

KW-IRS RECORDS ANOTHER BREAKTHROUGH IN RECOVERY OF STOLEN VEHICLE

The Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS) has recorded another significant success in its sustained efforts at curbing vehicle-related fraud, with the recovery of a stolen Toyota Camry, further consolidating its track record in the identification and recovery of stolen vehicles across the country.

This latest recovery builds on the earlier successes recorded by the Service between 2023 and 2025, during which a total of seven stolen vehicles were discovered and recovered through its robust verification system, with most of them already handed over to their rightful owners.

The recently recovered Toyota Camry, belonging to Mr. Eyika Emmanuel Segun of No. 29, Offa Road, GRA, Ilorin, Kwara State, with Registration Number MUN645SZ, was reported stolen on 9th March 2026. Upon receiving the report, the Service promptly flagged the vehicle on both the Vehicle Management System (VMS) and the National Vehicle Identification Scheme (NVIS) to prevent any form of illegal documentation.



Subsequent intelligence led to the recovery of the vehicle in Igbo-Ora, Oyo State, on Wednesday, 25th March 2026, through collaborative efforts involving KW-IRS, the Oyo State Motor Licensing Authority, and the Nigeria Police Force. A total of five suspects were apprehended and subsequently transferred to the Nigeria Police Force Headquarters in Ilorin for further investigation.

The stolen vehicle was successfully recovered and officially handed over to its rightful owner in Ilorin on Thursday, 2nd April 2026.

In a statement issued at the KW-IRS Corporate Head Office in Ilorin, the Executive Chairman, Shade Omoniyi, described the recovery as a reflection of the Service's unwavering commitment to due diligence and professionalism.

She noted that the achievement further validates the effectiveness of the Vehicle Management System (VMS), which has continued to serve as a critical tool in detecting irregularities and supporting the recovery of stolen vehicles across the country.

Omoniyi reaffirmed the Service's commitment to strengthening collaboration with security agencies and other stakeholders, while assuring the public of continued excellence in service delivery and the protection of taxpayers' interests.



The Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS) notifies the general public of the commencement of registration for the 2026 Tax Club Quiz Competition for Secondary Schools in Kwara State.

Interested Secondary Schools in the State, both private and public, are enjoined to visit KW-IRS Tax Club Portal via www.taxclub.kwirs.site to complete the Expression of Interest Form between 1st and 31st May, 2026.

Registration for the Competition shall be strictly online and shall not be extended after 31st of May, 2026. Schools are therefore enjoined to register early and within the time frame.

Screening of entries will be done between 1st June and 3rd June, 2026, while the Competition timetable would be communicated to successful schools via email and SMS between 8th and 12th June, 2026.

In continuation of the virtual dimension introduced recently, schools are to note that the Round One and Round Two stages of the Competition will hold online as Computer Based Test (CBT) which shall be written by the students in their respective schools across the three Senatorial Districts of the State between 22nd and 26th June, 2026,

while the Semi-Final stage will hold in the same manner between 5th and 9th October, 2026. The Grand Finale shall hold in Ilorin on 5th November, 2026.

For further enquiries, schools can send email to taxclub@kw-irs.com, call 07006959477, send a WhatsApp message to 08111899449 or visit KW-IRS official website on www.kwirs.com or any of its social media platforms - Facebook and X @KwaraIRS; Instagram @kwirs.

Interested schools can also visit the KW-IRS Corporate Head Office on No. 27, Ahmadu Bello Way, G.R.A Ilorin, Kwara State or any of its offices across the State.

KW-IRS COMMEMORATES 2026 INTERNAL AUDIT AWARENESS MONTH



The Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS) joined other corporate organisations globally to mark the 2026 Internal Audit Awareness Month, themed “Moving from Compliance to Insight: Advancing the Role of Internal Audit” from Tuesday 5th to Friday, 8th May, 2026 at its corporate head office, GRA, Ilorin.

The celebration kicked off with a training session, where the Head, Internal Audit Department, Yinka Usman welcomed attendees and explained that the purpose of the event was to underscore the role of internal audit in the organisation, stating that this year's theme focuses on the importance of advancing and transforming from compliance to insight by fostering engagement and partnership, thereby enhancing the organisation's performance.

Giving her opening address, the Executive Chairman, Shade Omoniyi, commended the Internal Audit Department for its unwavering commitment to innovation and continuous improvement in ensuring compliance. She encouraged the Department to move beyond a compliance-driven approach to one that delivers deeper insights, while calling on all staff to continue to play their part in strengthening controls and processes towards promoting the overall organisational efficiency.



The training which was attended by members of KW-IRS Top Management, Heads of Departments, and selected staff, featured two paper presentations titled “Moving from Compliance to Insight: Advancing the Role of Internal Audit” and “The Effect of Non-Compliance on the Overall Achievement of the Service” delivered by the Head, Tax Assessment, Abdullahi Gegele, and the SA to the Executive Chairman, Taofiq Alabi respectively. The presentations underscored a significant shift in the role of Internal Audit from traditional compliance-focused practices toward a more strategic and value-driven approach. The speakers highlighted collaboration across departments as a key driver of organisational success.

There were comments and recommendations by participants, and a vote of thanks by Fatima Gada, a staff member of Internal Audit Department, who expressed appreciation to the Executive Chairman, Directors, Heads of Departments, participants and the organisers.

The Internal Audit team then proceeded on a department-by-department visit to educate the staff on the essence of the exercise, while a virtual session was organised for staff in the Area Offices, ensuring inclusive engagement and involvement of all staff regardless of location.

Highlights of the event were the presentation of gifts to staff who gave correct answers to questions asked by the team during the departmental visits, and a photo session.

Shade Omoniyi Takes the Stage at CITN's 28th Annual Tax Conference in Abuja



The Executive Chairman, Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS), Shade Omoniyi, today, Wednesday, 13th May, 2026 joined other seasoned professionals as a panelist during the ongoing 28th Annual Tax Conference organised by the Chartered Institute of Taxation of Nigeria (CITN), at the Bola Ahmed Tinubu International Conference Centre, Abuja from 11th to 15th May 2026. The conference, themed “Tax Reforms & Global Relevance: Positioning Nigeria's System for a Sustainable Future”, brought together tax professionals, policymakers, and business leaders to chart the direction for Nigeria's fiscal policy.

Speaking on the sub-theme “Transforming Nigeria's Tax Administration for Efficiency and Trust in the Era of the New Fiscal Order”, the KW-IRS boss highlighted Kwara State's progress in building a resident database that delivers clean, structured data integrated with national systems.

She stressed that data integrity and protection must go hand-in-hand with collection, and called for deeper collaboration across government agency databases.

She noted that uneven technology development across sub-nationals remains a barrier to consistent implementation, while speed, accuracy, and professionalism of taxpayer interactions directly influence compliance.

She further stated that improved sensitisation and visible development projects in the State have boosted voluntary compliance, reinforcing that trust is the foundation of a functional tax system. She therefore recommended stronger intergovernmental coordination, and improved data sharing in ensuring sustainable impact of the tax reform implementation.

2026 TAX CLUB QUIZ COMPETITION: KW-IRS CLOSES REGISTRATION PORTAL



The poster for the 2026 Tax Club Quiz Competition features the KW-IRS logo at the top, followed by the Ministry of Education & Human Capital Development. The title 'TIMETABLE FRAMEWORK FOR 2026 TAX CLUB QUIZ COMPETITION' is prominently displayed. Below this, a table outlines the competition's schedule. The table has two columns: 'DESCRIPTION' and 'DATE'. The events listed include the opening of the registration portal, screening of entries, communication of the timetable to schools, two preliminary rounds, a semi-final, and a grand finale. The dates for each event are provided in the adjacent column. At the bottom of the poster, contact information for the KW-IRS is listed, including an address, phone number, and website.

DESCRIPTION	DATE
Opening Online Portal for Registration	1st – 31st May, 2026
Screening of Entries	1st – 3rd June, 2026
Communication of Time-Table to Schools (Via Email, SMS and Calls)	8th – 12th June, 2026
Round One and Round Two (Preliminary)	22nd – 26th June, 2026
Semi-Final (12 schools, 4 per senatorial districts)	5th – 9th October, 2026
Grand Finale (6 schools)	5th November, 2026

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<https://taxclub.kwirs.site>

The Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS) has closed online registration for the 2026 Tax Club Quiz Competition for Secondary Schools in Kwara State on Sunday, 31st May 2026, after a total number of 90 (ninety) schools in the State expressed their interest to compete for the N2.5 million grand prize.

Organized annually by Kwara State Internal Revenue Service in collaboration with the Kwara State Ministry of Education & Human Capital Development for both public and private Senior Secondary Schools in the State, the Tax Club Quiz Competition seeks to nurture the younger generation into becoming tax-compliant adults through deliberate early exposure to the rudiments of taxation.

In furtherance of its efforts to enhance the technological skills of the participants, KW-IRS is pleased to announce that the Preliminary and Semi Final stages of this year's competition will hold online, following the successful introduction of a virtual dimension in 2024, enabling students to participate from the comfort of their respective schools.

The first and second Preliminary rounds will hold between Monday, 22nd and Friday, 26th June, 2026, after which twelve out of the ninety registered schools (four from each Senatorial District) shall proceed to the Semi Final Stage, scheduled to hold between 5th and 9th October, 2026.

The six qualified schools that emerge from the Semi Final shall contest for the N2,5 million prize at the Grand Finale, which will hold in Ilorin on Thursday, 5th November, 2026.

KW-IRS reiterates its commitment to the continuous improvement of the competition and wishes all participants best of luck in the 2026 Tax Club Quiz Competition.

KW-IRS Executive Chairman Advocates Stronger Partnerships for Enhanced Revenue Mobilisation at Subnational Level



The Executive Chairman, Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS), Shade Omoniyi, was among the panelists at the Ethiopia-Nigeria Exchange Visit Workshop themed “Financing Sustainable Development through South-South Cooperation”, held on Wednesday, 24th June 2026 at Wells Carlton Hotel & Apartments, Asokoro, Abuja.

Speaking during the panel session, Omoniyi explained that Kwara State has embraced a collaborative approach to revenue administration through the establishment of a Tax Reform Committee, inaugurated by the Governor of Kwara State, Mallam AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq, CON. She noted that the committee comprises key stakeholders in the State's tax administration system and has significantly contributed to institutional strengthening, capacity development, and increased tax awareness.

She further highlighted the role of the State Joint Revenue Committee (JRC), which convenes monthly meetings involving the State Internal Revenue Service and Local Government Councils to foster synergy, enhance coordination, and reduce disputes and multiplicity in revenue collection.

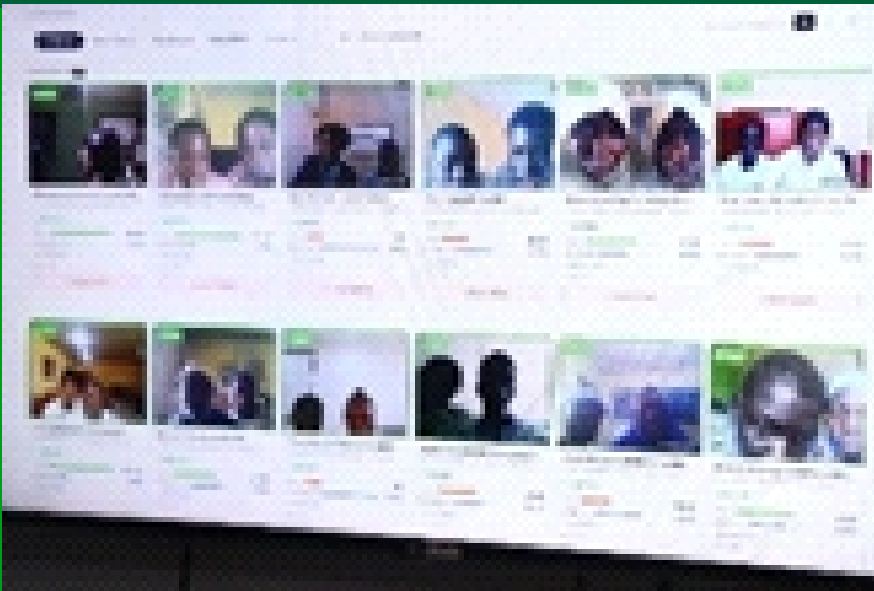
According to the Executive Chairman, Kwara State continues to leverage data-driven strategies and technology to identify and register taxpayers, validate records, and facilitate data sharing for efficient taxpayer identification, which have helped reduce duplication, improve compliance, and enhance overall operational efficiency.

Shade Omoniyi also showcased several impactful programmes and initiatives of the Kwara State Government that promote sustainable development and encourage tax compliance, including interventions under the Kwara State Social Investment Programme (KWASSIP) and the Ilorin Innovation Hub.

While acknowledging the positive outcomes of the ongoing tax reforms, such as improved compliance levels and increased voluntary tax declarations, she emphasized that there remains significant room for growth. She therefore called for deeper technological integration and stronger administrative collaboration among stakeholders within the revenue ecosystem to maximize the benefits of tax reforms and drive sustainable development.

Dignitaries at the event were the Senior Special Assistant to the President on SDGs, OSSAP SDGs, Princess Adejoke Orelope-Adefulire; Hon. Minister of Finance and Coordinating Minister of the Economy, Mr Taiwo Oyedele; the Executive Secretary of the Joint Revenue Board (JRB), Mr. Olusegun Adesokan; Resident Representative, UNDP, Ms, Elsie Attafuah; the Executive Chairmen of the Internal Revenue Services from all 36 States, as well as other distinguished dignitaries.

2026 TAX CLUB QUIZ COMPETITION PRELIMINARIES COME TO AN END



The Kwara State Internal Revenue Service (KW-IRS), in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Human Capital Development, has concluded the preliminary stages of the 2026 Tax Club Quiz Competition today, Friday 26th June, 2026.

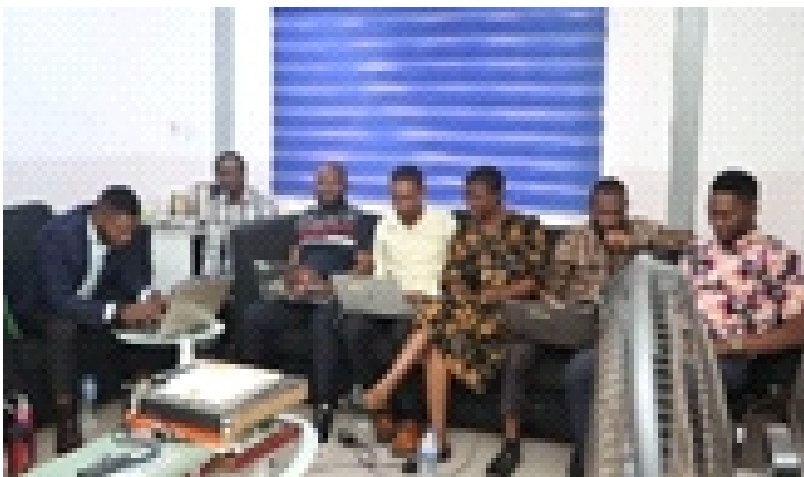
The preliminary rounds of the competition commenced on Tuesday, 23rd June, 2026, following a virtual mock test conducted by the KW-IRS Tax Club Advocacy Committee (TACAC) for all registered schools to familiarize them with the online Computer Based Test (CBT) format that was adopted in 2024.

A total of ninety (90) schools across Kwara State registered for the competition, out of which eight-seven (87) participated in the online CBT preliminary stages. Following the conclusion of the first round, 36 schools proceeded to the second round of the preliminaries.

At the end of the two rounds, twelve (12) schools have qualified for the semi-final stage of the competition. The qualified schools, comprising four (4) from each Senatorial District, are Government Day Secondary School Oja Gboro, Saint Anthony's Senior Secondary School, Ebenezer High School, and Ar-Raheem International College (Kwara Central); Ansar-u-deen College, Offa, Oro Grammar School, Oro, Oyun Baptist High School, Ijagbo, and Hubbullah Islamic Model School, Omu-Aran (Kwara South); and Government Secondary School, Lafiagi, Baptist Model High School, Kaiama, Government Secondary School, Ilesha-Baruba and Lafiagi Senior Secondary School (Kwara North).

Speaking on behalf of the Executive Chairman, Shade Omoniyi, the Convener of the KW-IRS Tax Club Advocacy Committee, Funmilola Oguntunbi commended the successful conduct of the preliminary stages, noting that the existing Tax Club Online platform has been enhanced to further strengthen the administration of the competition and improve the overall experience for participating schools. This is in line with the Service's commitment to leverage technology to promote seamless participation, transparency and efficiency in the conduct of the annual Tax Club Quiz Competition.

Representing the Honourable Commissioner for Education and Human Capital Development, Mrs Roseline Ayansola and Mr Imam Toyin Olanrewaju, who played active roles in the backend monitoring and result analysis, applauded all participating schools for embracing the challenge and demonstrating commendable commitment throughout the exercise.



The Executive Chairman, Shade Omoniyi, congratulates the twelve (12) schools that have successfully qualified for the semi-final stage of the competition for their dedication, resilience and outstanding performance throughout the preliminary rounds. She also expresses sincere appreciation to the principals, teachers, and the Local Government Area (LGA) Coordinators whose guidance, commitment and mentorship contributed significantly to the remarkable achievement..

The semi-final stage of the competition is scheduled to also hold virtually in October 2026, after which the top six schools will advance to the Grand Finale in November 2026 to compete for the overall prize of N2.5 million.

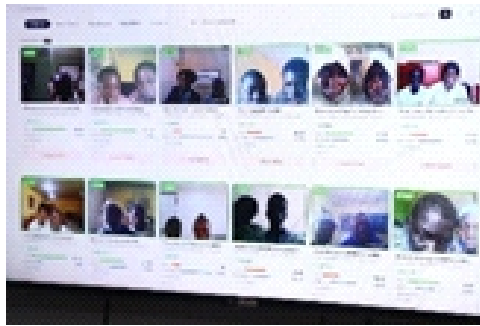
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