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Welcome Note from the Country Director Professor Christopher Chinedumuije, PhD, FBU

Dear Partners and Friends

Happy New Year! It is with great enthusiasm and gratitude that I welcome you to the January 2025 edition of GOALPrime Organization Nigeria's Newsletter. As we step into this new year, we remain steadfast in our mission to serve communities affected by protracted crises, ensuring that children and vulnerable populations receive the support they need to thrive.

Over the years, we have built a strong reputation as a leading humanitarian and development organization in Nigeria. Our impact in Child Protection, Education in Emergencies, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) in Emergencies, and Accountability to Affected Populations has transformed lives and strengthened resilience across communities. This success is made possible by the dedication of our team, the trust of our partners, and the resilience of the communities we serve.

As we embark on another year of impactful

interventions, we reaffirm our commitment to innovation, collaboration, and sustainability. This edition highlights our recent achievements, strategic engagements, and the inspiring efforts of our team members working tirelessly to drive positive change.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to all our partners, stakeholders, and supporters for your unwavering commitment to our shared vision. Together, we will continue to make a difference, ensuring that no one is left behind.

Welcome to 2025—another year of progress, purpose, and impact!

Warm regards,
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Executive Summary

January 2025 marks the beginning of another transformative year for GOALPrime Organization Nigeria (GPON), as we continue to provide life-changing interventions across Nigeria. Our commitment to delivering sustainable solutions in humanitarian and development sectors remains unwavering, with a strong focus on Child Protection, Education in Emergencies (EiE), WASH, and Accountability to Affected Populations.

This edition of our newsletter showcases the remarkable strides we have made in various programmatic areas:

WASH Interventions: GOALPrime provided safe drinking water to thousands of beneficiaries in Monguno, Ngala, and Rann LGAs, contributing to the achievement of SDG 6. Our hygiene promotion activities reached over 3,800 individuals, fostering behavior change and improved public health outcomes.

Education and Child Protection: In collaboration with key stakeholders, GPON continued its efforts to enhance learning opportunities in Anka, Zamfara State, by strengthening partnerships with government agencies. We also engaged adolescent boys and girls in life skills training and provided assistive devices to children with disabilities, ensuring inclusivity in education.

Strategic Partnerships: Our engagement with Save the Children International and other key partners has strengthened collaborative efforts to enhance project implementation and impact. Additionally, GPON continues to lead emergency response interventions in Borno, Adamawa, and Yobe States through the Rapid

Response Mechanism.

Tech4Development: The launch of the GOALPrime EduTrack and the EduHero Innovation Challenge underscores our commitment to leveraging technology for improved education access and transparency in learning environments.

Sustainability and Climate Resilience: GOALPrime has taken significant steps toward green energy adoption, ensuring that our operations across deep-field locations are powered by solar energy. This aligns with our broader commitment to environmental sustainability and resilience.

People and Culture: We welcomed new team members and reinforced our focus on staff capacity-building and well-being, ensuring that our workforce remains equipped to deliver impactful programs.

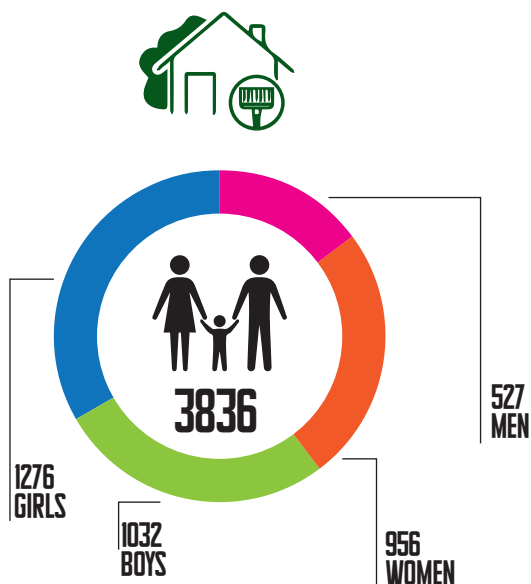
As we move forward in 2025, we remain committed to deepening our impact, fostering stronger collaborations, and ensuring that our interventions are sustainable and community-driven. This newsletter serves as a testament to our unwavering dedication to making a difference in the lives of those we serve.

We appreciate our partners, supporters, and dedicated staff who continue to drive our mission forward. Together, we will build a brighter future for all.

GOALPrime Organization Nigeria—
Empowering Communities,
Transforming Lives!

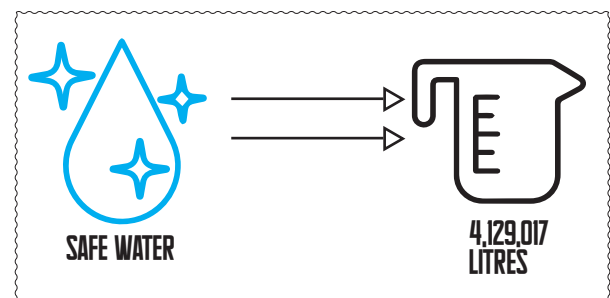
GOALPrime WASH Highlight

Hygiene Promotion



GOALPrime through the Community Hygiene Promoters conducted door to door hygiene promotion where 3,836 individuals (Men 572, Women 956, Boys 1,032 and Girls 1,276) including persons with disabilities were reached in Konduga, Monguno and Ngala LGAs of Borno state by delivering key hygiene messages to increase knowledge and behavior change using sector approved IEC materials and demonstrations.

Water Quality monitoring



GOALPrime via community chlorinators provided safe drinking water to populations in Monguno, Ngala and Rann (Kala-Balge) LGAs in Borno state by chlorinating total sum of 4,129,017 litres of water for beneficiaries in camps and host communities. This activity contributes to the achieving of SDG 6; By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all.

Capacity Building

Income Generating Activities IGA in WASH which refers to activities that generate income for individuals or communities, often linked to the provision of water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services, such as producing and selling hygiene products like soap, operating water filtration systems, or providing sanitation-related maintenance services, which can empower people financially while also promoting improved WASH practices in their communities.

Protection Highlight

Lifeskills Education

Adolescent boys and girls in Monguno and Konduga have been actively engaged in life skills sessions designed to equip them with essential skills such as decision-making, communication, problem-solving, and emotional regulation. A total of 50 adolescent boys and 50 girls are participating in this initiative, which is scheduled to run for three months in both locations.

These sessions aim to empower the adolescents, enhance their resilience, and prepare them to navigate challenges within their communities effectively. The program is a critical step in fostering their development and reintegration into society as responsible and capable individuals.



Recreational Activities in Schools

The GOALPrime Organisation Nigeria (GPON) Zamfara office recently welcomed a delegation from Save the Children International (SCI), including the Head of Programme, Project Manager, Child Protection Coordinator, and Education Officer. This courtesy visit aimed to enhance collaboration, review ongoing projects, and explore opportunities for future initiatives.

During the meeting, GPON provided updates on project activities and achievements while addressing key challenges such as security concerns and community engagement barriers. In response, the SCI team shared valuable insights, potential solutions, and opportunities for technical support and collaboration.

This strategic engagement reinforced the partnership between SCI and GPON, leading to actionable next steps, including follow-up meetings, the development of a joint action plan, and capacity-building efforts.

By strengthening this collaboration, both organizations are better positioned to drive impactful interventions, ultimately improving the lives of the communities we serve in Zamfara State.

Distribution of assistive devices in Monguno & Konduga LGA

Comprehensive assessments were carried out in Monguno and Konduga LGAs to identify the urgent needs of children with disabilities, focusing on addressing their vulnerabilities and improving their quality of life. Following these assessments, 10 children were identified and profiled for support. As a result, they were provided with mobility aids, including 7 fabricated wheelchairs and 3 crutches.

This intervention aims to enhance their mobility, independence, and overall well-being, reflecting a commitment to inclusivity and tailored support within the LGAs.



Education Highlight

Strengthening Education initiatives in Anka LGA

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving education in Anka, our team recently engaged with key stakeholders to ensure a smooth rollout of upcoming school and camp programs.

Our outreach included official visits to the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Education, the Zamfara State Emergency Management Agency, and the Zamfara State Mass Education Board, where we aligned our initiatives with state protocols. We also met with the leadership of the State Universal Basic Education Board to strengthen collaboration and support.

These engagements reaffirm our dedication to working hand-in-hand with local authorities to create meaningful educational opportunities. Education is a powerful tool for transformation, and we are excited to contribute to the growth of communities in Anka.



Conducted School Assessments

As part of our ongoing project implementation, the GOALPrime Organisation Nigeria (GPON) Zamfara team conducted an official visit to 13 selected schools in Anka Local Government Area (LGA) to assess key areas vital for improving educational outcomes and student well-being.

The visit focused on:



Engagement with Head Teachers

Our team gathered enrollment data, analyzed attendance trends, and identified retention challenges to better understand access to education.

School Clubs Assessment

We evaluated the presence and effectiveness of school clubs, assessing student participation levels and identifying barriers to extracurricular engagement.

Learner Profiling Preparation

School leaders were briefed on the upcoming learner profiling exercise, aimed at tailoring educational resources to meet students' specific needs.

Facility Inspection

Special attention was given to inspecting gender-segregated latrines and overall hygiene standards to promote a safe and supportive learning environment, particularly for girls.

This visit reaffirms our commitment to fostering an inclusive and holistic approach to education in Anka LGA. By addressing academic and non-academic factors, we strive to create a learning environment where every student can thrive.



Strengthening Partnership

A delegation from Save the Children International (SCI), including the Head of Programme, Project Manager, Child Protection Coordinator, and Education Officer, paid a courtesy visit to the GOALPrime Organisation Nigeria (GPON) office in Zamfara. The visit aimed to strengthen collaboration, share updates on ongoing projects, and discuss challenges and opportunities for future initiatives.

GPON provided updates on current project activities

and achievements while highlighting key challenges, such as security concerns and community engagement issues. The SCI team offered insights, potential solutions, and explored avenues for collaboration and technical support.

This strategic visit reinforced the partnership between SCI and GPON, fostering a deeper understanding of project goals and challenges while identifying actionable next steps. These include scheduling follow-up meetings, developing a joint

action plan, and implementing technical assistance and capacity-building efforts.

The strengthened partnership sets the stage for enhanced project outcomes, ultimately benefiting the communities served in Zamfara State.

Empowering Educators and expanding Learning Opportunities in Zamfara, Anka LGA.

The GPON team recently conducted an assessment at Nizzaniya Islamiyya Primary School in Anka LGA, Zamfara State, to evaluate student enrollment, classroom conditions, and critical needs. This initiative is part of our commitment to creating a conducive learning environment and expanding access to quality education for vulnerable children.

As part of this effort, we aim to recruit:

99 Community Volunteer Teachers (CVTs) – To provide alternative learning for out-of-school children, enhance literacy and numeracy skills, and support reintegration into formal education.

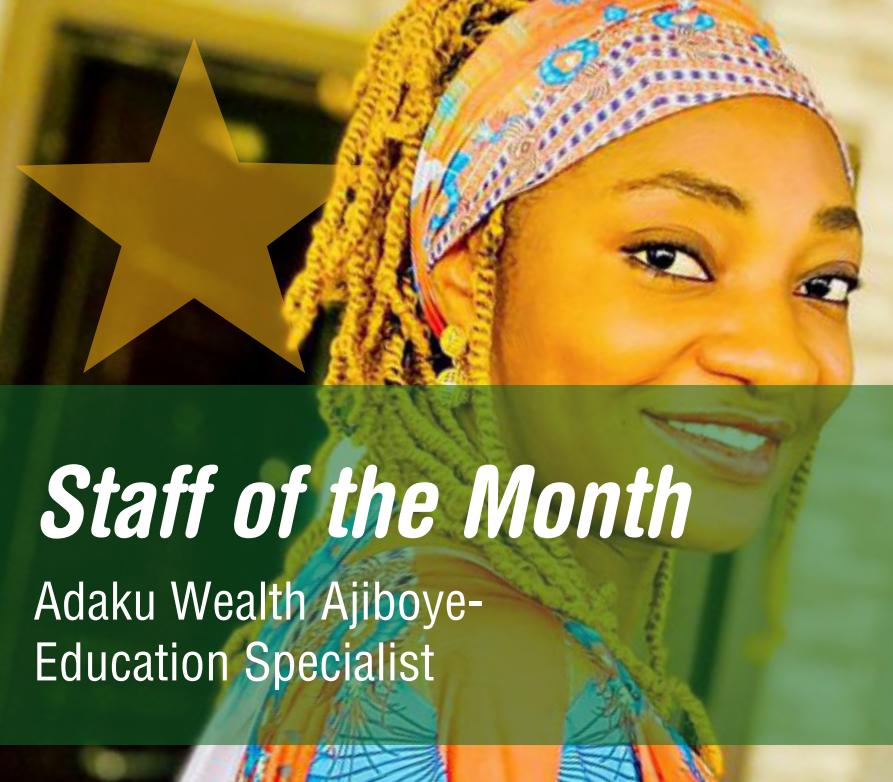
18 Facilitators – To deliver psychosocial support for children aged 6-12 and equip parents with positive parenting skills.

5 Case Workers – To provide comprehensive case management services for vulnerable children in Anka LGA.

All selected individuals will undergo rigorous training and be equipped with the necessary tools and strategies to deliver inclusive, high-quality education and support.

Additionally, our team visited IDP camps in Anka, where many children still face barriers to education. Through direct engagement with families, we reaffirmed our commitment to implementing alternative learning opportunities tailored to their needs.





Staff of the Month

Adaku Wealth Ajiboye-
Education Specialist

People and Culture

We successfully attended the GPON Annual Retreat, where we reviewed the past year's activities and deliberated on the way forward for 2025. The retreat also included a joint review of the GPON Five-Year Strategic Plan, ensuring alignment with our long-term goals.

Additionally, our department conducted a capacity-building training session focused on developing, implementing, and tracking Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), enhancing our effectiveness in achieving organizational objectives.

Welcoming New Team Members

- ◆ We are excited to welcome Mohammed Abubakar Sambo as our new EDUTRACK Officer.
- ◆ Joining us as the Information Management and Programme Reporting Officer, Henry Mchenry brings a wealth of experience, having served as the Team Leader for Field Operations in the Bay States with the International Organization for Migration. His expertise in data management and reporting will be invaluable to our operations.
- ◆ We also welcome Emmanuel Medugu as our new Media and Communication Assistant. Emmanuel has a strong background in digital marketing and communications

Recruitment Updates

We have initiated the recruitment process for the following positions:

- Gender and Disability Inclusion Specialist.
- Internal Auditor.
- Community Volunteer Teachers, Case Workers, and Facilitators in the Northwest.

Staff Welfare & Health Insurance

We successfully onboarded and registered our staff with Reliance HMO. A meeting was held with the HMO focal person to discuss the various health packages and address staff concerns, ensuring seamless access to healthcare services.

Partnerships Department

Setting A Pace for a Brighter future:



The Partnerships Department at GPON remains committed to fostering strategic collaborations that drive impactful humanitarian and development interventions across Nigeria. Our focus is on securing and strengthening partnerships that enhance program delivery, resource mobilization, and sustainable impact in the communities we serve.

As of January 2025, GPON has established key partnerships that are actively contributing to critical sectors such as WASH, Protection, Education, and Rapid Response Mechanisms. Notable partnerships include:

Solidarity International (SI) – CDCS & ECHO: Supporting an integrated WASH and

These partnerships reinforce GPON's commitment to delivering life-saving assistance and long-term resilience-building interventions. As we advance in 2025, the Partnerships Department will continue to explore and expand collaborations that align with our mission of creating sustainable solutions for vulnerable communities

Protection project, ensuring access to clean water, sanitation facilities, and safeguarding vulnerable populations in crisis-affected areas.

Save the Children (SCI) – FER EWC (Northwest): Addressing emergency education needs through Education in Emergencies (EiE) programming, providing learning opportunities for children affected by conflicts.

UNICEF – Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) in Mafa: Enhancing emergency response capacity by swiftly addressing humanitarian needs in Kala-Balge, Borno State, particularly for displaced and vulnerable populations.

Strengthening Vendor Partnerships for Enhanced Service Delivery

This January, we focused on deepening our engagement with both existing and potential vendors to enhance service delivery and streamline procurement processes. Strengthening these relationships remains a key priority as we work towards improving efficiency and fostering long-term collaborations.

Enhancing Vendor Engagement

- We reinforced our partnerships with current vendors, ensuring improved service reliability and quality.
- We explored new vendor relationships to expand our procurement options and enhance market competitiveness.
- Discussions on pricing structures, supply timelines, and quality assurance measures took center stage, helping us refine our procurement approach.

Bridging the Gap Between Goalprime and Vendor Relationships

- We prioritized transparency and collaboration, building strong foundations for long-term vendor engagement.
- Key procurement challenges, including delivery timelines and contract management, were addressed to better align vendor operations with our organizational goals.

These strategic efforts throughout January have set the stage for a more structured and effective vendor management system. As we move forward, we remain committed to optimizing our procurement processes and strengthening supplier partnerships to support our mission.



Logistic Highlight

GOALPrime Organization Nigeria specializes in logistics and fleet management, focusing on the supervision and coordination of fleet operations, including vehicle movement, fuel management, maintenance, and repairs. We oversee all organizational movement operations across

Borno, Adamawa, Yobe, Katsina, Zamfara States, and Abuja FCT, ensuring seamless transportation and logistics. Our professional drivers facilitate staff movement to workshops, meetings, airport check-ins, and field assignments, while also handling the transportation of

materials between locations. We are committed to delivering uninterrupted, reliable logistics services through the design and implementation of end-to-end solutions tailored to organizational needs

Operational Update:

GOALPrime Organization Nigeria through its Logistics and security department has continued to support her staff across the North east region (Borno, Adamawa and Yobe) to facilitate effective and smooth movements including transportations, ensuring humanitarians access the deep field locations. In month January, the logistics/security supported 80 staff.

- ◆ Successfully transported 40 ECW contingency kits from Maiduguri to Yola.
- ◆ Successfully trained staff virtually on how to fill the online movement plans for proposed week.
- ◆ Successfully transported wheelchairs from Maiduguri to Konduga.
- ◆ Successfully carried out a physical inventory with the internal audit at the warehouse.
- ◆ Supported with storage space of 255 UNICEF cholera kits at the warehouse.

No termite infestation at the warehouse for the month. Received WASH items from the CDCS project.

Annual Retreat

Setting A Pace for a Brighter future:

As we step into 2025, GoalPrime Organization Nigeria is launching the year with renewed energy and a clear vision. Our Development & Emergency Retreat has set the stage for a transformative journey, bringing together top experts in child welfare and caregiving to shape our strategic roadmap for 2025-2029.

Key Highlights from the Retreat

◆ **Strategic Blueprint 2025-2029**
We have developed an innovative long-term strategy focused on sustainable impact, growth, and collaboration to enhance the well-being of children and caregivers across Nigeria.

Empowering Our Team
Our dedicated team members have been rejuvenated and equipped with the tools needed to drive creativity, enhance productivity, and deliver excellence in every initiative.

Strengthening Partnerships
Collaboration is at the heart of our mission. We continue to work with like-minded organizations and stakeholders to create lasting change in the lives of vulnerable children and their families.

As we embark on this exciting new chapter, we remain committed to changing lives, empowering communities, and ensuring that no child is left behind in the pursuit of a brighter future.



Tech4Development

The GOALPrime Tech4Development (Technology for Development) Department plays a vital role in utilizing technology to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and scalability of development initiatives. It serves as a link between innovation and humanitarian activities, guaranteeing

that digital instruments and technological solutions facilitate sustainable transformation.

GOALPrime Organization is dedicated to enhancing humanitarian and development responses through our Tech4Development

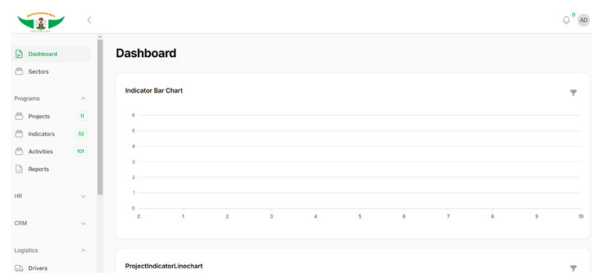
initiatives and department by incorporating digital solutions, data-informed strategies, and cutting-edge technology, GOALPrime improves response efficiency, service provision, and community empowerment in areas impacted by crises and those that are underserved.

Key Commitments & Initiatives Highlight

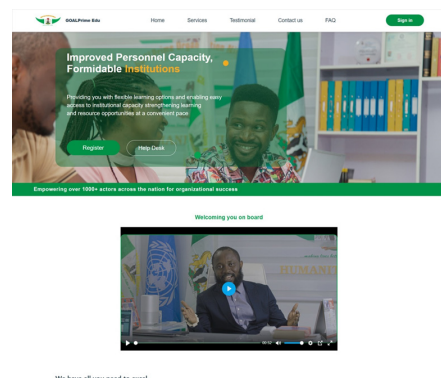
GPON One Office (Digital Transformation for Humanitarian Response)

A software suite that increases productivity and offering easy, real-time collaboration, real-time data. It offers a peace of mind with an outstanding privacy and provides many online Web App tools, including Human Resource Management System, Information Management System, Logistics Management System, Donor Management, Program Management etc.

AI & Data Analytics for Decision-Making – Part of the GPON One Office, uses real-time data and predictive analytics to improve response strategies from various programs.



Picture of GPON One Office Suite



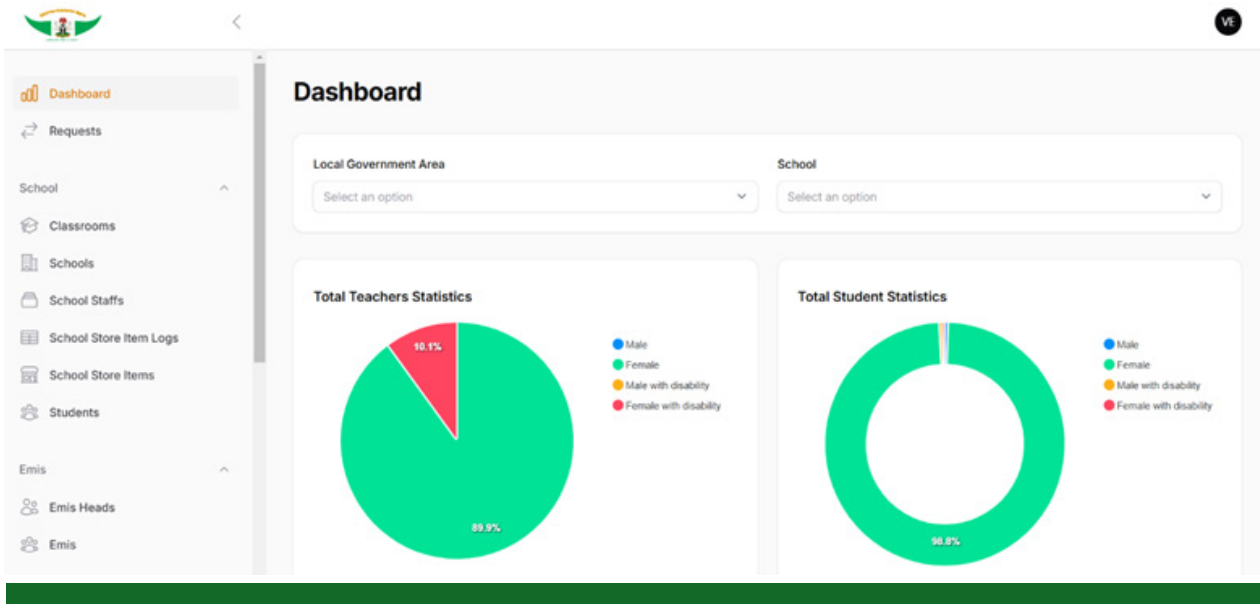
Picture of Goalprimeedu platform

Improving Education Access through Technology

- **Edu Hero Challenge Platform** – Encourages innovation, raises awareness, and inspires solutions for education in emergencies.
- **E-Learning & Digital Classrooms** – Ensures continuous education for displaced and vulnerable children via online platforms like goalprimeedu.org and edutracknigeria.org platforms.

EduTrack Nigeria:

EduTrack Platform and Mobile App—An innovative solution designed to boost transparency and tracking in schools. With capabilities like student tracking and digital data management, EduTrack Nigeria is set to drive meaningful improvements in educational outcomes across the states!



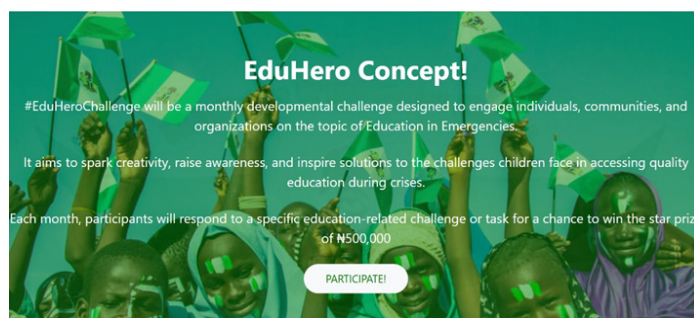
Picture of EduTrack Nigeria Platform

The EduHeroChallenge Platform

The EduHero Innovation Challenge encourages youth-led innovation by fostering creativity and problem-solving among young people. It challenges youth to create solutions that address the educational needs of their peers in underserved regions. This initiative directly responds to the gaps in educational access, emphasizing that youth-led innovation can drive a more inclusive and sustainable educational future.

The Key significant of EduHero Challenge Platform towards achieving the above mandate are:

- ◆ Raising Awareness on Education in Emergencies
- ◆ Sparking Creativity & Innovation
- ◆ Cross-Sector Collaboration
- ◆ Inspiring Community Engagement & Collective Action
- ◆ Supporting Practical & Scalable Solutions



Our Climate Resilient Approach – Going Green & Solar



Powering a Sustainable Future: Our Climate-Resilient Approach to Going Green & Solar

As part of our commitment to sustainability and climate resilience, we have embraced a green energy transition by ensuring that both our headquarters and deep-field locations are powered by solar energy.

This strategic shift aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—particularly SDG 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy) and SDG 13 (Climate Action)—as we work towards

reducing our carbon footprint and promoting renewable energy solutions.

By installing solar energy systems, we are not only lighting up our operations but also actively contributing to climate control efforts by reducing dependency on fossil fuels. This initiative enhances energy security by providing an uninterrupted power supply to our staff, ensuring operational efficiency even in remote

locations.

Our transition to solar power is a testament to our resilience, responsibility, and innovation in the face of climate change. Through this initiative, we are setting a precedent for sustainable energy adoption while safeguarding the environment for future generations.

Annex

Pictures of New Members of the Team



Mohammed Abubakar Sambo
Edutrack officer



Emmanuel Medugu
Communication Assistant



Henry Mchenry
IM/ Programme Reporting
Officer

Our Esteemed Partners

