAW) and the First in order of Merit in DAW.

The senior NAF officer, who is a C-130H aircraft pilot, holds 2 Masters degrees; one in Aerospace Vehicle Design and the other in Safety Engineering from Cranfield University and University of Aberdeen respectively.

The Senior Staff Course, in particular, is aimed at preparing selected officers of the rank of major and equivalent in the armed forces for higher responsibilities both in staff and command appointments. Squadron Leader Oyenusi, who came first with the *Tie of Merit award* was followed by Squadron Leaders Austin Idoko, Hakeem Sarki and Chinedu Mbam occupied the second, third and fourth positions overall while Squadron Leader Fulus Kaze emerged sixth overall.

6. Alamuwa Grammar School Wins 2018 GTB/Principal Cup Competition

Alamuwa Grammar School, Ado-Odo, has emerged winners of the GTB/Principal Cup competition amongst secondary schools in Ogun State.

In an ethralling match played at the MKO Abiola Stadium in Abeokuta, Alamuwa defeated defending champions, Pakoto High School, Ayede-Ifo, in a dramatic 6-5 penalty shootout win after both sides tied 1-1 in regulation time.

This is the third time Alamuwa Grammar School would win the title since GTBank took over the sponsorship of the tournament six years ago following their previous wins in 2013 and 2014. AlaGrams got one million naira (₦1 million) in prize money as winners of Ogun State's GTB Principal Cup for 2018 while Ogunro Toheeb, a class two senior secondary school student, was adjudged the Most Valuable Player (MVP).

1. Joshua Omisore Develops Open Hands Application

Joshua Omisore has developed *Open Hands* – an application that can address social problems and help achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Nigeria.

Available on Apple and Android devices, *Open Hands* provides real-time information about location and availability of resources by linking Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), companies and people who offer social services with indigent Nigerians who may need them. Developed by Nigerian ICT expert based in the United States of America, Joshua Omisore, the platform leverages on the capabilities that Artificial Intelligence technology provides by creating an all-inclusive application, which acts as a primary access point for the provision of key resources to those in need.

Using voice and text services, the application serves as a lifeline assistance programme that provides users with a portal to resources and lifeline.

2. Kennie-O Cold Chain Logistics Win 2018 Africa Edition Of Scaling Up Nutrition Pitch

Kennie-O Cold Chain Logistics based in Kwara State has been crowned champion of the first Africa edition of the Scaling Up Nutrition Pitch Competition held at the Nutrition Africa Investor Forum in Nairobi, Kenya to improve access to nutritious foods.

August Secrets won the Graça Machel Award.

Kennie-O Cold Chain Logistics was established in 2014 to provide reliable cold chain solutions for Nigeria's food industry, thereby reducing post-harvest losses.

Organised by the Scaling Up Nutrition Business Network (SBN), the Pitch Competition is an initiative of Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), a Swiss Foundation, the UN World Food Program (WFP) and local partners.

3. Noragbon Enogie Osaru Wins Edo State Best Teacher Award 2018

Mrs. Noragbon Enogie Osaru of Emotan Primary School has won the Edo State Best Teacher Award and 2nd best school administrator in Nigeria. Mrs. Osaru was presented with a gift package of ₦1 million and a new car by the Edo State governor, Mr. Godwin Obaseki at the unveiling of 7,000 digital teachers in Benin City.

In August [2018], Mrs. Osaru was screened alongside 17 other best head teachers and teachers representing the 18 local government areas of the state.

Mrs. Osaru, Head Teacher, Emotan Primary School, Oredo LGA alongside three other outstanding teachers (Idehen Ejiye Isaiah of Eguare Primary School, Ujiogba, in Esan West Local Government Area (LGA); Erhabor Osasumwen Priscillia of Aisologun-Akenzua Primary School, in Ikpoba-Okha LGA; Ogboko Edoghogho Yvonne of Okogbo Primary School, Okogbo, in Orhionmwon LGA) championing the Edo Basic Education Sector Transformation (Edo-BEST) Programme in schools across Edo State have also clinched an all-expense paid trip to Canada to attend and showcase public education reforms by the Governor Godwin Obaseki-led administration at the 27th edition of the Edo National Association Worldwide (ENAW) convention.

Peaceful co-existence would happen when we accept ourselves – different tribes, different religion and different people.

Every Nigerian have hope for a better tomorrow. Our self-esteem can never be betrayed anymore by the colonial masters. We shall stand as one people. Timi Dakolo said, we will build our nation, we will build our country. I wish Wazobia as a broadcast media would spread this news throughout the world.

Thank you.

- Udeme Akpan

3rd Place Winner of the 2018 PositiveNaija Video Contest

[The Power Of The Nigerian Self-Esteem!]

I possess a Bachelor's degree in Petroleum Engineering and coupled with the little skills I have in creative composition, I intend to make a change in my society, country, Africa and the world at large.

Positivity, honesty and humility are my watch-words; of which I hold in high esteem.



**The transcribing of the video presentation was done by Cynthia Adaobi Okpala.*

NOVEMBER 2018

*“Constantly putting up novel activities done by Nigerians?
This is our story to write.”*

- Susan Chioma Omeh

“Success is not measured by what you have done compared to what others have done. Success is measured by what you have done compared to what you should and could have done. Purpose is therefore key to success.”

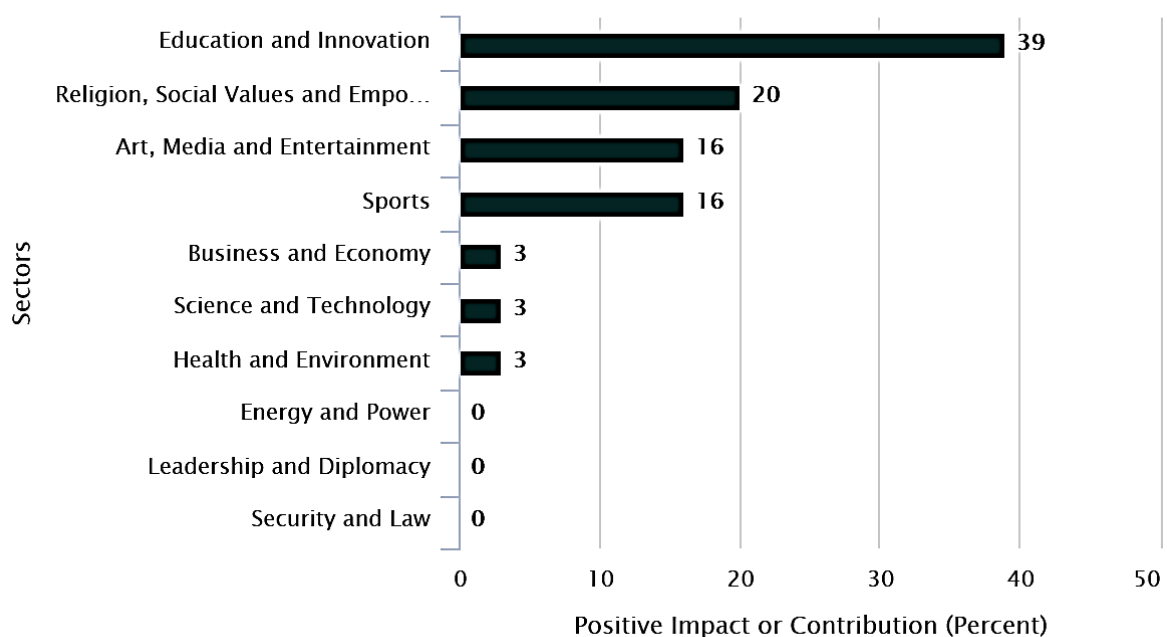
- Dr. Myles Munroe

*Food
Edible, nutritive
Energising, enlivening, edifying
Bedrock for prosperous living
Words*

- Toju Micheal Ogbe

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November 2018



1. Edo State Donates Neonatal Complex & Offers Free Maternal New-Born And Child Health Week (MNCHW)

The Edo State government has launched a Maternal New-Born and Child Health Week (MNCHW) with free services to mothers and pregnant women from November 19th – 23rd [2018] with the Edo State Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Office handing over a neonatal complex to the management of Stella Obasanjo Hospital in Benin City, to provide neonatal health care services for new-borns.

The Edo State Governor, Mr. Godwin Obaseki, has urged mothers and pregnant women to take advantage of the Maternal New-born and Child Health Week (MNCHW) being observed and accessible Primary Healthcare Centres (PHCs) and other designated health facilities across the state to access free maternal health services.

According to Mr. Godwin Obaseki:

"My administration has continued to support programmes aimed at enhancing the well-being of women and children because of my belief that women and children are the true wealth of any nation."

The Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Health, Dr. Izilien Asogun, said MNCHW was aimed at delivering an integrated high-impact package of preventive, promotive and curative health services to mothers and children. He listed services to be rendered during the week to include immunisation, deworming of infants, nutrition screening, birth registration, administration of Vitamin A supplement to children from six to 59 months and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and malaria testing.

The Edo State Commissioner for Health, Dr. David Osifo, said the MNCHW is a bi-annual event designed to complement the routine services being rendered to mothers and children in PHCs in the state. Dr. Osifo also noted that the one-week programme holding from November 19th – 23rd [2018] would also include health education on exclusive breastfeeding, environmental sanitation and handwashing.

The State Coordinator, World Health Organisation, (WHO), Ms. Faith Ireye, commended the state government's efforts in improving PHCs' services in the state stating that Edo state has been Polio-free since 2009 and has achieved reduction in mother and child diseases via improved immunisation activities.

The facilities in the neonatal complex handed to Stella Obasanjo Hospital include 10 infant incubators, five infant warmers, one infant resuscitator, 10 oxygen concentrators, 10 baby cot beds for mothers, among others. The complex is expected to support the state's effort to stem neonatal health complications, such as preterm deaths, infections, birth asphyxia, among others.

During the handing over of the complex to the management of the hospital, the Edo State Focal Person on SDGs, Mrs. Ifueko Alufohai, said:

"Goal 3 of the SDGs is aimed at reducing infant mortality and improving the healthcare of our babies in the state. If we must achieve the health component of the SDGs by the year 2030, we must put facilities of this nature in place to address health issues."

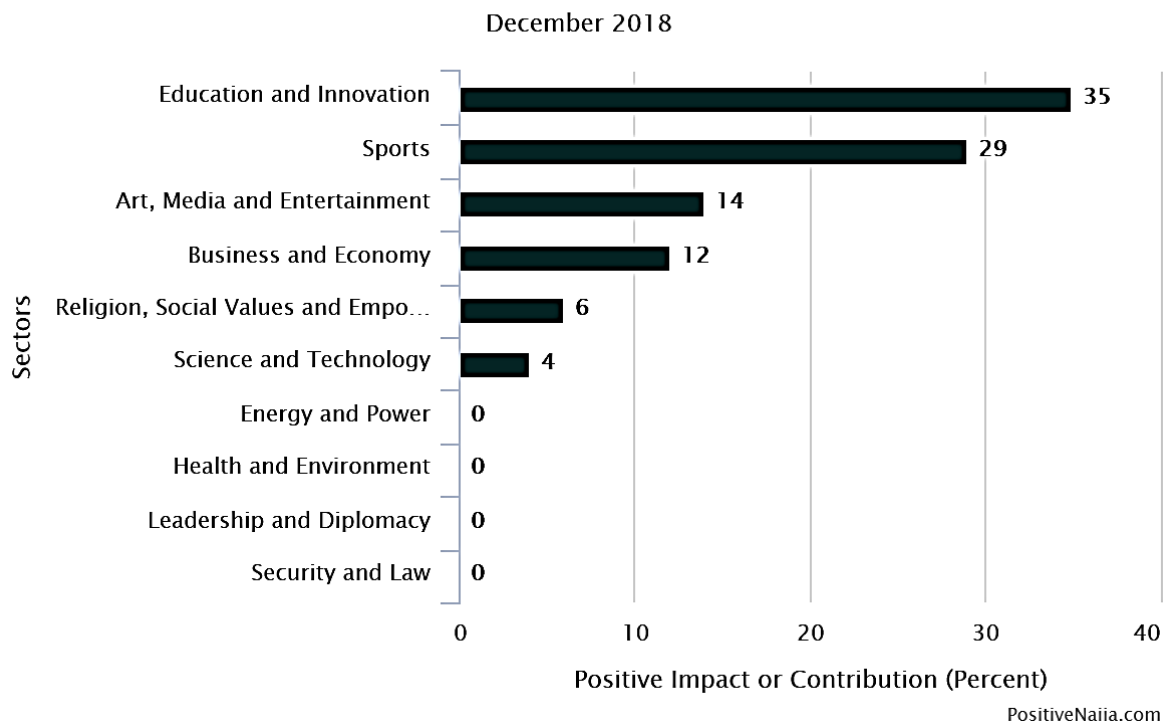
DECEMBER 2018

“I believe that Nigerians are perpetually excellent and excellence here from my scrutiny means the courage to improve for value-addition and the service of others.”
 - Toju Micheal Ogbe

“It is not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.”
 - Mary Teresa Bojaxhiu (Mother Teresa)

*Education
 Valuable, insightful
 Equipping, stimulating, inspiring
 Gateway to actionable impact
 Life*
 - Toju Micheal Ogbe

Nigeria’s Monthly Positive Impact Ranking



1. Abdul Majid Oniyangi Wins 2018 Nigeria Integrity Idol

Abdul Majid Oniyangi has won the 2018 Nigeria Integrity Idol, a reality TV show, which celebrates the most honest public officials in Nigeria.

Magistrate Abdul Majid Oniyangi, the Magistrate of Wuse Zone 6 Chief Magistrates' Court in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) emerged winner by popular public votes.

Other winners of the 2018 Nigeria Integrity Idol award are: Mr. Aremu Kehinde, State Coordinator, National Youth Service Corps; Mr. Benson Agwu, Investigative Journalist, Ebony State Newspaper; Mr. Bravo Otahabru, Supply Chain Director, National Agency for the Control of Aids (NACA) and Mrs. Bipolar Adewunmi, Investigative Journalist, News Agency of Nigeria (NAN).

Country Director for Accountability Lab Nigeria, Friday Odeh in a statement said Magistrate Abdul Majid Oniyang was voted winner after films of the Idols was put out on social media, TV and on radio where thousands of citizens across Nigeria voted for their favourite Idols through SMS and online.

Integrity Idol is a citizen-run movement to identify and celebrate upstanding government officials. It originated in Nepal in 2014, and has since evolved into a global movement in eight countries. Nuzo Eziechi, an official at the Bureau for Public Enterprise (BPE) won the inaugural Nigeria Integrity Idol.

2. Anuoluwapo Opeyori & Dorcas Adesokan Win 2018 Rivers Governor's Badminton Championship

Anuoluwapo Opeyori and Dorcas Adesokan win the men and women's singles categories respectively of the Rivers Governor's Badminton Championship, held at the Alfred Diette Spiff Civic Centre in Port Harcourt, Rivers State.

The pair of Enejoh Abah and Peace Orji won the men's mixed doubles event after defeating Yunusa Momoh and Ramatu Yakubu 2-0 (21-17, 21-6), while Jimka Ifraimu and Ola Fagbemi overcame Clement Korobakpo and Isaac Minaphee 2-1.

Anuoluwapo Opeyori and Dorcas Adesokan receive the top prize money of ₦300,000 after emerging winners. Total prize money of ₦7.02 million was at stake at the championship, which is a new height in the history of badminton in the country.

3. Mafeni Praise Wins 2018 PositiveNaija Video Contest

Mafeni Praise has emerged the overall winner of the 2018 PositiveNaija video contest, themed: *The Power of the Nigerian Self-Esteem!*

The 2018 PositiveNaija video contest (November 15 – December 24, 2018) was purposed towards informing the world what genuinely makes Nigeria and Nigerians collectively *trust, delight and succeed* in their own worth or abilities today.

The 2018 *PositiveNaija Video Contest* aimed at promoting the self-worth of Nigerians, encourage Nigerian patriotism, impactful scholarship as well as serve as a platform for excellence!

The Benefits Of Good Or Positive News For Nigeria & Nigerians

▪ Positive thinking

Positive or good news for Nigeria and Nigerians enhances positive thinking, which produces positive speaking and consequently, possesses the power to produce good and positive output or results. The appreciation of good news associated with Nigeria and Nigerians has the power to therefore instill a mindset of possibilities, creativity and confidence towards the future. Thus, one of the ways to create positive thinking and results is by making positive information more prevalent in Nigeria.

▪ Hope and togetherness

Positive news tends to increase our ability to trust ourselves as being able to produce good works and be hopeful about the future we all envisage – peace and prosperity. The way feeding constantly on bad news can cause an effect on our mood, aspirations and distrust for one another, so does genuine good/positive news changes our mood and affects our interactions with others. So, in order to build long lasting relationships, positive news is key.

▪ Improves well-being

Positive news benefits us emotionally, physically and mentally by reducing a host of health problems arising from excessive nervousness, fear and anxiety. Positive news sets in motion an orderly thinking pattern thereby enhancing focus and productivity for many Nigerians. News about improved standard of living and good health conditions are encouraging and promising.

▪ Exemplary values system

Positive or good news gradually but firmly, provides desirable and pleasing principles of living for Nigerians and the Nigerian society. By appreciating information which are positively inspiring and educative, there is a conscious definition or redefinition of the standards of Nigeria's values based system. Some of these values includes: hard work, truth, justice, love, optimism, accountability, honesty, courage, persistence, patience, etc.



- **Fego Eunice Onowori**

[First written: 21 December 2018]

PositiveNaija & The Nigerian Diplomat

Volunteer: Research (General) [12 November 2018 – Present]

CHAPTER TWO

2018 POSITIVENAIJA STATISTICS

News listing by sectors or categories

Energy and Power	
No.	News
1.	Peachwater Consulting Wins 2018 Startup.Info ENGIE Start-up Of The Year Award
2.	ASTEVEN Group Launches First Sub-Sahara Renewable Energy Academy In Nigeria
3.	Professor Albert Olayemi Makes Scientific Research Breakthrough On Aviation Fuel
4.	ColdHubs Wins 2018 NEF Africa Energy Ideas Competition
5.	Winners Of The Inaugural The Guardian Oil And Gas Awards
6.	Winners Of 2018 Clean Energy Innovation Challenge
7.	Ugenyi Igbokwe Gets Special Award In Rosatom Atoms Empowering Africa Youth Video Competition

Health and Environment	
No.	News
1.	NIPRD Develops Traditional Herbal Products For Ebola, Malaria & Other Diseases
2.	Bashir Dodo Develops New Technique For Identifying And Diagnosing Damage To The Human Retina
3.	Dr. Michael Odighemeh Develops Ebola & Lassa Fever Detector
4.	Juleit Chioma Wins The Inaugural Chefs Taste Challenge
5.	Nigeria Awarded 2018 Green Bonds Award In New Countries Taking Green Bonds Global Category
6.	Ayodeji Olarinoye Appointed FIFA Doping Control Officer
7.	Fola Tayo Appointed Into WHO Cancer Medicine Advisory Group
8.	FMC Yola Successfully Separate Four-Month-Old Conjoined Female Twins
9.	SOFPON & Sevenz Healthcare Unveil KompleteCare App
10.	Dorcus Olayemi Amusan-Fagborun Awarded Member Of The Order Of The British Empire (MBE)
11.	8 Nigerian States Honored At 3 rd THISDAY Healthcare Policy Dialogue
12.	ABU Wins 2018 ENACTUS National Competition
13.	The Nigerian Diplomat Travel Guide

14.	Coating+ Wins 2018 Thought For Food Challenge
15.	Federal Fire Service Launches Fire Alert System Application (FASAPP) Mobile App
16.	IITA Awarded 2018 Africa Food Prize Award
17.	Amba: E-medical Transport Mobile App Unveiled
18.	Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport (Abuja) Named Best Improved Airport In Safety By ACI Africa Region
19.	Dr. Muntaqa Umar-Sadiq Named 2018 Eisenhower Innovation Fellow
20.	Fidson Healthcare Wins 2018 Frost & Sullivan Best Practice Award
21.	Kennie-O Cold Chain Logistics Win Inaugural Africa Edition Of The Scaling Up Nutrition Pitch Competition
22.	Dr. Zainab Shinkafi-Bagudu Elected To Union For International Cancer Control Board
23.	Edo State Donates Neonatal Complex & Offers Free Maternal New-Born And Child Health Week (MNCHW)

Leadership and Diplomacy	
No.	News
1.	Akinwumi Adesina Receives Order Of The Star Of Africa Of Grand Band Of The Republic Of Liberia
2.	NIPOST Awarded 2018 WSIS Prize In E-Employment Category
3.	Peters Emuze Elected To UN CESC
4.	Hafsat Abiola-Costello Appointed Executive President Of Women In Africa Initiative
5.	Recipients Of 2018 Nelson Mandela African Leadership Awards
6.	Aliko Dangote Named UNWTO's First African Ambassador For Responsible Tourism
7.	Akinwumi Adesina Honored With Togolese Commander Of The Order Of Mono
8.	3 Nigerians Receive Queen Elizabeth's Young Leaders Award
9.	Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala Appointed To The Board Of Twitter
10.	Tonye Cole & Muhammed Sanu Abdullahi Appointed Into World Bank's Expert Advisory Council
11.	6 Nigerians Selected For Second Cohort Of The British Council Future Leaders Connect Programme
12.	Murjanatu Gamawa Appointed EITI Country Manager

PositiveNaija Love & Heroes 2018

Weeks	Nominated Names	Nominators	Purpose of Celebration
48.	Mrs. Chioma Okeke	Chika Merciful Nwafor	Love, exemplary and goodness.
49.	Habu Silas Gaiyus	PositiveNaija	Love, bravery, sacrifice and faith.
50.	Captain Kabiru Hamza Kura	PositiveNaija	Love, fearlessness, sacrifice and faith.
51.	Adebomojo Oluwaseun	PositiveNaija	Love, dedication and courage.
52.	Ifeanyi Oseh	PositiveNaija	Love, fearlessness, sacrifice and faith.

LOVE & HEROES: HAJIYA BINTA ASABE ALIYU

"A virtuous and disciplined woman who has taken the responsibility of taking care of other people's children.

She is a woman who take Corp members from different states of the country as her own children irrespective of differences.

She is an icon of national unity.

Thank you for the love."

- Odetokun Blessing Odeleke



“How Much Love In The Hearts Of Nigerians”

A statement notably expressed as either a fact (!) or a question (?).

But which really defines the statement?

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Aptly, it also serves as a creative and resourceful guide for best practices on planning, information management and communication for publishers, bloggers, writers, webmasters, digital marketers, etc.

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