

BLOOMFIELD LP WEEKLY ENERGY TITBITS (BWET)

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Federal Government of Nigeria Engages with Distribution Companies on the Development of Energy Zones in High Electricity Demand Areas

On Wednesday, September 30, 2026, the Minister of Power, Mr. Joseph Tegbe, disclosed that the Federal Government of Nigeria had commenced engagements with selected electricity distribution companies ("**DisCos**") on the development of proposed Energy Zones (the "**Project**") to provide stable, twenty-four (24) hour per day electricity supply to homes, businesses and industries in areas with high electricity demand across the country: namely Lagos, Abuja, Kaduna, Kano, Enugu and Port Harcourt.

The Project is intended to address constraints at the distribution end of the electricity value chain, particularly the ability of DisCos to take up available electricity and reliably deliver it to end-users, while improving the revenue and collection performance of DisCos.

<https://punchng.com/fg-plans-24-hour-power-zones-in-lagos-abuja-kano-others/?amp>

Federal Government of Nigeria Commences Construction of New National Control Centre to Strengthen Grid Reliability

On Wednesday September 30, 2026, the Federal Government of Nigeria commenced the construction of a new National Control Centre ("**NCC**") for the Nigerian Independent System Operator ("**NISO**") in Osogbo, Osun State, to replace the existing sixty-four (64) year-old facility and strengthen the reliability and operational efficiency of Nigeria's electricity grid.

The new NCC will provide NISO with enhanced capabilities for real-time grid monitoring, system control, operational coordination and grid security. The new NCC will deploy modern systems to improve the detection and response to grid disturbances, support voltage and frequency regulation.

We expect that the new NCC would strengthen the reliability and resilience of Nigeria's electricity grid by enabling faster detection and response to system disturbances.

Read more at:

<https://thenationonlineng.net/fed-govt-moves-to-stabilise-prevent-grid-collapse>

Dangote Petroleum Refinery Surpasses Nameplate Capacity as Premium Motor Spirit and Automotive Gas Oil Imports Decline

In a data recently released by the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (the "**NMDPRA**"), the NMDPRA stated that the Dangote Petroleum Refinery (the "**Refinery**"), for its first time, surpassed its seven hundred thousand barrel per day (700,000 bpd) nameplate capacity in August 2026, processing approximately seven hundred and thirty-six thousand, four hundred and seventy barrels per day (736,470 bpd) of crude oil.

The Refinery produced an average of eighty-four million, four hundred and thirty thousand (84,430,000) litres of refined petroleum products per day, contributing to a decline in Premium Motor Spirit ("**PMS**") and Automotive Gas Oil ("**AGO**") imports to approximately fourteen million, six hundred thousand (14,600,000) litres per day and one million, three hundred thousand (1,300,000) litres per day respectively.

Read more at:

<https://thenationonlineng.net/dangote-refinery-strengthens-nigerias-energy-security-export-position>



Lagos State Government Bars New Diesel Buses from Regulated Public Transport Fleet, Mandates Compressed Natural Gas and Electric Vehicles

The Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Lagos Metropolitan Area Transport Authority (“**LAMATA**”), Mrs. Abimbola Akinajo (the “**MD**”) recently disclosed that the Lagos State Government has stopped admitting new diesel-powered buses into its regulated public transport system while also directing operators to rather deploy compressed natural gas (“**CNG**”) or electric vehicles (“**EVs**”) (the “**Policy**”).

The MD disclosed that the Policy became effective since the beginning of 2026, emphasizing the gradual replacement of existing diesel buses with CNG and electric powered vehicles to reduce transport emissions and operating costs. The MD further noted that the Policy is central to Lagos State’s commitment to achieving net-zero emissions by 2050

Read more at:

<https://www.thisdaylive.com/2026/10/04/lagos-bars-new-diesel-buses-from-regulated-fleet-mandates-cng-electric-vehicles/>

Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority Announces Digital Licensing Round for Gas Distribution Areas Nationwide

The Chief Executive of the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (“**NMDPRA**”), Mr. Rabiul Umar (the “**CEO**”) has disclosed that the NMDPRA has kickstarted plans to conduct a digital licensing round for gas distribution areas across Nigeria before the end of 2026.

The CEO noted that the licensing round will commence after the completion of a nationwide gas distribution gridding exercise to be conducted in October, with investors to bid for gas distribution licenses covering designated areas across the country.

It is expected that the licensing round would attract private-sector investment in gas distribution, improve access to gas and support the development of a more competitive domestic gas market.

Read more at:

<https://punchng.com/nmdpra-plans-gas-distribution-licensing-round>