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FIRST TAX CLUB QUIZ COMPETITION: PROMISE FULFILLED

All prize promises at the First Annual Tax Club Quiz Completion (TCQC) held in 2016 have been fulfilled. Prizes were given to the top 3 schools (for projects), for students (for scholarship) and for teachers (cash prizes)

Government Secondary School (GSS), Omu-Aran made history by emerging as winner of the maiden edition of TCQC, while Government Girls Day Secondary School (GGDSS) Oko-Erin and Iloffa Grammar School (IGS) Iloffa emerged as second and third respectively.

The prizes for the best teachers which were cash prizes of N150,000, N100,000 and N50,000 for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd best teachers respectively were all redeemed by the beneficiaries after the competition in December, 2016. The scholarship prizes for tertiary education won by students at the values of N250,000, N150,000 and N100,000 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd best. As the students who represented their schools have begun to gain admission into tertiary institution, redemption of prizes for the students has also commenced.

The prizes for the best schools have all also been redeemed. The winning School GSS Omu-Aran won a prize worth N1, 000,000 while the second and third schools won N500,000 and N250,000 respectively. As resolved by the two organizing parties KW-IRS and the ministry of Education, the prize winning were to be used for projects that will add value to the educational experience of the students of the school.

The first prize won by GSS Omu Aran was used to furnish the school library, the second prize for GGDSS Oko-Erin was used to renovate a block of classrooms while IGS, Iloffa used their winning to furnish the conference room as the third prize.

The principals, teachers, students and parents of various schools experienced joy over the donations at the handing over event.

Executive Chairman's Quote

"Kwara State Internal Revenue Service is therefore touching about 2,000 homes in Kwara State (in less than 6 months) as there are other service providers whose businesses and survival have been sustained as a result of the establishment of the service"

Dr Muritala Awodun
#AwodunQuotes

Ministries' Collections will be Fully Automated in 2018



The Executive Chairman of Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS), Dr Muritala Awodun has assured all that by January 2018, all revenues that are generated by Ministries, Departments & Agencies (MDAs) in Kwara State will be fully automated which would significantly block revenue leakages being experienced in the past and improve

collections. Dr Muritala Awodun stated this during a courtesy tour at Kwara State Secretariat, Ilorin.

The Executive Chairman, KW-IRS explained that while there had been various engagement between the Ministries and the Service for the design of the platform to transition from manual to automated

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KW-IRS Seals Skye Bank in Ilorin

The Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS) sealed two branches of Skye Bank in Ilorin, the Kwara State Capital on Wednesday 24th January 2018. The KW-IRS team was led by the Director, Legal and Enforcement, Lateef Okandeji, Esq. He said this was an enforcement of a Court Order issued on 23rd January following judgement delivered on 22nd January 2018.



He further explained that this distraint was a last resort the Service resulted to after series of dialogues with the Bank on their outstanding established liability on Withholding Tax on Bank Interest for the years 2013 and 2014 in the sum of Thirty Million, Sixty Eight Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira (30,068,471,22).





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process, it was now more important than ever giving the interest and directive of the State Executive Council. He explained that the Council had set up a Committee on the automation of collections of MDAs chaired by the Secretary to the State Government (SSG), Alhaji S. I. Gold. The Committee is tasked with ensuring effective implementation of the automation and reporting levels of compliance of the various MDAs.

The Honourable Commissioners and Permanent Secretaries of the various Ministries pledged support to Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS) in revenue generation. This is part of efforts to ensure Kwara State improve in Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) for socio-economic development of the State.

Among the Ministries visited were the Ministries of Culture and Tourism, Education and Human Capital Development, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Women Affairs and Social Development as well as the Ministry of Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs.



BEAUTY FROM ASHES:

HANDING OVER OF THE RECONSTRUCTED 40 BURNT SHOPS

24 November 2017 was a day of joy at the Baboko Market in Ilorin, Kwara State, when Market Traders whose shops were previously gutted by fire in April, 2017 were beaming with smiles as they were presented with keys to their brand new shops reconstructed by the Ilorin West Local Government council with support from the Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS).

In his address, the Executive Chairman, KW-IRS, Dr Muritala Awodun reminded the market people that Local Governments are in charge of the maintenance of all Markets in the Kwara State. He advised the Market traders to play their parts in the payment of tax as and when due. He also gave his assurance that the Kwara State Government had the best interest of the residents of Kwara at heart and always

sought to make the Market environment conducive for business activities.

Speaking on behalf of the Senate President (SP) of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Dr Bukola Saraki, the Mandate Director-General, Hon. Wahab Issa who relayed the greetings of Dr Saraki to the market people saying the Senate President sympathized with victims of the fire incident. He also delivered the gifts from the senate president to the users of the shops as relief to restart their businesses.



KW-IRS DEPLOYS AREA COORDINATORS

After a rigorous orientation and training, the newly appointed Area Coordinators are to resume their official assignments this month.

This was made known in a statement signed by the Director of Admin and Operations, Mrs Adenike Babajamu. According to her, the Area coordinators have been given a big task and will need the support of staff at the area offices to accomplish their mission.

The officers are to coordinate all staff of every Directorate in the area offices, block leakages and gather data to improve

revenues in their assigned Area Offices.

The Director also said all Area office staff should be dedicated, diligent and cooperate with the Area Coordinators for the interest of the Service.

She advised all staff to adhere to the core values and mission of the Service.

The Area Coordinators are: Mr Tony Awoyale (Offa Area office), Mrs Yetunde Elegboja (Adewole Area office), Mr Aliyu Adebayo (Bode Saadu) and Mr Yinka Anifowose (Omu Aran Area office)

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