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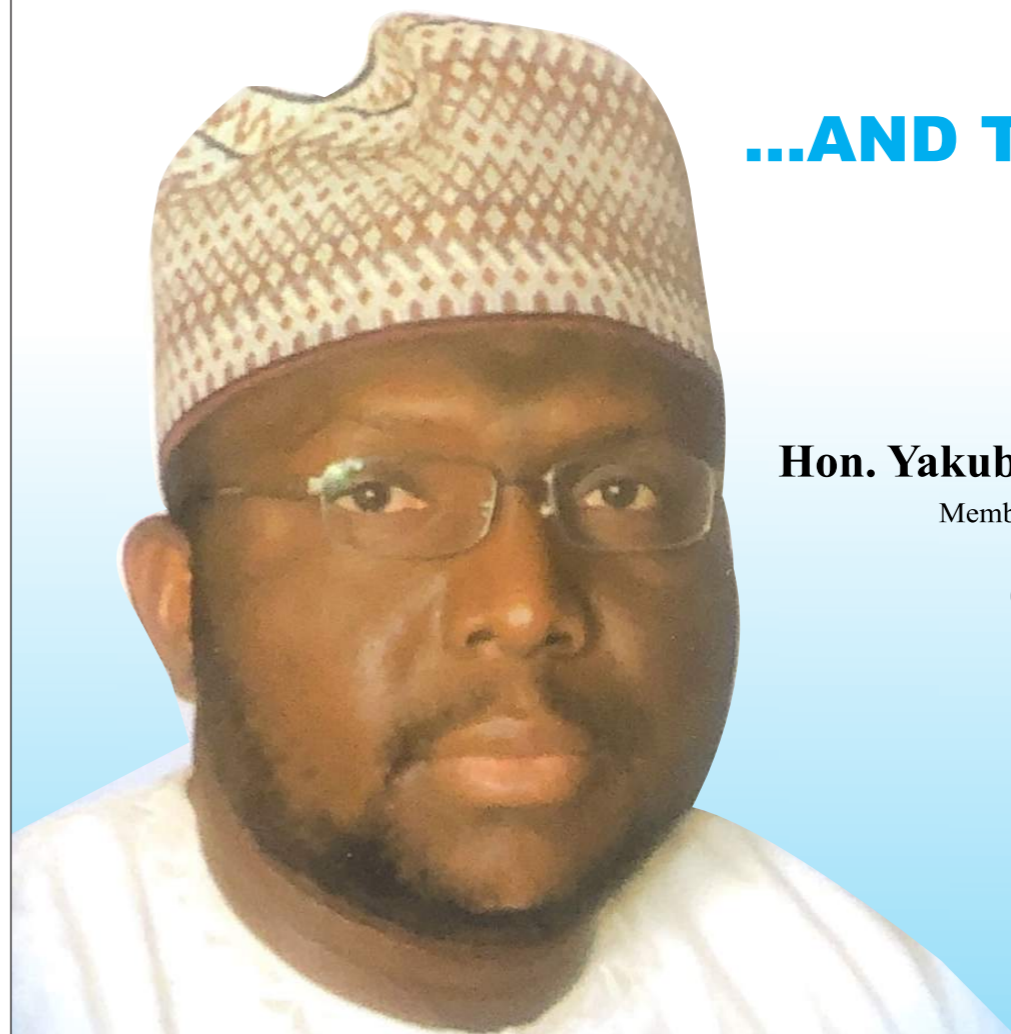


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Hon. Yakubu Mohammed Esheti

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Preface

The philosophy of this magazine hinges on the giant stride of a Parliamentarian whose sojourn in the political terrain is fueled by his unquenchable desire to transform the lives of his people, with the widow's mite he is able to squeeze out of government.

The people of Katcha Constituency of Niger State could be said to be reaping the dividends of democracy due to the selfless sacrifice and patriotic disposition of one of their illustrious sons, **Hon. Yakubu Moh'd Esheti**, representing them in the State House of Assembly.

In his address at the foundation-laying ceremony of **Hajiya Jummai Babangida Aliyu** Township Clinic, Badeggi, one of **Hon. Esheti's** Constituency project two years ago, the Chief Servant of Niger State, Governor (**Dr. Mu'azu Babangida Aliyu**) betrayed his emotions, when he could not conceal his admiration for the lawmaker.

He said, "Katcha Local Government is indeed lucky to have a representative like **Hon. Yakubu Moh'd Esheti**. I am as well happy to have him in the legislative setting (MPS) of my administration."

And to establish the uniqueness of Esheti's work, the Chief Servant added: "It is my pleasure to say that, this foundation laying ceremony of a township clinic named after my wife, **Hajiya Jummai Babangida Aliyu**, is first of its kind in the history of constituency projects carried out by an honourable member".

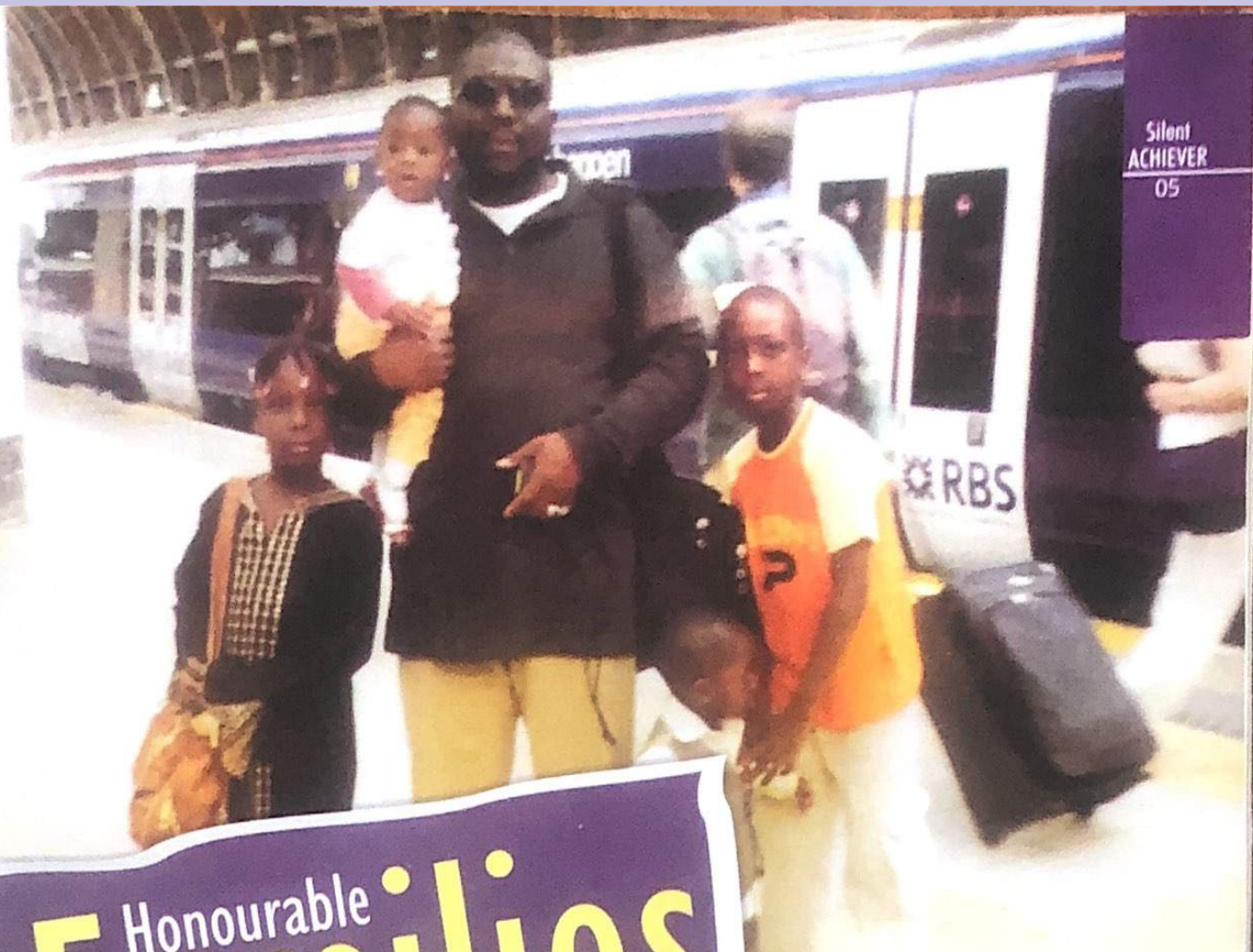
That foundation-laying ceremony of the township clinic has come into a pleasant reality, with the Chief Servant himself delivering another address at the commissioning of the project on June 25, 2010.

This magazine is a media enlightenment of the achievements and other features and articles of **Hon. Esheti's** political campaign, oversight functions and effort to restore healthy living in his constituency.



An American philosopher once observed that, "The bravest among men is he who embraces and accept his destiny without grudges". It does not require too much of intellectual thinking to see in the man, Esheti, the bravery, which he has harnessed to better the lives of his people.

Reading through this magazine is, therefore, a voyage of discovery into the life of this astute administrator, a business executive and a philanthropist who has combined all these qualities with political sagacity to take legislation to a higher level.



Honourable Families & Friends

Hon. Y.M. Esheti & his family at UK
Paddington Station Central London



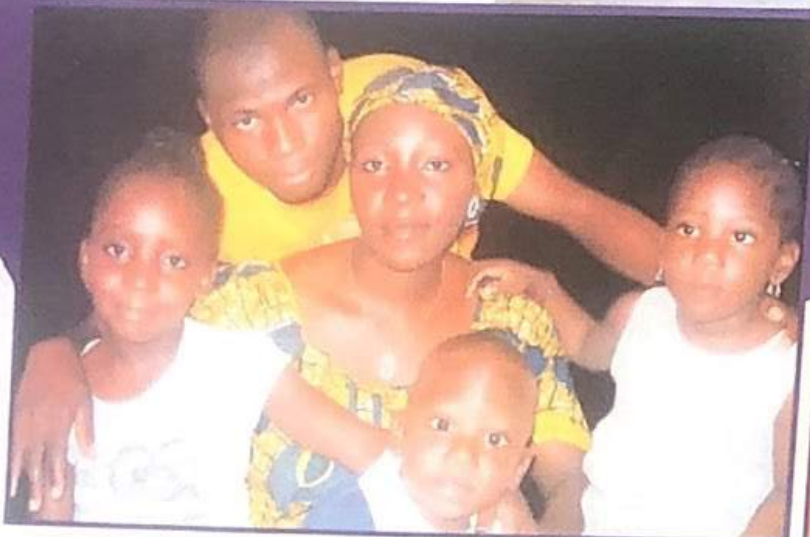
Khadijat and her mother, Hajija Hon. Zainab Yakubu Mohammed Esheti
assisting while receiving prizes being given to her by the School



Hon. Y. M. Esheti's family at Paddington Station, London U.K



Hon. Y. M. Esheti with M.D. Oiltec Ltd. Egypt Engr, Mustapha, Associates & Friends



Hajiya Aisha Y.M Esheti



Ibrahim Y.M Esheti making his 7th Anniversary on...



Khadijat Hon. Y. M. Esheti dress in Traditional Attires with some of her School mate



Khadijat Hon. Y. M. Esheti with some of her Teachers during End of the Year Party in the School premises.



Aminat Hon. Y. M. Esheti and one of her uncle, Mahmood Mohammed Esheti with her Teacher receiving her Certificate



The two wives of Hon. Y.M Esheti



Aminat Hon. Y. M. Esheti with some of her School Pupils during the End of the Year Party



Hajiya Zainab Y.M Esheti



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Khalifah Hon. Y. M. Esheti



Aminat Hon. Y. M. Esheti dress in School Graduation Gown



HONOUR

Well Deserved



A politician, who is devoid of nepotism, begotry, hatred and intemperate language; even his political opponents have come to respect his political ideology. This kindword aptly describes the Chief Servant of Niger State His Excellency Alhaji (Dr.) Babangida Aliyu OON. This year's Nupe Day celebration will not be forgotten easily in the minds of many, particularly the indigenes of Nupe extraction and the entire Niger State, as their indefatigable Governor was crowned the Sodangi Nupe.

Describing the honour as well deserved, Etsu Nupe Alh (Dr.) Yahaya Abubakar who is the Chairman Niger State Traditional Council of Chiefs, in his speech during the celebration of this year's Nupe day, said that the Chief Servant has always been in the fore-front of selfless services to the people. While pledging loyalty to government always, Estu Nupe, on behalf of the Nupe people, charged the Sodangi Nupe to continue with his good work and selfless service to the people.

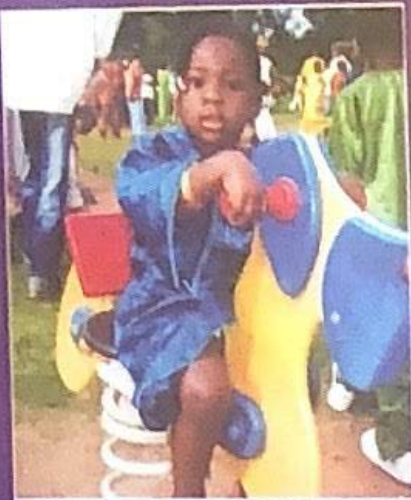
The Chief Servant of Niger State, Talban Minna and Sodangi Nupe's amazing intellect, piercingly clear thinking, and insatiable capacity for nation-building and his deep sense of understanding, is exceptional. Yet his reputation for championing his beliefs with the tenacity of a lion is balanced by the grace and selflessness with which he shares every new development ideas. The title of the Sodangi did not come to many as a surprise. His sense of humour is more and sharp, and it often shows up at the most unexpected moment. His sense of caring has ever-been present, and has always guided him in his decision making process. He loves being the best, and loved being first.



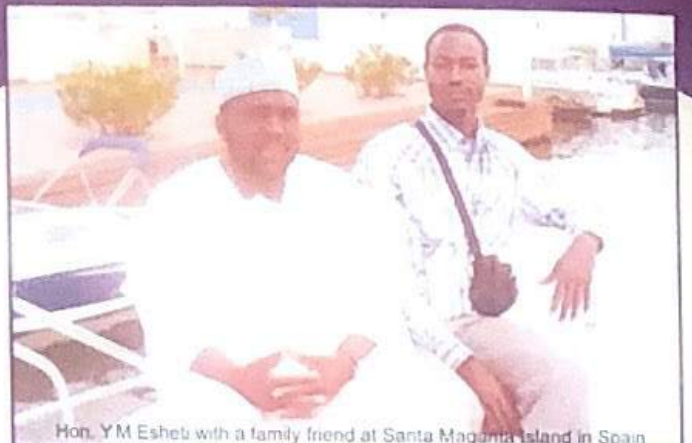
The New born baby into Hon. Y.M Esheti's family



Hajiya Aisha Y.M. Esheti holding Award being given to her by the NANISS Student, Abuja



Hajiya Zainab Y.M. Esheti



Hon. Y.M Eshet with a family friend at Santa Maganilla Island in Spain



Khalifah Hon. Y. M. Esheti with some pupils in their School



RESTORING HEALTHY LIVING

The rate of maternal mortality in any part of Katcha Local Government Area is high and the repercussion on the reproductive, health of the maternal and child health of women entire and children is alarming. It is this fact that prompted **Hon. Yakubu Moh'd Esheti** to comprehend, communicate and sponsor the construction of a standard township clinic at Badeggi and a primary healthcare centre at Kakakpangi. This dividend of democracy has brought about reduced cases of maternal and infant mortality, thereby increasing the health seeking behaviour and status of women and children. For example, the health clinics now receives more than 10 deliveries-all successful in a week

In addition, this network of health clinics is fully equipped with modern facilities and the necessary infrastructure such as borehole and

electricity to keep it running at its peak.

The rate of accident along B i d a - Katareregi-Minna road that has hitherto claimed several lives prompted **Hon. Esheti** to provide a mobile clinic that shuttles the said road.

Consequently, according to study, eclamsia, ruptured uterus and anemia are responsible for most of maternal deaths. Risk factors includes nulliparity, poverty, illiteracy and lack of pre-natal care. Main causes of deaths were ruptured uterus, eclamsia, infection and hemorrhage. In addition, the National Demographic Health Survey (NDHS) 2009 still revealed high incidence of maternal mortality and morbidity and low uptake of family planning in the North in particular, and in



(L-R) Chief Servant of Niger State, Dr Babangida Aliyu, SSG, Dr. Yahaya Kuta & Hon. Y.M Esheti during the Inauguration of Hajjiya Jummal Babangida Aliyu Maternal Health Centre Badeggi





Nigeria in general.

According to the report, most women give birth without skilled birth attendants. Additionally, thousands of women continue to die, more than by any disease in the region. Worried by the rate of disturbing deaths in the region, the federal and some state governments established partnerships with several bilateral and multilateral agencies, to achieve Millennium Development Goal No.5 which sets clear targets for addressing the menace of maternal deaths.

The impact of Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti constituency projects has started to yield and will continue to positive results. This prompted Governments and individuals shower



(L-R) Min. of State for Health, Alh. Sulaiman B. Chief Servant of Niger State, SSG, Dr. Yahaya Kuta & Hon. Y.M Esheti



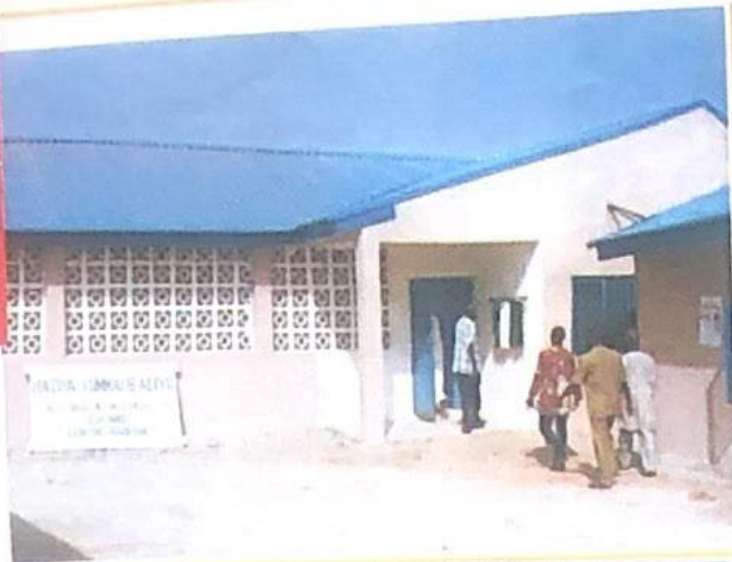
Head of Service, Engr. Sani Ndanusa, Fmr. Minister of Sport, S.S.G. Niger State, Dr. Yahaya Kuta & Zonal Chairman PDP Alh. Abdusadir Asaire



A Cross Section of Royal Highnesses, Etsu Agale, Etsu Lapai & Shaba Nupe



Chief Servant of N/S & Minister of State for Health, inspecting Medical equipment at Hajija Jummai Babangida Aliyu Maternal Health Care Centre Badeggi



(R-L) The Chief Servant Alh. Babangida Aliyu Gov. of Niger State, Hon. Minister of State for Health Alh. Suleiman Bello & Niger State SSG



Cross Section of Invited guest during Commissioning Ceremony of Hajja Jumai Babangida Aliyu. Maternal Health Care Centre, Badeggi.



(R-L) The Chief Servant Alh. Babangida Aliyu Gov. of Niger State, Hon. Minister of State for Health Alh. Suleiman Bello at the Commissioning Ceremony



Hon. Minister of State for Health, Alh. Suleiman Bello (Sardaunan Gusau) being interviewed by a staff of NTA during the Commissioning of M&C H.C. Badeggi

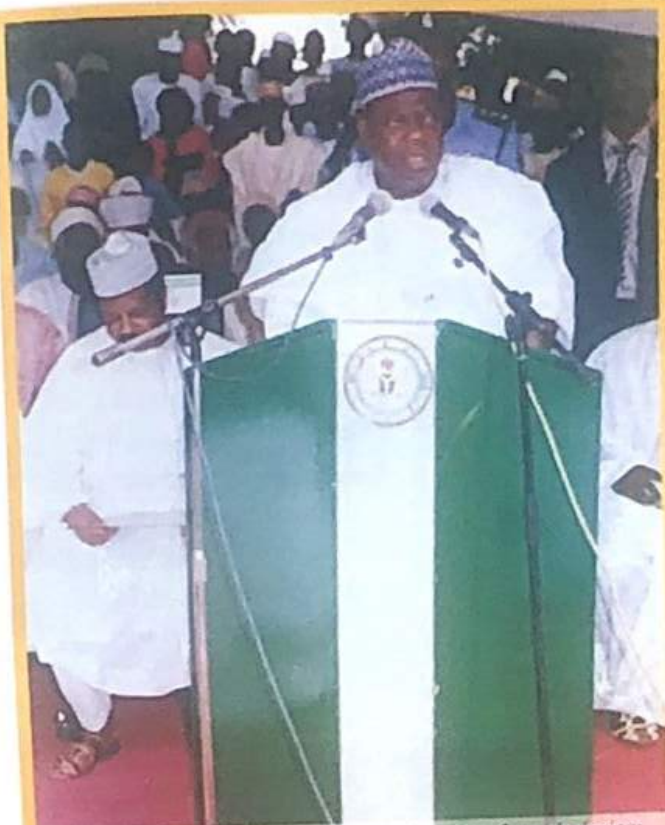


encomium on him and urged people to continue to respond to the clarion calls of the advocates of these projects.

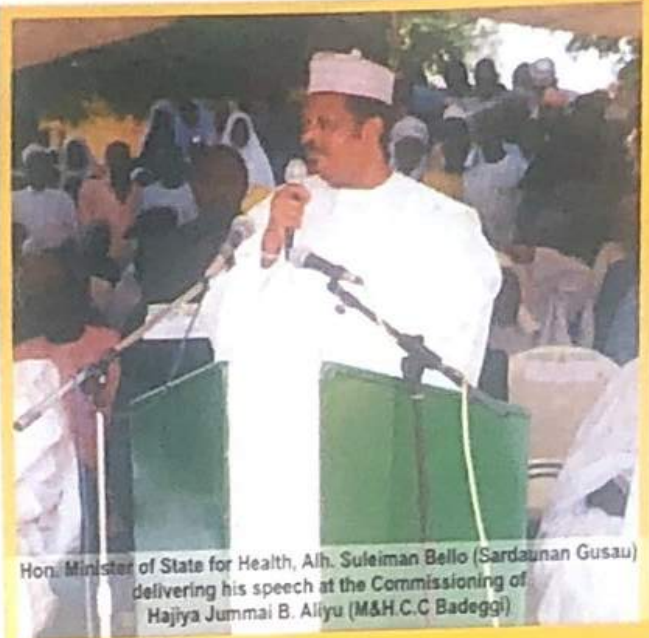
The efforts of **Hon. Esheti** to ensure the passage into law in the state of a primary healthcare bill which had maternal health as its primary goal.

IMMUNIZATION AGAINST DISEASES

The Hon. Minister of State for Health, Alh. Suleiman Bello (Sardaunan Gusau) in his speech during the commissioning of the Maternal and Child Healthcare Centre, Badeggi said, "**Hon Yakubu Muhammed Esheti** is a very special legislator, in that he was totally driven to contribute all he could to his people, and not motivated by personal recognition, fame, or financial gain, otherwise he would have embezzled all the money meant for these



Chief Servant, delivering his speech during the Commissioning of Hajiya Jummai B. Aliyu Maternal Health Care Centre Badeggi.



Hon. Minister of State for Health, Alh. Suleiman Bello (Sardaunan Gusau) delivering his speech at the Commissioning of Hajiya Jummai B. Aliyu (M&H.C.C Badeggi)



Chief Servant, Dr. Muazu B. Aliyu with Minister of State for Health and Sen. Hajiya Zainab Kure inspecting equipment in Maternal & Health Care Centre

projects. These projects will continue to benefit thousands of people across the state and beyond for untold number of years to come".

A lot of infants, who were not vaccinated, died, as a result of attacks by diseases like measles, diphtheria and whooping cough.



Hon. Y. M. Eshafi & Council Chairman Katcha L.G.A. Hon. Dangana Kudogi.



The few children who survived were those whose parents took the wise decision to inoculate them. Immunization saves parents from losing their beloved children prematurely to deadly, but preventable, diseases. With immunization as the beginning, parents can have children and boast that, barring accidents and other disasters, their young ones will grow into useful adults.



The Chief Son of Niger State with SSG Dr. Yahaya Kuta listening with keen interest to the National Anthem at the Occasion in Badeggi

These highly integrated maternity and child healthcare centres that have also drawn the attention of some NGO's, will facilitate infant health and child development. Immunization makes child-bearing and rearing less cumbersome, if not totally without tears. The convenience which it gives to parents is incalculable.

Vaccinated children grow up into healthy adults. Their growth is not impaired or stunted. The diseases that impair the mental faculties of children and stunt their physical development are inhibited by vaccination. Another significance of immunization is that it gives the community the assurance that its young ones will soon grow up to replenish the labour force which old age and retirement deplete. The immunization services which these health centres will be rendering will in no doubt tremendously save the life's of the people of Katcha Local Government Area and beyond.

In conclusion, in line with Hon. Esheti's



Ambulance donated to Etsu Nupa's Palace by Hon. Y. M. Esheti



partner with many NGOs like SAVI, ESSPIN, ENR, SFH, HERFON, reproductive health consortiums and so on.

The objectives include the following

- To develop HIV prevention programmes that are targeted at vulnerable groups including women, youths and children within his constituency
- To promote access to care, treatment and support services by way of income generating activities and protect the rights of people, including persons in his local government who are infected/living with HIV/AIDS.
- To facilitate access to free and confidential HIV testing, as well as referral services to his constituency.
- To partner with key stakeholders, including development partners in mobilizing resources for mitigating the impact of HIV/AIDS in Katcha Local Government Area.

SOCIO-CULTURAL FACTORS FUELING HIV/AIDS

Culture is a way of life of a people and it should be preserved and most valued traditional practices be passed on to the younger generation. However, there are some harmful socio cultural practices that could encourage the spread of HIV. Adequate knowledge of these practices will enable people to avoid harmful practices and protect themselves from being infected.

Key issues:

Most communities have socio-cultural practices that are handed over from one generation to the next. Examples include performances of ceremonies, rites and rituals, initiation and coronation. There are socio cultural practices that bring positive development to individuals and communities. e.g. communal farming, information and helping disadvantaged members the community.

Bad socio-cultural practices have negative impacts on individuals and communities. Such bad practices increase the community's vulnerability to HIV scourge. Widow inheritance is an example. This is often done with the good intention of continuing the name of the family lineage. However, more often than not, widow inheritance is done without HIV testing and in some extreme cases the widow is coerced into the new marriage. Circumcision, tattooing, and using mobile nail cutters are other examples of cultural practices with good intentions. However, the use of unsterilized blades puts the lives of



An elderly man having a rest after been properly taking care at Maternal & Health Care Centre Badeggi.

people at risk of HIV infection.

In order to contribute to the reduction of the devastating effect of HIV/AIDS and promote constituency based proactive response focused on realisation of comprehensive prevention programmes, **Hon. Yakubu M. Esheti** has concluded plans to partner with the necessary agencies of government and NGOs for proper enlightenment and actions by the people of his constituency.

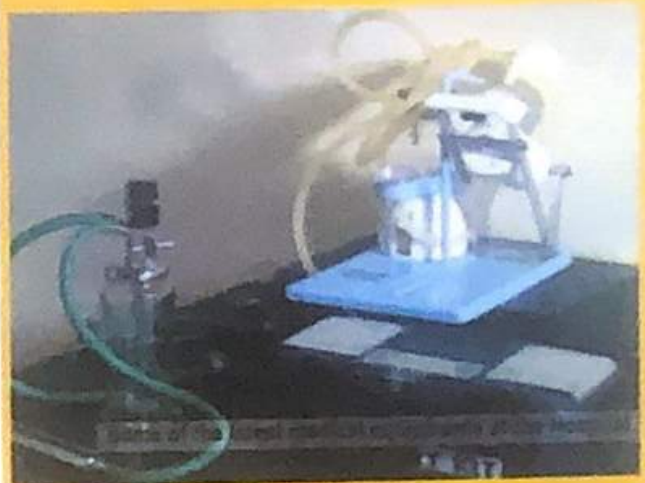
As a result, the Peer Education Plus (PEP) Model Training approach was considered viable. The approach is essentially participatory and ensures collective learning and group/communal ownership meant to bring about positive behavioural changes and reproductive health decisions coordinated and facilitated by a Peer Educator.



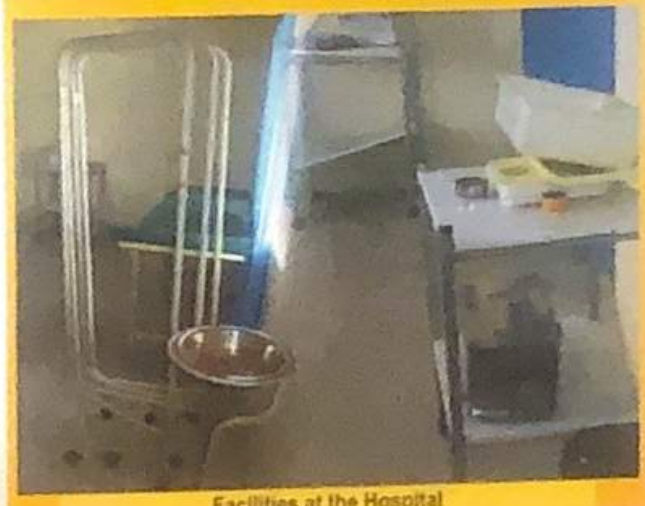
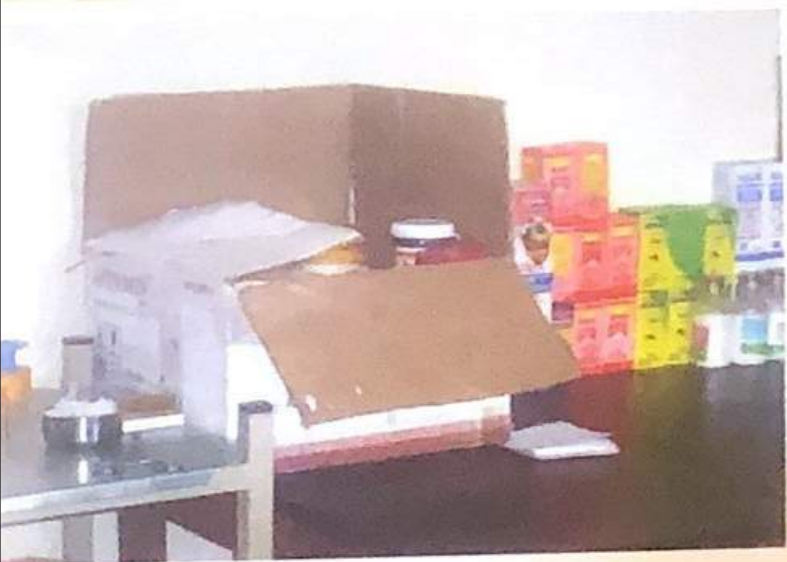
Pictorial view of one of the wards



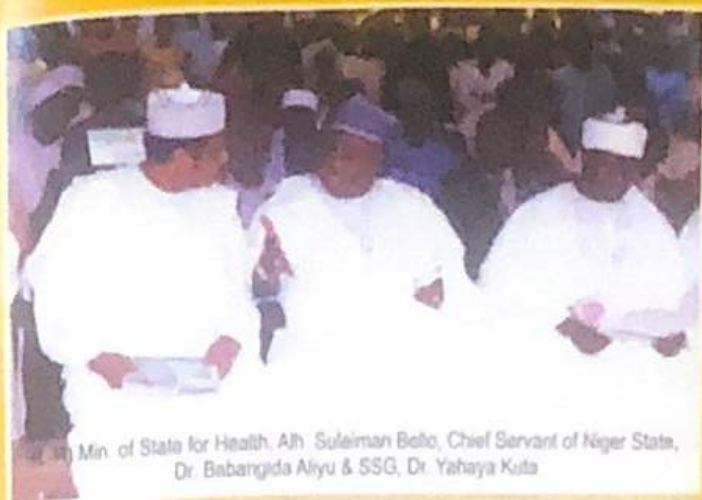
A borehole project at the Hospital



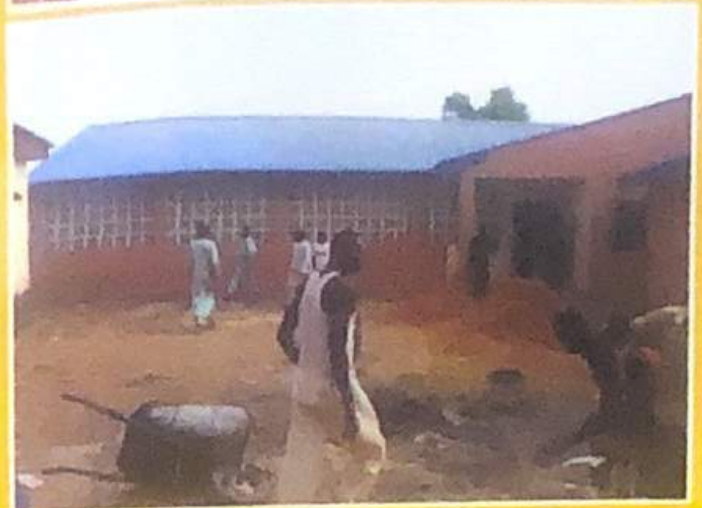
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Min. of State for Health, Alh. Suleiman Bello, Chief Servant of Niger State, Dr. Babangida Aliyu & SSG, Dr. Yahaya Kuta



Hajia Jummai Babangida Aliyu Maternal & Health Care Centre Medical Equipment

participatory/needs assessment approach of citing constituency projects, key stakeholders and locals have pledged to sustain this delivery.

MITIGATING THE IMPACT OF HIV/AIDS SCOURGE

Although Niger State has a low number of people living with HIV/AIDS, the pandemic and endemic nature of this scourge makes it a challenge to everybody. As an off shoot-part of his legislative duties Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti has concluded plans and arrangement to collaborate and



Hon. Aliyu B. Usman at the Commissioning of Hajia B. Aliyu Maternal & Health Centre Badeggi.



Madam Chief Servant, Hajia Jummai Babangida Aliyu & Sen. Zainab Kuta at the Commissioning of Hajia Jummai B. Aliyu Maternal and Health Care Badeggi.

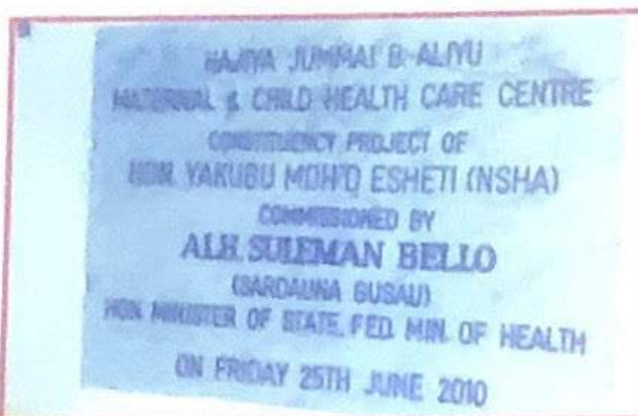


Hon. Y.M. Esheti discussing with the Head of Service Niger State at Hajia Jummai A. Maternal & Health Care Centre Badeggi.

**Welcome Address
Delivered By
Hon. Yakubu Mohammed
Esheti At The
Commissioning Of
Hajiya Jummai
Babangida Aliyu
Maternal And
Childcare Centre -
A Constituency Project
At Badeggi Under
Katcha Local
Government Area Of
Niger State
On 25th June, 2010.**

All Protocols Observed:

Today being 25th June, 2010 marks another mile-stone in the history of Katcha Local Government Area of Niger State. It is therefore with a heart full of gratitude to Almighty Allah (SWT) that I express my joy on behalf of the people of my constituency, and welcome our dear Chief Servant and his amiable wife of inestimable jewel, the action Minister of Health of Nigeria, our Royal Fathers, our great party Chairmen and Members of PDP, all invited Guests, and Gentlemen of the Press, to the commissioning ceremony of Hajiya Jummai Babangida Aliyu, Maternal and Childcare



Hon. Y.M Esheti delivering his speech at the Ceremony

Centre, a constituency project initiated and executed in my constituency, Badeggi, Kacha Local Government Area of Niger State. May Almighty Allah reward you abundantly for gracing this occasion.

Ladies and Gentlemen, there are several reasons that compelled me to initiate the building of this maternal and childcare centre; some of which are as follows:

- Before the advent of Talba's administration, the primary health care in Katcha Local Government Area were in disrepair; to the detriment of my peoples' well being.
- Infant and maternal mortality rate was on the increase in my constituency



“In the light of these facts, our people decided to name this maternity and childcare centre after her Excellency as an act of appreciation, this, we hope will serve as a Catalyst of Challenge to other women across the country for emulation.”

- We lacked secondary health care facilities and lastly
- Day by day there is population explosion.

Given the core and essential role of the health sector in the attainment of the three of the goals of MDGs, I considered it imperative that the only reduction strategy to stem the tide of the major causes of morbidity and mortality in my constituency is to compliment Talba's Vision 3:2020, through provision of appropriate medical facilities closer to our people in Katcha Local Government Area.

Your Excellency, sir, not to take more of your time, I have the authority of my people, to seize this opportunity to express our deep gratitude to Madam Chief Servant for her kindness and generosity. It is because the Chief Servant has a Happy Home Base, provided by **Hajiya Jummai B. Aliyu** that **Dr. Mu'azu Babangida Aliyu** is able to rise, with love, passion and devotion to squarely tackle most problems militating against the growth and development of Niger State. In the light of these facts, our people decided to name this maternity and childcare centre after Her Excellency as an act of appreciation. This, we hope, will serve as a catalyst of challenge to other women

across the country for emulation. More power to your elbows Madam Chief Servant!

Sir
SHEVER

Our dear Chief Servant and our dear Minister of Health, this maternal and childcare centre is today committed in your care, for onward nurture to a hospital with all standard facilities, for the benefit of our people as their dividends of democracy.

In conclusion, sir, as a legislator, I must state categorically here that based on my views on the Doctrine of Separation of Power, it is quite clear that the objective of the Legislature and Executive are one and the same to promote

and serve the best interest of the people. If we work at cross purposes or refuse to co-operate with each other, the interest of people will be seriously jeopardized.

In the light of the aforementioned, and for the progress and genuine love for our people, let us support this political virologist, in the person of Dr. Mu'azu Babangida Aliyu, the Chief Servant of Niger State, to kill all the political and economic viruses in our system.

You are all welcome and God bless us all most abundantly.



Hon. Y.M. Esho



Head of Service, Niger State Mohammad Ibrahim Malene

BIOGRAPHY OF

ALH. YAHAYA ABUBAKAR

(THE 13TH FULANI ETSU NUPE)

Alh. Yahaya Abubakar was born on 12th of September 1952 in Bida. He began his educational career at East Junior and later Sabongida Primary Schools, all in Bida, between 1957 and 1964.

In 1967, he went to Government College, Sokoto and later Commercial College, Kano and finished in 1971. By 1973, young Yahaya's desire to join the Nigerian Army had matured. So in the same year, he enrolled into the Nigeria Defence Academy (NDA), Kaduna and graduated in 1975 armed with the Nigeria Defence Academic Certificate of Education (NDACE).

Alhaji Yahaya's military career began with courses in 1976 when he was sent on the Young Officer's Course (Armour) in January of that year and finished in April. Between March and August, 1977, he attended Armour Officers Course in the United States of America. By May 1979, Yahaya Abubakar was in India to attend yet another professional course. This time, it is the Regional Signal Officers Course (RSO); he finished in August same year.

Between January and April 1980, he was in Jaji to attend the Surveillance Platoon Command Course, this time on Junior Division Staff Course and finished in June of the same year. By September 1982 he went to the United States of America for Adjutant General course and finished in February 1983.

Having rested for almost two years without attending any course, the Nigerian Army felt it was time to send him on another one in September 1985. This is the Tank Technology Course, which he finished in September 1986. He later went for the command and staff course in Indonesia between September 1988 and March 1990. By January 1993, he was in Jaji for the Commanding Officers Course. He finished in April of the same year. Between July 2002 and July 2003, he was in Egypt to attend the National Defense Course.



Alhaji Yahaya Abubakar's working experience with the Nigeria Army started in 1976 when he was appointed the General Staff Officer 3 Training at Hq 21 Armour Brigade till 1977. Between 1978 and 1980 he was Aid De Camp (ADC) to the General Officer Commanding 4 Infantry Division, Nigeria Army. In 1979, he was appointed Officer Commanding Support Company and between 1983 and 1985, he was Senior Instructor (ACCS). Also between 1987 and 1988, he was appointed Staff Officer 11 (Manpower DOA). From 1990 to 1992, he was General Staff Officer (SD/PLANS, HQ 3 Armoured Division).

Between August 1992 and July 1993, he was the commanding 231 Tank Battalion and Commanding Officer 212 Tank Battalion. August 1996 to July 1998 saw him as commanding officer (NIBATT 27 ECOMOG). Also between August 1998 and August 1999, he was Deputy Commandant, Depot, Nigeria Army, Zaria. From August 1999 to January 2002 he held the position of Commander, Multi-National Joint Task Force (MNJTF) Lake Chad Region.

On July 2003 he was appointed Director, Peace Keeping Operations at Army Headquarters (AHQ), Abuja, a position he held until his new appointment as the 13th Etsu Nupe on 11th September 2003 after the death of Alhaji (Dr) Umaru Sanda Ndayako.

Alhaji Yahaya Abubakar has bagged many Armed Forces Awards. These are Forces Service Star (FSS), Meritorious Service Star (MSS) and Ecomog Medal (em). Others are National defense College (ndc) Egypt and Pass Staff College (PSC) Awards. Until his new appointment as Etsu Nupe Alh. Yahaya Abubakar was a Colonel in the Nigerian Army. He was however, promoted Brigadier General on retirement and was awarded the National Honour of Commander of the Federal Republic (cfr) on 16th December, 2004.

Photos



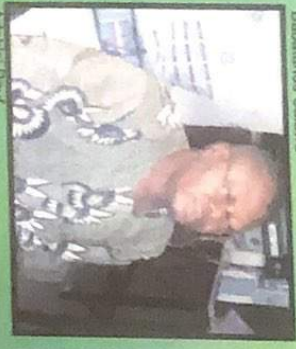
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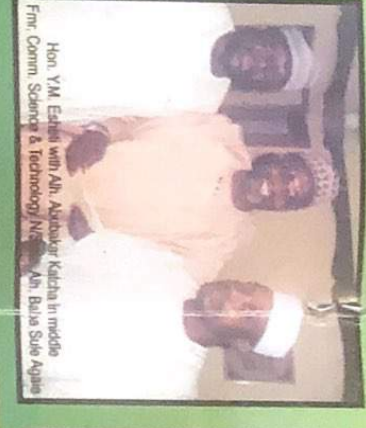
Hon. Ibrahim Kuyajiki/Kenyegele, Commissioner & Hon. Saadq Umar - Bida II Constituency of Niger State House of Assembly, Kaura



Hon. Y.M. Eshel, participating during the sports activities at Minna Stadium



Hon. Y.M. Eshel & Associates at C



Hon. Y.M. Eshel with Ah. Abdulkar Kalcha in middle Fin. Comm. Science & Technology (V.T) An. Bida State Ajalis



Former Head of State, Gen. Abdulsalam Abubakar (rtd) with Hon. Y.M. Eshel



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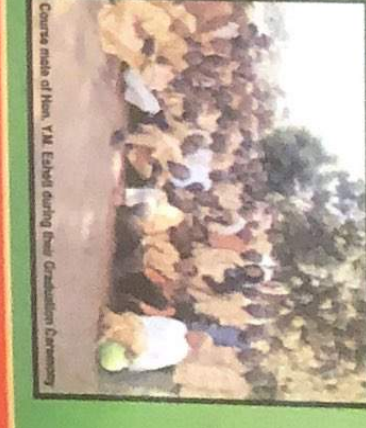
PDP Chairman Bida Local Govt. & An. Bida Nam



Hon. Y.M. Eshel at the graduation ceremony of the course made on their graduation ceremony



Hon. Y.M. Eshel at meeting, Mr. Joseph Ikemba with Mr. Joseph Ikemba at Santa Margherita



Course made of Hon. Y.M. Eshel during their Graduation Ceremony

**AN ADDRESS DELIVERED BY HON. YAKUBU MOHAMMED ESHETI
AT THE COMMISSIONING OF ETSU YAHAYA ABUBAKAR RURAL
HEALTH CENTRE KAKAKPANGI- A CONSTITUENCY PROJECT
UNDER BISANTI WARD ON SATURDAY 29TH MAY, 2010.**

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Hon. Y. M. Esheti delivering a speech at
Etsu Yahaya Abubakar Rural Health Centre, Kakakpangi

The Chief Servant, Dr. Mu'azu Babangida Aliyu, (OON), (Talba Minna) The Executive Governor of Niger State. The Chairman, Niger State Council of Chiefs, HRH, Alh. Yahaya Abubakar CFR (The Etsu Nupe of the Globe), Members Niger State House of Assembly (NSHA), The PDP Executive Chairmen/PDP members present, Invited Guests, Member of the Press,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

With rivers of joy flowing in my heart, I am absolutely delighted and grateful to Allah (S.W.T) for making this project a reality and not an abstract political promise. Procrastination is a thief of time; therefore, it is indeed a special honour and privilege for us to have the Chief Servant physically present to commission the Etsu Yahaya Abubakar Rural Health Centre. Behold, this is another act of sincere love being demonstrated by the Chief Servant in placing special premium on the welfare of his people. May Almighty Allah (SWT) reward you abundantly in all your





Front view of Etsu Yahaya Abubakar Rural Health Centre, Kakaphangi



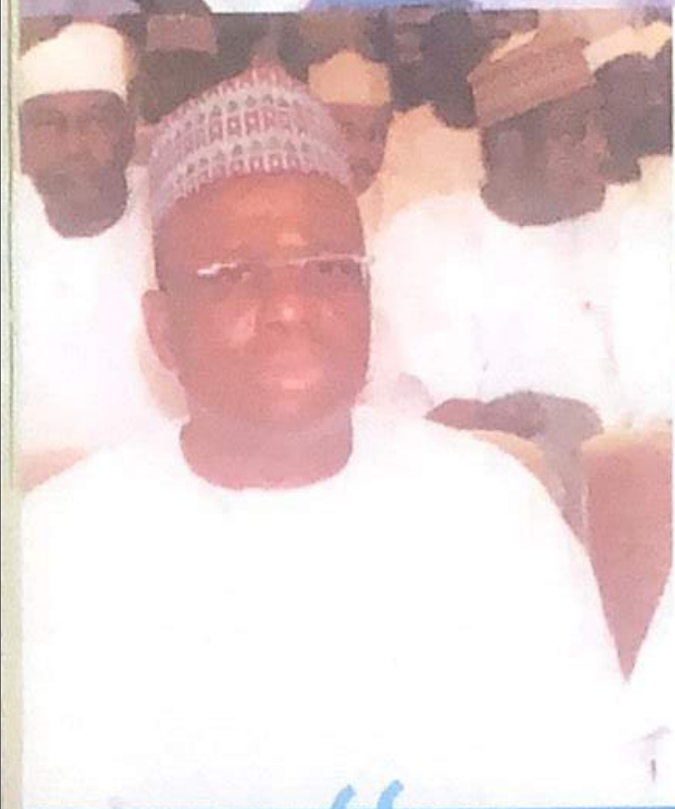
endeavours.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I have made a diligent search through history, and I have not come across any form of government better than democracy. Therefore, it is imperative that we collectively enlarge our outlook and thinking, and widen the scope of our planning, to support democracy at all levels of government, with an objective effort in political terms- because without targeted objectives which will align with the current Vision 3:2020 of Niger State, an ordinary citizen who cannot feel any positive touch of government programmes, will regard democracy as a deceptive system of government.





(R-L) The Chief Servant Dr. Mu'azu Babangida A., Minister of State for Health, Alh. Suleiman Bello & His Royal Highness Emir of Agaie



Our Dear Chief Servant, Sir, please kindly give a clear directive to the Ministry of Health to deploy qualified medical practitioners, who will attend to pregnant women and children on weekly basis, while Katcha Local Government Authority pays the bills of the medical officers so deployed for this special assignment.

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If one may be brutally frank without being offensive, the truth is that any political appointee that cannot add value by uplifting the standard of living of the masses, is a political parasite. The era of putting people under political bondage is gone; therefore, in absolute term, democracy should be seen as a government of the people, and for the people. Therefore, all resources must be devoted to up-lifting the standard of living of our people at all the time.

In my humble ways, I have been able to execute various projects across my constituency such as follows:

- Construction and rehabilitation of classrooms.

- Drilling of modern boreholes.
- Islamic scholars on my payroll
- Construction of clinics.
- Support youth sporting activities.
- Support of PDP activities in my own small capacity.
- Provide Mobile Ambulance for the health centre.

Most of these projects are located at Badeggi, Dibo Village, Tama, Memefu Bankorogi village, Katcha, Kakakpangi, Cece and Edotsu etc.

More importantly, our Dear Chief Servant, sir, may I seize this opportunity to unveil some of the challenges militating against the development of my constituency? They include:

- High level of illiteracy
- High poverty level
- Low political enlightenment/education and
- Lack of agricultural inputs.

Please, Sir, your fatherly and executive intervention shall be highly appreciated by injecting substantial resource on education and provide a kind of revolving soft loan, to reduce the economic plight of our people in this ward and my constituency as a whole.

Once again, I most heartily appreciate the coming of the Chief Servant and all the people present at this occasion. In an atmosphere of constructive competition, the "Trees of Democracy" are always being nourished with the fertilizer called P.U.S (Perseverance, Understanding and Support).

I therefore most respectfully invite our indefatigable Chief Servant, to commission this project. We wish to aver our determination to support your government's programmes, while on symbiotic basis, the Chief Servant will support us as well. Everything (they say) comes to them who wait.



A patient under attention at Esu Yehaye Abubakar Royal Health Centre, ...

We look forward and we are waiting patiently Sir

Thank you.



... responding to a patient

Constituency project of Hon. Y.M. Esheti at Dibbo Primary School

DIVIDENDS OF EMOCRACY AT ITS PEAK

Determined to liberate his people from the strangle hold of illiteracy and poverty, he raised the flag of radical change, the flag of change from bad to good, from good to better and from better to best. He had no doubt in his mind that it was not going to be easy to turn back the hands of the clock of reaction and put his community

on a new pedestal of hope and transformation.

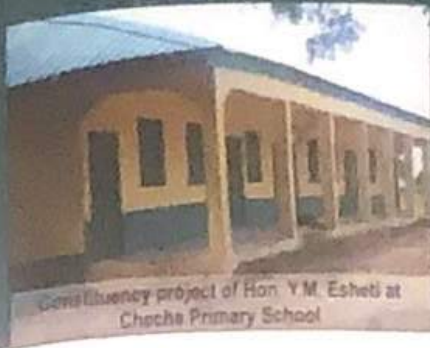
Hon. Yakubu Mohammed Esheti said that during his campaign exercise he knocked on doors, went into homes, interacted with the rich and spoke with the poor, covered the nooks and crannies of Katcha Local Government, listening to the sad stories of the down-trodden and the under privileged as they struggled for survival.

Consequently, Esheti

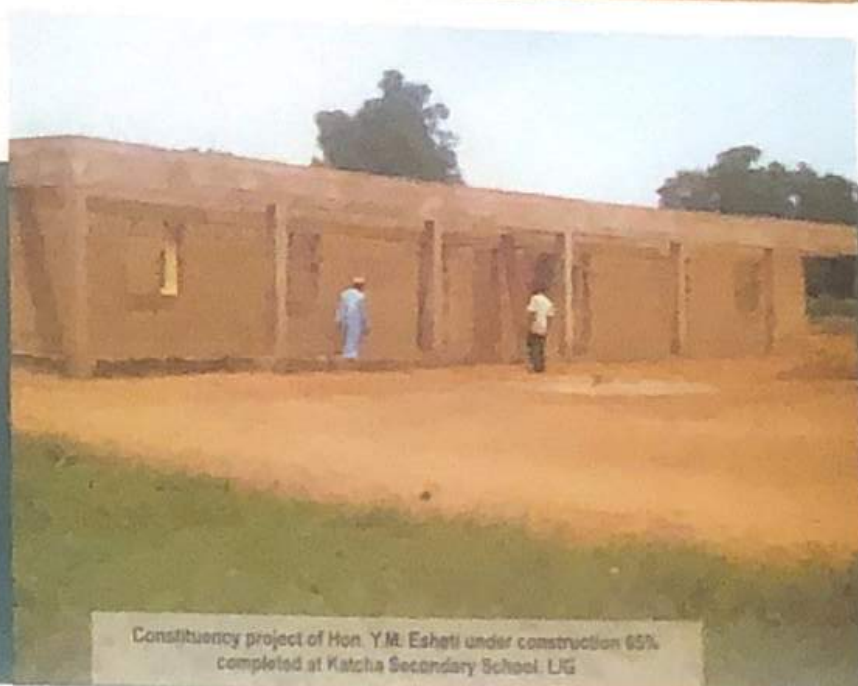
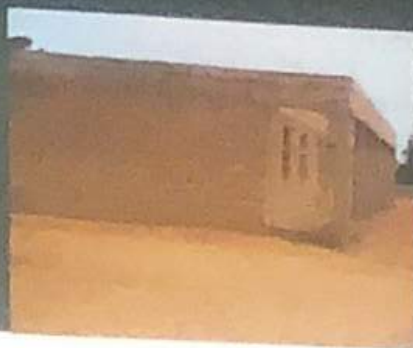
recognizes the fact that education is the most important and most effective instrument of change, which must be used at the early stage of children development to effect necessary changes in the intellectual, social and moral sphere of our life.

EDUCATION

This, fortunately, has gingered **Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti** in constructing modern type of classrooms block in the Primary



Constituency project of Hon. Y.M. Esheti at Checha Primary School



Constituency project of Hon. Y.M. Esheti under construction 65% completed at Katcha Secondary School. L.G



Constituency project of Hon. Y.M. Esheti completed drilled of borehole at: Etsu Marman, Tama Village and Bakorogi

and Secondary Schools scattered across his constituency. The Provision of these classroom blocks has led to the following: 1) increased motivation to learn on the part of pupils and students alike, 2) enabling learning and teaching environment, and 3) increased enrolment of pupils and students at both primary and secondary schools. People that had the opportunity of visiting these projects site often wonder what the impact of this legislator will be if elected the president of

this great country. In addition, the total number of boreholes constructed across the constituency has put an end to incidences/cases of water borne disease. Again, all the constituency project sites have modern day borehole systems in it to address problems associated with scarcity of water. No wonder the people of his constituency have continued to chant the name "Yakubu! Yakubu! Yakubu!!! May Allah never let you down".



Constituency Project of Hon. Y.M. Esheti under construction 90% completed at Edetso Secondary School.

The existing Memudu Jumu'at Mosque waiting to be demolished and re-constructed by Hon. Y.M. Eshehi on 21st October, 2010



Hon. Y.M. Eshehi with some of the Community Representatives



Hon. Y.M. Eshehi in a group pic with hon. Chairman, Botsu Ahi, Sidi Mada Kipeli, Party Chairman, Kuduhi Ahi, Abdullahi Badagji and other top PPP party officials



The opening of the National Library, Government of Niger State, by Hon. Y.M. Eshehi, Chief Minister of Niger State



Hon. Abdullahi Badagji, Party Chairman, Special Leave visit with Ward Chairman



Hon. Y.M. Eshehi hand shaking the Council Chairman, Katcha LGA



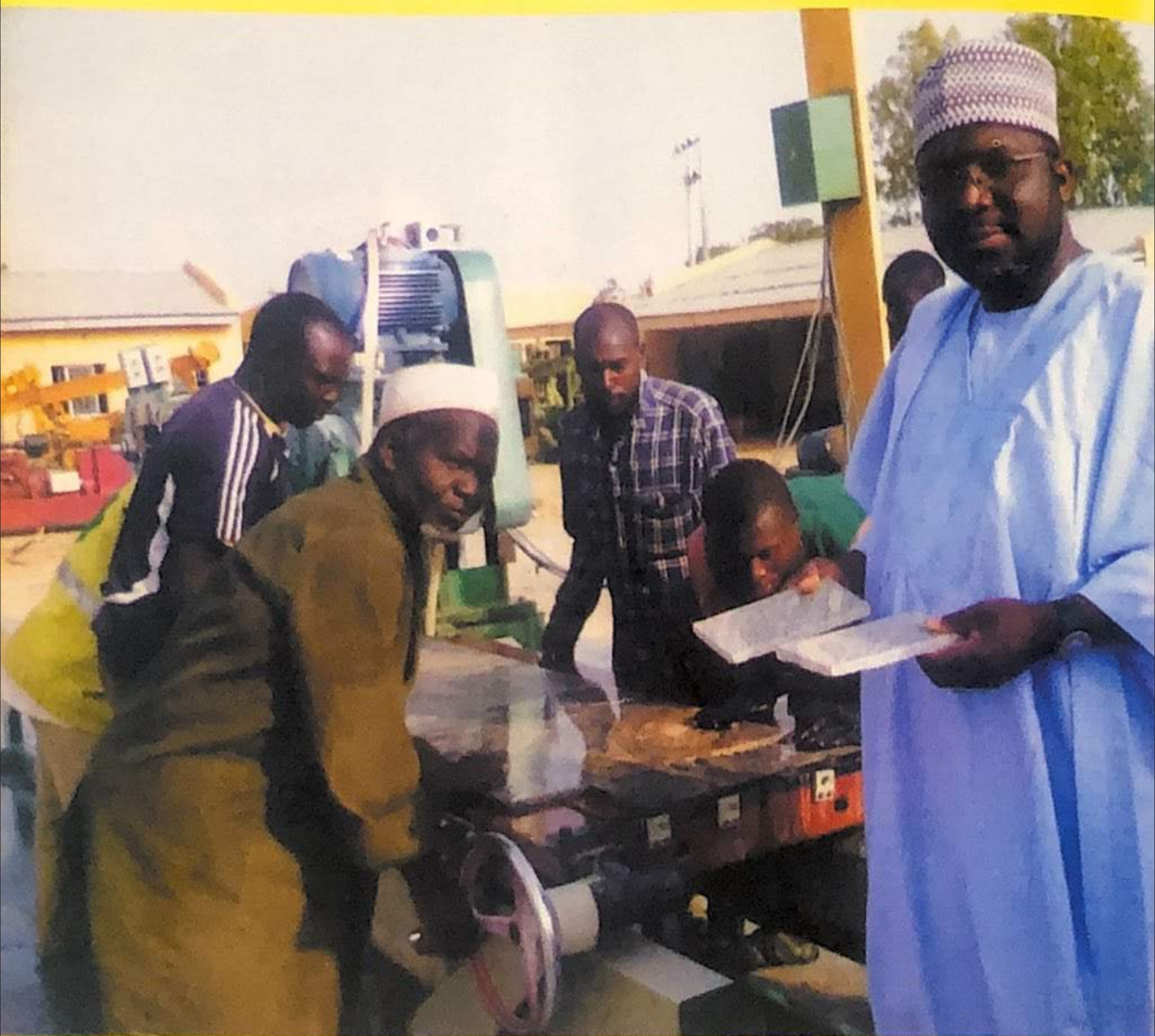
Hon. Y.M. Eshehi with some of the staff of the Chief Minister's Office, Niger State

DIVIDENDS OF DEMOCRACY AT ITS PEAK

Dividends of Democracy at a Glance

Democracy Dividends	Location	Remarks
Construction of classroom blocks/schools	Jibo Village	Completed
	Katcha town	90% completion
	Edotsu village	90% completion
	Cace village	Completed
Construction of two blocks of classroom	Kataeregi town	Completed
Sinking of boreholes	Memefu village	Completed
	Bankorogi village	Completed
	Etsumama village	Completed
	Tama village	Completed
	Badagi Hospital	Completed
	Lafagi - Late village	Completed
Construction of Hospitals	Etsu Yahaya Abubakar Hospital Kakakpangi	Completed and commissioned by the Chief Servant of Niger State on 29th May, 2010
	Hajiya Jummai Babangida Aliyu Maternal and Child Health Care Centre, Badagi	Completed and commissioned by the Hon. Minister of State Health- Alhaji Suleiman Bello (Sardunan Gusuau) in the company of the Chief Servant of Niger State
Scholarship Scheme to 50 Students of Tertiary Institutions from ten wards of Katcha LGA	Katcha and Beyond	Done annually
Establishment of Islamic Training School since year 2006 and integrated with Western Education through the efforts of the State Governor - Dr. Muazu Babangida Aliyu who directed UBE to take over the school from Hon. Y. M. Eshehi's wonderful initiative where 56 pupils are presently enrolled with two teachers	Sabo Zuzungi Village in Kataeregi ward	Honourable Eshehi currently shoulders responsibility of the teachers' salary since 2006 to date

OVERSIGHT VISITS

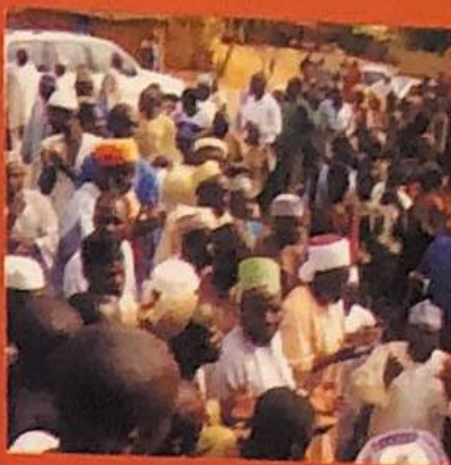


An Industrialist at Marble Factory, Katsina

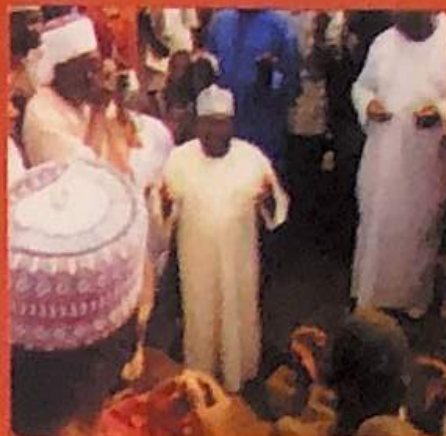
It is very imperative to note that the performance of oversight functions occupies a pride of place in the mind of any serious legislature all over the world in a democratic setting. Hon Yakubu M. Esheti attaches great importance to this very important legislative business; he has passion for assessing, on regular basis, the extent to which work has been done on projects for which funds have been appropriated. Here are some of the highlights of the oversight functions performed by Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti. Sarkin Aiki, as he fondly referred to by his admirers, went on an oversight function within and outside the state. The working tour took him to: Katsina Marble Company; Barcelona Airport Phase II Spain; Muslim Pilgrim Airlift, Minna Airport; Palaces of Royal Fathers; CNN Headquarters, Atlanta, Georgia; and Insbar Limited Spain.

VISIT TO KATSINA MARBLE COMPANY

Hon. Yakubu Esheti is assiduously working to ensure that the government of Talban Minna embraces every investment opportunity, thereby opening the entire state for industrial revolution. The story today is Niger is fast becoming successful as the state is on the path of economic transformation. In the United Nations Human Development Report Nigeria In 2009/2010, Niger state emerged the 6th most developed on the GDP/Per Capital Income scales. Hon Esheti knowing fully well that Niger State is blessed with abundant minerals resource and precious stones, was at the Katsina Marble Company to see how same could be replicated and improved upon in Niger State.



Foundation Laying Ceremony, Jum'at Mosque
Kparaka Village Katcha L.G.A





His Royal Highness Etsu Nupe Dr. Yahaya Abubakar CFR & other Traditional Rulers of Shehu Borno's residence Maiduguri, Borno State

VISIT TO ROYAL FATHERS

Determined always to accord respect and honour to our traditional institutions in Niger state, both the Servant leader and Hon. Yakubu M. Esheti have never toyed with issues affecting traditional rulers in the state. All matters concerning their welfare, as custodians of our culture and traditions, are handled with great dispatch, so as to make them comfortable in their respective domains. The lawmakers called on Etsu Nupe Alh. (Dr) Yahaya Abubakar and Emir of Agaie. He informed them that he is currently proposing a bill, in respect of the funding of traditional councils. The bill will be targeted at amending the existing funding of traditional councils. The bill when fully passed will cater for expenses incurred by traditional rulers on medical treatment, maintenance of official vehicles and official journeys, among others.



His Royal Highness Alh. Mohammad Kudu Abubakar III Etsu Agaie



His Royal Highness Emir of Minna, Dr Umar Farouk Bohaso III



During the pilgrims Airlift at Minna Airport 2009 Hajj, Emir of Bida Alh. (Dr.) Abubakar Yahaya Etsu Nupe with Hon. Y.M. Esheti



Hon. Y.M. Esheti holding interview with group of Journalist during Nupe Day Celebration at Bida, Niger State.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti in a handshake with Brig. General Abdullahi Chief Security Adviser to Niger State Govt.



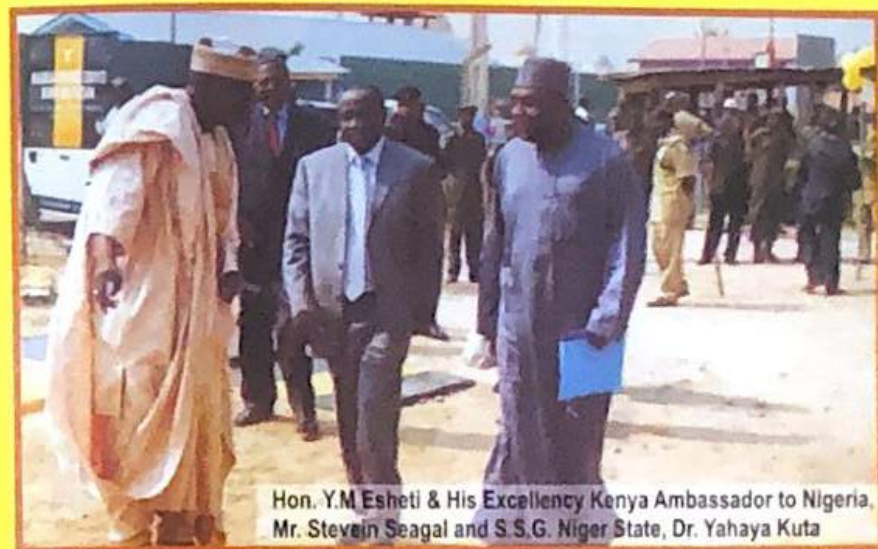
Hon. Y.M. Esheti & Hon. Abubakar Dada Member Rep. Bosso Niger State House of Assembly



During the Foundation Laying Ceremony of Gen M.I Wushishi Housing Estate, Minna, Niger State.

MUSLIM PILGRIMS AIRLIFT FROM MINNA AIRPORT

Being a devoted Muslim he recognizes the importance of Hajj as the fifth pillar of Islam. However, it is compulsory for a Muslim only once in his life time and is incumbent only on those Muslims who have the means to undertake the journey to the Holy land (Mecca) to perform the rites. To ensure a hitch free Hajj operation in 2009, Esheti visited the Minna Airport to see things for himself, and made appropriate recommendations.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti & His Excellency Kenya Ambassador to Nigeria, Mr. Steven Seagal and S.S.G. Niger State, Dr. Yahaya Kuta



Hon. Y.M. Esheti (2nd left) going through a meeting with some management staff of Insbar Ltd. in Barcelona.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti with Mr. Mariano Baragan, M.D Insbar Ltd. Barcelona, Spain.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti having a chat at Insbar Ltd. Spain.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti inspecting equipment at a site in Spain.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti inspecting a project site in Spain.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti as Vice Chairman Water Resources Committee inspecting modern method of bore hole, to be applied in Niger State.

VISIT TO INSBAR LIMITED BARCELONA, SPAIN

Hon. Esheti is always agile and proactive in his oversight functions, the reports of which has been of tremendous assistance to the executive arm of government in its policy formulation for the citizens of the state.

As the Vice Chairman Niger State House on Water Resources, the provision of potable water for our people has been another major concern. The visit to Insbar limited in far-away Barcelona Spain where he inspected some modern water and borehole facilities should radically improve our water situation. While in Barcelona Spain, the MD Insbar Limited, Mr. Mariano Baragan took him round some projects already completed and those under construction by the company. He also inspected equipment to be used at the new Minna ultra modern township stadium.



Oversight function in Spain with M.D Insbar Ltd., inspecting equipment to be use at New Minna Ultra Modern Township Stadium.

VISIT TO CNN HEADQUARTERS ATLANTA GEORGIA

In furtherance of the avowed determination and resolve of Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti to project the people of Katcha Local Government Area and the entire Niger State to the World through accurate information, he also visited the CNN Headquarters. Speaking to the management on the imperative of his visit, he said: "This is the time we must tell the world what impact information is playing in national development. This is the time we ought to celebrate dissemination of ideas, concepts, beliefs and values of our people". He was conducted round the premises, where he saw for himself latest equipment in broadcasting. The representative of CNN management commended the lawmaker for his love and affection for his people in embarking on people-oriented projects and programmes in the state.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti and Some Members of Niger State House of Assembly at the Nigerian High Commission, Atlanta Georgia, U.S.A



Hon. Y.M. Esheti (extreme right) at CNN Headquarters, Atlanta Georgia, U.S.A



Senator Hilman Fresher Jackson Mississippi U.S.A (2nd from left front row) and Hon. Y.M. Esheti (extreme left 2nd row) during the Legislative Study Tour.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti at a lecture room during Legislative Study Tour Jackson Mississippi U.S.A

LEGISLATIVE STUDY TOUR AT JACKSON CAPITOL MISSISSIPPI U.S.A

A profession, they say, is recognized by its body of knowledge which is the only source of its highest authority. **Hon. Esheti** believes that knowledge is a living thing that thrives if it is actively nurtured, but withers and perishes if it is ignored and abandoned. **Esheti** was once asked: "How long will you seek

knowledge?" He replied, "Until I die, for probably I have not yet learnt the thing that will benefit mankind most".

Hon Yakubu Esheti embarked on a legislative study tour to Jackson Mississippi (Capitol) U.S.A where he met with Senator Hilman Fresher. The study tour was aimed at strengthening the skills of the lawmaker on legislative practices and procedures, as well as inter-



governmental relationship that would enhance productivity. In his paper titled "Information: an instrument for empowering future leaders", Senator Hilman Fresher of Jackson Capitol Mississippi U.S.A said, "Any leader who does not have a fundamental knowledge of his community could not succeed as a leader". He buttressed this point by the illustration of Einstein, who declared: ...a day of celebration generally is in the first place dedicated to retrospect, especially to the

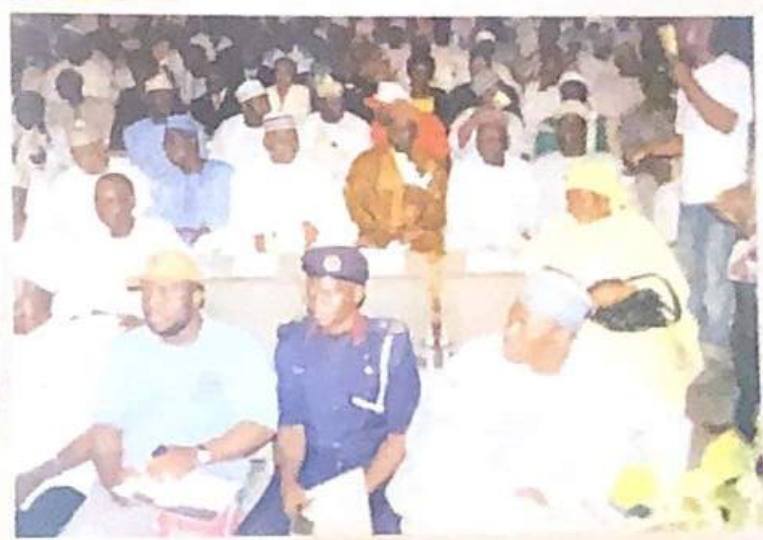
memory of personages who have gained a special distinction for the development of the cultural life. This friendly services for our predecessors must indeed not be neglected; particularly as such memory of the best of the past is proper to stimulate the well disposed of today to a courageous effort.

But this should be done by someone who from his youth, has been connected with this state and is familiar with its past, not by one who like a gypsy has wandered about and gathered his experiences in all kinds of countries.

According to Hilman every leader or prospective leader, in extension, must have rooted in some fundamental knowledge of 'self and some other mystiques in order to study and understand proper human relations. That means before you can assume a post of leadership, you must have been rooted in certain knowledge.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti in salutation to Madam Chief Servant during Prison Rehabilitation Programme at Minna Prison Service



Award Ceremony



Chairperson Castibissbal given Award to Hon. Y.M. Esheti in Spain

What an incredible day it was when the GUARDIAN CIVIL ARMY (GCA) in far away Spain honoured **Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti** as a unique legislator dedicated to the development of humanity; for his value for education,

information technology, health and socio-economic transformations of his people.

In emphasizing this position, the Director of GUARDIAN CIVIL ARMY Spain said, "**Hon. Yakubu Muhammed Esheti** will always remain the pride of GUARDIAN CIVIL ARMY, a symbol of great

mind, humanity and inexhaustible energy." People will always be indebted and forever thankful for Esheti's contributions, contributions that will continue to impact the lives of thousands of people for many years to come.

The occasion was witnessed



Hon. Y.M. Esheti in Spain (middle) in Cross Section with Spanish Officials in Barcelona-Spain

by all the top hierarchy of the Guardian Civil Army.

In his appreciation, Hon. Esheti attributed his achievements to finding passion in life and following it, to create more meaningful and longer life, as well as the maturity and sagacity of people he has so far worked for.



A gift to Hon. Y.M. Esheti by Mr. Mariano Baragan, M.D. Inabar Ltd.



Hon. Y.M. Esheti receiving an award from Guardian Civil Army in Spain



Hon. Y.M. Esheti receiving a gift from Miss Cunsol, & Mr. Mariano at Castibissbal Spain



THE ROAD MAP

2011 ELECTION MANIFESTOS OF HON. YAKUBU MOHAMMED ESHETI
FOR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
BIDA, GBAKO, KATCHA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

- * To establish Esheti Centralized Computer Training Centre in each local government for rotational schools and youth training
- * To introduce a Revolving Loan Scheme for Women Empowerment in each local government.
- * To introduce Mental Empowerment Workshop as a vent for skills acquisition and productivity for our teeming youth
- * To break the shackle of diseases in our constituency by establishment of more clinics.
- * To mobilize intervention of international organizations/donors to our constituency
- * To introduce a quarterly problems appraisal/solution constituency meeting with the electorates to guide my decision, support action on any matter in the House of Representative from time to time

It is my promise that if elected, during my tenure I will give my constituency, Niger State and Nigeria at large my best in intellect, commitment and selfless service to build a truly virile and strong economy standard for the benefit of all. I therefore humbly look for your votes to make it happen to the Glory of Almighty Allah (SWT) and humanity. I solemnly pledge.



A person with victim mentality will have a negative attitude about life. They think others are out to get them; true love does not exist, work has to be hard, and life is a struggle. These people will inevitably attract negative circumstances and people in their life. The opposite is true as well. The person who sees themselves as a victor will have a positive attitude and will attract positive things and people. The victor knows their circumstances not have to affect their attitude. They have strong faith; faith in themselves, their ability others and in God. And they attract positive circumstance and people in their life.

The colour within you really can colour the world around you. When you put the beautiful colour of faith, hope and love in you beautiful things will inevitably come out. Putting those things in your mind is a choice. Attitude is a choice and ... attitude is still everything!

Signed:

Hon. Yakubu Moh'd Esheti

THIS IS ABOUT SUCCESS

It is a rare opportunity given to me by the creator of the universe and all things to fulfilled the promised I made in the last edition of the magazine to talk about SUCCESS.

Your attitude and how you choose to see yourself, your life, and others is still the deciding factor in your SUCCESS. Your attitude has a lot to do with your perspective. Do you always feel like you are a victim or a victor? Really ponder that question. Your answer creates your attitude in life.

Do you see yourself as a victim or a victor?

*Are
you*

Concerned about the level
of development in your Community ?

Worried about continuous neglect
that your environment has experienced ?

Genuinely bothered about the State
of infrastructure in your area.



You are not alone because we share your burdens and are touched by your pains.

Silent ACHIEVER

Is an objective medium of expression between the governed and the Government. We will like to visit your area and channel your concerns to the appropriate authorities for speedy and pragmatic responses. We'd like to assist on issues that need the State Government's touch issues such as Roads, Health Care, Security, Education, Infrastructure, Transportation and host of other social amenities to make life more comfortable for Nigerlites.

.... Charting a new course for development in Niger State