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### 1. CBN Releases Guidelines For N250bn Intervention In Gas Value Chain

- Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) has released the guideline for the recently introduced N250 billion intervention facilities to help stimulate investment in the gas value chain.
- Information obtained on Wednesday from the CBN website reveals that a large-scale project under the intervention will be financed under the Power and Airlines Intervention Fund (PAIF), in line with existing guidelines regulating the PAIF, while small-scale operators and retail distributors will be financed by the NIRSAL Microfinance Bank NMFBS and/or any other Participating Financial Institution (PFI).
- It also disclosed that any other mid- to downstream gas value chain related activity recommended by the Ministry of Petroleum Resources (MPR) and the manufacturers, processors, wholesale distributors and related activities shall be funded under the Power and Airline Intervention Fund PAIF.

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### 2. PPMC fixes petrol price at N151.56

- The Pipeline Products Marketing Company (PPMC) on Wednesday announced N151.56 per litre as ex depot price for the Premium Motor Spirit (petrol).
- Following the PPMC directive, the various marketers are already fixing pump prices at which the commodity will be sold. For instance, the National Vice President, Independent Petroleum Marketers Association of Nigeria (IPMAN), Alhaji Abubakar Maigandi, told The Nation that marketers would sell the product for between N158 to N160 per litre.
- Maigandi said while the PPMC announced N151.56 per litre as the ex-depot price, it did not mention any dealer price which marketers should sell as pump price.
- “Should the PPPRA or PPMC fail to direct us on how much to sell the petrol, we will instruct our marketers to sell it for between N158 to N160 per litre,” he said.

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### 3. UKEF to fund sterilized drinking water via solar technology in Ghana

- UK Export Finance (UKEF) will provide a direct loan of £27 million to the Ghanaian government which will help UK-based Aqua Africa provide clean energy to sterilize drinking water for 225,000 people across the country. Aqua Africa will use solar powered technology to deliver 5 liters of water a day for less than a quarter of a penny.
- Aqua Africa’s Managing Director Philip Foster said: “We commend the tri-partnership approach between the government of Ghana, UKEF and the private sector in securing agreement for this vital social impact investment project that will provide access to clean water to over 225,000 Ghanaians, in support of Ghana’s ‘Water for All’ policy aligned with the SDG agenda.

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- “We are looking forward to implementing this project and to developing the relationship that will deliver further projects that are planned to follow.”

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#### 4. Goldwind ready with 32.5-MW project in S Africa

- Chinese wind turbine maker Xinjiang Goldwind Science & Technology (HKG:2208) today announced the full commissioning of all turbines at the 32.5-MW Excelsior wind park in South Africa.
- The Excelsior project in Western Cape was one of the winners in the fourth bid round of South Africa’s Renewable Energy IPP Procurement (REIPPP) programme. The company won a contract to equip and build the wind farm back in 2015. It erected 13 units of 2.5-MW PMDD wind turbines near Swellendam.
- In 2015, Goldwind also won a contract for the 120-MW Golden Valley wind project. It said today its construction is progressing “smoothly”, with grid connection planned for February 2021.
- The contracts for both projects came from South African independent power producer (IPP) BioTherm Energy.

<https://renewablesnow.com/>

#### 5. GIZ and GFA train 40 young people in Senegal to troubleshoot solar PV

- The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the German cooperation agency, and GFA Consulting Group, a European consulting firm, recently financed the training of 40 young people from the Suelle council, in Bignona in southern Senegal, in the field of renewable energy, specifically the repair of solar energy equipment. This was within the framework of a training and integration project (PFI), piloted by the programme “Réussir au Sénégal”.
- Senegal is making progress in the field of renewable energy. After acquiring a solar kit or a mini-grid, rural populations will now be able to have them repaired at home in the event of a breakdown.
- They have been equipped as part of a training and integration project (PFI), piloted by the “Réussir au Sénégal” programmed and financed by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the German cooperation agency, and GFA Consulting Group, a European consulting firm active in the development cooperation sector. The 40 starters are now able to diagnose, troubleshoot and even install solar systems in villages in the Bignona division.

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#### 6. NERC to penalise TCN, Disos for under delivery, rejection of power

- The Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) and the electricity distribution companies (Discos) will henceforth be sanctioned by the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) each time they fail to deliver the quantum of power required or reject power allocated to them in the case of the Discos.
- The TCN and the Discos will now be paying what NERC called a capacity charge each time they fail in their duties to transmit adequate power in the case of the TCN and receive and distribute what is allocated to them in the case of the Discos.

- There has been a bitter blame game between the TCN and the Discos owing to the rejection of electricity allocation by Discos, a situation NERC said occurs because of lack of sanctions.
- Therefore, NERC said in a circular that where it is established that the TCN is unable to deliver Discos' load allocation, TCN shall be liable to pay for the associated capacity charge. Where Discos fail to take its entire load allocation due to constraints in its network, the Disco shall be responsible for the payment of the capacity charge as shared in its vesting contracts.

<https://www.businessamlive.com/>

#### **7. Pertamina finalizes drilling campaign on its MLN field in Algeria**

- The Indonesian oil company Pertamina has just announced the completion of its 12-well drilling program on the Algerian Menzel Lejmat North field, its first development program abroad.
- The Indonesian producer of oil and gas Pertamina has completed the drilling of the 12th well of its development project Menzel Lejmat North (MLN) on the block 405a, in the middle of the Sahara Desert in Algeria.
- Its subsidiary Pertamina International Exploration Production (PIEP) initially planned to invest \$14 million to drill each well, but ultimately achieved substantial budget savings estimated at around \$100 million. It specifies that it has also succeeded in reducing the duration of the drilling campaign from 55 days per well to 45 or even 35 days per well.
- The MLN project is already producing oil (over 17,000 barrels per day) and natural gas. The new campaign is expected to bring production to 30,000 barrels per day.

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#### **8. FG seeks private participation to power five million rural homes**

- To address the challenges facing over 70 per cent rural population, curb growing rural to urban migration as well as spur economic activities, the Federal Government, Tuesday unveiled plans to power over five million homes through renewable energy.
- Speaking at the inauguration of a 12KWP Volsus Solar For Health (VSFH) Mini-grid with 58KWH battery bank, and the Sustainable Energy Africa magazine by Volsus Energy Limited, Minister of State for Power, Goddy Jeddy-Agba, said the government is banking on using part of an N2.3 trillion fund for Economic Sustainability Plan (ESP) to power rural dwellers.
- Stating that private investors need not battle with energy theft and meter bypass challenges, the Minister quoted recent surveys across some rural communities, noting that rural dwellers were more likely to pay their electricity bills without complaining than those in urban centres.

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