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By Dr. Olaoluwa Vincent Ajayi
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In a closely contested race, Kemi Badenoch has emerged as the new leader of the Conservative Party after narrowly defeating fellow contender Robert Jenrick.

The results, announced early Saturday, mark the conclusion of an intense competition to succeed Rishi Sunak as head of the Tories.

Badenoch, who has Nigerian heritage, brings a diverse perspective and extensive experience to the leadership role.

Known for her strong stances on social and economic issues, she has garnered widespread support within party ranks for her commitment to conservative values and forward-looking policies.

As the new leader, Badenoch is expected to set a distinct tone for the party's future, with many keenly observing how her leadership will shape the Conservative Party's agenda in the years ahead.

This election result underscores the party's evolving leadership and highlights Badenoch's influence as a prominent figure in UK politics.



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By Helen Okechukwu

The Federal Government (FG) has announced the disbursement of withheld salaries to members of the Non-Academic Staff Union of Federal Universities (NASU).

The New Daily Prime reported on October 28 that the Joint Action Committee (JAC), comprised of NASU and the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian University (SSANU), went on a nationwide strike for withholding four months salaries.

The development was confirmed on Saturday by the Director, Press and Public Relations, of the Office of the Accountant-General of the Federation, Mr. Bawa Mokwa.

Mokwa shared that some members of the JAC have already confirmed their receipts after being paid.

The nationwide strike has halted academic activities across the country, with other institutions showing solidarity with JAC for their action.



After President Bola Tinubu's directive to effect release, the non-release has harmed the relationship between both parties, reports have revealed.

SSANU leaders earlier on Wednesday decried that vice-chancellors, bursars, and registrars, along with other executives, were yet to receive payment, vowing to keep various institutions under lockdown if nothing was done.

Confirming the development, Mokwa stated, "The Federal Government has (at last) released the funds for payment of the withheld salary of

the Non-Academic Staff Union of Federal Universities and that of the retirees under the Nigerian Union of Pensioners Contributory Pension Scheme.

"Payments to the Non-Academic Staff of Federal Universities have commenced, and many have confirmed receipts."

EFCC arrests Edo Accountant General, two others over huge withdrawals

By Dave Oludare Oso

The Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) has arrested the Accountant General of Edo State, Julius Anelu, and two other government officials for alleged huge withdrawals from the State's derivation account at the twilight of the administration of Governor Godwin Obaseki.

This is as the governor-elect, Monday Okpebholo, had accused the Obaseki administration "of last-minute borrowings and looting."



The source said, "We made some arrests of about two to three persons, including the Accountant General of the state. We have been investigating the governor of the state, Godwin Obaseki, since 2022 but this latest arrest was as a result of some withdrawals from the state's derivation account.

"The amounts withdrawn were huge sums. For instance, about some weeks ago, N24.6bn was paid into that account. But in less than one week, about N14bn was remaining in the account. To save the state, we had to quickly move. We are not in any way doing that to ground the state activities."

However, the EFCC is yet to officially react to the development as of the time of this report.

Suspects staged fainting in court to gain attention — IG

By Dave Oludare Oso

To quieten the uproar trailing the fainting of six #EndBadGovernance protesters in court during their trial on Friday, the Inspector-General of Police, Kayode Egbetokun, has stated that the fainting was staged to attract negative attention.

The police chief said despite that, the fainting suspects were promptly provided with medical attention, underscoring the police's commitment to the welfare of individuals in their custody.

76 suspects, mostly minors who appeared malnourished, were arraigned in connection with the #EndBadGovernance protest on Friday.

Six of them collapsed and were rushed out of the courtroom.

Following their arraignment, the court granted each minor bail set at N10 million. The incident has sparked criticism both domestically and internationally.

Reacting to the controversy, a statement by Force Spokesperson, Muyiwa Adejobi on behalf of the IGP, on Saturday, affirmed that under Nigerian law, persons who have reached the age of criminal responsibility are accountable for their actions, regardless of their age.

The statement read, "Today, an unexpected incident in court saw six of the suspects suddenly rush out and faint, drawing media attention in a deliberate and scripted manner to attract negative attention.

"On the 3rd (of August), they arrested us at NEPA Roundabout. There and then they started beating us. Boots, kicks, and all that. Then they pushed all of us into their Hilux, some into their SUVs, and then we went down to the Command.



irrespective of the allegations they face.

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Under Nigerian law, individuals who have reached the age of criminal responsibility are answerable for their actions, regardless of their age.

"This principle aligns with global practices, where accountability is upheld for young individuals who commit serious offences.

"As seen in other jurisdictions, including the United Kingdom, age does not exempt individuals from facing legal consequences.

However, each case is approached with empathy and in accordance with human rights standards."

Egbetokun stated that the charges against the suspects included destruction of public property and threats to national security, among others.

He said, "The NPF has recently arraigned 76 individuals in court on charges including terrorism, arson, and treasonable felony. These serious

allegations encompass offences such as the destruction of public property and threats to national security. In managing the detention and arraignment of these suspects, the NPF has rigorously adhered to legal provisions to ensure fairness and accountability under the rule of law.

"The suspects were initially presented in court, where they were formally charged, and a remand order was issued by the court.

Throughout this process, the Police have worked to balance justice with compassion, ensuring that each suspect's basic rights and privileges are respected, including access to medical care and other necessary provisions."

The police chief urged Nigerians not to show any form of bias in the case, assuring that the police would remain transparent throughout the legal process.

He said, "The NPF acknowledges public interest in this case and assures the public that our officers will maintain professionalism throughout the legal process.

The public is encouraged to view this case without undue bias, as the Force remains focused on a transparent pursuit of justice. The Nigeria Police Force is committed to aligning with best practices, upholding the rule of law and respect for human dignity."

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"These boys were arrested in Kaduna and Zaria."

These boys were using the Russian flag and calling on the military to remove our president."



Age doesn't exempt individuals from facing legal consequences – NPF

By Helen Okechukwu

Following the arraignment of 76 minors at the Abuja Federal High Court, the Nigeria Police Force (NPF) has said age does not exempt alleged law offenders from facing legal consequences after being apprehended.

NPF spokesperson, Olumuyiwa Adejobi said this in a statement shared on Saturday, noting that the 76 individuals were charged yesterday against terrorism, arson, and treasonable felony.

Adejobi wrote, "The Nigeria Police Force (NPF) has recently arraigned 76 individuals in court on charges including terrorism, arson, and treasonable felony. These serious allegations encompass offences such as the destruction of public property and threats to national security. In managing the detention and



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"Today, an unexpected incident in court saw six of the suspects suddenly rush out and faint, drawing media attention in a deliberate and scripted manner to draw negative attention. Medical aid was promptly provided to these individuals, demonstrating the Police Force's commitment to the welfare of those in its custody, irrespective of the allegations they face."

He added, "While committed to upholding justice, the Nigeria Police Force remains sensitive to the rights of all individuals, including young persons. Under Nigerian law, individuals who have reached the age of criminal responsibility are answerable for their actions, regardless of their age."

AGF asks police to hand over #EndBadGovernance protesters' case file

By Dave Oludare Oso

The Attorney-General of the Federation (AGF) and Minister of Justice, Lateef Fagbemi, has asked the police to transfer the case file of all protesters arraigned over the nationwide #EndBadGovernance protest.

There was chaos at a federal high court in Abuja on Friday after some minors, who were among 76 protesters charged to court, collapsed while waiting to be arraigned.

The court granted them bail in the sum of N10 million each, while the prosecutor asked the judge to remove the names of those who collapsed from the charge.

In a statement on Friday, Fagbemi said he would look into the matter to enable him to make an informed decision.

The AGF said, "It has just come to my notice that the police have arraigned those arrested in connection with the #EndBadGovernance violent protest in court for various offences including treason.



"There are some issues my office will need to look into regarding the matter to enable me to take an informed decision.

"I am aware that the court has remanded the defendants in detention centres and adjourned the case to January.

"It is not within my power to vary the order of the court remanding the defendants in detention centres and adjourning the case to January.

consideration of the court to bring the adjournment date forward (an earlier date)."

The arraignment of minors has generated condemnation from within and outside Nigeria.

Amnesty International described the detainment of the minors as unlawful, noting that the action shows the government's disregard for the law.

Other Nigerians, including former Vice-President Atiku Abubakar; Peter Obi, the ex-governor of Anambra; and Shehu Sani, a former senator, have also criticised the minors' arraignment.

Obiora Egwuatu, the presiding judge, granted N10 million bail to the defendants, adding that they must provide two sureties in like sum.

The judge specified that one of the sureties must be a civil servant of grade level 15 or higher, with a verifiable address within the court's jurisdiction, while the other surety must be a parent of the defendant.

Cultists wipe out three brothers in Anambra

By Elizabeth Jenrola Oso

The worst of cultism was witnessed in Anambra State as suspected cultists killed a man identified as Nonso in Awka, the Anambra State capital on Friday afternoon.

In a tear-invoking circumstance, Nonso, the third son in a family of three sons, was said to have earlier lost two of his brothers in similar incidences attributed to cultism.

According to an eyewitness, Nonso was killed in broad daylight on near Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University Teaching Hospital, NAUTH, which is popularly known as Amaku.

A close family source said Nonso's killing is linked to the murder of his younger brother, Buchi, who was felled three months ago around MacDon Eatery.

Their eldest brother had also met a brutal end in a previous attack, the source said, adding that the tragic chain of events had left their mother childless.

Awka has recently been a hotbed for cult-related killings, with 16 recently killed in Nibo and seven more in the Ifite Awka area.

Despite repeated assurances from law enforcement agencies, the bloodshed persists.

Anambra State Police Commissioner, Nnaghe Obono Itam, has condemned the latest killing, promising a thorough investigation.

He said, "We will leave no stone unturned in apprehending the perpetrators and bringing them to justice."



Shettima inaugurates National Council to address flood, erosion, climate

By Friday Omosola

Vice President Kashim Shettima has officially inaugurated the National Flood, Erosion, Drought, and Desertification Management Council (NFEDDMC) to address Nigeria's escalating environmental and climate challenges.

The council's mandate is to drive a cohesive national response to environmental crises, promoting interagency and regional collaboration for effective disaster management.

During the inauguration at the Presidential Villa on Friday, Shettima emphasised the urgency of unified action against natural disasters, which have increasingly affected Nigeria.

"This council will redefine disaster management by fostering collaboration across sectors, enabling resource-sharing and coordinated strategies for maximum impact," Shettima stated.

The establishment of NFEDDMC stems from recommendations in an updated disaster management roadmap, crafted by a committee led by Kogi State Governor Usman Ododo, under the direction of the National Economic Council (NEC).

Shettima commended Nigeria's weather prediction agencies for their accuracy this year, urging continued investment in cutting-edge technology and expertise to enhance community resilience.

The NFEDDMC is tasked with advising the federal government



on disaster management policies, developing a national strategy with immediate, medium, and long-term goals, and increasing public awareness of climate resilience.

Shettima stressed the importance of rapid response, noting that 'each agency must be prepared for urgent action as environmental crises demand swift responses.'

Confident in the council's capacity, the Vice President said, "The path forward is challenging, but with our team's expertise and determination, we can build a more resilient Nigeria."

Shettima will chair the council, joined by the Governors of Kogi, Bayelsa, Oyo, Ebonyi, Bauchi, and Jigawa States.

Other members include the Ministers of State for Water Resources & Sanitation and Environment, as well as the Directors-General of the Nigeria Hydrological Services Agency, Nigeria Meteorological Agency, National Water Resources Institute, and National Emergency Management Agency.

The council also includes the Managing Directors of the National Inland Waterways Authority, Niger Delta Development Commission, and North East Development Commission, along with representatives from development partners.

Governor Adeleke asks security agencies to secure Ola Iya bridge from vandals

By Friday Omosola

Osun State Governor Ademola Adeleke has ordered an immediate increase in security around the Ola Iya Bridge to safeguard it from potential vandalism and reckless driving.

The governor's spokesperson, Olawale Rasheed, clarified directive follows the spread of false alarms alleging deliberate sabotage of the bridge—a claim some interpret as a possible setup to blame the government.

Governor Adeleke dispelled these rumours, emphasising that there was no orchestrated attack on the bridge as suggested by opposition groups.

Instead, a trailer reportedly struck a section of the bridge, as confirmed by the police. Claims of a government-sponsored attack on the bridge are merely fake news.

To prevent the opposition from exploiting the incident as a pretext for sabotage aimed at discrediting the government, Governor Adeleke has directed security agencies to reinforce security around the bridge.



This measure he said aims to deter any attempts by fifth columnists to damage the facility and attribute it to the government.

“The report at the disposal of the state government indicated that elements within the opposition may be planning to tamper with the structures of the bridge and then turned around to blame it on the government. This is to pursue their fanciful fake news that the state government is planning to demolish the bridge.

“Mr Governor has therefore instructed service commanders to mount

“Mr Governor has also reiterated his satisfaction with his directive to ban heavy-duty trucks from plying the bridge as recommended by the state security council and is the practice in several major cities as a strategy to protect such bridges from any likely deterioration or possible collapse due to excessive load carriage.

“There is no plan to demolish Olaiya bridge. Our goal is to secure it from any likely overburden, or overload that may create possible collapse over time. The bridge is a state asset and I must secure and protect it”, the State governor was quoted as saying.

On the Okefia and LAMECO overhead bridges, the governor commended the contractor for executing the project with adherence to best practices and achieving a quality that aligns with global standards seen in Europe and North America.

LASG inaugurates exco for women in agric initiative

By Helen Okechukwu

The Lagos State Government (LASG) has inaugurated executive members to chair the women's agricultural initiative for the empowerment and enhancement of female farmers in the state.

Revealing the launch of this initiative through the government platform, the State Ministry of Women Affairs and Poverty Alleviation (WAPA) said the Women in Agriculture Cooperative aims to address poverty within the state.

According to the post shared yesterday, the event was held on Thursday at the Women Development Centre, Agege.

Highlighting the commitment of the state government, the notice disclosed that LASG seeks to equip women with the tools, training, and financial resources necessary to succeed in Nigeria's agricultural sector.

The speaker during the inauguration, the Commissioner for WAPA, Mrs. Bolaji Dada, acknowledged the significance of women in the agricultural industry.

She added that the female-led initiative focuses on productivity, fosters financial independence, and enhances the welfare of families across Lagos State, with a lot to be benefitted from the programme.

Other objectives to be benefitted by participants include skills development in sustainable farming practices, access to market opportunities, and a platform for community and government support.

While expressing gratitude to stakeholders and organizers, she explained the initiative's goal, noting that it aims to drive economic growth and strengthen communities across the state.

Ondo Poll: Kogi Governor rallies Ebira community support for Aiyedatiwa

By Friday Omosola

Kogi State Governor, Usman Ododo, has urged the Ebira community in Ondo State to support Governor Lucky Aiyedatiwa and the All Progressives Congress (APC) candidate in the upcoming November 16 election.

Governor Ododo made this appeal on Saturday in Owo, where he addressed a gathering of Ebira indigenes.

Speaking on behalf of the community, he emphasised their commitment to backing Governor Aiyedatiwa and affirmed their unified decision to vote for the APC candidate.

He said: “We, the entire Ebira community across Ondo State, have resolved to support and vote for the All Progressives Congress (APC) in the coming election in this State.

“Governor Aiyedatiwa, the Ebira community stands with you; we are here in solidarity because we believe in continuity. Since the passing of the late Governor Akeredolu, you have upheld his legacies and continued the good work he started.

“You have been tested and trusted, and that is why we are 100 per cent behind you. The Ebira people are solid with you, and we will ensure victory come November 16.”

Additionally, the Ebira community in the state endorsed Governor Aiyedatiwa as their preferred candidate.

In response, Governor Aiyedatiwa expressed his gratitude for their support, commending President Tinubu for his unwavering commitment to advancing Ondo State’s economic development.

“President Tinubu has continuously shown interest in our state’s progress. Since he assumed office, he has never wavered in his support for us,” Governor Aiyedatiwa noted.



He also praised Governor Ododo for his exemplary leadership, acknowledging his ability to govern the state by blending the vigour of youth with the wisdom of experience.

Reflecting on the APC primary election in Ondo State, which was chaired by Governor Ododo, Governor Aiyedatiwa expressed his confidence in the integrity and transparency of the upcoming electoral process in November.

Governor Aiyedatiwa conveyed his gratitude for the unwavering support of the Ebira community and assured them of their representation and inclusivity in his administration.

Additionally, the deputy governor of Ondo State, Olayide Adelami, whose local government hosted the rally, expressed his gratitude to Governor Ododo for his steadfast support of Aiyedatiwa and the APC.

“Having left your state to come to mobilise your people for the success of our party in the forthcoming election, it is obvious that you truly love our party and my principal, Governor Lucky Orimisan Aiyedatiwa.

“Today, you have shown commitment to the economic development of your people both at home and away from home; this is the quality of a good leader, and our administration shall not relent in the recognition and inclusion of non-indigenes in decision-making in this state”, Adelami said.

Cooperation, peace, veritable tools for development, Oyebanji tells community leaders

By Friday Omosola

Ekiti State Governor, Biodun Oyebanji, has urged the people of Ikogosi, both at home and abroad, to foster cooperation and peace as foundational pillars for the community's sustainable and impactful development.

Addressing community leaders at an interactive session held on Friday in Ikogosi, during the 2024 Ikogosi Day celebration, Governor Oyebanji emphasised that harmony, unity, and mutual respect are key to attracting investment and advancing the community as a thriving centre for tourism and economic growth.

The governor highlighted Ikogosi's potential as a major revenue source for Ekiti State due to its distinctive cultural and natural attractions, calling on citizens to prioritize collective objectives over individual interests.

He stressed that collaboration is essential for realizing the community's aspirations and enhancing its prospects.

Governor Oyebanji reassured attendees of his administration's commitment to



empowering Ikogosi through investments in infrastructure, education, and local job creation.

He affirmed that the town's development holds a special place on his agenda, urging residents to stay committed to their shared vision of a prosperous, united community.

"I believe that the path to progress is paved with honesty, truth, and love stated. This town is our own Jerusalem, and we must cultivate love for one another because where there is love, progress follows. The change we envision for Ikogosi begins with each of us. Let's leave here today resolved to become better

become better people and to love our community."

Earlier, the President of the Ikogosi Progressive Union, Sola Agbaje, expressed his gratitude to Governor Oyebanji for his dedication to the town's development, noting that the session was aimed at identifying strategies for community advancement.

Echoing similar sentiments, Princess Omobola Adepoju, the Regent of Ikogosi, commended the governor for his unwavering commitment to the town, highlighting the notable achievements of his administration over the past two years. She encouraged citizens to unite in pursuit of transformative progress for Ikogosi.

Community leaders present at the session praised the governor for the extensive development taking

Obasa presents vehicles to Lagos assembly senior staff

By Friday Omosola

Speaker of the Lagos State House of Assembly, Mudashiru Obasa, has presented official vehicles to senior staff members in the Assembly's directorship cadre.

This initiative, announced on the Lagos State Government's official Facebook page on Friday, marks a continuation of recent efforts to support and incentivize Assembly personnel.

According to the statement, this is the second consecutive vehicle presentation, following an earlier handover of cars to senior staff just weeks prior.

The move underscores the Assembly's commitment to boosting productivity and enhancing service delivery for both the legislative body and the state.

The latest beneficiaries include directors and deputy directors from various departments and units within the Assembly.

Speaking at the presentation ceremony held at the Assembly complex, Obasa described the occasion as a significant step toward fostering effectiveness, promoting hard work, and providing a supportive work environment for Assembly staff.

Obasa further highlighted that the Lagos State House of Assembly has become a benchmark for legislative excellence, crediting this achievement to the dedication and outcome-driven focus of its staff and management team.

"As a result of this, it is just necessary to boost this efficiency and keep the Assembly up there as the perfect example of legislative effectiveness that it has become in our democratic Nigeria.

Teenager poisons ex-boyfriend, four others in Edo, detained

By Elizabeth Jenrola Oso

A 16-year-old girl, Aisha Suleiman, who is accused of fatally poisoning her former boyfriend, identified as Emmanuel, and four other persons in Afashio community in Etsako West Local Government Area of Edo State has been detained by the police.

The state command Public Relations Officer, SP Moses Yamu confirmed the incident on Friday.

The tragic discovery was reported on October 26, 2024, when Emmanuel's father, Mr Elogie Ezekiel, arrived at his son's apartment around 6:30 a.m. that day and saw some lifeless bodies in the house.

Ezekiel reportedly found the body of a young man, Nurudeen in the corridor, and moving further into the apartment, he discovered Emmanuel, 19, and his girlfriend, identified as Ada Samuel, 16, lying lifeless on the bed.



Also, Samuel and Jeffrey Ayegwalo, both siblings, were found unresponsive in the sitting room. They are Emmanuel's friends.

All five were immediately transported to the hospital, where doctors pronounced them dead on arrival.

Some sources in the area noted that the victims had just consumed a pot of pepper soup prepared by Suleiman for the five friends.

The investigation took a significant turn three days later when police received a report that Suleiman, who was alleged to

have poisoned the victims, was about to be lynched by a group of young men from the community.

The state PPRO, SP Moses Yamu, stated that police officers from the Jattu Division were quickly mobilized to the scene, intervened, and transported Suleiman safely to the station.

He added, "The case has been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department to conduct a thorough investigation."

Meanwhile, the Commissioner of Police, CP Umoru Ozigi, has ordered a detailed investigation, instructing officers to pursue every possible lead to determine the true cause of death in the case.

He also warned against any form of mob action, urging the community to allow the police to carry out their duties and assured the public that justice would be pursued diligently.

Woman bites off neighbour's tongue during fight in Lagos

By Elizabeth Jenrola Oso

A brutal altercation between two neighbours, Fatima and Mitsura on Aribisala Street in Igando, Lagos, on Thursday, has ended with the latter's tongue being severed.

The shocking incident has left residents stunned and authorities scrambling for answers.

According to eyewitnesses, the dispute began over a shared laundry bucket.

Fatima, in her early 30s, allegedly accused 18-year-old Mitsura of using the bucket without permission leading to an argument which escalated into a violent confrontation, with Fatima strangling Mitsura and biting off her protruded tongue.

Their landlady, Mama Ibadan intervened, but the situation spiralled

Mitsura, an orphan living with friends, was rushed to three private hospitals, all of which refused treatment. She was eventually admitted to Igando General Hospital.

Neighbours described the scene as gruesome, with Fatima attempting to flee before being restrained.

"Mitsura's friends rushed home and reported the incident to the police," a resident said. "Fatima's husband was informed, and he accompanied Mitsura to the hospital."

The victim's friends were visibly shaken, having recently welcomed Mitsura into their apartment due to her accommodation challenges.

According to Pulse, when Lagos Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Benjamin Hundeyin was contacted, he claimed unawareness of the incident, but sources confirm Fatima's impending prosecution.

Authorities are investigating the circumstances surrounding the attack.

This disturbing incident raises concerns about community violence, mental health, and conflict resolution.

Residents are now left reeling from the brutality, questioning how a disagreement over a shared laundry bucket could escalate into such barbarity.

“Se Acabo: New Documentary Explores the Kiss that Changed Spanish Football Forever”

By **Timi-Zacchaeus Oluwaferanmi**

A new Netflix documentary titled “It’s All Over: The Kiss That Changed Spanish Football” delves into the controversy surrounding Spain’s historic 2023 Women’s World Cup victory, a moment tainted by the actions of former Royal Spanish Football Federation (RFEF) president Luis Rubiales. The film captures the celebration, the scandal, and the unprecedented unity that reshaped the landscape of Spanish football.

The controversy began moments after Spain’s triumph over England in the final when Rubiales kissed player Jennifer Hermoso on the lips during the award ceremony. Rubiales later insisted the kiss was consensual, but Hermoso has maintained it was not, a stance she shared in the documentary. The event quickly escalated as public outcry mounted, prompting the phrase “Se Acabo”—meaning “it’s all over”—to circulate widely on social media. This call to action, initially posted by star



midfielder Alexia Putellas, soon became a rallying cry for both players and fans advocating for reform in Spanish football.

The documentary follows Hermoso and her teammates as they recount the pressure they faced from RFEF officials to downplay the incident. Amanda Gutierrez, president of the players’ union Futpro, claims Hermoso confided in her about the

Less than a week after the incident, a defiant Rubiales refused to resign in an emergency meeting, despite backlash. His stance only intensified the players’ determination. Eighty-one Spanish players, including all 23 World Cup squad members, declared they would not represent the national team until Rubiales was removed. Over time, public support for the players grew, leading to Rubiales’ eventual resignation and a three-year ban from FIFA.

The fallout has since been profound. Former coach Jorge Vilda, a Rubiales ally who was dismissed shortly after the World Cup, was the subject of criticism from players over his allegedly restrictive management style. The film portrays Vilda as a polarizing figure, with several players recounting a lack of unity within the squad and describing his methods as “controlling.”

Erik Ten Hag bids farewell to Manchester United, wishing “Trophies and Glory”

By **Timi-Zacchaeus Oluwaferanmi**

Erik Ten Hag has expressed heartfelt gratitude to Manchester United fans and staff following his dismissal as manager earlier this week. Ten Hag, 54, who led United to two trophies in as many seasons, released a statement thanking fans for their unwavering support and wishing the club future success.

“Thank you for always being there for the club,” Ten Hag said in a statement through his representatives, SEG. “The atmosphere at Old Trafford has always been electrifying, thanks to you.” He also acknowledged the dedication of United’s staff, calling their support “unwavering in good times and bad.”

The former Ajax manager took the helm in the summer of 2022 and quickly brought success, ending United’s six-year trophy drought by winning the



the Carabao Cup and securing a third-place finish in the Premier League. Ten Hag’s second season saw United claim the FA Cup in a victory over Manchester City, but the team struggled in the league, finishing eighth in 2023-24. A poor start to the current season, which left United 14th after nine games, ultimately led to Ten Hag’s dismissal following a 2-1 defeat to West Ham.

Reflecting on his tenure, Ten Hag said, “We won two trophies—achievements that I will cherish for the rest of my life. Of course, my dream was to bring more trophies to the cabinet, but unfortunately, that dream has come to an end.”

United announced that Sporting Lisbon’s Ruben Amorim will succeed Ten Hag as permanent manager, beginning November 11 on a contract until June 2027. Former United striker Ruud van Nistelrooy will serve as interim manager for the club’s next three matches.

As the club looks to a new era under Amorim, Ten Hag’s farewell marks the end of a brief yet impactful chapter in Manchester United’s recent history, leaving fans hopeful for a resurgence in form and success.

Ferrari's Charles Leclerc fined €10,000 for swearing during press conference

By Timi-Zacchaeus Oluwaferanmi

Ferrari driver Charles Leclerc has been fined €10,000 (£7,700) for using profane language during a post-race press conference after the Mexico City Grand Prix. The 27-year-old was penalized after a tense exchange in which he vividly recounted nearly losing control of his car in the final corner while defending his position against McLaren's Lando Norris. Half of the fine is suspended, contingent on Leclerc avoiding a repeat offense over the next 12 months.

Leclerc's penalty is lighter than the punishment Red Bull's Max Verstappen received for a similar incident at the Singapore Grand Prix in September. Verstappen was ordered to complete community service as part of his punishment, sparking discussions about consistency in enforcing FIA standards.

During the press conference, Leclerc swore while answering a question about



his reaction to the high-stakes moment that led to him running off track, narrowly missing barriers, and ultimately ceding second place to Norris. The stewards overseeing the Sao Paulo Grand Prix cited Leclerc's immediate apology as a mitigating factor in their judgment.

Verstappen himself highlighted the inconsistency, noting that Leclerc

wasn't initially sanctioned for the outburst. Verstappen, who responded to his own punishment with reserved answers in official press conferences and more candid remarks with journalists outside FIA-monitored sessions, pointed out the apparent double standard to race officials.

The controversy around driver language is part of an ongoing debate within F1. FIA president Mohammed Ben Sulayem's stance against broadcasting drivers' swearing has drawn criticism from drivers, who argue that on-air reactions showcase their authenticity. While F1 broadcasts bleep out coarse language, the sport's commercial rights holder has not made any changes to its TV policies.

Dwight Yorke appointed as Head Coach of Trinidad and Tobago national football team

By Timi-Zacchaeus Oluwaferanmi

Former Manchester United star and Trinidad and Tobago football icon Dwight Yorke has been named head coach of the Trinidad and Tobago national team. Yorke, 52, who made his debut for his country in 1989, brings a wealth of experience and a profound sense of national pride to the role, having been a prominent figure in Trinidad and Tobago's football history.

Yorke's illustrious international career spanned two decades, during which he earned 72 caps and scored 19 goals. He captained the team at their historic 2006 World Cup appearance, where Trinidad and Tobago became the smallest country to qualify for the tournament.

"I am proud and privileged to receive the honour of leading the Trinidad and Tobago national team," Yorke said. "The opportunity to work with this talented, close-knit group of players is something I look forward to."



This marks Yorke's second foray into management; his previous position was with Australian A-League side Macarthur FC, where he achieved a respectable record of 10 wins, three draws, and six losses over 19 matches and led the club to an Australia Cup victory. Yorke now faces the task of improving Trinidad and Tobago's standing, as the team is currently ranked 102nd in the world.

Yorke's appointment has stirred excitement among fans who hope his leadership can inspire a new era for the national team. With his deep-rooted commitment to Trinidad and Tobago football, he is well-positioned to elevate the team's profile on the international stage.

Why I discourage my kids from pursuing music - Reminisce

By Ifedamola Joseph Fayomi

In a recent engaging conversation on the Pulse podcast, renowned rapper Reminisce shared profound insights into the music industry, shedding light on its unpredictable nature and voicing his aspirations for his children's future endeavours.

Known for his lyrical prowess, Reminisce's reflections resonate deeply, particularly given his journey through the challenging terrain of the music world.

During the discussion, the seasoned artist drew a compelling parallel between music and professional football, emphasizing that success is not as widespread as many might believe.

Reminisce pointed out that just a select handful of individuals reach the heights of fame and acclaim in both fields.

This revelation underlined his perspective on the inherent risks associated with a music career, steering the conversation toward the significance of education and having a reliable backup plan.

"While I've found success within the music realm, I genuinely don't want my children to pursue it as their primary career path," Reminisce candidly stated.

His heartfelt concern for his offspring became evident as he stressed the foundational role of education.

He suggested that music should be regarded as a supplementary venture, rather than a first choice when considering career options.

This pragmatic approach stems from his understanding of the harsh realities that many aspiring artists face.



He highlighted a staggering statistic: fewer than 5 percent of individuals make it in the competitive music industry.

Drawing on his own experiences and the stories of those around him, Reminisce remarked, "For every superstar like Cristiano Ronaldo, there are thousands who don't achieve similar levels of success."

His journey is a testament to both talent and determination, yet he remains acutely aware that not everyone is afforded the same fortunate outcomes.

"I have friends from my football days who experienced professional success, while others, like myself at 43, continue to hope for opportunities that may never arrive," he reflected.

This candid account underscores the

unpredictable nature of creative careers and the importance of setting realistic expectations for future generations.

Reminisce articulated a profound message for parents everywhere: "Ensure your children receive a solid education first. While the prospect of music may be appealing, the reality is that it is an incredibly tough industry.

I would rather guide them toward a more stable future."

His philosophy encourages a balanced approach one where aspirations in music are supported, but never at the expense of educational foundation.

I don't support divorce - May Edochie

By Ifedamola Joseph Fayomi

May Edochie, the ex-wife of popular Nigerian actor Yul Edochie, has found herself at the centre of a controversial debate following her decision to file for divorce.

This legal action stemmed from allegations of infidelity linked to Yul's marriage to Judy Austin, which has drawn sharp criticism from various quarters, particularly from certain men who have accused her of promoting the notion of divorce.

In a candid conversation with renowned comedian and host AY Makun on the Glasshouse podcast, May took the opportunity to clarify her position and share her sentiments on the issues surrounding marriage and family.

She addressed the misconceptions that have arisen since her announcement and the backlash she has faced, emphasizing her unwavering commitment to the institution of marriage.

May opened up about her love for both her family and the concept of marriage itself, making it clear that her decision to seek a divorce was never intended as a call to others to follow in her footsteps.

"I want to set the record straight. Some men perceive me as someone who is misleading their wives," she stated, shedding light on the misunderstandings that have proliferated in the wake of her struggles.

The mother of three underscored the significance of family as the cornerstone of society. "I love family and marriage," she reiterated. "But there's a misconception about marriage that stands apart from what it truly represents. At its core, marriage is the foundation of family. Because there would be no you or me without family. That's how it has traditionally been."



In her powerful statements, May insisted that the notion of marriage should not be conflated with the idea of promoting separation or divorce.

She expressed her heartfelt desire for a stable and loving family environment, which she believes is essential for the nurturing and development of children. "Let me categorically state it now that I'm not advocating for divorce in any way," she affirmed.

This statement reflects May's genuine approach to the subject of marriage, which she believes is often misinterpreted in today's complex social landscape.

The conversation on the podcast illuminated not only May's journey but also the broader conversation surrounding marriage in contemporary society.

As societal norms evolve, the definition of marriage faces scrutiny, raising questions on fidelity, loyalty, and the changing dynamics of relationships.

May's decision to divorce has opened up a discourse on the expectations surrounding marriage and the implications of infidelity.

Critics may perceive her actions as a departure from traditional values, yet May

points to the necessity of maintaining one's dignity and self-respect amidst turbulent circumstances. "No one enters into a marriage thinking it will end in separation," she stated. "But when faced with infidelity, it becomes a matter of self-preservation."

Despite the challenges she has faced, May remains resilient and hopeful. She aims to provide a stable environment for her children while upholding the values she cherishes. "Every child deserves a harmonious upbringing, and I intend to foster that for my children, regardless of the difficulties in my marriage," she added with conviction.

As the dialogue surrounding her personal life continues, May Edochie remains steadfast in her commitment to clarify her motives and intentions.

Her earnest message resonates with many who find themselves at a crossroads in their own lives, facing choices between personal happiness and societal expectations.

In an era where relationships are constantly evolving, May's narrative serves as a reminder that each story is unique, and the complexities of marriage require understanding and empathy.

Her heartfelt message emphasizes that the choice to leave a marriage is deeply personal and should not be construed as a blanket invitation for others to abandon their commitments.

Rich background doesn't guarantee music success – Lojay

By Ifedamola Joseph Fayomi

Lekan Osifeso, the talented singer and songwriter widely recognized as Lojay, has stirred the pot in discussions surrounding the intersection of wealth and success in the music industry.

In a candid interview with City 105.1 FM in Lagos, Lojay boldly contended that individuals hailing from affluent backgrounds may not automatically possess an advantageous edge in the competitive world of music.

He argues, their privileged status may even hinder their career progression. Lojay's remarks shine a light on an important yet often overlooked aspect of societal perception what he describes as "rich-shaming."

This phenomenon, prevalent in Nigeria, encapsulates a pervasive scepticism directed towards individuals with wealthy upbringings.

Such an attitude, he asserts, is not confined to the music industry alone; it permeates various sectors of Nigerian society. "Nigerians like rich shaming. It's not limited to just the music industry," Lojay explained.

"Once they perceive that you have an advantage because of your background, it creates a narrative that can hinder you.

It's amusing because rich kids don't have an edge. On the contrary, they often enter the music scene at a disadvantage because the audience assumes they are already affluent and therefore, less deserving of support or recognition."

Throughout his career, Lojay has been adamant about the influence of parental wealth.

He maintains that his parents 'financial standing' did not play a role



in shaping his musical journey.

Furthermore, he pointed out that he has never engaged in "payola"—the practice of bribing media outlets for favourable airtime.

This assertion sparks discussions about the authenticity and struggles faced by artists in the industry.

When the interviewer inquired whether he had faced the controversial practice of payola, Lojay responded with a firm declaration of his skills.

"I'm undeniably talented. They can't try that with me. Let them challenge me on the mic," he asserted confidently.

His self-belief is evident, as he has recognized his musical prowess long before deciding to pursue a career in the arts. "Mine was an inevitable situation," he reflected.

"I heard myself before I decided to be an artist. I didn't deceive myself. I have never done payola. My parents didn't use their wealth to influence people to accept my music. My rich background has not influenced my career positively. If anything, being from a rich home is a disadvantage in the music industry."

Lojay's perspective provides a fresh lens through which to view the dynamics of privilege within the music scene.

His candid statements invite listeners to contemplate the value of raw talent and dedication in the face of presumed advantages afforded by wealth.

Davido claims global presidential dinner invitations everywhere

By Ifedamola Joseph Fayomi

Renowned Nigerian musician David Adeleke, popularly known as Davido, has expressed that his status as a celebrity affords him unique advantages worldwide.

The Afrobeats sensation spoke candidly during a recent interview on Kiss Fresh London, where he detailed how his fame translates into special treatment in many countries.

Davido proudly articulated that he often receives invitations to dine with presidents during his travels, noting this occurs almost universally except in the United States and the United Kingdom.

This observation underscores the global appeal of Afrobeats and the rising prominence of Nigerian culture on the world stage.

“Every country we go to, the President invites us for dinner except London [United Kingdom] and the United

States of America,” he stated, his enthusiasm palpable.

“It’s beautiful to see. I mean, leaving my country, Nigeria, and people welcoming me like the president in other countries highlights how well Nigeria is doing around the world in terms of music and cultural impacts.”

Davido’s comments come at a time when Nigerian music and culture are gaining international recognition, showcasing the ability of artists like himself to foster cross-cultural connections.

His fanbase encompasses influential figures, including the President of the World Bank and various heads of state from powerful nations, further demonstrating the reach and impact of his work beyond the borders of Nigeria.

When reflecting on his career, Davido remarked that he feels most revered in Africa. This admiration from fellow Africans is something he treasures deeply, which is why he finds African tours particularly fulfilling.

“I love my African tours more than European and American tours, even though I tend to make more money in the Western world,” he asserted, showcasing his dedication to his roots and the rich cultural tapestry of the continent.

His deep connection with his audience was further emphasized through a recent collaboration with Jamaican artist YG Marley.

During Marley’s visit to Nigeria to shoot the music video for their joint hit, ‘Awuke,’ the Jamaican artist was left in awe of the fervent support Davido receives from his fans.

This moment captured the essence of loyalty and admiration that spans beyond geographical boundaries, suggesting the profound impact of his artistry both at home and abroad.



How a friend's lies destroyed my marriage - Ronke Odusanya

By Ifedamola Joseph Fayomi

Actress Ronke Odusanya has bravely opened up about the trials and tribulations that characterized her marriage to Saheed Olarenwaju, popularly known as Jago.

In a heartfelt interview with her colleague Bimpe Akintunde, Ronke shed light on the painful circumstances that ultimately led to the dissolution of their union.

According to Ronke, the onset of their marital woes can be traced back to a friend's malicious rumours that severely distorted the reality of her life.

This purported friend allegedly made scurrilous claims to Saheed, suggesting that Ronke was being unfaithful and had left their home to spend the night with a senator, taking their daughter along.

These damaging lies fueled distrust between the couple and contributed significantly to the breakdown of their relationship.

Reflecting on the tumultuous phase of her life, Ronke recounted the emotional and financial hardships she faced after leaving the marriage.

She shared how she found herself in a precarious situation, left with only a mere N10,000 in her bank account and ultimately forced to seek refuge with her brother.

It was a stark illustration of the challenges many individuals face when navigating the end of a significant relationship.

Ronke revealed that in the aftermath of their separation, Saheed gradually came to realize the gravity of the situation, admitting that he should not have placed credence in the falsehoods circulated by their mutual acquaintance.



“When everything spiralled out of control, my partner eventually acknowledged that he shouldn't have listened to the hurtful words that influenced his decision-making at that time,” she reflected.

The actress shared a particularly shocking incident that occurred during their relationship, emphasizing the impact that deceitful rumours can have on personal bonds.

“A friend of mine told him that I intended to leave him and engage in prostitution. She claimed that when I left that night, I went to sleep in a senator's residence with our daughter, Fife. When he confronted me with these allegations, I was left speechless,” Ronke recalled.

In her quest for truth and clarity, she took proactive steps to defend herself against the unfounded allegations.

Ronke mentioned documenting evidence to counter the lies: “By God's grace, I managed to capture proof; I recorded the time and location on my phone during our stay. I showed him a picture right away.”

However, the emotional toll was staggering. Without a steady income or financial stability, Ronke described how her world crumbled around her.

“At that point, I didn't have more than N10,000 in my account, yet I resolved that this was the end. I lost all of my jewellery, which left me devastated. I fainted from the shock and was engulfed in thoughts about how to begin rebuilding my life. I shed so many tears that day, feeling utterly lost without the means to secure a place to stay.”

Judge orders Diddy rape accuser to reveal identity

By Ifedamola Joseph Fayomi

A federal judge has mandated that a woman, who is currently suing Sean “Diddy” Combs under the pseudonym “Jane Doe,” must disclose her identity for her lawsuit to progress.

This judicial decree underscores the court’s commitment to transparency and fairness within legal proceedings.

The lawsuit, filed in connection with an event that purportedly took place in 2004, asserts that Combs sexually assaulted the plaintiff when she was a 19-year-old college student.

The ruling, delivered by Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil, highlights a critical balance between the plaintiff’s rights and the broader public’s interest in legal transparency.

In a ruling that resonates with the principles of justice, Judge Vyskocil articulated her position, stating, “Public humiliation is not enough,” further adding that “defendants have a right to defend themselves,” a defence that becomes particularly problematic when the accused is unaware of the identity of their accuser.

Doe’s lawyer has argued that Combs issued threats against her life during the alleged assault, instilling a fear of violence that discourages her from revealing her identity.

However, Judge Vyskocil expressed scepticism regarding this assertion. She declared that the defence team had not presented “significant evidence” illustrating that revealing Doe’s identity would lead to substantial risks of mental harm.

The judge highlighted the absence of any supporting evidence from a mental health professional or



or affidavits that could substantiate these claims.

Leading the legal representation for Doe is attorney Tony Buzbee. He has filed the lawsuit under the provisions of the Victims of Gender-Motivated Violence Protection Act, which permits a two-year window for survivors to file lawsuits concerning older incidents of alleged abuse.

Despite the high-profile nature of the case, Buzbee has yet to make any public comments regarding the court’s decision, leaving observers to speculate on the future direction of the lawsuit.

As part of her ruling, Judge Vyskocil has established a deadline for Doe to refile her lawsuit under her authentic name by November 13. Should she fail to comply with this directive, the case risks being dismissed, a scenario that would effectively end her legal pursuit against Combs and the associated entities.

The lawsuit implicates not only Sean Combs but also multiple entities tied to him, including Bad Boy Records LLC and Marriott International.

These parties are accused of complicity in the alleged assault, providing a broader context to

the case beyond just the individual accusations against the rap mogul.

This multipronged lawsuit is part of a larger wave of legal challenges, as Doe’s claim is one among five similar cases addressing allegations of misconduct against Combs.

The ruling arrives at a time when the conversation surrounding sexual assault and accountability has garnered considerable attention, thrusting conversations of transparency and legal procedure into the public arena.

Victims’ rights and the nuances of anonymity in sexual assault cases pose ongoing challenges within the judicial system, where the scales of justice must balance the accuser’s need for protection and the accused’s right to due process.

As the legal proceedings continue, all eyes will remain on this case and its implications for both parties involved. The decision could set a notable precedent concerning anonymity in sexual violence cases and the importance of maintaining a clear and transparent judicial process.

However, Judge Vyskocil’s ruling turns the spotlight on the necessity for transparency in the courtroom, asserting that while the emotional toll on the plaintiff is understood, the fundamental rights of the accused cannot be overlooked.

US election: Trump, Harris storm North Carolina in campaign's final weekend

By Dave Oludare Oso

Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Kamala Harris will head to North Carolina on Saturday (today) to try to clinch support in the southeastern battleground state just three days before Tuesday's U.S. presidential election.

Per Reuters, it will be the fourth day in a row that Vice President Harris and former President Trump visit the same state on the same day, underlining the critical importance of the seven states likely to decide the race, which opinion polls show to be on a knife's edge.

More than 70 million Americans have already cast ballots, according to the Election Lab at the University of Florida, below the record early-voting pace in 2020 during COVID-19, but still indicating a high level of voter enthusiasm.

Saturday also marks the last day of early voting in North Carolina, where over 3.8 million votes have been cast, while the state's western reaches are still recovering from Hurricane Helene's deadly flooding.

Harris plans appearances with rock star Jon Bon Jovi in Charlotte, the biggest city in North Carolina, which is tied with Georgia for the second-biggest prize of the swing states. Each has 16 votes in the Electoral College, where 270 are needed to secure the presidency.

North Carolina backed Trump in 2020 but elected a Democratic governor on the same day, giving hope to both parties.

"We have an opportunity in this election to turn the page on a decade of Donald Trump, who has spent full time trying to have the American people point fingers at each other," Harris said at a rally in Janesville, Wisconsin, on Friday.



Trump will hold a rally in Gastonia, west of Charlotte, at noon (1600 GMT) before returning to the state in the evening, where he is due to speak at the 22,000-seat First Horizon Coliseum arena in Greensboro.

"This election is a choice between whether we... have four more years of gross incompetence and failure, or whether we will begin the four greatest years in the history of our country," Trump told a crowd in Michigan on Friday.

POLICY DIFFERENCES

Harris and Trump have very different policies on major issues including support for Ukraine and NATO, abortion rights, immigration, taxes, democratic principles and tariffs.

Harris and Trump were both in North Carolina on Wednesday, Nevada on Thursday and Wisconsin on Friday – all battleground states – at one point hold-

ing events around 7 miles (11 km) from each other.

It indicates the enormous effort put on persuading a relatively small number of voters in a few states, because the other states are seen as safely Democratic or Republican.

But Trump will also visit Salem, Virginia, on Saturday despite polls showing a clear lead there for Harris.

Harris will also be in the swing state of Georgia on Saturday, where film director Spike Lee and singer Victoria Monet are due to speak at a rally.

President Joe Biden, a Democrat, won Georgia by just 0.3 percentage points in 2020, the first time his party had picked up the state since Bill Clinton in 1992.

Israeli military kills two senior Hamas officials in Gaza

By Elizabeth Jenrola Oso

The Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) has announced the killing of senior Hamas official, Izz al-Din Kassab, in an airstrike in Khan Younis, Gaza Strip on Friday.

Reuters reports that Kassab was described as one of the last high-ranking members of Hamas responsible for coordinating with other groups in the region.

Hamas mourned Kassab's death in a statement, noting that he was killed alongside another official, Ayman Ayyesh, during an Israeli attack on their vehicle in the enclave.

According to Hamas sources speaking to Reuters, Kassab was a local group official in Gaza but not a member of its decision-making political office.

Meanwhile, the Israeli Army in October confirmed the killing of Hamas leader, Yahya Sinwar, in a recent attack on Gaza.

This was widely reported by Israeli media platforms making reference to senior military officials in the country.

It was gathered that the Israeli government had commenced investigating whether Sinwar was killed in a ground operation by the IDF which left three terrorists dead, with official confirmation expected in the coming hours.

In his post on X, Israeli defence minister Yoav Gallant wrote, "We will reach every terrorist – and eliminate him," adding that soon after "our enemies cannot hide."

Gallant attached a photograph with a red cross over a blank slot – seemingly referencing Sinwar – between Hamas commander, Muhammad Daf and Hezbollah chief, Hassan Nasrallah, each of whom were assassinated this year and were also crossed out.

Senior Israeli officials said security sources consider there to be a 'high probability' that Sinwar was eliminated, Israeli news outlet N12 reports, though

reports have still not been confirmed.

It comes as graphic images have circulated online purporting to show the body of the terrorist leader.

The grim pictures showed what appeared to be a corpse resembling Sinwar lying on a pile of rubble, with a catastrophic head wound and injuries all over his body.

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Moreover, Davido's journey exemplifies the transformative power of music as a bridge among various cultures.

