

265 Nigerians arrive at Lagos airport from UAE

-As Nigerian woman delivered of baby aboard Emirate Airline in Dubai evacuation

Taiwo Amodu | Abuja

TWO hundred and sixty five Nigerians, on Wednesday night, arrived at the Murtala Muhammed International Airport, Lagos, via an Emirates Airline.

The aircraft that brought them touched down at the airport at 7.40 pm.

They had earlier been scheduled to arrive the air-

port at 3.00 p.m. but due to one of the passengers who went into labour, the plane had to make a U-turn to UAE.

Earlier, Mrs Kafayat Amusan, one of the stranded Nigerian travellers returning from the United Arab Emirates, was, on Wednesday, delivered of a baby boy on board Emirates Airline departing from Dubai to Lagos.

Mr Abdur-Rahman Babolun, Head of Media and Public Relations Office of Ni-

gerians in Dispora Commission (NIDCOM), made the disclosure in a statement sent to the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* in Abuja.

According to him, Amusan put to bed on board the plane, 30 minutes after departure, which resulted in the plane returning to Dubai shortly after takeoff.

He said Emirates had to change to another aircraft which was now enroute to Lagos with 265 returnees on

board.
The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Geoffrey Onyema, had disclosed that the Emirates Airline flight expected to evacuate Nigerians from Dubai was being expected in the country on Wednesday.

Speaking at the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19, he said "one of the passengers, a lady, had a baby on the flight, or went into labour on the flight. So, the plane had to

turn back. But I am happy to say that mother and child are doing very well. They are in hospital and the arrival time has been rescheduled to 7.00 p.m. So the flight is still expected and arrangement has been made."

Onyema, however, expressed disappointment with the British Airways expected to pick Nigerians in London on Friday.

He said it had been difficult for Nigeria to fulfill cer-

tain terms of the agreement reached with the British Airways, making the Friday flight likely to be aborted.

The minister said: "Then there is another flight that we have arranged for Friday, a British Airways from the United Kingdom, but there is one or two issues that we are having there. Again, it is a question of payment thing. They are speaking very strictly to a timeline that is very difficult for us to manage."

10 medical workers test positive for COVID-19 in Bauchi

Ishola Michael | Bauchi

TEN frontline medical workers have tested positive for the COVID-19 disease in Bauchi State, as the fight against the pandemic continues.

This was disclosed by the executive chairman of the Bauchi State Primary Health Care Development Agency (BASPHCDA), Dr Rilwan Mo-

ammed, while giving updates on the situation of COVID-19 pandemic in the state during a press conference coordinated by the governor, Bala Mohammed Abdulkadir, held at the Banquet Hall of the Government House, on Wednesday.

Rilwanu Mohammed who is a member of the State Rapid Response Taskforce

Committee on COVID-19 and Lassa Fever, said: "We have realised that we have a big problem in the Azare zone of the state because it is very close to Kano and most people go to Kano to do shopping and other things. We still have a problem on how to control this situation there."

He gave the breakdown of

the infected medical personnel as four doctors and six health workers, with six private hospitals affected.

In a brief remark, Governor Abdulkadir commended the frontline health workers in the state for risking their lives to save others, while assuring that his administration had taken note of their services.

Lagos discharges additional 37 COVID-19 patients

Bola Badmus | Lagos

LAGOS State government on Wednesday discharged additional 37 COVID-19 patients, comprising 19 females and 18 males, in-

cluding one Indian from its various isolation facilities at Yaba, Onikan and Eti-Osa (Landmark) respectively, to reunite with the society, having tested negative twice consecutively.

This brings the total number of cases successfully managed and discharged from isolation facilities in the state to 358.

The ministry of health made this disclosure on its

official Twitter handle, saying what this indicated is that while the number of confirmed cases is rising, the state is also maintaining a significant discharge rate of its active cases.

18 nurses test positive for coronavirus in Kano

Kola Oyelere | Kano

CHAIRMAN of the National Association of Nigeria Nurses and Midwives, Kano State chapter, Comrade Ibrahim Maikarfi Muhammad, has said that 18 nurses have tested positive for the coronavirus disease in Kano.

This was just as the body appealed to the government to provide health professionals with Personal Protective Equipment for them to conveniently discharge their responsibility.

Muhammad disclosed this on Wednesday in an interview, where he confirmed

that 86 samples of nurses were taken and results of 18 were positive.

He stated that nine of them are from National Orthopedic Hospital, Dala, while seven from the Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital and two from state hospitals.

"Our members need to be protected as they are ready to support the fight against COVID-19, considering that we are in the forefront of the fight," he said.

Thirty-four medical doctors have also tested positive to COVID-19 in Kano, according to the Nigerian Medical Association chairman, Dr Sanusi Bala.



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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

RC No 13215

STATEMENT TO THE NIGERIAN STOCK EXCHANGE AND SHAREHOLDERS ON THE UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE THREE MONTH ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT

	31 March 2020	31 December 2019
	N'000	N'000
Non - Current assets:		
Property, plant and equipment	21,819,127	21,589,823
Right-of-use assets	3,379	29,530
Intangible assets	21,242	22,429
Total Non - current assets	21,843,748	21,641,782
Current assets:		
Inventories	6,817,224	6,544,848
Trade and other receivables	12,350,339	13,729,988
Cash in hand and at bank	11,524,450	10,183,744
Total current assets:	30,692,013	30,458,580
Total assets	52,535,761	52,080,262
Liabilities		
Non-current liabilities		
Deferred tax liabilities	2,489,711	2,489,711
Total non-current liabilities	2,489,711	2,489,711
Current liabilities:		
Borrowings	3,033,436	2,907,453
Trade and other payables	7,372,558	9,086,710
Current income tax liabilities	3,556,137	2,884,915
Dividend payable	93,872	93,872
Total current liabilities	14,055,703	15,072,950
Total liabilities	16,545,414	17,562,661
Equity:		
Issued share capital	249,986	249,986
Share premium	312,847	312,847
Other reserves	2,429,942	2,429,942
Retained earnings	32,991,571	31,965,226
Total equity	36,984,347	34,517,601
Total equity and liabilities	52,529,761	52,080,262

The unaudited interim financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 29 April 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:

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STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTH ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	31 March 2020	31 March 2019
	N'000	N'000
Revenue from contract with customers	7,987,943	7,182,816
Cost of sales	(5,124,720)	(5,517,405)
Gross Profit	2,863,223	1,665,411
Other income	89,215	113,028
Selling and distribution expenses	(43,908)	(20,720)
Administrative expenses	(388,182)	(275,423)
Operating Profit	1,690,591	1,482,114
Foreign exchange gain	368,332	131,866
Finance income - net	108,889	251,887
Profit before taxation	2,167,812	1,865,867
Income tax expense	(811,222)	(524,288)
Profit for the year	1,408,548	1,341,579
Other comprehensive income:		
Other comprehensive income (net of tax)		
Total comprehensive income - net of tax	1,408,548	1,341,579
Basic and diluted EPS (Naira)	2.85	2.48

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTH ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	31 March 2020	31 March 2019
	N'000	N'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash generated from operations	2,075,945	(106,873)
Tax paid		
Employee benefits paid		
Net cash generated from (used in) operating activities	2,075,945	(106,873)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(915,317)	(402,347)
Purchase of right-of-use asset		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	2,210	
Purchase of intangible asset		
Interest received	164,513	296,387
Net cash used in investing activities	(750,604)	(105,960)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from short term borrowings	881,838	742,966
Repayment of term borrowing	(788,653)	(1,998,584)
Interest paid	(77,589)	(54,409)
Dividend paid		
Unclaimed dividend returned		
Net cash (used in) financing activities	(11,875)	(1,269,987)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,349,796	(1,376,311)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	10,163,744	8,872,798
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March	11,524,450	8,377,351