

UFAK Inspection Mission in Abuja from March 15 to 18, 2025.

The UFAK recently carried out an inspection mission in Abuja, assigned by the president of UFAK, Souleymane Gay, to the vice-president of UFAK, Bechir Cherif, with the objective of ensuring optimal conditions for the upcoming African Karate Championships.

Upon arrival, Mr. Bechir Cherif held a meeting with President Silas at the hotel, during which the schedule for visits to sports facilities, the stadium, and hotels was reviewed.

The delegation then visited the Moshood Abiola National Stadium and Velodrome, followed by a meeting with the Director of Sports Facilities, Dr. Bldr. Mohammed Rabit. At the conclusion of this meeting, a contract was signed securing the use of the stadium and velodrome from July 20 to 27, 2025, for the African Karate Championships.



Afterward, the delegation toured a dozen hotels and conference rooms that will host technical meetings, as well as seminars on arbitration and coaching. The Hilton Hotel has been designated as the Headquarters Hotel

for the UFAK executive and meetings, while the Hawthorn Hotel will be reserved for UFAK commissions.



On Monday, a meeting was held with the Minister of Sport, Mr. Shehu Dikko, in his office. Mr. Bechir Cherif presented the program for the African Karate Championships, which are scheduled to take place in Abuja in July 2025. The reception was warm, and the minister invited the UFAK delegation to a meeting attended by all the executive members of the Ministry of Sport, as well as journalists from National Television. A special segment was aired during the evening news at 8:00 PM, dedicated to the African Karate Championships. The minister expressed his gratitude and appreciation for Nigeria’s selection as the host for the 2025 African Karate Championships.



Conclusion:

After these productive meetings and discussions with various authorities in Abuja, UFAK is confident that the African Karate Championships will be hosted under the best possible conditions.



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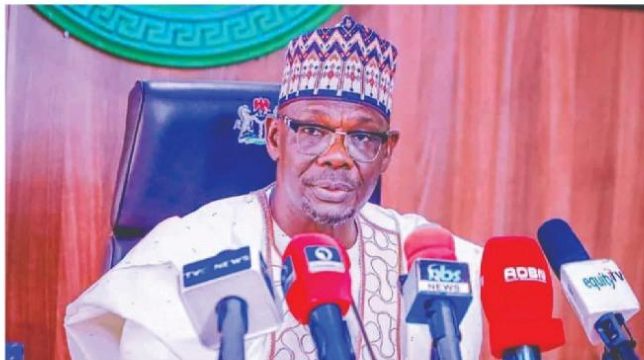
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Gov. Sule pledges Debt-Free Development, unveils Infrastructure Plans



Governor Sule reaffirmed his administration's commitment to executing projects without taking loans, vowing not to borrow "a single kobo" for infrastructure development. Speaking at a Ramadan fast-breaking event in Lafia with media executives and members of the Nigerian Union of Journalists (NUJ), he highlighted the vital role of journalists in governance and accountability. He disclosed that his administration inherited a #57 billion debt upon assuming office but has successfully cleared it. Despite this, he assured that infrastructure development remains a top priority. Governor Sule announced that contracts have

been signed for key projects, including the Keffi Roundabout flyover, the completion of the Akwanga underpass, and the dualization of roads in Akwanga. He emphasized that Nasarawa is among the few states in Nigeria currently without outstanding debt. As his tenure enters its final two years, he pledged to accelerate infrastructure projects to maximize the benefits for Nasarawa residents. NUJ State Chairman, Comrade Salihu Alkali, commended the governor for fostering a strong relationship with the media, noting that such engagements will further enhance collaboration between the press and the government.

WKF VP applauds Nigeria's Readiness for African Karate Championship



Vice President of the World Karate Federation (WKF), Bechir Cherif, has praised Nigeria for its top-tier karate facilities, affirming the country's capability to host world-class championships. Cherif made these remarks during his visit to

the National Sports Commission (NSC) office in Abuja, where he met with Chairman Mallam Shehu Dikko to discuss preparations for the upcoming African Karate Championship. The event, set to take place at the MKO Abiola Stadium, is expected to solidify Abuja's status as Africa's karate capital.

During his facility inspection, Cherif expressed satisfaction with the standards in place, commending Silas Agara, President of the Karate Federation of Nigeria and First Vice President of African Karate, for his leadership in promoting the sport across the continent. He also lauded the hospitality extended to him in Nigeria, reinforcing his confidence in the country's ability to host a successful tournament.

NSC Chairman Mallam Shehu Dikko assured Cherif that all necessary technical support had been provided to ensure a smooth competition. He reiterated the Nigerian government's commitment to creating a welcoming environment for all participants. Silas Agara noted that athletes from over 15 countries would compete in the championship. He and Cherif had spent days assessing accommodations and facilities, expressing confidence that Nigeria's preparations would surpass expectations.

With excitement building, the African Karate Championship in Abuja is set to be a landmark

NASEMA distributes relief materials to 30,000 IDPs returnees in Toto LGA

The Nasarawa State Emergency Management Agency (NASEMA) has distributed another tranche of relief materials to no fewer than 30 thousand Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) returnees to cushion the hardship on them.

Speaking at the distribution At Ugya IDPs Camp in Toto Local Government Area of the state on Tuesday, Mr Zachary Allumaga NASEMA Director General enjoined the returnees to embrace peace.

Allumaga explained that the returnees were victims of the communal crisis, wind storms and flood disasters in the area.

Director General, represented by the Director of Planning, Research and Statistics, Mr Obagu Danladi said that the Government was committed to protecting the life and property of its citizenry.

Allumaga explained that both the state government and the local government had worked hard toward ensuring all IDPs were returned to their ancestral home.

The director general noted that the government had provided adequate security to protect lives and property as well as maintaining law and order, hence advising the returnees to live in peace with one another to attract development to the area.

"The state government under the leadership of Gov Abdullahi Sule is committed to lasting

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