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The Executive Vice Chairman and Chief executive Officer (EVC/CEO) of the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC), Prof. Umar Garba Danbatta, has listed critical regulatory actions that have been taken by the Commission to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on quality of service (QoS) delivery by the networks to telecom consumers.

Danbatta enumerated the measures while speaking at the first edition of the Virtual Telecom Consumer Parliament (V-TCP) hosted by the Commission in Abuja on Friday, 21st August, 2020 with the theme: "Impact of Covid-19 on Telecoms Service Delivery." The Telecom Consumer Parliament is NCC's flagship forum for in-depth engagement with service providers to discuss issues of contemporary interest affecting consumers of telecom services in the country.

Responsible authority: Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC)

Eligibility Beneficiaries: Telecommunication Company

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CBN APPROVES N50B REVIVAL FUND FOR TEXTILE INDUSTRY

The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) has announced N50 billion special mechanism funds to revive the ailing textiles industry. The funds to be administered by the Bank of industry (BoI) at 4.5 per cent interest rate will use any of the CBN-approved non-interest financing instruments for refinancing of projects, long-term financing for acquisition of plant and machinery and working capital for the beneficiaries. The apex bank said the funds would be used to resuscitate the ailing textile sector, restructure facilities, and provide further facilities for textile firms with genuine need for intervention.

Responsible Authorities: The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)

Responsible Institution: The funds to be administered by the Bank of industry (BoI)

Eligibility: Textile Industry

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COVID 19: DANBATTALISTS MEASURES TO MITIGATE IMPACT ON QOS DELIVERY

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is caused by a virus that spreads through droplets released when an infected person coughs or sneezes. A person can become infected with the virus by being in close contact (within 2 metres) of an infected person. Infection can also spread by touching a surface or object that an infected person coughed or sneezed on. The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) launched the #TakeResponsibility campaign in March 2020 to encourage Nigerians and residents to take individual and collective responsibility to reduce the spread of the coronavirus disease.

Given the role of businesses in driving economic activity, even during the COVID-19 pandemic, the NCDC is updating the previously published guidelines to assist businesses and employers to effectively put in place measures, to safely restart their businesses as the country continues to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. These guidelines will assist businesses as the easing of the lockdown is implemented in a phased manner.

The purpose of the lockdown was to;

- Limit the spread of the coronavirus, by keeping people physically apart
- Enable the relevant health authorities in Lagos and the Federal Capital Territory to trace contacts, test and isolate confirmed cases
- Enable the health sector to improve its preparedness Businesses re-opening will be faced with the challenge of restarting their operations while many sections of the economy remain on lockdown and restrictions remain in place. In addition, businesses will need to be conscious of changes in their employees, paying closer attention to their mental health and employees may feel anxious. Deliberate efforts would need to be made to ensure the well-being and safety of employees, minimising the impact on them as office premises re-open

Responsible authority: The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC)

Eligibility: Citizen of Nigeria

Website: [Click Here](#)

THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE ON COVID-19 ANNOUNCES THE QUARANTINE PROTOCOL FOR ANYONE COMING INTO NIGERIA FROM ANY OTHER COUNTRY.

All intending travellers to Nigeria must have tested NEGATIVE for COVID-19 by PCR in country of departure pre-boarding. The PCR test MUST be within 7 days before departure and preferably within 72 hours pre-boarding. For certain countries, COVID-19 PCR tests will only be acceptable from specified laboratories

Responsible authority: President Task Force (PTF)

Eligibility: Citizen of Nigeria

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RESUMPTION OF INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS: NIGERIA TO ENFORCE PRINCIPLE OF RECIPROCITY

Nigeria will enforce the principle of reciprocity in granting permission to airlines to resume operations in the country as it opens its airspace. What it means is that only airlines from countries that allow flights from Nigeria will be allowed to fly into and out of the country. Minister of Aviation Senator Hadi Sirika disclosed this at Thursday's media briefing of the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19 in Abuja.

According to him, the country's position is informed by the ban placed by some countries on flights from Nigeria, and that Nigeria's decision was taken in the interest of its citizens. The Minister who was represented by the Director-General of the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA), Captain Musa Nuhu, also disclosed that airlines will be informed on arrangements put in place to ensure that resumption of flights will be hitch-free.

He also stated that for now, only a few flights per day will be permitted as a test run for the protocols put in place to ensure a safe return to international operations. The protocols, according to him, would be made public in due course. He expressed his appreciation to the airlines, Aviation workers, travellers and all stakeholders for their patience and understanding and urged all hands to be on deck in ensuring a successful and efficient resumption of international flight operations.

Responsible authority: Federal Government

Responsible Institution: Federal Ministry of Aviation

Eligibility: Citizen of Nigeria

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