



Theme:

THE ROLE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHAIRMEN, TRADITIONAL RULERS, PRESIDENT GENERALS OF HOME TOWNS, COMMUNITY CHIEFS/HEADS, HOST COMMUNITIES ARTISANAL MINERS, SMALL AND MEDIUM SCALE MINERS, YOUTHS AND WOMEN IN COMPLEMENTING GOVERNMENT EFFORTS IN THE SOLID MINERALS SECTOR.

Venue:

Transcorp Hilton Hotel, Abuja

Date:

Tuesday 23rd, September 2025 Wednesday 24th, September 2025

> **Time:** 8:00am Prompt

PARTNERS

















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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

The Federal Ministry of Solid Minerals Development in Nigeria launched the 7-Point Agenda to enhance the sustainable development of the country's mineral resources. This framework aims to establish a robust mining sector while simultaneously integrating the needs and aspirations of various stakeholders, including Local Government Areas (LGAs), Traditional Rulers, President Generals of hometowns, artisanal miners, small and medium scale miners, and host communities. This essay explores the multi-faceted impact of the 7 point agenda and as part of the renewed Hope Vision of the Tinubu Administration on these groups and highlights the potential for economic growth, social development, and improved governance in mining regions.

Economic Development and Infrastructure

One of the primary goals of the 7-Point Agenda is to stimulate economic growth through the development of the solid mineral sector. For Local Government Areas, this means an increase in revenues generated from mineral extraction activities. As mining operations expand, the corresponding taxes and royalties paid to the Federal Government, this will enable them to invest in critical infrastructure such as roads, schools, and healthcare facilities. It will culminate in an increase in the monthly allocation to the LGA's. This economic upliftment can lead to an improved standard of living in these areas.

Furthermore, the agenda emphasizes the promotion of small and medium scale mining operations. This focus encourages local entrepreneurship and job creation, particularly benefiting communities engaged in artisanal mining. When these small-scale miners receive support, such as access to loans and technology, it can significantly enhance their productivity and profitability. These economic benefits cascade throughout the communities, generating a ripple effect that uplifts entire local economies.

Social Empowerment and Capacity Building

The 7-Point Agenda also recognizes the importance of social empowerment, particularly through capacity-building initiatives. Traditional rulers and President Generals of hometowns play an essential role in mediating conflicts and fostering collaboration among different stakeholders in the mining sector. By involving these leaders in decision-making processes and capacity-building programs, the Ministry can ensure that local governance structures are strengthened. This promotes transparency and accountability, creating a conducive environment for responsible mining practices.

Artisanal miners, a significant part of the mining sector, can benefit greatly from educational programs aimed at improving safety, environmental practices, and technical skills. Such training initiatives enable these miners to operate more effectively and sustainably, resulting in better yields and reduced environmental degradation. The holistic empowerment of these communities helps build a culture of responsible mining, which aligns with the overall objectives of the 7-Point Agenda.

Relationship Management and Conflict Resolution

The relationship between miners and host communities is often fraught with tension over land use, environmental degradation, and inadequate compensation. The 7-Point Agenda seeks to address these issues through conflict resolution frameworks that involve dialogue between artisanal miners, small and medium scale miners, traditional leaders, and local governments. With Traditional Rulers and President Generals serving as mediators, it becomes easier to address grievances and reach amicable solutions that respect the rights and livelihoods of local communities.

Improving communication channels among stakeholders fosters mutual understanding and respect, which is crucial for social cohesion. Stronger relationships between miners and host communities can lead to collaborative initiatives that benefit all parties, ensuring that local populations feel they are genuine partners in the mining process rather than mere bystanders.

Environmental Sustainability

The agenda's commitment to promoting responsible mining practices also aligns with growing concerns over environmental degradation associated with mining activities. Through various initiatives such as reforestation and the promotion of environmentally friendly mining technologies, the Ministry aims to mitigate adverse environmental impacts. Traditional Rulers and community leaders can be instrumental in advocating for sustainable practices, ensuring that the natural resources are preserved for future generations.

By involving local communities in environmental monitoring and management, the Ministry can leverage their intimate knowledge of the land to identify and address issues promptly. This participatory approach not only enhances environmental stewardship but also fosters a sense of ownership among community members.

THE ROLE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHAIRMEN IN COMPLEMENTING THE EFFORTS OF GOVERNMENT

The solid minerals industry in Nigeria holds significant potential for economic growth, job creation, and diversification of revenue sources beyond oil. While the federal government has laid the groundwork for policies and regulations, Local Government Areas (LGAs) play a crucial role in complementing these efforts in various ways.

1. Local Governance and Policy Implementation

Local governments are closer to the communities where mineral resources are located. They can implement and enforce federal and state mining policies and regulations more effectively at the local level. LGAs can ensure that mining activities comply with environmental regulations and community needs, thereby enhancing accountability and transparency in resource management.

2. Community Engagement and Awareness

LGAs can educate local communities about the benefits and risks associated with mining activities. They can facilitate workshops and outreach programs to inform residents about how to engage with mining companies, rights regarding land use, and the importance of environmental conservation. By fostering an informed citizenry, LGAs help in developing collaborations between communities and mining firms.

3. Capacity Building and Training

Local governments can partner with relevant stakeholders to provide training and capacity-building programs for local miners, artisans, and businesses. This includes skills development in mining techniques, safety protocols, and sustainable practices. Enhancing local capacities ensures that communities can better manage their resources and negotiate fair terms with mining companies.

4. Conflict Resolution and Security

Mining can often lead to conflicts over land use, environmental degradation, and resource allocation. Local governments have a pivotal role in mediating conflicts between mining companies and local communities. They can facilitate dialogue and negotiations to reach mutually beneficial agreements, ensuring peace and stability in the region.

5. Sustainable Development Practices

LGAs can promote sustainable mining practices that not only benefit the economy but also protect the environment. They can encourage responsible mining practices by enforcing environmental regulations and advocating for the rehabilitation of mining sites after resource extraction. By prioritizing sustainable practices, LGAs contribute to long-term ecological balance and public health.

6. Infrastructure Development

Solid minerals mining often requires significant infrastructure development, such as roads, power supply, and transportation systems. Local governments can play a crucial role in coordinating these developments, ensuring that the necessary infrastructure is in place to support mining activities and benefit local communities.

7. **Partnerships and Collaborations**

LGAs can foster partnerships with various stakeholders, including mining companies, non-governmental organizations, and academic institutions. Collaborations can lead to shared resources, technology transfer, and research that support more efficient and environmentally friendly mining practices.

TRADITIONAL RULERS AND COMMUNITY CHIEFS/LEADERS/REPRESENTATIVES

- Local Governance: Traditional leaders often serve as intermediaries between the government and local communities. They can facilitate dialogue, convey community concerns, and advocate for local interests in the solid minerals sector.
- **Resource Management:** Traditional rulers can help regulate mining activities by ensuring that local laws and customs regarding land use and environmental protection are adhered to, safeguarding community interests.
- **Cultural Custodianship:** They can promote the preservation of cultural heritage and ensure that mining operations do not disrupt traditional practices or community cohesion.
- **Conflict Resolution:** Traditional leaders are often trusted figures in their communities and can act as mediators in disputes arising from mining activities, which can prevent escalations into violence.

PRESIDENT GENERALS OF HOMETOWNS

• **Community Leadership:** As elected leaders in various communities or ethnic groups, President Generals can help foster unity and collaboration among residents to support government initiatives in the solid minerals sector.

- Awareness and Education: They can lead awareness campaigns about the economic benefits of the solid minerals industry, educating community members on responsible mining practices and the importance of sustainable development.
- **Resource Allocation:** President Generals can advocate for equitable distribution of benefits from mining activities, ensuring that local communities receive appropriate compensation and investment in community development.

YOUTHS

- **Employment and Skills Development:** Young people can be empowered through vocational training programs associated with the solid minerals industry, preparing them for jobs in mining, processing, and environmental management.
- **Community Engagement:** Youths can participate in advocacy and awareness-raising efforts, bringing fresh ideas and energy to community initiatives aimed at supporting sustainable mining practices.
- **Entrepreneurship:** Encouraging youths to explore entrepreneurial ventures related to the solid minerals sector (e.g., local artisanal mining, supply of materials, or service provision) can stimulate economic growth.

WOMEN

- **Involvement in Decision-Making:** Women play a critical role in community structures. Their inclusion in discussions concerning mineral resources can lead to more equitable and sustainable outcomes.
- **Economic Empowerment:** Women can be involved in small-scale mining or businesses that arise from supporting the mining sector, contributing to household incomes and community development.
- **Sustainability Advocacy:** Women are often the primary caregivers and can advocate for sustainable practices that protect the environment and ensure that mining activities do not compromise natural resources essential for their families.

COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS WITH GOVERNMENT

- **Partnerships:** The combined influence of traditional leaders, youths, and women can create a robust coalition that partners with government agencies to implement policies that promote sustainable mining practices.
- **Feedback Mechanisms:** Community representatives can provide valuable feedback to the government on the impact of mining activities, potential issues, and areas for improvement, fostering a more responsive governance framework.
- **Execution of Developmental Programs:** Direct involvement in the implementation of government-led initiatives, such as community development agreements, can enhance the effectiveness of mineral resource management.

ARTISANAL MINERS, SMALL AND MEDIUM SCALE MINERS

Artisanal miners and small and medium-scale miners (ASM and SSM) play a significant role in the solid minerals industry, particularly in developing countries. Their activities can complement government efforts in various ways, enhancing economic development, social

stability, and environmental sustainability. Here's a comprehensive overview of how these miners contribute:

Economic Contributions

- 1. **Job Creation: ASM** and **SSM** initiatives provide livelihoods for thousands, if not millions, of people. They create jobs not only directly in mining but also in ancillary sectors such as transportation, processing, and sales.
- 2. **Local Economic Development:** By engaging in local resource extraction, artisanal and small-scale miners stimulate local economies. They bring money into rural areas, supporting local businesses and contributing to community development.
- 3. **Revenue Generation:** While often informal, ASM and SSM can contribute to local and national revenues through taxes, royalties, and fees when properly regulated. This additional revenue can be significant and help fund public services.

Social Contributions

- 1. **Community Development:** Many ASM and SSM projects are community-based, leading to investments in local infrastructure, such as roads, schools, and healthcare facilities. These improvements often stem from the profits reinvested back into the community.
- 2. **Empowerment and Training:** Artisanal and small-scale mining initiatives can provide training and skills development, empowering local populations, including women and marginalized groups, which can lead to greater social equity.
- 3. **Cultural Heritage:** Mining often has cultural significance in many communities. ASM and SSM practices can help preserve traditional knowledge and techniques, contributing to cultural sustainability.

Environmental and Sustainable Practices

- 1. **Sustainable Mining Practices:** When supported by effective regulation, ASM and SSM can adopt and promote small-scale, sustainable mining techniques that minimize environmental impact.
- 2. **Rehabilitation of Degraded Lands:** Artisanal miners, through community initiatives, can participate in the rehabilitation of mined lands, restoring biodiversity and promoting environmental stewardship.
- 3. **Research and Innovation:** Artisanal and small-scale miners often utilize traditional methods that can be combined with modern practices for better resource management and less environmental degradation.

Supporting Government Efforts

- 1. **Policy Frameworks:** Governments can create frameworks that legally recognize and support artisanal and small-scale miners. This includes simplifying licensing processes, ensuring fair taxation, and offering technical support.
- 2. **Formalization:** Assisting artisanal miners to transition into formalized operations can help in regulating the sector, leading to improved safety standards, labor rights, and transparency for an example, as part of the 7 points agenda of the ministry, illegal

miners were asked to join cooperatives and operate in a regulated environment.

3. **Collaboration:** Government bodies can partner with ASM and SSM groups to address challenges such as illegal mining, workplace safety, and environmental protection. Collaborative efforts can enhance compliance with regulations and promote sustainable practices.

Challenges and Considerations

- 1. **Regulatory Challenges:** The informal nature of many ASM operations can lead to challenges in regulation and oversight, making it difficult for governments to integrate these miners effectively into the formal sector.
- 2. **Safety and Environmental Hazards:** Often, ASM operations operate with limited safety protocols, which can lead to accidents, health risks, and environmental degradation.
- 3. **Market Access:** Small-scale miners may struggle with access to markets, resulting in low prices for their products. Governments and NGOs can assist by providing market intelligence and support for an example, the establishment of the 18 Mineral Exchange by the Ministry across the country.

Conclusion

The 7-Point Agenda of the Federal Ministry of Solid Minerals Development has the potential to significantly impact Local Government Chairmen, Traditional Rulers, President Generals, artisanal miners, small and medium scale miners, and host communities in Nigeria. By fostering economic development, social empowerment, and improved stakeholder relationships, the agenda paves the way for a sustainable and inclusive mining sector. However, for these impacts to be realized, continuous engagement, targeted support, and effective governance practices are essential. As stakeholders work together towards common goals, the mining sector can emerge as a catalyst for broader economic transformation and sustainable community development in Nigeria.

The solid minerals industry plays a critical role in the economic development of many countries, particularly in regions rich in mineral resources. In countries like Nigeria, where the sector is a significant contributor to the GDP, the involvement of local government areas, traditional rulers, presidents general, community chiefs, youths, and women can greatly enhance the government's efforts in managing this industry. Below is an exploration of the roles these community stakeholders can play:

CONFERENCE THEME, OBJECTIVES AND BENEFITS TO PARTICIPANTS

Theme:

The Role of the Local Government Chairmen, Traditional Rulers, President Generals of Home Towns, Community Chiefs/Heads, Host Communities Artisanal Miners, Small and Medium Scale Miners, Youths and Women in Complementing Government Efforts in the Solid Minerals Sector.

Conference Objectives:

- 1. To sensitize the local government chairmen, Traditional Rulers, President Generals, Community Leaders and Representatives, Artisanal Miners and Small and Medium Scale Miners on the 7 Point Agenda of the Ministry of Solid Minerals Development and how to complement the Efforts of the Ministry in achieving these set Agenda.
- 2. To sensitize them on the funding interventionist opportunities and how to organize themselves to exploit opportunities
- 3. Sensitize the above mentioned category of stakeholders on the security challenges and the role of the Mines Surveillance Taskforce and Mine Police in curbing insecurity in the mining sites
- 4. Sensitize them on how to pull their strength, resources and expertise together to maximize opportunities in the Solid Minerals Sector

Who Should Attend

Foreign and Indigenous Companies, Government Interventionist Agencies, Local Government Chairmen, Traditional Rulers, President Generals of Home Towns, Community Chiefs/Heads, Host Communities Artisanal Miners, Small and Medium Scale Miners, Youths and Women in Complementing Government Efforts in the Solid Minerals Sector, State Governments, Regional Development Commissions, Banks, Bilateral & Multilateral Organizations, etc.

Benefits to Participants

- 1. Learn available funding opportunities from the finance institutions, relevant government agencies and parastatals.
- 2. Meet and have access to the business leaders, decision makers, chief executive officers of leading firms in the Solid Minerals Industry.
- 3. Learn on the yet to be announced investment opportunities in the Solid Mineral Industry
- 4. Learn and build various profitable relationships, collaborations and partnerships, advantages, incentives and considerations designed to promote investments in the sector.
- 5. Meet and interact with the policy crafters and partake in crafting the Solid Mineral Industry's policy formulation roadmap.

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Access to Free Exhibition Space and Stand

Access to Breakfast & Lunch throughout the Event

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Logo on website and all digital marketing

Distribution of company press release

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Access to Free Exhibition Space and Stand

Access to Breakfast & Lunch throughout the Event

6. Silver Sponsor -(\$10,000/₩15,000,000)

The Silver package allows the sponsor management representative a special recognition

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Logo on all newsletters distributed to 100,000+

Logo on website and all digital marketing

Distribution of company press release

Official event delegate profile and full access for 6 slots

Event sponsored delegate access for 8 persons

Access to Free Exhibition Space and Stand

Access to Breakfast & Lunch throughout the Event

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The Bronze package allows the sponsor management representative a special recognition

Additional Benefits Include:

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Logo on all marketing collateral pre, during and post event

Logo on all newsletters distributed to 100,000+

Logo on website and all digital marketing

Distribution of company press release

Official event delegate profile and full access for 3 slots

Event sponsored delegate access for 3 persons

Access to Free Exhibition Space and Stand

Access to Breakfast & Lunch throughout the Event

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Participation Fees \$300 USD/N500.000

Early Bird (Ends 1st of August, 2025) \$150 USD/N250,000

- Access to Welcome Reception
- Access to Opening Ceremony
- Access to Conference
- Access to Exhibition Area
- Access to Closing Banquet (On Request)
- Access to Tea Breaks and Lunch

Registration also Covers:

- Conference Proceedings
- Conference Souvenirs
- Industry Visits to at least two Mining Companies in
- Abuja (On Request)

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CONFERENCE COORDINATOR OF AFRICA COMMODITIES CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION (ACCE) AND THE MD/CEO, MICA EQUITY ALLOCATION LIMITED, MICHAEL AKUECHE WITH THE DIST. SEN. EKONG SAMPSON, CHAIRMAN SENATE COMMITTEE ON SOLID MINERALS DEVELOPMENT



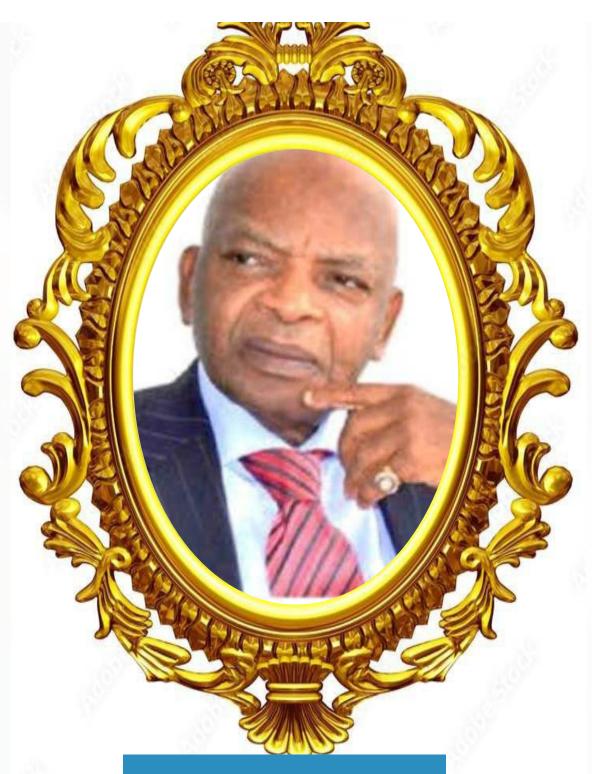
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Special Guest of Honor









Princes Engr Arthur Eze CEO Atlas- Orando Petroleum

GUEST SPEAKERS



Hon. Henry Dele Alake Hon. Minister of Solid **Minerals Development**



Permanent Secretary Ministry of Solid Minerals Development



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Dr. Jumoke Oduwole Hon. Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment



Mrs. Ester Udo Head Investment Promotion and Mineral Trade, Ministry of Solid **Minerals Development**



Sir Obadiah Simon Nkom **Director General Nigeria** Mining Cadastre Office



Nonye Ayeni Executive Director/CEO Nigeria Export Promotion Council (NEPC)



Sir. Olasupo Olusi MD/CEO Bank of Industry (BOI)



Dist. Sen. Ekong Sampson Chairman Senate Committee on Solid Minerals



Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi RSV, ANIVS Chairman, House Committee on Solid Minerals Development



Sir Dele Ayankele **President Miners Association** of Nigeria



Engr. Hassan Albarka National Vice President, Nigerian Mining Geoscience Society



Hon. (Engr) Bello Lawal **ALGON National President**



Alhaji Abdullahi Dantasidi National President, National Artisanal and Small Scale Mining Cooperative Society



Pince Mathew Onukwe PhD Minerals Commodities Consultant



Michael Akueche CEO Mica Equity Allocation Ltd

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Topic, Speakers And Breakout Sessions

DAY1:Tuesday 23rd September, 2025

- 07:30-07:45 Registration of Participants
- 07:45-08:00 Welcome Address by a Lead Partner for the Conference, Hajiya Fatima Umaru Shinkafi, Executive Secretary/CEO Solid Minerals Development Fund (SMDF)
- 08:00-08:20 Key Note Address by Hon. Henry Dele Alake, Honourable Minister of Solid Minerals Development
- 08:20-08:40 Official Opening of the Conference by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Your Excellency, Chief Bola Ahmed Tinubu GCFR
- 08:40-09:00 Synoptic Review of Nigeria's Mining Policy and Regulatory Framework in Implementation, Honourable Minister of Solid Minerals Development, Your Excellency, Hon. Henry Dele Alake
- 09:00-09:20 The Role of Solid Minerals Development Fund (SMDF) in Providing Financial Support and Incentives in the Mining industry by Hajiya Fatima Umaru Shinkafi, Executive Secretary/CEO Solid Minerals Development Fund (SMDF).
- 09:20-09:40 The Role of the Bank of Industry (BOI) in Administering the Financing of Artisanal Miners and Small and Medium Scale Miners in the Solid Minerals Sector by the MD/CEO Bank of Industry.
- 09:40-10:00 Challenges with the Private Sector funding of Mining Projects by the MD/CEO Access Bank Plc

10:00-10:20 Panel Discussion

- 10:20-10:40 Tea Break
- 10:40-11:00 The Role of the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment of Nigeria's Mineral Commodities by Hon. Dr. Jumoke Oduwole, Hon. Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment.
- 11:00-11:20 Mitigating Challenges Encountered By Artisanal Miners, Small And Medium Scale Miners in their Efforts to Trade and Export Mineral Commodities By Nonye Ayeni, Executive Director/CEO Nigeria Export Promotion Council (NEPC).
- 11:20-11:40 The Role of the Ministry of Solid Minerals Development in Promoting Investments and Minerals Commodities Trade by Dr. Mrs. Udo, Head Investment Promotion and Mineral Trade (IPMT) Ministry of Solid Minerals Development.

11:40-12:00 Panel Discussion

- 10:40-11:00 The Role of the House Committee on Solid Minerals Development in Crafting People Oriented Policies as well as Carrying Out their Oversight Functions by Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi, Chairman House Committee on Solid Minerals Development.
- 11:00-11:20 Exprorating Challenges Encountered by Indigenous Operators, Artisanal Miners, Small and Medium Scale Miners in Attempt to Engage in the Business of Mining in Nigeria by;
 - The President, Miners Association of Nigeria (MAN), Sir. Dele Ayankele.
 - President, Nigerian Mining Geoscience Society (NMGS).
 - President, Nigerian Society of Mining Engineers, Engr. Hassan Albarka
- 11:20-11:40 The Role of the Local Government Area, LGA Chairmen, Traditional Rulers, President Generals, Community Leaders/Chiefs, Host Communities, Youths and Women in Complementing Government's efforts in Ensuring the Security of Mining Sites and Peaceful Co-existence of the Mining Firms and their Host Communities by the President, Association of Local Government of Nigeria (ALGON), Hon. Engr. Bello Lawal.

12:00-12:20 Alleviating the Hardship of the Artisanal Miners, Small and Medium Scale Miners in the Solid Minerals Sector by the National President, National Artisanal and Small Scale Mining Cooperative Society, Alhaji Abdullahi Dantasidi.

12:20-12:40 Panel Discussion

- 12:40-01:00 Procedural Guidelines for the Acquisition of Mining, Prospecting, Exploration and Lease Licences in the Mining Industry by Sir. Obadiah Simon Nkom, Director General, Mining Cadastral Office (MCO).
- 01:20-01:40 The Role of Artisanal Miners, Small and Medium Scale Miners in Complementing Government Efforts in the Solid Minerals Sector, by Director Artisanal and Small and Medium Scale Mining Department, Ministry of Solid Minerals Development.
- 01:40-02:00 The effect of Mining Licencing Institutions to Investors by Prince Mathew Onwukwe Ph.D, CEO, VM Global Africa Commodity Ltd.
- 02:00-02:20 Building Generational Wealth, Leveraging Minerals Resources for all Nigerians by Michael Akueche MD/CEO Mica Equity Allocation Limited.
- 02:20-02:40 The Role of the Raw Materials Research and Development Council (RMRDC) in Promoting Local Content in the Natural and Solid Minerals Industry, by the Director General/CEO Raw Materials Research and Development Council (RMRDC), Prof. Nnanyelugo Ike-Muonso

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02:40-03:40 Panel Discussion

- 03:40-04:30 Lunch
- 04:30-05:00 Closing Remarks
- 03:40-04:30 End of Conference Day 1

DAY2:Wednesday 24th September, 2025

- 07:30-07:45 Registration of Participants
- 07:45-08:00 Welcome Address by a Lead Partner and Sponsor of the Conference
- 08:00-08:20 Key Note Address by a Lead Partner and Sponsor of the Conference
- 08:20-08:40 Official Opening of the Conference by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Your Excellency, Chief Bola Ahmed Tinubu GCFR

The Role of the State Governments in Providing Support and Incentives to Assist Local and Artisanal Miners Operating in Organized Corporate and Regulated Environment by State Governors

- 08:40-09:10 Executive Governor of Nasarawa State, His Excellency Engr. Abdullahi A. Sule
- 09:10-09:40 Executive Governor of Imo State, His Excellency Hope Uzodinma
- 09:40-10:10 Executive Governor of Borno State, His Excellency Babagana Umara Zulum CON
- 10:10-10:40 Tea Break
- 10:40-11:10 Executive Governor of Lagos State, His Excellency Babajide Sanwo-olu
- 11:10-11:40 Executive Governor of Taraba State, His Excellency Agbu Kefas
- 11:40-12:10 Executive Governor of Zamfara State, His Excellency Dauda Lawal CON

12:10-12:40 Panel Discussion

Deliberate Investments that Will Culminate in the Solid Minerals Mining, Processing and Trade of Value Added Products to Enhance Economic Diversification, Job Creation and Employment.

12:40-01:10	Executive Governor of Akwalbom State, His Excellency Pastor Umo Bassey Eno
01:10-01:40	Executive Governor of Enugu State, His Excellency Peter Mbah
01:40-02:10	Executive Governor of Kaduna State, His Excellency Uba Sani
02:10-02:40	Executive Governor of Ogun State, His Excellency Adedapo Abiodun MFR
02:40-03:10	Executive Governor of Kogi State, His Excellency, Ahmed Usman Ododo

- 03:10-03:40 Executive Governor of Kano State, His Excellency Abba Kabir Yusuf
- 03:40-04:00 Lunch

04:00-04:20 Panel Discussion

The Role of the Newly Established Regional Development Commissions in Complementing the Efforts of Government in the Solid Minerals Sector of the Economy

04:20-04:40	Hon. Mark Okoye II, MD/CEO South East Development Commission SEDC
04:40-05:00	Alhaji Mohammed Goni Alkali, MD/CEO North East Development Commission (NEDC)
05:00-05:20	Dr. Usoro Akpabio, MD/CEO South South Development Commission SEDC
05:20-05:40	MD/CEO North West Development Commission NWDC, Professor Abdullahi Shehu Ma'aji
05:40-06:00	Engr. Ahmed Yusuf, MD/CEO North Central Development Commission NCDC
06:00-06:20	Dr. Charles Akinola MD/CEO South West Development Commission SWDC

- 06:20-06:30 Closing Remarks by a Lead Partner and Sponsor of the Conference/Presentation of Communique
- 06:30-06:40 Close Of Conference/Attendance/Certificate Ceremony
- 06:20-06:30 End of Day Session and Conference

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A Picture Session of the Vice President of the Federal Republic Of Nigeria, Honourable minister of Solid Minerals Development of Nigeria & that of the other African Countries at AFNIS, 2024

MD/CEO with the Chairman Senate Committee on Solid Minerals Development



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Federal Ministry of Solid Minerals Development Stand at the AFNIS, 2024

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Enugu State Stand During AFNIS, 2024

Mr. Olusola Olajide on behalf of the Honourable Minister of Solid Minerals Development unveiled the Book "Building Generational Wealth, Leveraging Mineral Commodities" written by Michael Akueche the Convener, Africa Commodities Conference and Exhibitions (ACCE) at the Inaugural Event held at Transcorp Hilton Hotel on 21st May, 2025.



Partnership Award presented to Hajiya Fatima Umaru Shinkafi, Executive Secretary Solid Minerals Development Fund (SMDF) in acknowledgment of your successful partnership with the Africa Finance Corporation AFC on catalyzing private sector-led mining projects in Nigeria



IMAGES OF NATURAL AND SOLID MINERALS RESOURCES DISCOVERED IN NIGERIAN COMMERCIAL QUANTITIES BY STATES SOUTH SOUTH:

1. AKWA IBOM

Clay	Glass Sand	Salt	Silica sand
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Granite	Coal	Lignite	Crude oil
Natural Gas	Uranium		

2. BAYELSA

Salt	Crude oil	Natural Gas	Silica sand
Bentonite	Limestone	Glass Sand	

3. CROSS RIVER

Salt	Limestone	Coal	Manganese
Mica	Limonite	Quartz	Glass Sand
Tourmaline	Crude oil	Natural Gas	Kaolin`
Tin Ore	Sharp Sand	Spring Water	Salt Deposit
Talc	Granite	Galena	Lead
Zinc	Muscovite	Uranium	Bauxite
Lithium	26		

4. DELTA			
Kaolin	Laterite	Gravel	Silica sand
	29		
Natural Gas	Crude oil	Ball Clay	Bauxite
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Granite	Sharp Sand	Clay	Spring Water

5.EDO

Chalcopyrite	Copper	Gold	Marble
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Granite	Gypsum	Crude oil	Diatomite
Lignite	Limestone	Clay	Ceramics
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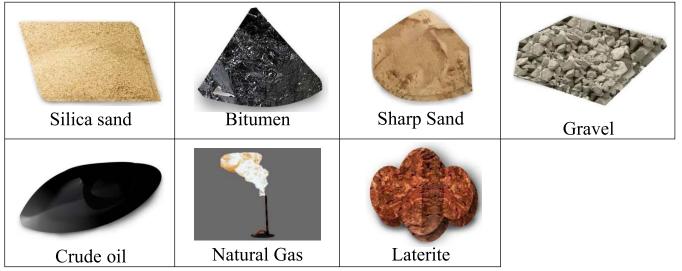
		REAL	
Silica sand	Glass Sand	Clay	Crude oil
Natural Gas			

SOUTH WEST:

7. EKITI

Clay	Chalcopyrite	Quartz	Lignite
Granite	Gemstone	Bauxite	Cassiterite
Tantalite	Feldspar	Kaolin	Lithium
Syenite	Titanium		

8. LAGOS



9. OGUN

Kaolin	Feldspar	Silica sand	Mica
Granite	Clay	Phosphate	Gypsum
Limestone	Quartz	Tar Sand	

10.ONDO

Marble	Gold	Gemstone	Diatomite
Lignite	Uranium	Gypsum	Kaolin
Crude oil	Natural Gas	Clay	Bitumen
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11.OSUN

Coal

Clay	Granite	Talc	Dolonite
Feldspar	Quartz	Mica	Limestone
Gold	Columbite	Tantalite	Tourmaline

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Clay	Feldspar	Granite	Illmenite
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Iron Ore	Kaolin	Quartz	Talc
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Marble	Dolomite	Tourmaline	Aquamarine
Amethyst	Gemstone		

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SOUTH EAST:

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Glass Sand	Limestone	Salt	Shale
			27
Ball Clay	Galena	Laterite	Bentonite
Phosphate	Kaolin	Pyrite	Feldspar
Crude Oil	Natural Gas	Lignite	Gypsum
		A Composition	
Sphalerite	Clay	Marble	

14. ANAMBRA

Clay	Iron Stone	Natural Gas	Crude oil
		Inatural Gas	
Sand Stone	Kaolin	Pyrite	Lignite

15. EBONYI

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Coal

Lead	Zinc Ore	Salt	Limestone
Ball Clay	Refractory Clay	Gypsum	Granite

16. ENUGU

Kaolintic ClayImage: Class SandImage: Class SandImage: Class SandImage: Class SandImage: Class SandImage: Class SandImage: Class Sand	Laterite	Clay	Crude Oil	Natural Gas
	Kaolintic Clay	Tron Ore	Glass Sand	Gypsum
Silica SandCeramicsCoalLithium	Silice Sand		Coal	Lithium

17. IMO

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Natural Gas	Crude Oil	Shale	Kaolin
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Lead	Zinc	Clay	Limestone
Salt	Marble		
	33		

NORTH EAST:

18. ADAMAWA

Feldspars	Fluorspar	Marble	Gypsum
Magnesite	Tantalite	Rock crystal	Laterites
Topaz	Sand Stones	Mercury	Glass Sand
Zircon	Spiral	Emerald	Graphite
Beryl	Tourmaline	4 Mica	Clay Minerals
Diatomite	Coal	Garnet	Aquamarine

Gold Dust	Zoisite	Cassaterite	Agate
Amethysl	Chalcopyrite	Kaolin	Limestone
Chalcedony	Onyx	Bauxite	Zinc
Tin	Uranium	Quartz	Iron Ore
Wolframite	Columbite	Platinum	Ruby

19. BAUCHI

Kaolin	Trona	Gypsum	Cassiterite
Mica	Clay	Tantalite	Galena
Zircon	<u>Illmenite</u>	Iron Ore	Gemstone
Sphalerite	Silica sand	Bauxite	Columbite
Zinc	Lead	Muscovite	Quartz
Tin	Glass Sand	Monazite	Feldspar
Graphite	Wolframite	Coal	Agate
Rutile	Tungsten	Copper	Talc
Cobalt	24		

20. BORNO

Silica sand	Salt	Sapphire	Topaz
Mica	Quartz	Gypsum	Uranium
Iron ore	Megnesite	Feldspar	Granite
Aquamarine	Nepheline	Limestone	Kaolin
Bentonite	Laterite	Refractory Clay	Trona
Gold	Tin	Potash	Californium

21. GOMBE

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Graphite	Kaolin	Limestone	Silica Sand
Uranium	Coal	Halite	Clay
		Garage	
Gypsum	Diatomite	Granite	
			37

22. TARABA

Fluorspar	Garnet	Tourmaline	Sapphire
Zircon	Tantalite	Columbite	Cassiterite
Beryte	Galena	Limestone	Laterite
Calcite	Bentonite	Feldspar	Mica
Pyrite	Uranium	Gemstone	

23. YOBE

Trona	Salt	Diatomite	Clay
Gypsum	Kaolin	Silica sand	Limestone
Epsomite	Iron Ore	Shale	
	38		

NORTH WEST:

24. JIGAWA

Glass Sand	Granite	Laterite	Silica sand
		and the second s	
Kaolin	Iron Ore	Quartz	Potash
Talc	Illmenite	Gemstone	Columbite

25.Kaduna

Muscovite	Granite	Gold	Manganese
Clay	Graphite	Sand	Zircon
Kyanite	Tin Ore	Illmenite	Gemstone
Columbite	39		

26. KANO

Clay	Laterite	Cassiterite	Columbite
Illmenite	Galena	Chromite	Kaolin
Gemstone	Silica sand	Tin Ore	Monazite
Wolframite	Thorium	Granite	Beryl
Amethyst	Gold	Cobalt	

27. KATSINA

Gold	Manganese	Laterite	Clay
Feldspar	Tourmaline	Amethyst	Quartz
	Mins		Gillimonita
Kaolin	Mica	Gypsum	Sillimanite
Chromite	Granite	Sand	Tourmaline
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Silica sand	Illmenite	Diamond	Graphite
Iron ore	Potash		
		40	

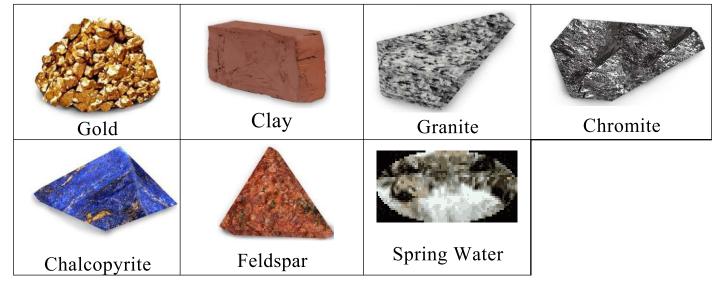
28. KEBBI

Salt	Iron ore	Gemstone	Marble
Limestone	Feldspar	Dolonite	Phosphate
Mica	Cassiterite	Gold	Quartz
Manganese	Magnesite	Copper	

29. SOKOTO

Silica sand	Clay	Salt	Limestone
Phosphate	Cungum		Laterite
	Gypsum	Kaolin	Laterite
	Card Mark		
Potash	Granite	41	

30. ZAMFARA



NORTH CENTRAL:

31. BENUE

Gemstone	Barite	Feldspar	Marble
Mica	Silica sand	Quartz	Galena
Lead	Zinc Ore	Clay	Sand stone
Fluorspar	Wolframite	Bauxite	Shale
Magnesite	Illmenite	Lithium	42

32. KOGI

Clay	Iron ore	Gemstone	Marble
Feldspar	Dolonite	Phosphate	Mica
Granite	Ornamental Stone	Coal	Limestone
Tin	Crude oil	Natural Gas	Lithium

33. KWARA

Clay	Kaolin	Silica sand	Quartz
Dolomite	Marble	Feldspar	Gold
Tantalite	Cassiterite	Granite	Limestone
Lithium	42		

34. NASSARAWA

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Cassiterite	Gemstone	Amethyst	Beryl
Cassileine	Ochistolic	Amethyst	Deryi
Chalcopyrite	Barite	Galena	Monazite
Zircon	Glass Sand	Coal	Crude oil
Natural Gas	Lithium		

35. NIGER

Clay	Limestone	Granite	Glass Sand
Iron ore	Red Clay	Feldspar	Silica sand
Quartz	Asbestos	Marble	Talc
Tin	Gemstone	Gold	Manganese
43			

Phosphate	Gypsum	Tantalite	Uranium
Thosphuce	Gypsum		
Crude oil	Natural Gas	Cobalt	Nickel

Molybdenum 36. PLATEAU

Feldspar Columbite Clay Monazite Cassiterite Dolomite Gemstone Kaolin Zircon Marble Limonite Mica Galena Talc Bauxite Quartz Tin Molybdenum

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Limestone	Kaolin	Granite	Marble
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Mica	Dolonite	Clay	Sand
Talc	Lead	Zinc	Gold
Cassiterite	Tantalite		

ABOUT THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF SOLID MINERALS DEVELOPMENT

The Federal Ministry of Solid Minerals Development is a government Ministry in Nigeria that is responsible for the exploration, development and processing of solild Minerals in the Country. it was established in 1985, with the aim of promoting the exploration and exploitation of Nigeria's Solid Minerals for economic development.

The Ministry is responsible for formulating and implementing policies and regulations that govern the exploration, minning and exportation of solid minerals. it also coordinates and monitors the activities of various stakeholders in the solid minerals sector, including minning companies, artisanal miners and Mineral Processing Companies

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"Established to drive and catalyze mining investments.: The solid Minerals Development Fund (The "SMDF" of "Fund") is a sovereign Fund established by the Government of Nigeria to drive and catalyze private sector-led investments in Nigeria's Mining Sector.

Mandate

"Unlocking financing for mining projects."

SMDF's mandate is to unlock financing to promoted the growth of SMDF's mandate is to unlock financing to promote the growth of Nigeria's mining sector and improve economic parameters such as job creation and mining sector contribution to GDP while ensuring sufficient returns to the Fund.

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- 3. Exportation and Transportation of Mineral Commodities anywhere in the World
- 4. Organization of Host Communities, Impacted Areas, Artisanal Miners, Small and Medium Scale Businesses in the Mining Industry.

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