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## **LIST OF ACRONYMS**

<b>CLTC</b>	<b>Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre</b>
<b>CSOs</b>	<b>Civil Society of Nigeria</b>
<b>FMYD</b>	<b>Federal Ministry of Youth Development</b>
<b>MDAs</b>	<b>Ministries, Departments and Agencies</b>
<b>MHPS</b>	<b>Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support Programmes</b>
<b>NAPTIP</b>	<b>National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons</b>
<b>NBS</b>	<b>National Bureau of Statistics</b>
<b>NCTC-ONSA</b>	<b>National Counter-Terrorism Centre – Office of the National Security Adviser</b>
<b>NCYD</b>	<b>National Council on Youth Development</b>
<b>NGOs</b>	<b>Non-Governmental Organisations</b>
<b>NIYEAP</b>	<b>Nigerian Youth Employment Action Plan</b>
<b>NOA</b>	<b>National Orientation Agency</b>
<b>NPF</b>	<b>Nigeria Police Force</b>
<b>NYCN</b>	<b>National Youth Council of Nigeria</b>
<b>NYP</b>	<b>National Youth Policy</b>
<b>NYRM</b>	<b>National Youth and Revenue Mapping Project</b>
<b>NYSC</b>	<b>National Youth Service Corp</b>
<b>NYWA</b>	<b>Nigeria Youth Workers Association</b>
<b>SAP-YPS</b>	<b>State Action Plans on Youth, Peace and Security</b>
<b>STEM</b>	<b>Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics</b>
<b>SYEAC</b>	<b>State Youth Employment Action Committees</b>
<b>UNFPA</b>	<b>United Nation Population Fund</b>
<b>UNODC</b>	<b>United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime</b>
<b>UNSCR</b>	<b>United Nation Security Council Resolution</b>
<b>YEG-P</b>	<b>Youth Eco-Green Program</b>
<b>YIDM</b>	<b>Youth Innovation Development Centre</b>





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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The seventh (7th) Meeting of the National Council on Youth Development (NCYD), with the theme “*Transforming and Repositioning the Nigerian Youth to Thrive and Catalyze Economic Development*” was held at the Multipurpose Hall, Government House, Maiduguri, Borno State, from Tuesday, 10th to Thursday, 12th December, 2024.

The meeting was attended by Four Hundred and Ninety-Eight (498) participants, including the Executive Governor of Borno State, Honourable Minister of Youth Development, Federal Permanent Secretaries for the Ministries of Youth Development and Foreign Affairs, Honourable Commissioners responsible for Youth Development from various States of the Federation and the Federal Capital Territory, State Permanent Secretaries, Director-General and Directors of related Federal and State Ministries and Agencies, officials from Federal and State Ministries and Agencies, development Partners, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Academia, and members of the Press.

The meeting was preceded by a two-day Technical Session chaired by Mr. Olubunmi Olusanya, Permanent Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development. During the session, a total of seventy-eight (78) memoranda were received and evaluated from Federal and State Ministries of Youth Development nationwide, including the FCT, NGOs and Academia. Recommendations were then made for onward presentation to the Council for consideration.

The opening ceremony of the Council meeting commenced with a welcome address by the Honourable Commissioner for Youth Empowerment and Sports, Borno State, Comrade Saina Buba. Following this, goodwill messages were delivered by representatives from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Dr. Babatunde Adelekan, the United Nations Office on Drugs Crime (UNODC), Mr. Yerima Mustapha, the Office of the National Security Adviser, Mrs. Iyem, the National Association of Youth Workers (NYWA), Mr. Durotoye, and the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs ably represented by Dr. Dunuma Ibrahim, the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Thereafter, the meeting featured a paper presentation by Professor Musa Abdullahi, the guest speaker, on 'Transforming and Repositioning the Nigerian Youth to Thrive and Catalyze Economic Development'. His lecture provided an overview of the youth in Nigeria, highlighted the role of Nigerian youth as catalysts for development, discussed the challenges they face, explored the relationship between Nigerian youth and national development, and offered strategies for transforming and repositioning the youth along with his recommendations.

It is noteworthy that the Director General of Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre (C&LTC), Mr. Adesoji Eniade also delivered a presentation on the Role of Citizenship and Leadership Training in Repositioning the Nigerian Youth for Economic Prosperity.

The Keynote Address was delivered by the Honourable Minister of Youth Development, Comrade Ayodele Olawande, followed by the Chief Host, His Excellency, Professor Babagana Umara Zulum, CON, MNI, FNSE,



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FNIAE, Executive Governor of Borno State, who officially declared the 7th Meeting of the National Council on Youth Development open. In his speech, the Honourable Minister of Youth Development stated that the Federal Government remains committed to working with all stakeholders to achieve the outcomes of the Council and create a brighter future where every young Nigerian have access to quality education, healthcare and economic opportunities.

The vote of thanks was then delivered by the Honourable Commissioner for Youth Development, Cross River State, Barrister Ijom Odum Ukam on behalf of the Forum of State Commissioners for Youth Development and Mr. Chukwuka Anthony, Director of Planning, Research, and Statistics at FMYD.

The Council's Session commenced with the Honourable Minister of Youth Development, who also serves as the Chairman of the Council, setting forth the procedures for the meeting. As the session progressed, the Chairman presented seventy-three (73) memoranda to the Council, which included various proposals, reports, and initiatives aimed at enhancing youth development across the nation.

After thorough deliberations, the Council approved Twenty-Seven (27) Action Memoranda, which will be implemented to address key areas identified for improvement. Additionally, Twenty (20) Memoranda were stepped down, due to insufficient information and the Council also took note of twenty (20) Memoranda that were acknowledged for their informational value but did not require council action, while Six (6) Memoranda were merged with other Memoranda with similar requests.

At the end of the Council Meeting, a Communique was issued on critical concern as affecting Youth Development. Following extensive discussions, some observations were made and Council unanimously agreed and adopted the resolutions.



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### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The Seventh (7th) Meeting of the National Council on Youth Development (NCYD), with the theme “*Transforming and Repositioning the Nigerian Youth to Thrive and Catalyze Economic Development*”, was held at the Government House Multi-purpose Hall, Maiduguri, Borno State, from Monday, 9th – Friday, 13th December, 2024. The Meeting was tagged “Borno 2024” by the Borno State Government.

The National Council on Youth Development (NCYD) is the highest policy making body on matters relating to Youths in Nigeria. The NCYD comprises the Honourable Minister of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development as the Chairman, the thirty-six (36) States Commissioners in charge of Youth Ministries in the States, including the FCT, and the Permanent Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development as the Secretary to the Council. The Technical Committee of the NCYD includes the Permanent Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development as the Chairman and the thirty-six (36) States Permanent Secretaries of States' Ministries in charge of Youth matters, including the FCT, as members.

### **2.0 ATTENDANCE**

The Meeting was attended by Five Hundred and Four (504) participants, including the Honourable Minister of Youth Development, Comrade Ayodele Olawande; His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Borno State, Prof. Babagana Umara Zulum; the Permanent Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development, Mr. Olubunmi Olusanya; representative of the Inspector-General of Police; the Right Honourable Speaker of the Borno State House of Assembly; the All Progressive Congress (APC) State Chairman; the Rt. Hon. Speaker of the Borno State House of Assembly; other members of the State Assembly; the Secretary to the Borno State Government; the Head of Service of Borno State; Senior Special Assistants and Special Assistants to the President; Chairman of the Borno Elders Forum, represented by the Secretary of the Forum and Chairman of the Borno Civil Service Commission and other members of the Forum; Honourable Commissioner of Youth, Sports Development and Poverty Alleviation, Borno State; Honourable Commissioners of Youth Development from across the thirty-six (36) States of the Federation including the Federal Capital Territory (FCT); Honourable Commissioners and members of the Borno State Executive Council; Security Commanders and members of the Borno State Security Council; Special Advisers; Senior Technical Assistants; Senior Special Assistants and Special Assistants to the Governor of Borno State; members of the State Working Committee of the APC; Permanent Secretaries; Chairmen of Commissions; Chief Executives of Boards and Parastatals both State and Federal; officials from Federal and State Ministries and Agencies; Local Government Chairmen; Development Partners; Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs); members of Civil Society Organisations (NGOs); Labour leaders; delegates to the 7th NCYD; Academia; Youths from across the nation; and members of the press.





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### **3.0 TECHNICAL SESSION**

#### **3.1 OPENING**

The Technical Meeting commenced with the recitation of the National Anthem. The Honourable Commissioner for Youth Empowerment and Sports, Borno State, Honourable Comrade Saina Buba, delivered the welcome address, while the opening remarks and the procedure for conducting the Technical Session were delivered by the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Youth Development, Mr. Olubunmi Olusanya.

The Director-General of the Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre (C&LTC), Mr. Adesoji Eniade, mni, presented a paper on the role of citizenship and leadership training in repositioning Nigerian youth for economic prosperity. Thereafter, the sessions broke into four thematic groups: Governance, Jobs, Skills and Innovation, Cultural and Behavioural Change, and Human Capital Development, to deliberate on submitted council memoranda.

The Technical Session received and considered seventy-eight (78) memoranda from the Federal Ministry of Youth Development, State Ministries for Youth, and other Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs). During the session, the Seventy-Eight (78) memoranda in four (4) thematic areas (Governance; Jobs, Skills

& Innovation; Human Capital Development; and Cultural & Behavioural Change) received from Federal and State Ministries of Youth Development nationwide, including the FCT, NGOs, and Academia were evaluated. After consideration, seventy-three (73) memoranda were passed by the Technical Committee, and recommendations were then made for onward presentation to the Council for consideration.

#### **3.2 PRESENTATION OF MEMORANDA**

Seventy-three (73) memoranda were presented to the Council by the Technical Committee for consideration. The Council deliberated extensively on the memoranda and thereafter, approved twenty-seven (27) memoranda, noted twenty (20) that were for information purposes only, stepped down twenty (20) memoranda that did not meet the requirements for consideration, and directed that six (6) of the memoranda be merged with other memoranda with similar requests. The details of the seven-thirty (73) memoranda, with the Council's deliberations and decisions, are summarized in Annexure A.



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### **COUNCIL SESSION**

#### **4.1 OPENING**

The Plenary Session of the Seventh (7th) Council Meeting was held on Thursday, 13th December, 2024. The opening ceremony which was tagged “Borno 2024” commenced with the rendition of the National Anthem.

#### **4.2 OPENING PRAYER**

Honourable Tijjani Goni, Special Adviser to the Governor of Borno State on Animal Development, offered the opening prayer.

#### **4.3 WELCOME ADDRESS**

The Honourable Commissioner, Borno State Ministry of Youth, Sports Development and Poverty Alleviation, Honourable Comrade Saina Buba, in his address, welcomed members and all stakeholders to Maiduguri, the ancient city of Kanem-Borno, the “Home of Peace”, for the 7th Session of the National Council on Youth Development (NCYD). He particularly appreciated the Executive Governor of Borno State, Professor Babagana Umara Zulum, for his resilience and determination, who, in the face of numerous adversities like the recent flood disaster, insisted on hosting this all- important meeting. He stated that the seventh meeting of the NYCD would create a veritable platform for taking decisions that will forge a brighter future together, acknowledging the incredible potentials of our young leaders. He further stated that, as a Commissioner of Youth, he is aware of the challenges faced by youths in Borno State, yet he is inspired by their resilience, creativity, and determination of the young people as they are not just the future but are the present drivers of change, even in the face of hardship. He went on to outline a few of the achievements of the Babagana Umara-led administration within the span of ten (10) months, specifically from November 2020 to August 2021, as follows:

- I. First batch disbursement of intervention fund to the tune of One billion, Sixty-One Million, Two Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand Naira (₦1,061,235,000) only to two thousand, eight hundred and seventy-seven (2,877) able youths, five hundred and eleven (511) physically challenged persons, two hundred and sixty-seven (267) lepers, and compensations for one hundred and fifty-five (155) dead deceased individuals;
- ii. Another batch of payment to the tune of Five Hundred and Seventy-Two Million, One Hundred Thousand Naira (₦572, 100,000) only was spent on the youth integration training programme in polytechnics;
- iii. Three Hundred and Nine Million, Eight Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira (₦329,850,000) only was given to three (3) Local Government youth development impact initiatives;
- iv. The Borno State Government collaborated with the Bank of Industry to disburse Two Billion, Five Hundred and Fifty Million Naira (₦2,150,000,000) only as a matching grant to twenty-four (24) cooperative societies in Borno State;



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- v. The administration has set up seventeen (17) well-equipped entrepreneurial skills acquisition centres, and almost all the Local Government Areas have benefitted from them it;
- vi. 1000 Electric motorbikes have been distributed to youth as a form of empowerment;
- vii. One Hundred and Forty Million Naira (₦140,000,000) is being deposited as transportation support to youths who indicate interest in returning to farming; and
- viii. In collaboration with the Ministry of Transportation, Fifteen Thousand (15,000) youths were employed and trained as Road Marshals for the Borno State Transport Management Agency (BOTMA) to reduce unemployment.

He also recognized the support of the Development Partners and other key stakeholders, most especially the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), in ameliorating some of the youth challenges. He therefore urged the Council to openly engage in discussing the pressing issues affecting our youth in all ramifications, sharing insights, in order to come up with innovative solutions bearing in mind that the potential of our youth is not limited to any region or background, hence the need to join hands to unlock their greatness and the that of the nation in the long run.

### **4.4 GOODWILL MESSAGES**

#### **4.4.1 UNITED NATIONS POPULATION FUND (UNFPA)**

The representative of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Dr. Babatunde Adelekan, expressed delight at the opportunity given to him to deliver a goodwill message on behalf of the UNFPA in the Council Meeting. He informed that the theme of the Council Meeting was timely and resonates deeply with the UNFPA's mission of empowering young people to realize their full potential. He added that Nigeria today stands at a pivotal point in its development journey, stating that with over 60 percent of its population under the age of twenty-five (25), the country is blessed with one of the world's most dynamic and promising youth demographics, which can be a driving force of sustainable development, peace and economic prosperity if adequately empowered and supported. He stressed that UNFPA strongly believes that investing in the holistic development of young people, such as providing access to quality education, relevant skills training, healthcare, economic opportunities, and creating safe spaces where young people can actively participate in decision-making processes that shapes their future, is essential for national growth. He went on to mention that in partnership with the Federal Government of Nigeria, Civil Society Organisations, and the private sector, UNFPA has supported various youth-focused initiatives including the revision of the National Youth Policy, working with States across the Country to ensure they have a roadmap for youth development, providing a platform for meaningful youth engagement, and empowering a lot of young people through skills development and entrepreneurship initiatives.

Furthermore, he stated that to effectively reposition Nigerian youths as a catalyst for economic development, he urged all stakeholders to consider the need to enhance policy implementation through the full implementation of Nigeria's National Youth Policy;





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provide adequate resource allocation, particularly at the sub-national level; strengthen multi-sectoral collaborations and partners across all the sectors to provide integrated youth development; promote meaningful youth engagement involving young people in policy formulation, leadership and governance at all levels; ensure that young people have a seat at the table where decisions are being made about their future; foster civic engagement and leadership and promote youth-led initiatives that address social issues and promote positive change; and, support youth-driven innovations that address both local and global challenges while creating empowerment opportunities. He therefore called on the Council to remain committed to building a future where every Nigerian youth can thrive and contribute meaningfully to the nation's development. He concluded by stressing UNFPA's readiness to support and collaborate with the Government, Civil Society Organisations, and the private sector to transform the potential of the Nigerian Youth into an unstoppable force for positive change.

### **4.4.2 THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME (UNODC)**

Alhaji Yerima Mustapha, representing the Country Representative, who is also an indigene of Borno State, appreciated His Excellency, the Governor of Borno State, Professor Babagana Umara Zulum, for his leadership style. As an organization, he said that UNODC has been working closely with the Governments of Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States through the youth-championed initiatives designed to project the narrative of peacebuilding and reconciliation efforts that the Governments of these States have been undertaking. He spoke further on the achievements of UNODC over the years, which include reaching out to marginalized communities and supporting the protection of children in terrorist challenged communities. This programme has been handed over to the Borno State Government under the leadership of Honourable Gambo, the Borno State Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development, and also the State Chapter of the National Orientation Agency. He concluded by calling on youths who have ideas that can be harnessed to make Borno State better to reach out to them, especially now that the Governor is working assiduously in that direction.

### **4.4.3 NATIONAL COUNTER TERRORISM CENTRE**

The representative of the National Coordinator of the National Counter-Terrorism Centre, Office of the National Security Adviser, Mrs. Iyem, extended the warm regards of the National Coordinator to the Council who appreciated the stakeholders for organizing the 7th NCYD. She stressed the timeliness of the event and communicated the determination of the ONSA to steadfastly support these platforms under the leadership of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development. She mentioned that for over a decade, Nigeria has faced the threat of violent extremism leading to terrorism. To this end, the ONSA has resolved to partner with the Ministry of Youth Development and relevant stakeholders to achieve peace in the nation. Speaking further, she said that the fact that the youth form the major component of violent extremist groups in Nigeria calls for concern and concerted effort from everyone, taking into cognizance that there can be no development without peace and security.

The ONSA, through the implementation of the Policy Framework and National Action Plan for preventing and countering violent extremism, is collaborating with the United Nations Office of Counter-terrorism and the United Nations Centre for Counter-terrorism on the youth engagement and empowerment programme. This programme aims to empower and



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enable young people to contribute towards efforts to prevent and counter violent extremism, while also adding value to efforts to build the resilience of victims and fight against violent extremism and terrorism. The ONSA wishes to leverage the structure of the Alumni of this programme, which cuts across the six (6) geo-political zones of the country, using it as a focal point while working with the Federal Ministry of Youth Development. Consequently, she stated that the NCTC-ONSA continues to review its policy partnerships and coordination frameworks to meet the dynamism of youth in peacebuilding and economic processes in the country. She concluded by reiterating that the National Counter-Terrorism ONSA is committed to working with the Federal Ministry of Youth Development and all partners to that young people, who are a great resource in this country, are utilized to achieve national peace and security.

#### **4.4.4 YOUTH ORGANISATIONS**

Sir, Ben Duotoye, the National President of the Nigerian Youth Workers Association, the umbrella body of Youth Development Practitioners in Nigeria, spoke on behalf of all Youth organizations. He commended and thanked the Governor of Borno State for hosting the National Council on Youth Development seeing that the last one was held about five (5) years ago, and encouraged him to continue the great work he is doing in the State. He corroborated the achievements of the Governor as highlighted by the Honourable Commissioner of Borno State in his speech by saying that, in his interactions with some of the youths while visiting some of the skills acquisition centres, he discovered that all that was said was true. On this note, he mentioned that, after having a meeting with the National Executive of the Nigerian Youth Workers Association present at the Council Meeting, comprising State Directors, and leaders of voluntary organisations, they had unanimously agreed to name the Headquarters of their office, which is to be commissioned in January, after the name of the Executive Governor of Borno State i.e Professor Babagana Zulum House, and hopes that, through collaboration with the Honourable Minister, he will be present to commission the office.. Still on this, he mentioned that Mr. President, Bola Ahmed Tinubu is the number one youth worker, followed by the Honourable Minister of Youth Development as number two youth worker, and Borno State's number one youth worker is the Governor of the State, and, as such, he was decorated as a Fellow of the Nigeria Youth Workers Association.

#### **4.4.5 DR. AHMED DUNOMA**

The Permanent Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Ahmed Dunoma Umar representing the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, appreciated and congratulated the Governor of Borno State for hosting the Council Meeting which speaks so much of his continued commitment and contribution to nation building and his unrelenting drive for good governance and sustainable development in the country. He also expressed delight in the choice of the theme for this year's Council, which is apt and topical especially in the time when the Bola Tinubu-led administration change agenda is paying special attention to youth empowerment and development. He said that when Governments at both Federal and State levels are vigorously pursuing policies aimed at creating opportunities and avenues that can empower the youth to contribute meaningfully to their communities and the country. He applauded the Borno State Government over the recently launched comprehensive





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development initiative aimed at empowering youth, supporting teachers, and boosting the local economy in Borno State. He therefore urged the young ones to embrace all ongoing youth development and reforms being launched by the Federal and State Governments with a view to bringing real transformation and change to build a better future. He concluded by thanking the Governor of the state for accepting to host the National Council even when he was the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Youth Development. He thanked him for not going back on his word even when the state was hit by the flood disaster. He also thanked the Honourable Minister of Youth Development, the current Permanent Secretary and the Management staff of the Ministry for pushing through to see that the Council becomes a reality.

### **4.5 KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

The Honourable Minister of Youth Development, Comrade Ayodele Olawande, in his address, appreciated the Governor and the good people of Borno State for hosting the 7th National Council on Youth Development. He stated that this annual gathering reflects our collective commitment in advancing the interests of the young people in the country and he affirmed that our collective effort and contribution will lead to a productive outcome that will empower the young people of this country. He deeply appreciated the Governor of Borno State “the youth father” for hosting this all-important event despite the recent flooding, challenges and experiences that the State was going through which shows that his commitment to youth development is not in doubt and his hospitality has been very impressive. Speaking further, he said that this event was last held Five (5) years ago has been revived due to his leadership and support. He therefore called on all Governors to emulate the Borno State Governor by making youth development a priority in their respective States. He also mentioned that the theme of the event is aimed at transforming and repositioning the Nigerian Youth so that we will thrive in sustainable growth. To unlock the potentials of our youth, we must address the challenges that limits the abilities of our youth. To this end, he said decisions that will be reached at the Council Meeting will be guided by the key points of the theme (Governance, Job, Skills and Innovation, Culture and Behavioural Change, Human Capital Development) all of which are important in improving the quality of life of the young people. He therefore urged all Council members to join him in embracing these innovative solutions, actionable strategies, and collective approach that will empower the youth to thrive and focus on creating the legacy that we want Nigeria youth to play. He appreciated everyone that has worked tirelessly to ensure that this Council Meeting is a success and assured everyone that they will work with all stakeholders to achieve the outcome of this Council Meeting because no country ever prospers without making youth development a priority and called on all hands to be on deck to see the Nigeria of our dreams as this Government is set to support, empower and protect the youths.

### **4.6 OPENING ADDRESS**

The Executive Governor of Borno State, His Excellency, Prof. Babagana Umara Zulum, CON, mni, FNSE, FNIAE in his address welcomed the Hon. Minister of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development, Council members and all stakeholders to Maiduguri, Borno State. He acknowledged the importance of youth development in the nation's growth and progress. He expressed his delight in hosting this year's National Council on Youth Development where stakeholders brainstorm, innovate, interact and collaborate for the betterment of our nation. He mentioned that the State is greatly honoured to have hosted two





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(2) National Councils within the span of two (2) weeks. He stated that the youth are the backbone of the society hence it behooves the nation to provide all the resources and support they need to thrive and develop to their full potentials. He stated further that investing in young people translates to investing in the nation's future and therefore reiterated the commitment of his government to creating opportunities for youths to grow and be successful. This, he buttressed by mentioning some of the initiatives his government has implemented aimed at empowering Borno youths including vocational training skills and programmes, education, scholarship distributions, tricycles, electric motor vehicles, and other entrepreneurial support. The youth population, he said, is an asset to the nation, which can translate to a very productive economy in the near future if well harnessed. He mentioned that the youth are faced with numerous challenges ranging from economic uncertainties, educational barriers and insufficient opportunities among many others. However, he said that it is inspiring to see many of our youths stepping out to become the architect of their destinies and our tomorrow. He informed the Council that Borno youths have greatly contributed to the peace and security and the overall development of the state. The seventh Council, he said, is expected to discuss strategies to harness the potential of youth, foster entrepreneurship, access to education, and ensure that every young person feels valued and supported. Moreover, he mentioned that it is imperative to address the unique needs of youths across different regions, and to embrace the diversities of our young people, ensuring that our policies are inclusive. Speaking on the review of the 2019 National Youth Policy, he called on the Council to break barriers in churning out policies that will give the youths the wings they need to fly. Speaking on his government, he said it is built on Seven (7) cardinal points, namely: Youth Empowerment, Education and Skills Acquisition, Entrepreneurial support, Job Creation, Sports and Recreation, Mental Health and Wellbeing, Good leadership and Civic Education. He expressed hope that the Council will come up with a robust, all-encompassing, effective and implementable National Youth Policy. He therefore charged everyone to work together to create and develop a clear and brighter future for young people and the nation as a whole.

He seized the opportunity to thank the Nigerian Youth Workers Association for naming their Headquarters after him and honouring him with a fellowship award and he assured them that he would attend the commissioning of the office as requested. He assured them that before the end of his tenure, many programmes that are geared towards youth development would be churned out. He congratulated the Honourable Minister on his well-deserved appointment as the Minister of Youth Development. He also thanked the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Bola Ahmed Tinubu and his Vice, Shettima for re-establishing NEMFUND; an agency that has sponsored about One Million (1,000,000) youths to study various programmes within the tertiary institutions in Nigeria. He thanked the Presidency for the foresight they have in establishing this agency. He also commended the organisers of this Council in Maiduguri and he assured that in the event that no other state is willing to host the next Council, Borno State is ready to host it again. At this point, he declared the Council Meeting opened.

### **4.7 PAPER PRESENTATION**

The theme of the 7th Council Meeting was “Transforming and Repositioning the Nigerian Youth to Thrive and Catalyze Economic Development”.

In his thematic analysis, Prof. Musa Abdullahi stated that the National Bureau of Statistics' 2020 report informed that Nigeria is home to one of the largest youth populations in the



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world, with approximately 60% of its population under the age of twenty-five (25).

This demography presents a unique economic growth and development opportunity if harnessed effectively. However, high unemployment rates, underemployment, and limited access to quality education and skills training hinder this potential. To transform and reposition Nigerian youth, it is essential to focus on enhancing education, fostering entrepreneurship, promoting skills development, and encouraging civic engagement. He further stated that youth and national development are intricately linked, as young people are future leaders and the workforce of a country. Investing in youth development is crucial for the progress and prosperity of a nation.

The youth in Nigeria and other regions of the globe are categorized as individuals who have the potential to shape the future of society. They are not only the future leaders but also the catalysts for change in the present. Young people represent a valuable human capital capable of making substantial contributions to the economic and political progress of the nation in many areas, such as education, healthcare, technology, and social justice. Accordingly, capitalizing on the entrepreneurial capacity of Nigeria's young population may provide the nation with fresh opportunities for economic expansion and creative advancement.

Prof. Musa Abdullahi also mentioned some of the challenges confronting the Nigerian youth as limited availability of practical and high-quality education, strictly restricted employment opportunities, lack of access to business assistance funds and migration, impairment of access to dependable healthcare, over-dependence on oil, over-exposure to negative western cultures, distanced from cherished cultural values, overexposure to the culture of greed and corruption, ethnicity and lack of National consciousness and others.

In proffering a way forward, he further stated that the government needed to provide a conducive environment for the young to accomplish their target goals. Thus, investing in the development of young people is crucial for the future of a nation due to the clear correlation between the attitude of young people and the aspirations for future growth in any community. However, the suffering caused by Boko Haram, militancy, armed robberies, scams, and other forms of social deviance may be attributed to the absence of effective governance and a clear vision for national progress.

After he mentioned that education and skill development, fostering civic engagement and leadership, and harnessing technology and innovation are the strategies for transforming and repositioning the youths, he gave the following recommendations as catalyze that will enable the youths to thrive for economic development: curriculum reform; enhanced access to funding; mentorship programmes; community engagement initiatives; technology accessibility; establishing a conducive socio-economic and political atmosphere; revitalizing and revamping the whole educational system at every level; vigorous campaign against all manifestations of corruption; and implementation of a strategy of youth's inclusion in all national agendas.

### **5.0 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTIONS**

Taking into account the theme of the 7th NYCD and the extensive discussions on all matters related to the memoranda presented, Council resolved as follows:

- i. Acknowledged the active participation of all participants and the valuable contributions received, which greatly contributed to the successful outcome of the Seventh





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meeting of the NYCD.

- ii. Commended the Federal Ministry of Youth Development for its outstanding efforts in fostering cohesion among youths through a variety of commendable initiatives and programs, which have promoted unity, collaboration, and empowerment, enabling young people to contribute meaningfully to national development.
- iii. Given the increasing number of gaps in Council memoranda submitted by States, the Federal Ministry of Youth Development should enhance the capacity of States in preparing these memoranda and develop a standardized template for the NCYD memoranda to ensure uniformity and consistency in all submissions.
- iv. Acknowledged the challenges facing the Nigerian youth and the need to empower them to contribute to National development and prosperity.
- v. Acknowledged the National Orientation Agency's engagement activities conducted with relevant parties, including youths, government agencies, and private sector organizations, to ensure a collaborative inclusive approach and information sharing.
- vi. Acknowledged NAPTIP's continuous partnership with organizations to provide vocational training and economic empowerment programs for vulnerable youth and victims of human trafficking that will promote innovation hubs and accelerators that provide young entrepreneurs with access to resources, mentorship, and funding.
- vii. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to enhance its communication of programs and projects to the States to facilitate replication where feasible and ensure the dissemination of valuable information to stakeholders.
- viii. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to establish an effective monitoring and evaluation framework to ensure proper assessment of the impact of programs and initiatives, and to enable appropriate interventions when necessary.
- ix. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to effectively coordinate and follow up on Council decisions to ensure timely implementation by all stakeholders.
- x. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to convene a quarterly meeting of the Honourable Minister, Commissioners of State accompanied by their respective Permanent Secretaries to review the progress made at repositioning youth to thrive and catalyze economic development.
- xi. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to review the National Youth Policy and subsequently, States should develop, review, and domesticate it, incorporating their local peculiarities.
- xii. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to initiate a legal framework for National Youth Policy (NYP) to promote youth inclusiveness in governance structures.
- xiii. Urged State Governments to create a platform for youth dialogue and advocacy such as the State Youth Parliament.





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- xiv. Urged the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to develop a Youth Data Base and encouraged States to do the same, ensuring comprehensive data collection and management.
- xv. Requested MDAs with youth-component initiatives/programmes to periodically submit reports of their activities to the Federal and State Ministries of Youth Development, for coordination purpose(s).
- xvi. Formation of the State Chapters of the Nigeria Youth Workers Association across the Federation, and encouragement of all Youth Work Practitioners to join.
- xvii. CLTC should be encouraged in providing the innovative leadership training that would enable the youth gain courage, self-confidence, team spirit, initiative and other essential qualities for good governance.
- xviii. State Governments should partner with the C&LTC to establish training schools in the States where none exists at the moment.
- xix. National Youth Service Corps to seek Presidential assent to establish a TRUST FUND, which will serve as an instrument that will facilitate the training and empowerment of Youth in different skills areas and provide start-up capital and grants to enable trained corps members establish their businesses.
- xx. The educational curriculum must be reformed to focus on practical skills that align with industry needs that is vital for equipping the youth with the necessary skills to thrive in a competitive market.
- xxi. Requested the Federal and State Governments to strengthen the implementation of NIYEAP and SYEAC at both Federal and State levels.
- xxii. Requested that CLTC establish Man O' War Clubs in the Secondary Schools nationwide in order to sensitize the young people on moral and cultural values which will impact positively on their personal and national life.
- xxiii. Requested the Federal and State Governments to establish the Youth Eco-Green Program (YEG-P) for tree planting in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment at Federal and State level.
- xxiv. Requested the State Governments to establish Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support Programmes (MHPS) at State levels in view of the fact that young people are battling with mental health issues.
- xxv. Requested State Governments to allocate at least 15% of the States' budget for Youth Development and to be domiciled in the Ministry in charge of Youth Development.
- xxvi. Urged State Governments to establish a Youth Development Fund to support human capital development in their respective States.
- xxvii. Requested the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to establish/upgrade Youth



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Innovation Centres in all the six (6) geo-political zones in the Country.

- xxviii. Requested the Federal Ministry of Youth Development through the CLTC to institute a mandatory specialized citizenship and leadership training programme for NCE graduates.
- xxix. Requested State Governments to establish a stand-alone Ministry of Youth Development.
- xxx. Urged Federal and State Governments to send candidates to the University of Abuja for training programmes mentioned and also request other tertiary institutions to key into the programmes.
- xxxi. Requested Federal and State Governments to ensure that at least 30% of the registered vendors and public sector contracts are awarded to youth-led businesses.
- xxxii. Urged States to key into targeted interventions at the Federal level to develop Nigeria's bamboo industry as a key driver of economic diversification, job creation, and environmental sustainability.
- xxxiii. The Establishment of Model Skills Acquisition Training Center in the North Central, North West, South East, South West, and South South Zones.
- xxxiv. The establishment of Demonstration Green House Farms in each of the National Youth Development Centres and allocation of necessary resources and funding for the implementation of the project.
- xxxv. Requested State Governments to intensify efforts to prevent youths from engaging in drug use.
- xxxvi. The need to mainstream gender and physically challenged people's issues in youth development programme for inclusivity.
- xxxvii. Approved the establishment of a week-long activity leading to the celebration of National Youth Day on the 1st of November every year.
- xxxviii. Urged all states of the Federation to develop a State Action Plan on Youth, Peace and Security.
- xxxix. Approved mandatory training of professional Youth Development Officers at the Federal, State and Local Government Areas using Citizenship and Leadership Training Centres as venues for the training programme.
- xl. Approved partnerships between states and the Federal Ministry of Youth to develop a National Bamboo Strategy while encouraging states to allocate suitable land for bamboo cultivation, particularly in Southern regions with optimal climatic conditions.
- xli. Endorsed the establishment of Youth Centers for Bamboo Training and Innovation in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Youth while encouraging the development of manufacturing hubs in Northern states in partnership with state governments and the



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Federal Ministry of Youth.

- xlii. Requested for inclusive policies to ensure access for marginalized groups, including women, rural populations, and the disabled.
- xliii. Requested for the development of Monitoring and Evaluation framework for regular assessment of human capital initiatives to ensure effectiveness and adaptability.

### **6.0 APPRECIATION**

- 6.1** The Council deeply appreciated the stakeholders for their steadfastness, commitment, and critical input, which significantly contributed to the overall success of the Council's 7th Meeting by achieving the meeting's objectives and fostering a collaborative environment for meaningful discussions and decisions.
- 6.2** The communiqué of the 7th NYCD was unanimously adopted by the Council, with all members present concurring on its content.

**ISSUED THIS DAY, THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 2024**

**IN MAIDUGURI, BORNO STATE**

### **7.0 VOTE OF THANKS**

The Honourable Commissioner, Ministry for Youth Development, Cross River State, Honourable Barrister Ijom Odum Ukam, thanked the Governor of Borno State for hosting the Council despite the prevailing flood challenges that ravaged the State, stating that their resilience and commitment to development are evident in every aspect of the 7th Council. He further appreciated the Governor and the people of the State especially the Honourable Commissioner, for creating a secured and peaceful environment and hospitality for all participants at the Council.

He commended and applauded the Governor for all the life-transforming youth development reforms, initiatives and programmes in the State and, most especially, for re-programming, re-jigging, re-calibrating and domesticating Section 14, sub 2, sub B of the Constitution of Nigeria which emphasizes the primary purpose and objective of every responsible, responsive and proactive government to be the security and welfare of its citizens.

He also appreciated the Honourable Minister of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development, for organizing the seventh Council, thereby creating a platform for a robust dialogue, collaboration, and innovation in youth development. He mentioned that his leadership and work continues to inspire them across all thirty-six (36) states and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT).

He thanked the delegates, Development partners, NGOs, facilitators, and stakeholders who have contributed their time, expertise and ideas to the success of the gathering. He commended their dedication and passion for empowering Nigeria youth and stated that the resolutions adopted during the 7th Council Meeting will undoubtedly shape a brighter future





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for the nation's young people.

He appreciated the Honourable Commissioner of Borno State, Honourable Saina Buba, for demonstrating exceptional leadership, commitment and comradeship to the forum of the Nigerian Youth Development Commissioners at the Council. He also appreciated the Nigerian youth, assuring them that their energy, creativity, and productivity will continually inspire and motivate the nation.

Furthermore, also thanked the press, Federal and State Permanent Secretaries, Directors of Youth from Federal and State Ministries responsible for youth affairs, and all the technical and logistic team working behind the scenes, for their tireless efforts in ensuring the success of the 7th Meeting of the National Council on Youth Development in Borno State and prayed for journey mercies back to everyone to their respective states.



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## **APPROVED MEMORANDUM**



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/01	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	YOBE STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to draw council's attention to the current situation of youth in the four thematic areas and offer insights on how to transform and reposition them to contribute substantially to national development.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that: i. The establishment of a National Youth Transformation and Repositioning Programme to be piloted in each state of the Federation and FCT by a Technical Committee drawn from relevant stakeholders in that state.  ii. The formation of a National Technical Committee under the auspices of the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to oversee the activities of the state level committees.	<b>The Prayers are not clear and have been revised as below for council's approval: Council is kindly invited to approve a quarterly meeting of the Honourable Minister of Youth Development with State Commissioners, accompanied by their respective Permanent Secretaries to review progress made at Federal and State levels towards repositioning the youth to thrive and catalyze economic development.</b>	Approved





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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/02	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	LAGOS STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to propose actionable strategies for improving governance structures to empower Nigerian youth, ensuring their full participation in decision-making processes and leadership roles.	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Advocate for the review of policies to ensure inclusivity and address structural barriers to youth participation.</p> <p>ii. Enact and implement a legal and policy reforms that promote inclusiveness in the governance architecture such as quota system for youth in politics and decision making</p>	<p>The prayers are modified as below for Council's approval:</p> <p>Council is kindly invited to urge:</p> <p>i. The Federal Ministry of Youth Development to review the National Youth Policy and State Governments to domesticate it as appropriate.</p> <p>ii. The initiation of a legal framework to promote youth inclusiveness in governance structures.</p>	Approved as recommended. However, letters should be written to all states yet to set up their Youth Parliament to do so within a month.



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				iii. Mandate the States to create a platform for Youth dialogue and advocacy such as the State Youth Parliament	iii. States to establish platforms for youth dialogue and advocacy such as the State Youth Parliament.	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/03	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC	RIVERS STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to address issues raised by the specified thematic areas in the context of Rivers Youth, covering our strategic intentions, our progress thus far, and an expression of our expectations from the Federal Ministry and other development partners.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that: i. Continuous inclusive central planning methodologies will ensure the real-time participation of all federating units, such as a national technical working group made up of experts as well as administrators nominated by each state to meet periodically. This will help states make contributions as well as provide the centre with data to plan,	The Technical Committee observed that this memo addresses the same issues as Memo 1. Therefore, it is recommended that it be merged with memo 1.	Merger approved (Rivers State to be added as a source to Memo 1)



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	DEVELOP MENT			<p>rather than having to wait for policy cycles before addressing exigent emergent matters.</p> <p>ii. Creating and managing a national youth development database with information on development partners, areas of interest as well as interventions concluded that can be assessed by all states will reduce duplication of interventions and will also aid planning.</p> <p>iii. The Federal Ministry should understand and appreciate the specific vulnerabilities and needs of remotely positioned youths in hard to reach and environmentally impacted area sand make provisions for their coverage and contextual considerations in planning and benefits.</p>		





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				<p>iv. Establishing regional youth development centres can balance collectivism and address the peculiarities of the cultural and sub-cultural sensitivities/sensibilities.</p> <p>v. Organising and supporting state and Regional Innovation and Job Fairs will expose youths to opportunities and provide linkages for them within industries.</p> <p>vi. Promoting youth performance with unbiased Annual Youth Performance Awards for outstanding young entrepreneurs.</p> <p>vii. Adequate funding and teacher training are essential for advancing technical and vocational education, alongside partnerships to enhance learning</p>		



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				<p>resources and access to innovations.</p> <p>viii. Monitoring and regulating the informal sector through certified training programs will ensure quality and eliminate unqualified practitioners.</p> <p>ix. Organizing innovation fairs and unbiased youth performance awards will provide youths with opportunities and recognize outstanding entrepreneurs.</p> <p>x. Behavioral modification initiatives, including mindset engineering workshops and youth volunteerism, are necessary to address delinquent subcultures.</p> <p>xi. Addressing educational challenges in Rivers State requires establishing youth-friendly libraries, institutionalizing bursary payments, and</p>		



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				advocating for scholarships to support access to quality education.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/GOV/04	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	IMO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to highlight Imo State's efforts to address youth challenges such as unemployment, insecurity, and restiveness through various developmental initiatives. It seeks federal support for funding, legal frameworks, and collaboration to enhance skill acquisition, innovation, cultural re-orientation, and human capital development, ensuring a productive and morally upright youth population.	<p>Council is kindly invited to note that:</p> <p>i. Imo State has undertaken various initiatives to address youth challenges such as unemployment, restiveness, involvement in violent crimes, and insecurity through deliberate and sustained programs.</p> <p>ii. The state has implemented the "Skill-Up Imo Youth Programme," training over 50,000 youth in ICT-related fields and 5,000 others in areas like waste recycling, tailoring, agriculture, and renewable energy technology.</p> <p>iii. Initiatives such as "Imo Got Talent" and the "Imo Innovation Award Scheme" aim to</p>	The Technical Committee observed that this memo addresses the same issues as Memos 1 and 2. Therefore, it is recommended that they be merged together.	Merger approved (Imo State to be added as a source to Memo 1)





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				<p>showcase and encourage youth innovation and creativity.</p> <p>iv. The government is promoting value re-orientation among youth through cultural and behavioral change programs, involving town hall meetings and collaborations with faith-based organizations.</p> <p>v. The state has invested in human capital development, including the full sponsorship of law graduates from Imo State University into Nigeria's law school and the provision of free education at primary and secondary levels.</p> <p>vi. Adequate and sustained funding, legal frameworks, and proper coordination is important to ensure the success of youth development programs.</p> <p>vii. Imo State is committed to creating a productive, innovative,</p>		



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				and morally upright youth population capable of contributing meaningfully to national development.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/GOV/05	MEMORANDUM ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOR THE 7TH NATIONAL COUNCIL ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	SOKOTO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to outline strategic interventions aimed at equipping youth with future-ready skills, driving innovation, and enhancing employability to support the nation's sustainable growth.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Sokoto State is implementing strategic initiatives to promote youth development in industrial skills, digital agriculture, vocational and entrepreneurial training, and biotechnology.</p> <p>ii. Efforts are being made to address skill gaps and enhance employability in industrial sectors through technical training institutes, apprenticeship programs, and recognized certification schemes.</p> <p>iii. Digital technologies are being integrated into agriculture to encourage youth participation in agribusiness through initiatives</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the Memorandum is for information purpose, hence, it is recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>Noted</b>



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				<p>such as Agri-Tech platforms, training in digital tools, and smart farming practices.</p> <p>iv. Vocational training and entrepreneurial hubs are being expanded to reduce unemployment, drive innovation, and support young entrepreneurs with access to microfinance and mentorship programs.</p> <p>v. Plans are underway to increase youth engagement in biotechnology through the establishment of research centers, specialized educational programs, and collaborations with biotech firms.</p> <p>vi. Federal support in the form of funding, partnerships, and policy alignment is needed to ensure the effective implementation and scaling of these initiatives.</p>		





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				vii. Sokoto State is committed to equipping its youth with essential skills to foster innovation, resilience, and contributions to Nigeria's economic transformation.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/GOV/06	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	ADAMAWA STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to mobilize youth to contribute to the development of government programs by providing an outlet for young people to express their views, concerns, and ideas on various issues, including education, decision-making processes, employment, health, youth participation, ownership of their development and social welfare.	<p>Council is kindly invited to note that:</p> <p>i. There is a need for increased investment in education infrastructure, teacher training, and curriculum development to ensure young people have access to quality education.</p> <p>ii. Adequate vocational training and skills development programs should be provided to equip young people with the skills and knowledge needed to compete in the job market.</p> <p>iii. Entrepreneurship education should be integrated into school curricula to encourage young</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the Memorandum is for information purpose, hence, it is recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>Noted</b>



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				<p>people to develop entrepreneurial skills and mindsets.</p> <p>iv. Youth entrepreneurship programs should be established to provide funding, mentorship, and training for young entrepreneurs.</p> <p>v. Job creation initiatives should be implemented to provide employment opportunities for young people across various sectors.</p> <p>vi. Efforts should be made to promote financial inclusion by providing young people with access to financial services such as savings accounts, loans, and insurance.</p> <p>vii. The Federal Ministry of Youth Development (FMYD) should establish a Youth Development Fund, similar to NIYIF, with an</p>		



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				<p>inclusive strategy that involves state Ministries of Youth Development in planning, accountability, disbursement, monitoring, and recovery in the case of revolving funds.</p> <p>viii. Youth leadership training programs should be provided to equip young people with leadership skills and knowledge through the construction of more leadership centers across states and the effective use and preservation of existing ones.</p> <p>ix. Mentorship programs should be established to pair young people with experienced leaders and mentors.</p> <p>x. Youth participation in governance should be Strengthened by simplifying processes for youths to have an</p>		





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				<p>enabling playing ground in elective positions.</p> <p>xi. Mental health services, including counseling and therapy, should be provided to support the mental health and well-being of young people, with the establishment of accessible psycho social support centers.</p> <p>xii. Health education programs should be promoted to equip young people with information and skills to maintain good physical and mental health.</p> <p>xiii. Recreational activities, such as sports and games, should be promoted through the construction of youth sports centers to enhance physical and mental well-being.</p> <p>xiv. Conflict resolution programs should be established to equip young people with skills and</p>		



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				<p>knowledge to resolve conflicts peacefully.</p> <p>xv. Security awareness programs should be promoted to educate young people on staying safe and secure.</p> <p>xvi. Community engagement initiatives should be implemented to promote social cohesion and community stability.</p> <p>xvii. A National Youth Policy should be developed and implemented to provide a framework for youth development in Nigeria.</p> <p>xviii. Youth development institutions, such as youth centers and training institutes, should be established to give young people access to</p>		



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				education, training, and employment opportunities.  xix. Interagency collaboration should be promoted to adopt a holistic approach to addressing youth issues.		
FMYD/7 <sup>TH</sup> /NCYD/STAT E/GOV/07	MEMORANDUM ON THE ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH AND RESOURCE MAPPING	NIGER STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to propose the adoption and implementation of the National Youth and Resource Mapping (NYRM) Project as a strategic tool for identifying, harnessing, and optimizing youth and resource potentials to drive economic development across the country.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:  i. The NYRM Project involves the development of a comprehensive database capturing Youth demographics, needs, skill sets, and resources at the National, State and Local Government levels.  ii. Data collection will leverage technology, such as mobile applications and Geographic Information	The prayer is revised as outlined below for Council's approval: Council is invited to request the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to develop a Youth Data Bank and encourage States to do same.	Rephrased Youth Data Bank on the prayer to reflect as Youth Database.  Approved as amended.





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	PROJECT IN NIGERIA			<p>Systems (GIS), to ensure accuracy and efficiency.</p> <p>iii. Implementation will involve partnerships between Governments, private sector stakeholders, and development partners.</p> <p>iv. The project aligns with the Federal Ministry of Youth Development's strategic objectives and supports evidence-based policy making. And <b>urge</b> that:</p> <p>i. The Council adopts the National Youth and Resource Mapping Project as a national initiative.</p> <p>ii. Funding and technical support for the project's implementation be prioritized in the Council's resolutions.</p>		



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				iii. A steering committee be established to oversee the planning, execution, and monitoring of the project.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/08	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMATION AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIA YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	OSUN STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to emphasize the need for collective action, resource mobilization and knowledge sharing to support Youth Development initiatives	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. The problem of reservoir of educationally disadvantaged Youths has reached an alarming proportion which needs national attention hence the Federal and State Ministries of Education need to be properly briefed and directed to establish one Remedial Centre in each of the Senatorial Districts across the Country.</p> <p>ii. Skills development training programs should be included to the curriculum for the students to</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that these are normal MDAs activities that does not require Council's approval for implementation and therefore, recommended to Council that the Memorandum be stepped down.</b>	<b>Stepped Down</b>



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				<p>enhance and properly equip graduates of the centres.</p> <p>iii. The existing Citizenship and Leadership Training Centres at geo-political Zones of the Federation be equipped with modern facilities in order to ensure and facilitate the spread of the Centre's mandate and for a more efficient and effective implementation.</p> <p>iv. States need to be connected with International Donor Organizations for full time collaboration on Youth Development Programmes/ Projects.</p> <p>v. State Youth Development Officers need to be trained both home and abroad to equip them with updated Universal Standards of Youth Work.</p>		





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				<p>vi. Vocational Training Centres should be established at geo-political zones with standardized modern equipment where Youth Development Officers will monitor and supervise its affairs.</p> <p>The Nigeria National Youth Award Scheme should be reviewed and revived</p> <p>vii. The Federal Ministry of Youth Development should diversify its facilities and operations to cover the whole Nigeria</p> <p>The National Youth Policy (2019-2023) should be reviewed because it is long overdue.</p> <p>viii. Language exchange programmes should be organised for Youth across the nation to promote cross-cultural understanding</p>		



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/09	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	AKWA IBOM STATE.	The purpose of the memorandum is to assist in developing policy framework that will upscale Youth Development in Nigeria; present data-driven analysis of Youth development challenges in Akwa Ibom State and propose evidence-based solutions across thematic areas.	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Approve the comprehensive Youth development framework presented therein</p> <p>ii. Endorse the establishment of Akwa Ibom State Youth Development Council (AKYDC) as a model for Youth inclusion.</p> <p>iii. Determine a national success metrics on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●<b>Employment:</b> Create 1,000,000 jobs for the Youth by 2027</li> <li>●<b>Skills:</b> Train 750,000 Youth in digital skills</li> <li>●<b>Governance:</b> 35% Youth Participation in decision-making</li> <li>●<b>Enterprise:</b> Support 50,000 Youth-led businesses</li> </ul>	The Technical Committee observed that the matters under consideration does not require Council's approval and therefore recommended that the memorandum be stepped down.	Stepped Down



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/10	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	BORNO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to Highlight key governance issues affecting Borno State youth; Identify challenges facing Borno State youth; and Provide recommendations for improving governance and youth development.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that: Governance and youth development are critical components of Borno State's 25-year developmental plan which include: Human Capital Development; Leadership in Agriculture; Healthy Citizenry; Sustainable Environment; and Regional Trade Hub for Commerce. Addressing the challenges facing Borno State youth will ensure that the state's youth are empowered to contribute to the state's development and prosperity;	The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is for information purpose and therefore recommended to Council for noting.	Noted
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/11	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE AND YOUTH	OYO STATE.	The purpose of the memorandum is to champion the campaign for youth involvement in governance through adequate	Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b> that Ministries be strengthened to embark on necessary sensitization programmes.	The Technical Committee observed that the matters under consideration does not require Council's approval and therefore	Stepped Down





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	INVOLVEMENT		representation; sensitize political appointees who are youth on the rudiment of office and commitment to youth development matters; educate political youth on the need to speak with one voice instead of witch hunting themselves; and educate youth on their roles in political processes especially during elections.		recommended that the memorandum be stepped down.	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/12	MEMORANDUM ON THE URGENT NEED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY ON THE YOUTH POPULATION OF NIGERIA, WHICH WOULD SERVE AS A	ENUGU STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to seek the approval of Council for the commissioning of a comprehensive study on the youth population of Nigeria, which would serve as a	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that: I. Issues such as youth unemployment, access to education, digital literacy, health challenges (including mental health), and civic	<b>The Technical Committee observed that this memo addresses the same issues as Memo 7 and therefore recommended</b>	Source To Include Enugu State in Memo 7 (Add Prayer 2 on this memo to that of 7)  Approved



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	NSIVE YOUTH DEMOGRAPHIC DATA GATHERING AND ANALYSIS STUDY IN NIGERIA		platform for data driven intervention and resource allocation towards the empowerment and repositioning of the Nigerian Youth to thrive and catalyse economic growth.	<p>engagement require updated data to develop effective interventions.</p> <p>ii. A state-by-state data collection and aggregation approach, involving both the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) and State Bureaus of Statistics, would allow for precise mapping of challenges and opportunities at the local level.</p> <p>iii. An updated study will allow for a deeper understanding of youth unemployment rates, educational attainment, skills gaps, health concerns, migration patterns, and other pertinent factors which will lead to more effective policies that can be customized to the specific needs of young</p>	to council for merger with Memo 7.	



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				<p>people across different regions of the country.</p> <p>iv. A robust, modern database will position Nigeria to attract global partnerships and funding for youth programs as well as provide a credible basis for monitoring and evaluating progress against International benchmarks like the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).</p> <p>v. An updated, comprehensive youth demographic study is a strategic necessity for addressing the challenges facing Nigeria's young population today;</p> <p>1. A comprehensive up-to-date study be conducted on the</p>		





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				<p>youth demographic of Nigeria.</p> <p>2. The study should adopt a state-by-state data disaggregation approach, involving the Federal Ministry of Youth Development, the <b>National Bureau of Statistics (NBS)</b>, State Ministries of Youth Development and <b>State Bureaus of Statistics</b>.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/GOV/13	TRANSFORMING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	GOMBE STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to outline strategies for empowering and equipping youth through targeted interventions in skills acquisition, social responsibility, inter-generational networking, and collaboration with development partners. It advocates for the enhancement of youth	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Mentorship programmes connect youth with good leader.</p> <p>ii. Support and initiatives create more jobs in various sectors.</p> <p>iii. There is need to implement training programmes in digital literacy and vocational skills.</p>	<b>The Technical Committee revised the prayers and recommended to Council for approval as outlined below: Council to request MDAs with youth initiatives/programmes to periodically submit reports of their activities to the Federal and State</b>	<b>Approved</b>



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			<p>policies, capacity building programs, and the establishment of enabling environments to address unemployment, promote entrepreneurship, and strengthen youth involvement in socio-economic development initiatives.</p>	<p>iv. Utilization of social media (local radio and television, etc) will inform youth of government policies.</p> <p>v. Collaboration with media organisations will amplify youth voices and inform success stories and solutions to youth challenges.</p> <p>vi. Using media organisations will encourage youth participation in economic development And <b>Approve</b> that:</p> <p>vii. All MDAs with youth component activities are expected to submit reports to Federal Ministry of Youth for proper reporting.</p>	<p><b>Ministries of Youth Development, for coordination purpose(s).</b></p>	



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/GOV/14	MEMORANDUM ON STRENGTHENING YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE AS A PROFESSION IN NIGERIA	NIGERIA YOUTH WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NYWA)	The purpose of the memorandum is to raise the standard of Youth Work by advocating for its professionalization and recognition as a vital field in National Development.	<p>Council is kindly invited to consider and approve the:</p> <p>i. Formation of the State Chapters of the Nigeria Youth Workers Association across the Federation, and encouragement of all Youth Work Practitioners to join;</p> <p>ii. Adoption of the Codes of Ethics, Standard and Certification and enforce its implementations to ensure standards practice in Nigeria through legislation.</p> <p>iii. Collaboration with National University Commission to introduce Degree Programs in Youth work and Development in designated Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria.</p> <p>iv. Support the activities of the Association at both Federal and States level.</p>	<b>Recommended for Council's approval.</b>	<b>Approved</b>



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/GOV/15	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	NATIONAL ORIENTATION AGENCY	<p>The purpose of the memorandum is to present the National Orientation Agency's position on the four thematic areas, aligning with the theme of the meeting <b>"Transforming and Repositioning the Youth to Thrive and Catalyze Economic Development."</b></p> <p>This memorandum highlights the agency's recommendations for effective governance, youth participation, and empowerment.</p>	<p>Council is kindly invited to note that:</p> <p>i. The National Orientation Agency acknowledges the importance of youth involvement in governance and decision-making processes and recognizes the need for capacity building, mentorship, and empowerment programs that cater to the diverse needs of Nigerian youths.</p> <p>ii. The present administration, under Mallam Lanre Issa-Onilu, has created the Department of Youth Engagement and Inclusion (YEI) to focus solely on youth activities, inclusion in governance, and value reorientation to promote a mindset shift toward Nigerianess, fostering shared values and cultural identity.</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is essentially for information purpose and therefore recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>Noted</b>





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				<p>iii. Mechanisms should be established for youth representation in decision-making bodies to ensure their voices are heard and valued.</p> <p>iv. Youth should lead the narrative on cultural identity by gaining an in-depth understanding of what it means to be a true Nigerian.</p> <p>v. There is a need to develop and implement training programs that equip youth with essential skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for leadership and development.</p> <p>vi. Empowerment initiatives should be supported to promote youth entrepreneurship, innovation, and employment, thereby enhancing their economic prospects and</p>		



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				<p>contributions to national development.</p> <p>vii. The National Youth Council of Nigeria should be empowered to effectively discharge its responsibilities in ensuring youth participation in decision-making processes.</p> <p>viii. A National Youth Development Policy should be developed as a comprehensive framework outlining strategies for youth development, empowerment, and participation, while addressing the need for values and cultural understanding of what it means to be a true Nigerian.</p> <p>ix. Youth-focused programs should be created to address specific needs such as education, employment, healthcare, and cultural identity.</p>		



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				<p>x. Partnerships should be fostered between government agencies, private sector organizations, and civil society groups to support youth development initiatives. And <b>urged</b> that:</p> <p>i. Stakeholder engagements should be conducted with relevant parties, including youth, government agencies, and private sector organizations, to ensure a collaborative approach.</p> <p>ii. A monitoring and evaluation framework should be developed to track progress, identify challenges, and make adjustments to ensure effective implementation.</p> <p>iii. Funding and resources should be secured from the government, private sector, and</p>		



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				development partners to support the implementation of recommended initiatives.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/16	MEMORANDUM ON 7TH NATIONAL COUNCIL ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – THEMATIC AREAS	NATIONAL AGENCY FOR THE PROHIBITION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS (NAPTIP)	The purpose of this memorandum is to contribute to the discussions at the 7th National Council on Youth Development, with a focus on the thematic areas of Governance, Jobs, Skills and Innovation, Culture and Behavioral Change, and Human Capital Development.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Effective governance is essential for unlocking Nigeria's youth potential, hence, strengthening legal frameworks to protect young people from trafficking and exploitation, it can create an environment that empowers young people to take ownership of their development and prevents human trafficking.</p> <p>ii. Nigeria's youth are bursting with creativity and innovation and</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is for information purpose and therefore recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>Noted</b>





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				<p>as such, initiatives such as vocational training programs, mentorship schemes, and funding opportunities for start-ups can help unlock our youth's creative potential, driving economic growth and development. To this end, NAPTIP will continue to partner with organizations to provide vocational training and economic empowerment programs for vulnerable youth and victims of human trafficking that will promote innovation hubs and accelerators that provide young entrepreneurs with access to resources, mentorship, and funding.</p> <p>iii. Nigeria's rich cultural heritage plays a significant role in shaping our youth's attitudes and behaviors hence Working in collaboration with traditional and religious leaders, it will promote</p>		



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				positive behavioral change that not only shapes a more progressive society but also actively prevents youth from being lured into trafficking networks.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/17	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	CITIZENSHIP AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING CENTRE	The purpose of the memorandum is to demonstrate the imperative of governance in the quest to transform and reposition the Nigerian youth so that they would thrive and catalyze the nation's economic development.	<p>Council is invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Nigeria needs both quality leadership and patriotic citizenship to ensure good governance, leadership that emphasizes both precepts and examples.</p> <p>ii. Governance is a broad and dynamic concept essential for the orderly functioning of societies, organizations, and institutions.</p> <p>iii. It provides the framework within which authority is exercised and decisions are made to address collective</p>	<b>Recommended to Council for approval.</b>	<b>Approved (Include Local Government)</b>



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				<p>challenges and achieve common goals.</p> <p>iv. It is imperative to involve the youth in governance. They should be involved in decision making processes, groomed for leadership roles and policy development that affect their lives and that of the communities.</p> <p>And <b>urge</b> that:</p> <p>i. The Centre should be encouraged in providing the innovative leadership training that would enable the youth gain courage, self-confidence, team spirit, initiative and other essential qualities for good governance.</p> <p>ii. State Governments should partner with the Centre to establish training schools in the States where none exists at the moment. State Governments</p>		



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				<p>AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS are encouraged to provide the necessary platform for the training of young people from their respective states in good citizenship and leadership. In this way, the training will be brought closer to the young people in the states of the Federation.</p> <p>iii. The organized private sector bodies be implored to support in the establishment of the Training Centres and sponsor young people for citizenship and leadership training.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/18	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO	NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE CORPS (NYSC)	The purpose of the memorandum is for effective youth participation in the 4 thematic areas of focus through implementation of government policies, initiative for enhancing youth employability and	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Through active participation and collaboration with government and non-governmental agencies such as INEC, NPC, UNICEF, NAPTIP,</p>	<b>Recommended to Council for approval.</b>	<b>Approved</b>





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	THRIVE AND CATALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		entrepreneurship, promoting positive cultural values and behavioural change, as well as movement of labour to the underserved communities across Nigeria.	<p>NAFDAC, etc, the scheme has contributed immensely to governance in the country as leaders and captains of industries, most of who are graduates are product of leadership development training inherent in the scheme.</p> <p>ii. Unemployment and Skills mismatch are significant challenges facing Nigerian Youths hence the establishment of Skills Acquisition and Entrepreneurship Development (SAED). Thus, to harness the potential of Nigerian youth for economic development, there must be deliberate effort to improve on Skills Development Programmes, Entrepreneurship Support, and Partner with Industries.</p> <p>iii. Through the Scheme's Four(4) Cardinal programmes:</p>		



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				<p>Orientation Course, Primary Assignment, Community Development Service and Winding-Up and Passing-Out has provided a platform for cultural mix and stimulation of behavioural change among youths. Recently, the introduction of cultural carnival on orientation camps further expose corps members to the nation's cultural heritage, as well as promote National Integration.</p> <p>iv. The posting of corp members to rural areas to aid in transferring skills to such remote location has been responsible for its deliberate posting policies in recent times. Corps Members are posted to schools, health facilities and the private sectors among others bringing to bear their wealth of experiences to the development of the human</p>		



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				<p>capitals of areas other than their states of origin. And <b>urge</b>:</p> <p>i. Presidential assent to the NYSC TRUST FUND which will further serve as an instrument that will facilitate the training and empowerment of Youth in different skills areas and provide start-up capital and grants to enable trained corps members establish their businesses.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/19	TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIA YOUTH TO THRIVE IN A	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the Memorandum is to explore the critical need to transform and reposition Nigeria Youth as active drivers of economic development.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Open doors for employment, entrepreneurship and innovation.</p> <p>ii. Establish youth driven policies that are more</p>	The Technical Committee observed that these activities can be done without the Council's approval and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down	Noted (Not Stepped Down)



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	CATALYZED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			<p>aligned with the needs of future generations.</p> <p>iii. Increase self-confidence and ambition among youth, leading to higher productivity.</p> <p>iv. Strong economic growth driven by a highly capable and resilient young population.</p> <p>v. Harness the power of the Diaspora.</p> <p>vi. Create youth empowerment and social programs.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/20	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	<p>The purpose of the memorandum is to:</p> <p>i. Emphasize the importance of engaging the Nigerian youth in governance as a pathway to sustainable economic development.</p> <p>ii. Underscore the importance of</p>	<p>Council is kindly invited to note <b>that</b>:</p> <p>i. Creation of Youth Governance Council at local, state and federal levels will provide a platform for young people to participate in decision-making and policy formulation process.</p>	<p><b>The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down</b></p>	<p><b>Noted (Not Stepped Down)</b></p>





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			<p>creating opportunities for young Nigerians to be involved in decision-making process and policy implementation.</p> <p>iii. Highlight the key challenges faced by young people in governance and propose recommendations to enhance their involvement in shaping Nigeria's future.</p>	<p>ii. Establishment of a fund to support young Nigerians interested in governance and politics will reduce financial barriers and encourage youth to pursue leadership roles.</p> <p>iii. Implementation of national mentorship and training programs focusing on leadership, governance, and civic responsibility will prepare young people to assume leadership roles effectively.</p> <p>iv. Inclusion of youth in policy-making Committees especially those related to issues impacting youth such as education, technology,</p>		



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				employment, and health.  v. Setting up a framework to monitor the progress of youth participation in governance, ensuring that these initiatives are achieving the desired out comes while making adjustm ents where necessary.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/21	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to stress the importance of involving a greater percent age of Nigerian youth in govern ance and policy implementation process as a pathway to catalysing economic development and also justify the reasons young people in the country should directly be involved in policy making.	Council is kindly invited to:  i. Approve the develop ment of a National Youth Leadership and Governance Academy to provide training for the emerg ing youth leaders.  ii. Encourage Develo pment Partners to support the Governm ent on their various initiative programs focused on youth inclusion	<b>The Technical Commi ttee observed that prayers i and ii align with the functions of C&amp;LTC and therefore should be expunged, while prayers iii and iv are in line with that of Memorandum 2 and therefore Council is invited to approve its merger with memo 2.</b>	Prayer 1 be removed, while Prayers II and IV Approved.



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				<p>in governance and capacity building.</p> <p>iii. Approve at least 30% quota for youth representation in governance at all levels of Government.</p> <p>iv. Establish regular engagement with youth through State Ministries of Youth.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/22	MEMORANDUM ON THE SENSITIZATION OF NIGERIAN YOUTH ON HOW TO LEVERAGE THE MINISTRY (BILATERAL) AGREEMENT	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to introduce the need for strategic initiative to sensitize Nigerian Youth on how to leverage the Ministry's bilateral agreements with other countries for travel opportunities.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. The sensitization of Nigeria youth on how to leverage the Ministry of Youth Development bilateral agreement to travel and to develop opportunities.</p> <p>ii. Bilateral agreement offer a pathway for young Nigerians to gain international experience, and professional skills, which are essential for personal growth and national development hence the need</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is for information purpose and therefore recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>Noted</b>



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	TS TO TRAVEL			<p>for proper awareness of these opportunities.</p> <p>iii. Investing in the empowerment of the Nigerian Youth through this sensitization will yield long-term benefits, including a more skilled work force, improved international relations, and where young people can actively engage in sharpening their future.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/23	MEMORANDUM ON DOMESTICATION OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY AT THE STATE LEVEL	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to seek council approval on domestication of the National Youth Policy at the state level.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Domestication of the National Youth Policy to individual states is essential for several reasons that are specific to the country's socio-political and cultural context, in which individual states or regions adapt and implement in a way that aligns with their local contexts, needs, and priorities.</p> <p>ii. A one-size-fits-all national policy may not address the</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the prayers on this memorandum aligns with that of Memorandum 2 and therefore Council is invited to approve its merger with memo 2.</b>	<b>Merger Approved</b>





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				<p>unique needs and challenges of youth across different regions, because of the nation's diversity.</p> <p>iii. By domesticating the national youth policy, states can focus on economic opportunities and challenges that are most relevant to their local economies, such as agriculture, entrepreneurship, or vocational training.</p> <p>iv. Domestication allows states to prioritize areas where they need the most improvement, ensuring that the policy is relevant and effective in addressing local developmental gaps.</p> <p>v. Domestication of the national youth policy to the states aligns with this federal structure, giving states the power to implement policies that best suit their local contexts and governance structures.</p>		



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				<p>vi. Domestication ensures a greater involvement of local stakeholders, including youth organisations, community leaders, and state governments in order to foster a sense of ownership and ensures that the policies are more relevant and responsive to the needs of the local youth and Approve the domestication of the National Youth Policy by states</p> <p>And <b>Urged</b> to:</p> <p>Prioritize the domestication of the National Youth Policy.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/24	MEMORANDUM ON PROFESSIONALIZATION OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT WORK	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to intimate the Council on the need to professionalize Youth Work Practice in Nigeria.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. The Federal Ministry of Youth Development has commenced the process of professionalizing Youth work practice in Nigeria.</p> <p>ii. The need to commence the process for the full</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the request has been treated in Memorandum 14 and therefore, it is recommended to</b>	<b>Merger Approved and Stepped Down</b>



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	PRACTICE IN NIGERIA			<p>professionalization of youth work in Nigeria is predicated on the recommendations of the workshop on Commonwealth Youth Programme Diploma in Youth Work, which the Ministry held in May and November, 2022, in conjunction with the University of Abuja. Similarly, the 2019 National Youth Policy in its Strategic Focus10, Objective 21, has made a call on the need for the professionalization of youth development work in Nigeria.</p> <p>iii. The benefits of professionalizing youth work in Nigeria are numerous amongst which are: improved professionalism and quality of youth programs, leading to better outcomes for young people; increases capacity and confidence of youth workers to deliver high-quality</p>	<b>Council to be stepped down.</b>	



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				programs and services; increased use of evidence-based practices in youth work, leading to greater effectiveness and impact of programs; stronger relationships between youth workers and young people, based on respect, trust, and effective communication; greater recognition of the value of youth work as a profession, leading to increased investment and support for youth programs and services.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/25	MEMORANDUM ON APPROVAL FOR YEARLY CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to advocate for the establishment of a 7-day National Youth Festival to be held in November of each year.	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Approve the establishment of a 7-day National Youth Festival in the Month of November of each year.</p> <p>ii. Mandate states to indicate interest in hosting and sponsoring the event every year.</p> <p>iii. Note this initiative aligns with our commitment to youth development, and</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that this request can be accommodated in an existing program (National Youth Day) and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.</b>	<p>“Mandate” on Prayer 2” to read “Encourage”</p> <p><b>NATIONAL YOUTH DAY SHOULD BE PRECEDED WITH A WEEK-LONG ACTIVITY TO END ON 1ST NOVEMBER AS APPROVED FEC.</b></p>



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				nation building, and its implementation will yield significant benefits for our nation's future.		APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WEEK-LONG ACTIVITY LEADING TO THE CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL YOUTH DAY ON NOVEMBER 1 <sup>ST</sup> (AS ANNOUNCED)
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/26	MEMORANDUM ON APPROVAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF STATE ACTION PLANS ON YOUTH, PEACE AND SECURITY	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to advocate for the domestication and development of State Action Plans on Youth, Peace and Security (SAP-YPS) in line with United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 2250 on Youth, Peace and Security.	Council is kindly invited to <b>urge</b> :  i. All states of the Federation to create a State Coalition on Youth, Peace and Security; comprising of CSO, Security Agencies, Student bodies, Religious and Traditional Rulers, Relevant Government Agencies, Academia, Youth Organizations, amongst others. The Chairmanship and Secretary of the Coalition is vested with the Government; the CSO and Youth bodies will serve as	The Technical Committee observed that such program already exists at the National level and therefore invites the Council to encourage States to do same at their respective States. Above recommended to council for approval.	APPROVED





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				<p>Co-Chairs and Co-Secretary's, whilst the Secretariat will be domiciled in the Ministry responsible for Youth Development in various States of the Federation and the FCT;</p> <p>ii. Urge all states of the Federation to develop a State Action Plan on Youth, Peace and Security;</p> <p>i. Note that this initiative aligns with our commitment to youth development, and nation-building and its implementation will yield significant benefits for our nation future.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/27	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to outline key strategies and recommendations to address the theme of the 7th National Council on Youth Development in order to	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b>:</p> <p>That Youths should be trained in various techniques that will keep them positively engaged, enhance their capability and</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the issue inconsideration is already being handled at the National and State levels and therefore</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN</b>



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	YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		empower Nigerian youth to play pivotal role in economic development through effective governance, job creation, skill development, cultural transformation, and human capital enhancement.	enable them innovate ideas that will make them independent.	<b>recommended that the Memorandum be stepped down.</b>	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/28	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to harness the energy and creativity of Nigeria Youth to implement transformation strategies that reposition them as key players in the economy.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:  i. The educational curricula must be reformed to focus on practical skills that align with industry needs that is vital for equipping the youth with the necessary skills to thrive in a competitive market.  ii. Encouraging entrepreneurial spirit through incubators and access to funding can empower young people to develop their own business and create jobs for others.	<b>Recommended to Council for approval.</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>
FMYD/7TH/NCY	MEMORANDUM ON	KADUNA STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to improve leadership styles for youth in	Council is kindly invited to:	<b>The Technical Committee did not consider this</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN</b>



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D/FED/GOV/29	GOVERNANCE		the state including females where they will willingly express interest to run for the office of local government Coordinators at the LGA NYCN election. It also seeks to update the knowledge of youth on electoral process and their civic rights and responsibilities	<p>i. Make provision for adequate funding for mobilization during elections.</p> <p>ii. Funds should be made available for the development of youth policy making from federal to states.</p> <p>iii. Avenues for more training and social inclusion should be created.</p>	<b>memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down</b>	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/30	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of this memorandum is to seek council approval for implementation of the Nigerian Youth Employment Action Plan, a multi sector strategy to promote Job Creation for youth.	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Provide recognition and strengthen support for the State Youth Employment Action Committees (SYEAC), which comprise the State Ministries of Agriculture, Youth Development, Industry, Trade and Commerce, Finance, Science, Technology and Innovation, along with other job creation agencies.</p> <p>ii. Allocate adequate budgetary support for the activities and operational needs of the SYEAC.</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that these activities are already ongoing at the National and State levels and therefore revised the prayers for Council's approval as follows: Council to request the Federal and State Governments to strengthen the implementation of</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>



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				<p>iii. Establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Federal Ministry of Youth for joint funding and collaboration on the activities of the National Integrated Youth Employment Action Plan (NIYEAP).</p> <p>iv. Adapt and implement the NIYEAP at the state level, developing state-specific action plans that align with the NIYEAP's priority sectors and themes while addressing the unique needs of each state.</p> <p>v. Host Annual SYEAC meetings on a rotational basis across states, in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Youth Development. The selected host state should receive necessary support from the state government to ensure successful organization.</p> <p>vi. Ensure each state provides timely and accurate reports through the NIYEAP Online</p>	<b>NIYEAP and SYEAC at both Federal and State levels.</b>	



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				Reporting, Monitoring, and Evaluation Platform.  vii. Offer full support and collaboration for the Private Sector Strategy on youth job creation, which is being developed in partnership with the private sector.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/GOV/31	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORMING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	OSUN STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to create opportunities for Youth to acquire vocational training, digital literacy, and soft skills that are essential for success. Therefore, by investing in education and skills development, Nigeria Youth can become more competitive, innovative and entrepreneurial driving economic growth and prosperity.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:  i. Federal and State Ministries of Education be properly briefed and directed to establish one Remedial Center in each of the Senatorial District across the country.  ii. Skills Development Training Program should be included to the curriculum of the students to enhance and properly equip graduates of the centres.  iii. The existing Leadership and Citizenship Training Centres at the geo-political zones of the	<b>The technical committee observed that the prayers have been addressed in various memoranda and therefore, Recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN (CONTACT LAGOS STATE)</b>





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				<p>Federation be equipped with modern facilities in order to ensure and facilitate the spread of the centre's mandate and for a more efficient and effective implementation.</p> <p>iv. States should be connected with International Donor Organization like USAID, UNDP for full time collaboration on Youth development program.</p> <p>v. Provision should be made for state Youth development officers training opportunities at home and abroad on short term course to enable them improve their capacity with updated universal standard of Youth work.</p> <p>vi. Talent hunt committee should be set up at state and local government levels for the purpose of fishing out youths with exceptional and creative skills</p>		



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				<p>vii. Youth culture and achievement should be celebrated and promoted.</p> <p>viii. Training and empowerment programmes organized for youth should be monitored and evaluate periodically.</p> <p>ix. Vocational Training Centers at geo-political Zones should be established and equipped with Standardized modern equipment where there should be Youth Development Officers for monitoring and supervising the affairs of the centers.</p> <p>x. The Nigeria National Youth Award scheme across the States should be reviewed and revived.</p> <p>xi. The Federal Ministry of Youth Development needs to diversify its facilities and Operations to cover the whole of Nigeria.</p>		



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				<p>xii. Cultural festivals and event must be included in Youth programs to support community development.</p> <p>xiii. Traditional music and Dance performances should be supported at all levels to preserve cultural Heritage.</p> <p>xiv. Language exchange programmes should be organized for Youth across the Nation to promote cross-cultural understanding.</p> <p>xv. The National Youth Policy needs to be reviewed.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURE AND BEHAVIOUR	LAGOS STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to outline strategies for leveraging culture and promoting positive behavioural change among	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Encourage youth participation in cultural festivals, storytelling</p>	The Technical Committee observed that these prayers can be accommodated during the National	<p><b>STEPPED DOWN</b></p> <p>(The National Youth</p> <p>Day's celebration to read</p>



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E/C&BC /32	RAL CHANGE		Nigerian youth to foster national unity, social cohesion, and sustainable economic development.	<p>events, and traditional art forms to instill pride in their heritage.</p> <p>ii. Establish digital platforms to show case cultural content in a way that appeals to the younger generation.</p> <p>iii. Encourage Policy makers to enact policies that support initiatives that bridge the gap between cultural preservation and modern development, such as grants for cultural projects.</p> <p>iv. Advocate teaching of indigenous languages, history, and traditions alongside modern subjects in all schools.</p>	<b>Youth Day's celebration and therefore, recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.</b>	the National Youth week's celebration)
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/C&BC /33	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURE AND BEHAVIOUR	BORNO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to highlight the cultural and behavioral changes that have occurred among Borno State youth pre	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. The insurgency has been the primary factor contributing to cultural</p>	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is for information purpose and therefore,</b>	<b>NOTED</b>



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	RAL CHANGE		and post insurgency; Identify the factors that have contributed to these changes; and Provide recommendations for promoting positive cultural and behavioral change among Borno State youth.	and behavioral change among Borno State youth.  ii. Poverty and unemployment have contributed to the breakdown of community structures and the increased radicalization of some Borno State youth.  iii. The lack of access to education has contributed to the cultural disruption and increased radicalization among some Borno State youth;  And <b>note that:</b>  i. The promotion of cultural revitalization among Borno State youth, with a focus on preserving traditional values and practices.  ii. The support for community-based initiatives that promote community cohesion and	<b>recommended to Council for noting.</b>	





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				<p>social bonding among Borno State youth.</p> <p>iii. The provision of access to education and skills development opportunities for Borno State youth, with a focus on promoting critical thinking and problem-solving skills.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/C&BC/34	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURE AND BEHAVIORAL CHANGE	OYO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to re-orientate youth on ethical values, norms, attitudes, etc.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> the:</p> <p>ii. Need to sensitize youth on the values of hard work, self-esteem &amp; worth, honesty, respect for human dignity, endurance etc.</p> <p>iii. Need for attitudinal change on the way the youth perceive our culture and cultural heritage.</p>	The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is for information purpose and therefore, recommended to Council for noting.	NOTED



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				<p>iv. Need for sensitization on prevention of substance abuse and rehabilitation of those youths already in drugs.</p> <p>v. Sensitization to discourage youths on the get rich quick syndrome.</p> <p>vi. <b>Sensitization, teach and promotion of self-censorship among young people</b></p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/35	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURE AND BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE	CITIZENSHIP AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING CENTRE	The purpose of the memorandum is to demonstrate the imperative of these in the quest to transform and reposition the Nigerian youth culturally and behaviourally so that they would thrive and catalyze the nation's economic development.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Culture and behavioural change are deeply interconnected, each influencing the other in shaping societal progress.</p> <p>ii. While cultural norms can serve as a foundation for fostering desirable behaviours, strategic efforts are required to address resistance and align change</p>	The Technical Committee revised the prayer for council's approval as below: Council to request C&LTC to establish Man O' War Clubs in the Secondary Schools nationwide in order to sensitize the young people on moral and cultural values which	APPROVED (ALSO WRITE TO MINISTRY OF EDUCATION)



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				<p>initiatives with the values and beliefs of a community. By understanding and respecting culture, behavioural change becomes more sustainable and impactful, leading to positive transformation across various domains. And <b>urge</b> that:</p> <p>i. The Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre has designed some activities and programmes to foster cultural and behavioural change among the populace, especially among the youth. Hence, the Centre intends to embark on nationwide establishment of Man O' War Clubs in the Secondary Schools in order to sensitize the young people on moral and cultural values which will impact positively on their personal and national life and therefore seeking the collaboration and support of</p>	will impact positively on their personal and national life	



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				every government level in Nigeria to make this work.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/36	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURAL AND BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	<p>The purpose of the memorandum is to:</p> <p>i. Address the critical need for cultural and behavioural change initiatives among Nigerian youth;</p> <p>ii. Emphasize the importance of fostering positive values, attitudes, and behaviours in young people in order to support social harmony, ethical development and national progress;</p> <p>iii. Propose actionable steps to instill in the youth the culture of responsibility, resilience, and respect for diversity which are essential for a progressive society.</p>	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Establishment of Youth Cultural and Behavioural Development Centres dedicated to teaching values, cultural appreciation, leadership skills for youth will reinforce positive behavioural patterns;</p> <p>ii. Integration of Civic and Ethical Education into Schools to instill values such as respect, integrity, and responsibility will lead to the appreciation and preservation of our heritage;</p> <p>iii. Launching awareness Campaigns on Cultural Pride and Positive Values to highlight the importance of cultural pride, respect for elders, and positive</p>	The Technical Committee observed that the matter in consideration is already being handled by C&LTC and therefore recommended that the Memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN



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				behavioural norms leveraging on social media, television, and community; Engagement of respected public figures, community leaders, and Influencers to serve as role models for young people will help the young people understand the importance of good character, respect for culture, and ethics; Development of a monitoring and evaluation system to measure the impact of these initiatives, track changes in youth behavior, engagement with cultural activities, and the adoption of positive values over time to help refine programs and ensure they achieve desired outcome.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURAL AND	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH	The purpose of the memorandum is to instill in the youth the culture of resilience, responsibility, positive	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:	<b>The Technical Committee noted that the existing Youth Centres can be used for</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN</b>





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C&BC/37	BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE	DEVELOPMENT	attitudinal change actions and habits.	<p>I. A positive cultural and behavioural framework instill in young people a sense of belonging, leadership, responsibility of purpose.</p> <p>ii. Through advocacy and activism, youth can use their voices to advocate for and raise awareness about issues they care about.</p> <p>And <b>urge:</b></p> <p>i. The establishment of Youth cultural and behavioural development centres, aside the existing normal youth centres.</p> <p>ii. Council to make sensitization against peer influence mandatory for all youth development oriented programs.</p>	the matters inconsideration and therefore recommended that the Memorandum be stepped down.	



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/38	MEMORANDUM ON SENSITIZATION ON THE EFFECT AND DANGERS OF IRREGULAR MIGRATION AMONG YOUTH	FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to intimate Council on the progress recorded by the Ministry in the management of Irregular Migration among Nigeria Youth and also the limitation and challenges encountered in the implementation of the program	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. In 2021, the Ministry carried out a sensitization and advocacy campaign on the dangers of Irregular Migration with over 100 participants benefiting from the program.</p> <p>ii. In 2022 and 2023 respectively, the Ministry carried out sensitization campaign on the dangers of Irregular and means of accessing Regular Migration.</p> <p>iii. Unemployment, political and social unrest, inaccessibility of regular pathways for migration among others are the fundamental causes of Irregular Migration.</p> <p>iv. Porous and unsecured borders are some factors that encourage Irregular Migration</p> <p>v. Strengthening bilateral cooperation/signing of bilateral agreement in the</p>	The Technical Committee observed that the memorandum is for information purpose and therefore recommended to Council for noting.	NOTED



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				<p>areas of labour exchange will promote employment opportunities for Youth, as well as promote border management and issuance of visa</p> <p>vi. Enhancing the various Youth Empowerment Programmes of the Ministry will address the challenge of unemployment.</p> <p>vii. Capacity building for Youth Development Officers in the area of migration so as to effectively engage within tending/returning migrants</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/39	MEMORANDUM ON YOUTH ECO-GREEN PROGRAM (YEG-P) IN THE SIX GEO-	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to introduce the Youth Eco-Green Program to mitigate effect of climate change and environmental conservation leveraging on the huge youth population in Nigeria.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Tree planting is the best and cheapest way of mitigating climate change and environmental degradation all over the world</p> <p>ii. This project can be successfully implemented leveraging on the huge</p>	<b>The Technical Committee revised the prayer for council's approval as below: Council to request the Federal and State Governments to establish the Youth Eco-Green Program (YEG-P) for tree planting in</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>



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	POLITICAL ZONES			<p>unemployed youth population in the country</p> <p>iii. This project, if well implemented in the six Geo-political zones will improve food security, youth engagement and economic growth of the country</p> <p>iv. States and local Government as key stakeholders, allocates land for the tree planting project and Approve that Youth Eco-Green Program (YEP-G) be implemented in all states of the Federation.</p>	collaboration with the Ministry of environment at Federal and State level.	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/40	MEMORANDUM ON MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHO-SOCIAL SUPPORT PROGRAMME FOR	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to introduce to Council the need for Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support Programmes (MHPS) for young Nigerians.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. Federal Ministry of Youth Development has developed Mental Health and Psycho social support as a national response plan for youth mental health in Nigeria.</p> <p>ii. Active engagement of stakeholders, including governmental agencies, civil</p>	The Technical Committee revised the prayer for council's approval as below: Council to request the State Governments to establish Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support Programmes (MHPS) at State levels in view of the fact that	APPROVED



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	YOUNG NIGERIANS			<p>society organisations, and faith-based groups at sub-national level should be facilitated in the implementation plan.</p> <p>iii. Mandating members to support the implementation of early intervention strategies and the integration of mental health education into school curricula to foster a supportive environment for youth is very crucial to its success.</p> <p>iv. Members should promote mental health literacy specifically tailored for adolescents and young people, addressing the gap in research and awareness.</p> <p>v. Establishment of a framework for monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the MHPS programs to ensure continuous improvement and accountability at sub-national levels.</p>	<b>young people are battling with mental health issues.</b>	





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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/41	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURE AND BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to outline strategies for leveraging culture and promoting positive behavioral change among Nigerian youth to foster national unity, social cohesion, and sustainable economic development.	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Approve the development of a National Cultural Reorientation Framework in collaboration with National Institute for Cultural Orientation to promote positive values and ethical behavior among youth.</p> <p>ii. Mandate State Ministries of Youth Development to organize annual cultural festivals that celebrate diversity and foster unity among youth.</p> <p>iii. Endorse the inclusion of behavioral reorientation programs in partnership with Citizenship &amp; Leadership Training Centres as a key component of all youth-focused initiatives.</p> <p>iv. Partner with traditional and religious leaders, as well as media organizations, to</p>	The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended to Council that this memorandum be stepped down	STEPPED DOWN



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				champion campaigns for cultural preservation and positive behavioral change.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/42	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURAL AND BEHAVIORAL CHANGE	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of this memorandum is to propose actionable steps to instill in the youth the culture of resilience, responsibility, positive attitudinal change actions and habits. It also stresses the critical need for culture and behavioral change initiatives among Nigerian youth.	Council is kindly invited to:  i. Ensure the establishment of Youth cultural and behavioral development centers, aside the existing normal youth centers.  ii. Make sensitization against peer influence mandatory for all youth development oriented programs.	The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended to Council that this memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/C&BC/43	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURE AND BEHAVIORAL CHANGE	KADUNA STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to propose the update of youth engaging in informative youth development activities in the 21 <sup>st</sup> century across the 23 LGAs.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that funding is a critical factor in actualizing this purpose.	The Technical Committee revised the prayer for council's approval as below: Council to request State Governments to allocate at least 15% of the	APPROVED



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					States' budget for Youth Development and to be domiciled in the Ministry in charge of Youth Development.	
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FMYD/7 TH/NCY D/FED/ HCD/44	MEMORAN DUM ON HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOP MENT	LAGOS STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to propose strategies for investing in the human capital development of Nigerian youth to enhance their capacity to drive economic growth and contribute meaningfully to national development.	Council is kindly invited to:  i. Establish Public-Private Partnerships between governments, businesses, and NGOs to fund and implement programs and scale up Youth Human capital development  ii. Adapt Technology Integration: Using e-learning, digital platforms, and AI-driven tools for training.  iii. Advocate for Inclusive Policies to ensure access for	The Technical Committee observed that Prayers i and ii do not require council's approval and therefore recommended prayers iii and iv only for council's approval.	APPROVED II AND IV



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				<p>marginalized groups, including women, rural populations, and the disabled.</p> <p>iv. Establishment of Monitoring and Evaluation framework for regular assessment of human capital initiatives to ensure effectiveness and adaptability.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/HCD/45	MEMORANDUM ON BRIEF ON ONDO STATE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES	ONDO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to highlight achievements across governance, job creation, skills acquisition, culture and behavioral change, and human capital development, underscoring their alignment with the National Youth Policy (2019–2023). It also aims at drawing the Council's attention to the pressing challenges of youth unemployment and	<p>Council is kindly invited to note that:</p> <p>i. Youth constitute 48% of national population while 72% of them are jobless and underemployed;</p> <p>ii. Consequences of idleness have contributed negatively to the development of the nation;</p>	The Technical Committee observed that the matter in consideration is already being handled by the Federal Ministry of Youth Development and therefore recommended to the Council that the Memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN



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			<p>under employment, the consequential socio-economic implications, and the urgent need for government intervention to support trained youth with vocational skill equipment and start-up capital.</p>	<p>iii. Joblessness is a challenge that demand urgent attention, considering the series of recent youth protest;</p> <p>iv. Some youth as desirous of self-employment and have undergone vocational skill training but lack of the necessary support to be self-reliant;</p> <p>v. Trained youth are not financially capable to set-up their skill business, hence the need for Government intervention;</p> <p>And <b>Approve</b> that:</p> <p>Government should come to the assistance of the critical category of youth with basic need on</p>		





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				vocational skill equipment and funding ( <i>initial capital</i> ) as a mark of encouragement for self-employment and reliant.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/HCD/46	MEMORANDUM ON HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	BORNO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to highlight the importance of human capital development for Borno State youth; Identify the challenges facing Borno State youth in this aspect; and provide recommendations for the Borno State Government and the Federal Government.	<p>Council is kindly invited to note that:</p> <p>i. Human capital development is critical for the growth and development of Borno State.</p> <p>ii. Concerted efforts of both the Federal Government and the Borno State Government can tackle the challenges facing the state's youth in this aspect and promote sustainable development;</p> <p>And <b>urge:</b></p> <p>i. The creation of a fund to support human capital</p>	The Technical Committee revised the prayer for council's approval as below: Council to urge State Governments to establish a Youth Development Fund to support human capital development in their respective States.	APPROVED



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				development initiatives in Borno State.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/HCD/47	MEMORANDUM ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A YOUTH INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE IN ENUGU STATE	ENUGU STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to seek the approval of Council for the establishment of a Youth Innovation and Development Centre in Enugu State, in alignment with the NCYD's strategic agenda, particularly the thematic area of "Job, Skills and Innovation"	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:  i. The historical role of Enugu State as a centre for education and leadership makes it the ideal site for a model Youth Development Centre.  ii. His Excellency, the Governor of Enugu State, Dr. Peter Ndubuisi Mbah, is committed to partnering with the Federal Government to establish a model Youth Development Centre which will not only benefit the youth of Enugu State but also serve as a standard for future Youth Development Centres across the country.	<b>The Technical Committee revised the prayer for council's approval as below:</b>  <b>Council to request the Federal Ministry of Youth Development to establish/upgrade Youth Innovation Centres in all the six (6) geo-political zones in the Country.</b>	<b>NOTED BECAUSE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS NON-FUNCTIONAL CENTRES OF ABOUT 41 ALL OVER THE COUNTRY SO IT IS UNREASONABLE TO BUILD OTHERS. IT IS BETTER TO HAVE FUNCTIONAL CENTRES. ENCOURAGE ALL STATES</b>  <b>INTEND TO HAVE A YOUTH CENTRE IN EVERY LGA.</b>



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				<p>iii. The establishment of a YIDC in Enugu will provide a platform for increasing the number of Nigerian youth that have access to and benefit from the FMYD programmes at every given time. In the same vein, establishing a YIDC in Enugu State will also address regional disparities, fostering inclusivity and ensuring that the Southeast is fully integrated into the national youth development agenda.</p> <p>iv. The proposed centre would serve as a hub for skills training, job creation, innovation, and capacity building ranging from Technical and vocational education; Entrepreneurship incubation; Agriculture and Agri-Business; ICT, Renewable Energy and</p>		



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				<p>Green Economy; and Civic and leadership programs.</p> <p>v. The centre aligns with the priorities of the National Council on Youth Development, particularly in fostering jobs, skills, and innovation, and promoting human capital development.</p> <p>vi. The establishment of a Youth Innovation and Development Centre in Enugu State will unlock the potential of young people, reduce unemployment, and foster innovation, setting a precedent for effective youth empowerment across Nigeria.</p> <p>And <b>Approve</b> the establishment of a Youth Innovation and Development Centre in Enugu State.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCY	MEMORANDUM ON HUMAN	CITIZENSHIP AND LEADERSHIP	The purpose of the memorandum is to demonstrate the imperative of	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:	<b>The Technical Committee revised the</b>	<b>NOTED</b>



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D/FED/HCD/48	CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	TRAINING CENTRE	human capital development in the quest to transform and reposition the Nigerian youth so that they would thrive and catalyze the nation's economic development.	<p>i. Human capital development is a cornerstone of sustainable growth and societal advancement. By investing in youth education, health, and skills, individuals and nations can unlock potential, foster innovation, and achieve economic prosperity.</p> <p>ii. Overcoming challenges such as inequality and resource limitations requires coordinated efforts from governments, the private sector, and international organizations. Through continuous and inclusive development of human capital, societies can build a brighter and more equitable future for all.</p> <p>iii. There is the need to lay emphasis on developing the human capital potentials of the youth in the non-formal and informal sectors as well as youth out of school.</p>	<p>prayer for Council's approval as below: Council to request the Federal Ministry of Youth Development through the C&amp;LTC to institute a mandatory specialized citizenship and leadership training programme for NCE graduates.</p>	





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				<p>And <b>urge</b> that:</p> <p>Council should consider instituting a citizenship and leadership training programme for NCE and ND finishers. The programme will be such that will give them proper orientation as handlers and teachers at Early Childhood and Basic Education levels, which is very fundamental levels of education in Nigeria and elsewhere. The Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre will be ready to play any reasonable pivotal role assigned to it as it did during the formation of the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC).</p>		



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/HCD/49	MEMORANDUM ON HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to provide actionable ways of improving human capital development structures to empower Nigerian youth, by ensuring their participation in decision making processes and leadership roles.	Council is kindly invited to:  i. Invest in youth education  ii. Provide youth with vocational training.  iii. Promote youth entrepreneurship.  iv. Create job opportunities for youth.  v. Encourage youth participation in decision making processes.  vi. Address the needs of marginalised group.  vii. Invest in their health and services.	The Technical Committee observed that the prayers on this memorandum aligns with that of Memorandum 45 and therefore Council is invited to approve its merger with memo 45.	MERGER APPROVED
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/HCD/50	APPROVAL FOR MANDATORY TRAINING OF	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of this memorandum is to advocate for approval of a mandatory training of professional	Council is kindly invited to:  i. Approve mandatory training of professional Youth Development Officers at the	Recommended for Council's approval	APPROVED



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	PROFESSIONAL YOUTH OFFICERS, YOUTH WORKER AND YOUTH LEADERS AT THE CITIZENSHIP AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING CENTRES		Youth Development Officers at the Federal, State and Local Government Areas; Youth Workers; Ethnic Youth Leaders, Executives of the National Youth Council of Nigeria; Executives of the National Association of Nigerian Students, Nigerian Youth Parliament; States Youth Parliament; amongst others.	<p>Federal, State and Local Government Areas; Youth Workers; Ethnic Youth Leaders, Executives of the National Youth Council of Nigeria; Executives of the National Association of Nigerian Students, Nigerian Youth Parliament; States Youth Parliament; amongst others;</p> <p>ii. Approve the use of Citizenship and Leadership Training Centres as venues for the training programme;</p> <p>iii. Approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of each year for the trainings</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/HCD/51	MEMORANDUM ON HUMAN CAPITAL	KADUNA STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to expose the need for the creation of a youth development department from former youth and culture	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b>:</p> <p>i. The development of a Kaduna State youth policy.</p> <p>ii. The strengthening of the new department's operational</p>	<b>The Technical Committee revised the prayer for Council's approval as below:</b>	<b>APPROVED (LETTERS BE WRITTEN TO STATES THAT DON'T HAVE ANY OF SUCH</b>



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	DEVELOPMENT		development department in the state.	planning to re-strategize it in order to address youth development programming in the states.	<b>Council to request State Governments to establish a stand-alone Ministry of Youth Development.</b>	<b>MINISTRY AT ALL TO ESTABLISH ONE)</b>
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/HCD/52	MEMORANDUM ON RE-COMMENDATION OF THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES (PGD, MASTERS AND EXECUTIVE CERTIFICATE COURSES)	UNIVERSITY OF ABUJA AND COMMONWEALTH YOUTH PROGRAMMES	The purpose of this memorandum is seek approval for the training of Human Capital to run various Youth based innovative programs by President Bola Ahmed Tinubu administration.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b>:</p> <p>i. The University of Abuja (through the Center For Gender Studies and Youth Advancement) &amp; Commonwealth Youth Programmes (CYP) to commence the following:</p> <p>A. Post Graduate Diploma &amp; Masters program in Youth Studies;</p> <p>B. Short term Certificate Programs in Youth Development Studies;</p> <p>C. Workshops, Seminars for Human Capital Development Training for Drivers of Youth Programs on agreed identified felt needs.</p>	<b>The Technical Committee revised the prayer for Council's approval as below: Council to urge Federal and State Governments to send candidates to the University of Abuja for the training programmes and also request other tertiary institutions to key into the programmes.</b>	<b>NOTED</b>



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	BY THE UNIVERSITY OF ABUJA					
FMYD/7 <sup>TH</sup> /NCYD/STATE/HCD/53	MEMORANDUM ON NATIONAL COUNCIL ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	ABIA STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to seek approval for the decentralized implementation of the Common wealth Diploma in Youth Work, aimed at enhancing the professional capacity and productivity of Youth Development Officers in Nigeria.	Council is kindly invited to approve the decentralization and funding of the Common wealth Diploma in Youth Work.	The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN
FMYD/7 <sup>TH</sup> /NCYD/STATE/JS&I/54	MEMORANDUM ON INCREASED ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT AND	HONORABLE COMMISSIONER FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EKITI STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to inform the council on the progress report on youth employment and empowerment programmes carried out across the state for meaningful development of the Youth and the State in consonance with the present	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> the need for:  ii. Provision sufficient fund to empower all the trainees among other logistics.  iii. Sensitization of young people to fully participate	The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended	NOTED





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	EMPOWER MENT TO WARDS SHARED PROSPERIT Y		administration of his Excellency Governor Biodun Abayomi Oyeba nji the Executive Governor of Ekiti State towards his mantra (if you can't measure, you can't manage it) of shared prosperity.	during youth census for decision Making  iv. Construction of a befitting Youth devel opment centre in the state.  v. Involvement of more youth from states on programmes organized at the Federal level.  vi. Youth farms to be established in all states of the federation to Encourage agricultural practices among our youth.  vii. Professional qualification to be obtained by all youth workers, Uniform scheme of service at all levels and cross breeding of officers from other cadre to occupy top positions in the profession be discouraged.  viii. Construction of Youth resource centres and provision of training facilities to the centre	<b>that this memorand um be stepped down.</b>	



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT E/JS&I/55	MEMORANDUM ON JOB, SKILLS AND INNOVATION	LAGOS STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to propose strategies for equipping Nigerian youth with relevant skills, creating sustainable job opportunities, and fostering innovation to enable them to thrive as drivers of economic development.	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Approve the establishment of Agricultural Innovation hubs across the Country</p> <p>ii. Establish Youth Investment Fund at the state levels to finance skills training and startup projects for youth at the grassroots.</p> <p>iii. Partner with private sector firms to launch large-scale infrastructure projects and skill development programs.</p> <p>iv. Establish industrial parks and technology hubs to attract investments and create clusters of employment.</p> <p>v. Ensure that at least 30% of the registered vendors and public sector contracts are awarded to youth-led businesses.</p>	The Technical Committee observed that prayers i to iv have been addressed in Memorandum 2 and therefore revised the prayer for Council's approval as below: Council to request Federal and State Governments to ensure that at least 30% of the registered vendors and public sector contracts are awarded to youth-led businesses.	APPROVED



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FMYD/7 <sup>TH</sup> /NCYD/STATE/JS&I/56	MEMORANDUM ON JOB, SKILLS AND INNOVATION IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT WORK PROGRAMME: NEED TO INTRODUCE	BENUE STATE.	The purpose of the memorandum is to highlight the importance of Youth Empowerment through skills development and innovation, identify current gaps and propose achievable strategies to address unemployment and foster economic growth among Youth.	<p>Council is kindly invited to</p> <p>i. Advocate for increased budgetary allocation to Youth-Focused programmes.</p> <p>ii. Support the establishment of partnerships with international organisation for funding and technical expertise in skills and innovation development.</p> <p>iii. Endorse the creation of Youth jobs and innovation task-force to oversee the implementation of proposed activities.</p> <p>iv. Encourage the adoption of multi-stakeholders approach to ensure holistic and inclusive Youth development.</p>	The Technical Committee observed that the matter in consideration is already being handled by the Federal Ministry of Youth Development and therefore recommended to the Council that the Memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN
FMYD/7 <sup>TH</sup> /NCYD/STATE	MEMORANDUM ON JOB,	OYO STATE	The purpose of the memorandum is to submit for	Council is kindly invited to note and approve that:	Recommended for Council's approval,	NOTED



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E/JS&I/57	SKILLS & INNOVATION		consideration at the 2024 National Youth Summit	i. The abandoned Federal Youth Development Centre, Oluyole local government, Oyo State be completed.	subject to availability of funds.	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/58	MEMORANDUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MODEL SKILLS ACQUISITION TRAINING CENTER IN THE NORTH CENTRAL, NORTH WEST, SOUTH EAST AND SOUTH WEST ZONE	DIRECTOR GENERAL NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF EMPLOYMENT	The purpose of the memorandum is to establish 4 Model Technical/Vocational and Agricultural Skills Acquisition Training Centres in 4 Geo-political Zones of the country to address skills gap and empower individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed.	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. The Model Skills Training Centers will incorporate state-of-the-art technology, Modern classrooms with interactive learning technology and comfortable learning spaces, lots, processing facilities, storage and equipment facilities experienced trainers and tailored curricula. These features will ensure that trainings are hands-on</p> <p>And <b>urge</b>:</p> <p>The Establishment of Model Skills Acquisition Training Center in the North Central, North West, South East and South West Zone</p>	<b>Recommended to Council for approval, with funding to be provided by NDE.</b>	<b>APPROVED</b> (ADD SOUTH-SOUTH TO THE LIST OF GEO-POLITICAL ZONES TO THE TITLE OF THE MEMO)



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/59	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS, SKILLS AND INNOVATION	CITIZENSHIP AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING CENTRE	The purpose of the memorandum is to demonstrate the imperative of the three in the quest to transform and reposition the Nigerian youth so that they would thrive and catalyse the nation's economic development	<p>Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:</p> <p>i. A call for transformation and repositioning the Nigerian youth suggests that there are dissatisfying conditions in relation to the youth and economic development in Nigeria.</p> <p>ii. The intersection of jobs, skills, and innovation defines the future of work. While challenges such as job displacement and skills mismatches exist, the potential for growth, creativity, and improved quality of life is immense.</p> <p>iii. By fostering innovation and investing in skill development, societies can ensure that the workforce is prepared for the dynamic demands of a rapidly changing world.</p>	The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN





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				<p>iv. The essence of training and education includes the acquisition of skills that will enable a person to be relevant in the society.</p> <p>v. The skills a person acquires are meant to guide him or her on what to do at an appropriate time.</p> <p>vi. The rising wave of unemployment among the youth in Nigeria poses unanswered questions.</p> <p>vii. When skills are not clearly acquired, the youth is not certain of what he or she can really do. There could be element of lack of self-confidence. The result of this situation is often not palatable.</p> <p>And <b>urge</b> that:</p> <p>i. There is every need for this Council to generate ideas, reflect on them and consequently chart a course for transformed and repositioned youth</p>		



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				<p>through education and training.</p> <p>ii. The Nigerian youth needs sustainable and strengthened citizenship training and reorientation which will enable them acquire skills for teamwork, ability to thrive in a rapidly changing world and self-confidence which are essential for innovation and strategic decision making.</p> <p>iii. State Governments are implored to create a platform for the grooming and reorientation of the youth. The Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre would be ready to partner with the State Governments in this regard.</p> <p>iv. There is compelling need for youth officers and youth leaders to be sent for periodic citizenship training.</p>		



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				v. There is the need to be mindful of the youth in the informal sector and youth out of school and equally provide them with the necessary skills for transformation and repositioning.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/60	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS, SKILLS AND INNOVATION	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of this memorandum is to address the pressing need for enhanced job opportunities, skill development, and Innovation for the Nigerian youth. This memorandum seeks to underscore the importance of equipping young Nigerians with the skill required to compete in today's dynamic job market and foster an environment that promotes entrepreneurship and innovation. It also proposes	<b>This</b> is for the Council to approve the <b>Establishment of National Skills Training Programs:</b> Develop and fund national skill training initiatives that will focus on areas such as information technology, digital marketing, entrepreneurship, and vocational skills. Partnering with private sector organizations and educational institutions can ensure that trainings align with market needs.	<b>The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN</b>



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			<p>actionable steps to bridge the gap, reduce youth unemployment and support a thriving economy driven by young innovators.</p> <p><b>Importance of Skills Development and Innovation for Youth Employment</b></p> <p>Investing in skill development and innovation among Nigerian youths is critical to reducing unemployment and stimulating economic growth. Equipping young people with relevant skills and encouraging innovative thinking will not only help them secure jobs but also drive local industries, contribute to the economy and position Nigeria as a global competitor</p>			



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			<p><b>Challenges in Youth Employment and Skills Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Skills Mismatch:</b> There is significant gap between the skills taught in the educational institutions and those required by employers, particularly in technical and vocational sectors.</li> <li>➤ <b>Limited Access to Vocational and Technical Training:</b> Vocational education and training opportunities are limited, reducing the chance for the youth to acquire practical and job-ready skills.</li> <li>➤ <b>Lack of Innovation Support:</b> Few resources are allocated to innovation and entrepreneurship thereby leaving potential innovators without the necessary support to bring their ideas to the market.</li> </ul>			





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			<p><b>Potential Economic Impact of Youth Empowerment in Jobs, Skills, and Innovation:</b> By investing in skills development and creating opportunities for youth-led innovation, Nigeria can realize multiple benefits, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Reduction in youth unemployment and underemployment.</li> <li>➤ Increase in national productivity and economic growth.</li> <li>➤ Creation of a competitive knowledge economy with higher level of technological advancement and business innovation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Successful Examples of Youth Employment Initiatives:</b> Successful models in other nations include government-</p>			



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			sponsored innovation hubs, public-private partnerships for skill training, and business incubators to support young entrepreneurs. Programs like these can be adopted to meet Nigeria's unique needs and challenges.			
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/61	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS, SKILLS AND INNOVATION	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to outline the need for a comprehensive strategy to empower and reposition the Nigerian youth as a key driver of jobs, skills and innovation.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:  i. The transformation and repositioning of Nigerian youth is not just a matter of addressing their immediate needs but ensuring that they are empowered to become drivers of long-term economic growth.  ii. By equipping the youth with the right tools, skills, and opportunities, Nigeria can harness its demographic advantage and position itself	The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.	STEPPED DOWN (REPITITION)



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				<p>as a key player in the global economy.</p> <p>iii. It is imperative that the National Council on Youth Development spearheads efforts to reform existing systems and implement youth-focused policies.</p> <p>And <b>urge</b> that:</p> <p>Council adopts the proposed strategies and initiate further consultations with relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, private sector actors, and youth organisations, to formulate a robust action plan for youth development in Nigeria.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/62	MEMORANDUM ON JOB, SKILLS AND	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to propose strategies for equipping Nigerian youth with relevant skills, creating sustainable job	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Approve the establishment of a Youth Investment Fund at the state levels to finance skills</p>	<b>The Technical Committee did not consider this memorandum to have sufficient reasons for</b>	STEPPED DOWN



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	INNOVATION		opportunities, and fostering innovation to enable them to thrive as drivers of economic development.	<p>training and startup projects for youth at the grassroots.</p> <p>ii. Direct all levels of government to develop a framework for One Youth Two Skills policy aimed at equipping young Nigerians with multiple skills to enhance their employability and entrepreneurship prospects.</p> <p>iii. Endorse the development of a National Innovation Hub Network for youth to harness creativity and technological advancements.</p> <p>iv. Partner with development organizations and the private sector to scale up youth-focused initiatives in jobs, skills, and innovation.</p>	<b>consideration and therefore recommended that this memorandum be stepped down.</b>	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/63	MEMORANDUM ON LEVERAGING THE	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of this memorandum is to seek Collaboration with States for targeted interventions to	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Approve and facilitate partnerships between individual states and the</p>	<b>Recommended for Council's approval.</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>



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	BAMBOO INDUSTRY FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOB CREATION		develop Nigeria's bamboo industry as a key driver of economic diversification, job creation, and environmental sustainability.	<p>Federal Ministry of Youth to develop a National Bamboo Strategy. This strategy will ensure coordinated efforts to integrate bamboo cultivation and processing into state-level development plans, fostering sustainable growth and youth engagement.</p> <p>ii. The mandate states to allocate suitable land for bamboo cultivation, particularly in Southern regions with optimal climatic conditions.</p> <p>iii. Endorse the establishment of Youth Centers for Bamboo Training and Innovation in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Youth. These centres will provide skills training in bamboo farming, processing, and entrepreneurship, preparing young Nigerians to participate in and lead the bamboo value chain.</p> <p>iv. Mandate the</p>		





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				development of manufacturing hubs in Northern states in partnership with state governments and the Federal Ministry of Youth. These hubs will enable processing, value addition, and export while serving as opportunities for youth-centred industrial activities.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/64	MEMORANDUM ON ESTABLISHMENT OF DEMONSTRATION GREEN HOUSE FARMS IN NATIONAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTRES	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to seek approval from the Council for the establishment of Demonstration Greenhouse Farms in National Youth Development Centres across the six geopolitical zones of the country.	Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b> :  i. The establishment of Demonstration Green House Farms in each of the National Youth Development Centres.  ii. The allocation of necessary resources and funding for the implementation of the project.	<b>Recommended for Council's approval.</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>



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FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/65	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS, SKILLS AND INNOVATION	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of the memorandum is to point out critical areas that deserve urgent attention. This has to do with jobs, skills and innovation which constitute a circle for national gainful employment, self-reliance and prosperity.	Council is kindly invited to <b>note</b> that:  i. All agencies of government, private sector organizations and other stakeholders devise workable procedures for jobs, skills and innovation that match market demands.	<b>Recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>NOTED</b>
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/FED/JS&I/66	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS, SKILLS AND INNOVATION	HONOURABLE MINISTER, FMYD	The purpose of this memorandum is to outline the need for a comprehensive strategy to empower and reposition the Nigerian youth as a key driver of jobs, skills and innovation.	Council is kindly invited to: i. Invest in vocational education, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) programs, and entrepreneurship training to match the demands of the modern economy.  ii. Collaborate with private sector partners to establish industry-driven curriculum reforms and practical training programs, particularly in technology, renewable energy, and creative	<b>Recommended to Council to be stepped down.</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN</b>



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				<p>iii. Create youth-specific funding mechanisms, such as low-interest loans and grants, aimed at supporting young entrepreneurs.</p> <p>iv. Establish business incubation hubs across key states to provide mentorship, financial advice, and business development support to youth startups.</p> <p>v. Support digital literacy programs to ensure that young Nigerians are equipped to thrive in a technology-driven economy.</p> <p>vi. Expand broadband internet access in rural and underserved regions to bridge the digital divide and promote inclusive economic participation.</p> <p>vii. Launch mental health awareness campaigns to address the growing challenges faced by</p>		



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				<p>Nigerian youth in terms of stress, anxiety, and depression.</p> <p>viii. Provide more accessible mental health resources and counseling services within educational and community centers.</p> <p>ix. Integrate youth participation into national policy formulation processes, ensuring that the voices of young people are heard in shaping the future of Nigeria.</p> <p>x. Introduce leadership training programs to equip young people with the necessary skills for political and civic engagement, thereby contributing to more inclusive governance.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STAT	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS,	KADUNA STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to reduce youth unemployment and	Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b> :	<b>The Technical Committee observed that the matter in</b>	<b>STEPPED DOWN (NOT STEPPED DOWN)</b>



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E/JS&I/67	SKILLS AND INNOVATION		restiveness in the state through skills acquisition and enhanced job creation.	<p>i. Routine conduct of youth in agricultural development programmes to enhance numerous opportunities on job creation.</p> <p>ii. Improve synergy of all stakeholders coordination platform in the state.</p>	<b>consideration is already being handled by the Federal Ministry of Youth Development and therefore recommended to the Council that the Memorandum be stepped down.</b>	
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/JS&I/68	MEMORANDUM ON NATIONAL COUNCIL ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	ABIA STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to seek approval for the decentralized implementation of the Commonwealth Diploma in Youth Work, aimed at enhancing the professional capacity and productivity of Youth Development Officers in Nigeria.	Council is kindly invited to approve the decentralization and funding of the Commonwealth Diploma in Youth Work.	<b>Recommended to Council to be stepped down.</b>	<b>NOTED (NOT STEPPED DOWN)</b>
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE	MEMORANDUM ON TRANSFORM		The purpose of this memorandum is to underscore the urgent	Council is kindly invited to: <p>i. Endorse collaborative efforts to implement youth-focused</p>	<b>Recommended to Council for noting.</b>	<b>NOTED</b>





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E/JS&I/69	MINING AND REPOSITIONING THE NIGERIAN YOUTH TO THRIVE AND CATALYSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	NASARAWA STATE.	need to transform and reposition Nigerian youth for national development. It outlines strategic areas such as education, entrepreneurship, health, civic engagement, and innovation, emphasizing their role in empowering youth to drive economic growth and social progress.	<p>initiatives across key areas highlighted in the memorandum.</p> <p>ii. Support Nasarawa State's commitment to youth empowerment through recognition and partnership in scaling impactful programs.</p> <p>iii. Foster a unified approach toward leveraging innovation and technology for youth development nationwide.</p>		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/JS&I/70	MEMORANDUM ON BAUCHI STATE'S CONTRIBUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NATIONAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT	BAUCHI STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to memorandum on Bauchi State's contributions and recommendations for national youth development policies	<p>Council is kindly invited to:</p> <p>i. Endorse and support the proposed recommendations for addressing youth development challenges.</p> <p>ii. Recognize Bauchi State's efforts and facilitate the replication of successful initiatives like the Bauchi State Sports Academy at the national level.</p>	<b>Recommended to Council to be stepped down.</b>	<b>NOTED (NOT STEPPED DOWN)</b>



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	ENT POLICIES			iii. Collaborate on creating a National Youth Empowerment and Innovation Fund and other critical programs to advance youth development nationwide.		
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/JS&I/71	MEMORANDUM ON GOVERNANCE	KOGI STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to increase the participation of youth in the main stream of governance; address the needs, the interest, aspirations and challenges of Youth; bring new ideas and innovation to governance; and promote inclusiveness of democracy, leadership development, accountability and transparency by way of countering apathy and radicalization.	Council is kindly invited to <b>approve</b> that in view of the roles of Youth in development, more Youth be appointed to participate in governance across the States.	The Technical Committee noted that the matter does not have sufficient reason and therefore recommended that the memo be stepped down.	NOTED (NOT STEPPED DOWN)
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE	MEMORANDUM ON JOBS,	KOGI STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to highlight the importance of having	The Council is kindly invited to encourage States to engage the Youth properly which will in turn reduce and solve some of the	<b>Recommended to Council to be stepped down.</b>	NOTED (NOT STEPPED DOWN)



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E/JS&I/72	SKILLS AND INNOVATION		Kogi State Youth Data Base as it will help ascertain the number of unemployed Youth so as to make adequate plans for engaging them.	security challenges we are facing right now. And <b>approve</b> that States should intensify effort in encouraging the Youth to acquire vocational training and skills thereby reducing the unemployment rate.		<b>MERGE IT WITH SIMILAR MEMO</b>
FMYD/7TH/NCYD/STATE/JS&I/73	MEMORANDUM ON CULTURAL AND BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE	KOGI STATE	The purpose of this memorandum is to divert the mind of the Youth from going into drugs and substance abuse	Council is kindly invited to:  i. Encourage States to intensify effort in stopping the Youth from going into drugs than thinking of rehabilitation.	The Technical Committee revised the prayer for Council's approval as below: <b>Council to request State Governments to intensify efforts to prevent youths from engaging in drug use.</b>	<b>APPROVED (MERGED WITH SIMILAR MEMOS ON MENTAL HEALTH)</b>



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### APPENDIX B: PHOTOS



***Professor. Umara Babagana Zulum the Executive Governor Borno State &  
The Honourable Minister Federal Ministry of Youth Development  
Comrade Ayodele Olawande exchanging Handshake***



***The Honourable Minister Comrade Ayodele Olawande delivering his Keynote Address***





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***A cross-section of Participants at the 7th NCYD***



***The Minister being conferred as a Fellow of NYWA***



***Deputy Gov, Governor, Hon. Minister & Permanent Secretary***





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*Cross Section of Top Government Officials and dignitaries*



*The Executive Governor of Borno State, Prof Unara Babagana Zulum delivering his speech*





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*The Former PS Dr. Dunoma Ahmed, Hon. Min. Comrade Ayodele Olawande,  
The PS Mr. Olubunmi Olusanya*



*Comrade Saina Buba (Commissioner Youth & Sport, Borno State)*



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*Dr Babatunde (Country Rep UNFPA) delivering a goodwill message*



*Hon. Minister & Permanent Secretary FMVD*





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*The National Anthem*



*The Hon. Minister & some State Commissioners*



*Dr. Babatunde (UNFPA), Dr. Ahmed Dunoma (PS Foreign Affairs), Prof Babagana Zulum*



*The Honourable Minister and some members of Staff of the FMYD*





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***Cross-section of State Commissioners of Youth***



***The Honourable Minister in a pose with some State Commissioners of Youth***



***The Honourable Minister engaging with some Youth representatives at the council meeting***





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**The Arrival of the Hon. Minister at the Registration stand**



**The Minister Registering his attendance**





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*The PS having a conversation with DPRS & DD Legal*



*Executive Gov. of Borno State*



*The Minister receives a warm welcome*



*Borno State Governor and  
Honourable Minister*



*The Hon. Minister FMYD, The Executive Gov. Borno State and  
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**Cross-Section of participants at the 7th NCYD**



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**Borno State Dance Troupe**





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***Hon. Minister & Permanent Secretary***



***The UNODC Representative delivering her Goodwill message***



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## APPENDIX C: ATTENDANCE

### ATTENDANCE FOR THE 7TH NATIONAL COUNCIL ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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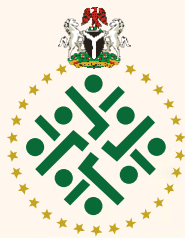
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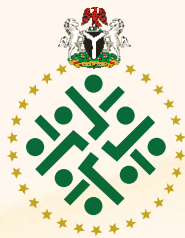
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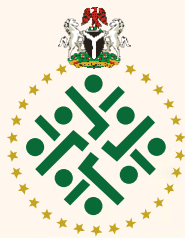
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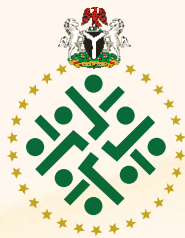




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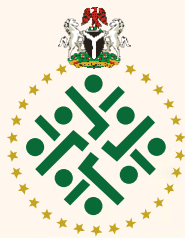
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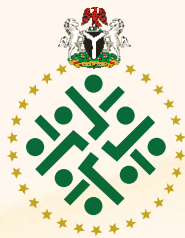
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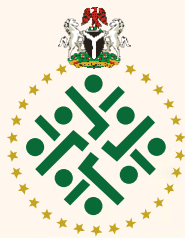


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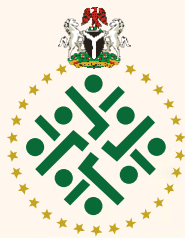
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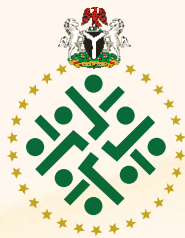
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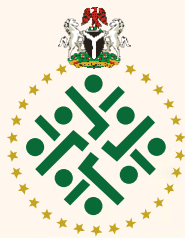
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