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Forward

Human rights, as enshrined in International Treaties and Declarations, represent the cornerstone of Justice, Dignity and Equality. The promotion, protection, and enforcement of human rights is a task that transcends borders, governments and institutions. The importance of fostering a culture of human rights has been a central theme of global dialogue and action since the establishment of the United Nations in 1945, with the commitment to human rights being further strengthened by the 1993 World Conference on Human Rights.

Within this framework, National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) have emerged as critical players in the global quest to safeguard the rights and freedom of individuals. These institutions play a fundamental role in promoting and defending human rights at the national level, serving as competent bodies for the redress of violations, as well as catalysts for education and awareness. Nigeria, recognizing the need for a strong national body to uphold the rights of its citizens, established the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) in 1995. This Commission was tasked with ensuring that the rights of every individual within Nigeria are respected, upheld and protected, while also playing an active role in fostering democratic values, accountability and the rule of law.

The NHRC's vision is to be a leading National Human Rights Institution worldwide, creating a culture where human rights are respected and advanced at all levels of society. Its mission is to provide a prompt and effective response to human rights violations, while ensuring that national values built on respect for human dignity, equality and justice are promoted across Nigeria. In carrying out its mandate, the Commission works tirelessly through its organizational structure, comprising of the Governing Council and the Secretariat, which collectively ensure the effective execution of human rights initiatives and programs.

In the year under review, the Commission undertook a wide range of activities aimed at building capacity, engaging in promotional activities, fostering collaborations and providing a robust complaints treatment mechanism to address grievances related to human rights. These efforts reflect the Commission's unwavering commitment to responding to human rights violations, raising awareness and enhancing the visibility of human rights issues throughout Nigeria. Through dedication and hard work, the Commission has continually worked to bridge the gap between citizens and their rights, responding to the diverse and evolving needs of individuals, communities and vulnerable groups. It has consistently engaged with various stakeholders—both locally and internationally—while leveraging partnerships to create an environment conducive to the protection of fundamental freedoms.

This report provides a detailed overview of the National Human Rights Commission's activities and achievements during the year 2024, shedding light on its significant contributions to human rights in Nigeria. From staff development initiatives and promotional activities to addressing complaints and securing collaborations, the Commission remains steadfast in its commitment to advancing the cause of human rights, ensuring that every Nigerian enjoys the rights and freedoms they are entitled to. The journey towards a more equitable society is continuous and the NHRC's work stands as a testament to the resilience and dedication required to ensure that human rights are not just ideals, but living realities for all. As we look forward, it is our collective responsibility to support and strengthen these efforts, ensuring that the values of dignity, equality and justice are fully realized in every corner of Nigeria.

This report thus encapsulates the achievements, challenges and milestones of the National Human Rights Commission as it continues to lead the charge in the promotion, protection and enforcement of human rights in Nigeria.

Dr. Salamatu Hussaini Suleiman, ficmc
Chairperson, Governing Council

Preface

The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) of Nigeria has made considerable strides in the promotion, protection and enforcement of human rights, both within the country and in its interactions with international partners. Established in 1995, the NHRC's mission has been clear; to create an enabling environment for the recognition and enforcement of human rights for all. This document provides a detailed account of the NHRC's activities, achievements and challenges in the year 2024. It offers insight into the Commission's efforts across various sectors, including staff development, promotional activities, special projects, collaborations with international and local organizations as well as its robust mechanism for handling complaints.

As an institution committed to upholding the rule of law and ensuring that every individual's human rights are respected, the NHRC has, over the years, sought to foster a culture of respect for human dignity. Through strategic partnerships, public engagement, advocacy and education, the NHRC has continued to play a pivotal role in advancing human rights in Nigeria. This report not only reflects on the Commission's work in 2024 but also serves as a testament to the progress made, the challenges encountered and the dedication to building a more just society for all.

The following chapters delve into the core activities, financial performance, special projects and collaborations that have defined the Commission's year, highlighting its commitment to human rights through action, innovation and accountability.

Dr. Tony Ojukwu, OFR, SAN, ficmc
Executive Secretary/CEO

Executive Summary

The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) of Nigeria, established in 1995, is a key institution dedicated to promoting, protecting and enforcing human rights across the country. The Commission's mission is to advocate for human rights, provide timely responses to violations and foster a culture of respect for rights built on democratic principles, accountability and the rule of law.

The NHRC is guided by core values such as equal opportunity, transparency, teamwork, justice and operates with two main organs: the Governing Council, which makes policy decisions and the Secretariat, responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Commission. It is organized into several specialized departments, including Legal Services, Human Rights Education, Vulnerable Groups, Finance and Monitoring, etc, to effectively address a broad range of human rights issues.

The Commission has been active in engaging with stakeholders, both locally and internationally, to improve the human rights landscape in Nigeria. This includes partnerships with local and international organizations, media engagements, advocacy, campaigns and commemorations such as International Human Rights Day. The NHRC also focuses on the capacity building of its staff to enhance service delivery and has undertaken a wide array of training and awareness-raising activities, particularly around gender-based violence, children's rights and civil liberties.

In 2024, the NHRC handled over 2.5 million complaints related to human rights violations, addressing critical issues like sexual and gender-based violence, labor rights, economic, social and cultural rights and access to justice etc. The Commission has seen a steady rise in the number of complaints, reflecting increasing public awareness and trust in its capacity to provide redress. Moreover, the NHRC engaged in several special projects, including strategic consultations, panels on counter-insurgency and partnerships aimed at strengthening civic space and protecting rights.

These initiatives further demonstrate its commitment to creating an inclusive society where all Nigerians can enjoy their fundamental rights.

The Commission's financial management in 2024 reflected strong performance, with the full appropriation of the budget and effective utilization of resources for its operational and special project needs. The NHRC continues to improve its systems, ensuring transparency and accountability in managing public funds.

In conclusion, the NHRC's work in 2024 highlights its crucial role in the promotion, protection and enforcement of human rights in Nigeria, with a focus on addressing systemic violations, engaging with diverse stakeholders and empowering citizens. The Commission remains committed to advancing human rights through comprehensive initiatives, responsive mechanisms and robust advocacy.

Director, PSD

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The National Human Rights Commission was established by the National Human Rights Act 1995 (as amended) to pursue and achieve the following objectives:

- (a) To deal with all matters relating to the protection of human rights as guaranteed by the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, the African Charter on Human and People's Rights, the United Nations Charter and the Universal declaration on Human Rights and other International Treaties on human rights to which Nigeria is a signatory.
- (b) To investigate allegations of human rights violations, make appropriate recommendations to the Government and assist victims to seek redress and remedies.
- (c) To promote human rights through reports, publications, seminars, workshops and conferences for the public enlightenment, maintain a library, collect data and disseminate information.
- (d) To undertake studies on human rights issues and render assistance to the Government in formulating appropriate human rights policies.

The Commission is situated at No. 19 Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Beside Raw Materials Research Development Council, Maitama District, Abuja. It has 36 state offices and Abuja metropolitan office (AMO) located at Karu Abuja.

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CHAPTER ONE

OVERVIEW OF THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

1.1 Preamble

From inception in 1945, United Nations have taken development and entrenchment of human rights as a continuous quest. The World Conference on Human Rights, in 1993, bolstered the importance and productive role of National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) for the promotion and protection of human rights. It recognized their roles as competent authorities in remedying human rights violations as well as the dissemination of human rights information and education. Since the World Conference to date, NHRIs have continued to play active roles at the International, Regional, Sub-regional and National levels. The Institutions also provide support and encourage democratic processes in different parts of the world.

It is on this note that the Nigerian Government established the National Human Rights Commission in 1995. The Commission was established to promote, protect and enforce human rights in Nigeria, through the creation of an enabling environment for the quasi-judicial recognition and enhancement of the respect for, and enjoyment of human rights in Nigeria.

1.2 Vision

To be a foremost National Human Rights Institution in the world by entrenching a culture of respect for human rights and promoting national values built on principles of democracy, accountability and respect for rule of law.

1.3 Mission

The Commission is committed to prompt response to allegations of human rights violations, advocacy, education and interventions that encourage national values built on the principles of respect for human and people's rights.

1.4 Core Values

- ❖ Equal opportunity
- ❖ Efficient and effective service delivery

- ❖ Justice and dignity
- ❖ Team work
- ❖ Respect for diversity
- ❖ Transparency and accountability

1.5 Organizational Structure

There are two major organs in the Commission, which are the Governing Council and Management.

1.5.1 The Governing Council

The Governing Council is the policy making organ of the Commission. It has 16 members made up of various interest groups and is headed by a Chairperson. The Executive Secretary doubles as Secretary to the Council and Chief Executive Officer of the Commission.

1.5.2 Management

The Executive Secretary is the administrative head and the Chief Accounting Officer of the Commission. He is assisted by the management and staff in carrying out activities for the realization of the overall mandate of the Commission. This is facilitated through the departments and units, as well as State Offices of the Commission.

The following are the departments/units of the Commission:

1. Office of the Executive Secretary OES
2. Monitoring
3. Procurement
4. Women and Children
5. Vulnerable Groups
6. Legal Services & Enforcement
7. Human Resources Management
8. Planning, Statistics & Documentation
9. Corporate Affairs & External Linkages

10. Economic, Social & Cultural Rights
11. Civil and Political Rights
12. Human Rights Education & Promotion
13. Finance & Accounts
14. Human Rights Institute
15. Abuja Metropolitan Office (AMO)

While the Units include:

1. Council Secretariat
2. ICT
3. Complaints Registry
4. Internal Audit

CHAPTER TWO

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

2.0 Preamble

Training and retraining of staff is one of the key objectives of the Commission. Capacity building for staff is an essential tool to position staff for effective service delivery for the promotion, protection and enforcement of the fundamental human rights and freedom of all persons living in Nigeria. In the year under review, the Commission undertook the following training/capacity building for staff:



- i. **14 February 2024:** Basics of Accounting and Government public sector financial management reforms, the training focused on Staff of Finance and Account Department at Headquarters.
- ii. **5 – 9 March 2024:** Capacity building/Training of Trainers (TOT) for Protection Actors on Inclusive Gender Responsive and Adolescent Friendly Services, aimed

at improving the Sexual Reproductive Health Rights of Adolescent girls and women organized by PLAN International & funded by Global Affairs Canada.

- iii. **12 March and 16 April 2024:** The monthly Seminar: Tips on Research and Writing for Human Rights 110 NHRC staff (Personnel from HRI and Monitoring Departments, AMO, Investigation and Legal Officers from other departments and State Offices), benefitted from the training at the Headquarters.
- iv. **13 March 2024:** Capacity training on Increasing Access to Violence-Free Space for women and girls at the grassroots organized by Women for Women International.
- v. **24 April 2024:** Training on Human Rights Security and Voluntary Principles organized by Lite Africa.
- vi. **29 – 30 May 2024:** Capacity Building for Bauchi Youth Religion Advisory Network on Freedom of Thought, Conscience and Belief with the aim of promoting Religious freedom and coexistence members of Advisory Board organized by Search for Common Ground and Young Leaders Network.
- vii. **30 May 2024:** May edition of the monthly in-house training on Human Rights Fundamentals and Public Speaking, (98 staff of HRI, Investigation, Legal, Monitoring departments and AMO) benefitted at the Headquarters.
- viii. **4 June 2024:** The NHRC Office had an In-house training for staff at the Adamawa State Office. This is in a bid to build the capacity of staff on complaint treatment procedures of the Commission.
- ix. **10 - 14 June 2024:** A 5 day training for staff on Advanced Specialized Training programme. The training was organized by the Institute for Humanitarian Studies and Social Development (IHSD) in partnership with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). 50 staff of the Commission participated in the training at the Headquarters.
- x. **20 June 2024:** In-house Training to enlighten staff on Civil Service Rules on the topic *Misconduct and Serious Misconduct* at the Headquarters.
- xi. **20 – 21 June 2024:** Capacity Building on the Legal Framework on Parole and the Administration of Criminal Justice in Nigeria organized by CLEEN Foundation.

- xii. **21 June 2024:** In-house Training for staff on National, Regional and International Instruments relevant to Women, Children, Elderly and Vulnerable Groups at the Headquarters.
- xiii. **26 June 2024:** Capacity Building Workshop on the Administration of Criminal Justice Law of Bauchi State organized by LawHub Development and Advocacy Centre, Legal Aid Council, Civil Society Organizations, Law Enforcement Officials.
- xiv. **18 July 2024:** Monthly In-House Seminar on Admissibility of Complaints. 102 Selected Staff from Investigation, Legal, Research Officers from Headquarters, AMO and State Offices benefited from the training at the Headquarters.
- xv. **11 - 13 September 2024:** Productivity Algorithms and Artificial Intelligence Tools. The training was facilitated by Sean Cussons Consulting Ltd. at the Headquarters. The total number of participants was 40. The target participants were Deputy Directors and Assistant Directors.
- xvi. **19 September 2024:** One-Day Hybrid Training on Pension Rights. The Directors, all Investigation, Legal and Monitoring officers from Headquarter, AMO and State Offices participated at the Headquarters.
- xvii. **8 - 9 October 2024:** Workshop on the Roles of Stakeholders in the Implementation and Promotion of the Human Rights of PWDs' in accordance with Disabilities (Prohibition) Act, 2018 and the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and People's Rights on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities at the Headquarters.
- xviii. **6 November 2024:** NHRIs engagement on the Blue Economy. Webinar series to build capacity on the blue economy.
- xix. **7 November 2024:** Monthly In-House Seminar on Basic Rules of International Humanitarian Law and Monitoring of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Nigeria at the Headquarters.
- xx. **14 November 2024:** Webinar on Business and Human Rights (BHR) organized by NHRC/ACCI Abuja Chambers of Commerce and Industry to discuss issues of business & human rights.

- xxi. **21 - 22 November 2024:** Two day Training on Strengthening National Mechanisms to Promote Access to Education of Children with Disabilities at the Headquarters.
- xxii. **21 November 2024:** Capacity Building on Cyber Security and Human Rights organized by Lifespring Africa Initiative.
- xxiii. **26 – 29 November 2024:** Training on Child Protection Data Management System by UNICEF.



CHAPTER THREE

PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

3.0 Preamble

The Commission is determined to scale - up its visibility profile and impact, which makes the Commission to continue to collaborate with human rights stakeholders in the advancement of human rights. This section of the report presents activities carried out by various departments, units, and state offices, in liaison with United Nations (UN) System, development partners and other stakeholders such as, Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Public and Private Media, Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs), Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), and Security Agencies etc.

Such activities include radio and television appearances, school sensitization, courtesy visits, and commemorations.

3.1 Media Engagements

The role of the media is indispensable in the promotion and protection of human rights, as people tend to remember more, what they see or hear continually, so the Commission leveraged on the media to execute several activities. These activities were captured by several mainstreams as well as the social media. Some of the activities in focus include press conferences, press statements/releases, radio and television appearances.

3.1.1 Press Conference

1. Press Conference/Advisory to the Federal Government and Nigerian Labour Congress on the need to observe human rights principles during the August 1st nationwide protests- July, 2024.
2. Press conference on the eve of the planned nationwide protest by the NLC-July, 2024.
3. Press conference heralding the 16th Days of Activism against sexual and gender-Based Violence – November, 2024.
4. Reuters Report: NHRC Releases Panel's findings – November, 2024.

5. Press conference on the eve of the 2024 International Human Rights Day – December, 2024.
6. Press Briefing on 16 days of activism to create awareness on the menace of SGBV as it affects women and girls – 22 November 2024.
7. UNHCR/NHRC media presentation of IDP Human Rights protection project to present the report of the UNHCR/NHRC IDP project in the North–East 16 December 2024.
8. Media Parley to interface with judicial correspondence (journalists) covering NHRC at the Bukhari
9. Bello Auditorium, NHRC HQs 23 December, 2024.

3.1.2 Press Statements, Advisories and Releases

The Commission issued a series of press statements, advisories and releases on the promotion and protection of human rights in Nigeria. The press releases and statements are reflected in the table below:

PRESS STATEMENTS 2024

S/N	Activities	Data
1.	International Day of Education	24 January 2024
2.	International Day of Zero Tolerance Against Female Genital Mutilation	6 February 2024
3.	International Day of Girls in Science	11 February 2024
4.	Statement on World Radio Day	13 February 2024
5.	Press State to condemn Human Rights Violations During Military/Community Clash in Okuama, Delta State	March 2024
6.	Press Statement on International Women Day	8 March 2024
7.	Policy Advisory on Persons with Disabilities: The advisory aims to integrate disability rights into policies, ensuring full social and economic inclusion. It advocates for stronger legal protections and improved access to education, healthcare, and employment. Multi-stakeholder collaboration is key to developing sustainable, rights-based solutions.	26 March 2024

	Additionally, it seeks to establish monitoring mechanisms to ensure policy implementation and accountability.	
8.	International Workers Day – Alleviate Suffering of Nigerian Workers, Ojukwu Advises FG	1 May 2024
9.	International Day of Women’s Judges	10 May 2024
10.	NHRC condemns alleged Brutality of Human Rights Activists, Maxwell Opara	10 May 2024
11.	Children’s Day	27 May 2024
12.	Global Day of Parents	1 June 2024
13.	2024 Democracy Day	12 June 2024
14.	World Day Against Child Labour	12 June 2024
15.	World Elder Abuse Awareness Day	15 June 2024
16.	World Refugee Day	20 June 2024
17.	International Day Against trafficking in Persons	30 July 2024
18.	World Humanitarian Day	19 August 2024
19.	NHRC condemns Illegal Invasion of NLC office	August 2024

3.1.3 Radio and Television Appearances

S/N	DATE	DETAILS	TARGET GROUP	LOCATION
1.	6/3/2024	Live in Radio programme at Fombina Radio in Hausa and Fulfulde languages to enlighten the general public on the various global initiatives put in place to tackle GBV such as the 16 days activism, Women’s day celebration among others.	Men, women, boys and girls (General public)	Girei LGA of Adamawa State
2.	7/03/2024	NHRC Imo State Office represented at Ozisa 96.1 fm on accused and convicted constitutional rights	The accused and convicted	Ozisa 96.1FM Owerri, Imo State.
3.	8/03/2024	Radio program in commemoration with the international Women’s day	Women	Orient 94.5FM Owerri.

		celebration.		
4.	14/3/2024	Radio Enlightenment Programs	General Public	Radio Station
5.	14/3/2024	Live program on the economic, social and cultural rights of the people	The less privilege disabled persons	Ozisa 96.1FM Owerri, Imo State.
6.	3/4/2024	Live Radio Programme at Fombina Radio in Hausa and Fulfulde language. To acknowledge male survivors of GBV and provide them with support and resources	Men, women, boys and girls (General public)	Girei LGA of Adamawa State
7.	16/04/2024	Human Rights Sensitization and Awareness creation	Staff of the Human Rights Education and Promotion/Market Men and Women	Garki Model Market
8.	18/04/2024	Human Rights Sensitization and Awareness creation	Staff of the Human Rights Education and Promotion/Market Men and Women	Garki International Market
9.	24/4/24	Live Radio Programme at Fombina Radio in Hausa and Fulfulde language. To create awareness on the right of children to education.	Men, women, boys and girls (General public)	Girei LGA of Adamawa State
10.	24/4/24	Benue TV Programme on Administration of Criminal Justice law 2019, Benue State.	Members of the public	Makurdi, Benue State
11.	2/10/24	Television programme at (Nigerian Television Authority) channel 42 Abakaliki	NHRC, Ebonyi State Child Protection Network (CPN)	Abakaliki
12.	3/10/24	Live Television Enlightenment Program	General Public	Edo Broadcasting Service (EBS)
13.	4/10/24	Media program to enlighten the public about NHRC, its mandate and section 10 of CFRN on	The general public.	Dream 92.6FM GRA, Independence Layout, Enugu.

		freedom of thought, conscience and religion.		
14.	5/10/24	The NHRC Imo State office and the Police Community Relations Committee made a live appearance at Zanders 105.7FM regarding the subject of police brutality and other violations of human rights	Law enforcement agencies and the public	Zander 105.7FM Imo State
15.	10/10/24	Road show on international human rights day to sensitize the public on their fundamental human rights	General Public	ABS Radio Station, Eke Awka Market and Nkwo Amaenyi Market in Anambra State
16.	17/10/24	Radio programme at EBBC 98.1 fm Abakaliki under the sponsorship of Achieveable souls community support initiative	NHRC, EBBC	Abakaliki
17.	21/10/24	Live radio interview	Adamimoko 107.7FM Station	An assessment of year 2020 #ENDSARS# protest, it consequences, police reform and the role of NHRC
18.	24/10/24	NHRC Imo state was represented at a radio program on the topic labor rights	Employers and the public	Ozisa 996.1FM Imo State
19.	26/10/24	Radio Enlightenment campaign/Program in Igbo language on the fundamental human rights and freedoms of every individual.	People who listen to the radio in Anambra and it's environs	Ijele FM, Nnewi Anambra state.
20.	08/11/24	Radio program on GBV awareness on PRTVC	Listeners	Jos, Plateau state
21.	12/11/24	Sensitization campaign on SGBV to Shamuwa FM	Listeners/General society	Pride FM/Radio Nigeria
22.	14/11/24	The NHRC Imo state office	The Public	Ozisa 96.1FM

		in her weekly radio program in partnership with Caritas Nigeria discussed the various facets of the right to health		Owerri Imo State
23.	16/11/24	Media program to educate the public about NHRC, its mandate and activities. The public was educated on the International Day of Tolerance by UNESCO.	The general public.	Dream 92.6FM GRA, Independence Layout, Enugu.
24.	25/11/24	Television Programme at NTA Channel 42 Abakaliki in commemoration of 16 days of activism 2024	NHRC & staff of NTA	Abakaliki
25.	3/12/24	Sensitization and awareness rising on mandate and thematic areas of the Commission to the general public at Fombina Radio (Radio Nigeria) Adamawa state	General public	Girei LGA, Adamawa State
26.	4/12/24	Media Parley	People who listen to radio	Unizik FM
27.	05/12/24	Media Parley Objective(s): To sensitize the public about gender-based violence.	NHRC Staff, Niger State	Prestige FM, Minna
28.	5/12/24	The Commission took part in a live radio program as part of the 16 days of activism. The Commission spoke in-depth on gender-based violence which they said is a persistent human rights violation. The Commission provided more details on gender-based violence, how it affects its victims be it women or girls and the legal framework available	Parents, legal guardians, school proprietors and proprietress, traditional rulers, the government	Ozisa 96.1FM Owerri Imo State

		to address it.		
29.	6/12/24	Media Parley	NHRC Staff, Oyo State	87.5FM Omoluabi Radio Ibadan
30.	6/12/24	The NHRC Imo was on air to sensitize the public on the need to work collectively in ending violence against women and girls. The Commission sensitized the public on GBV, its harmful effects on the individual,, need to report to appropriate authorities, processes of reporting to the Commission, legal instruments to combat GBV and also disclosed about the 16 days of activism and the International Human Rights Day.	The public	Zanders 105.7FM, Owerri
31.	10/12/24	Media advocacy to create awareness on the International Human Rights Day celebration (IHRD).	The general public.	Dream 92.5FM GRA, Independence Layout, Enugu, Enugu State.
32.	28/11/24	SENSITIZATION ON OGTV AND SWEET FM Media Program at Sweet FM 107.1 to sensitize the public on the Rights and violations of women and girls in the state. The staff of the Commission informed the audience that Domestic Violence is very rampant in Ogun State especially among couples, however they also	NHRC Staff and General Public	Sweet FM 107.1 Ogun State.

		<p>mentioned that there are cases of men who are victims of violence too. They emphasized on the radio program that domestic violence can take different forms which could be in form of physical violence, emotional abuse sexual abuse etc.</p> <p>Finally, they reiterated the commitment of the Commission to fight all forms of violence against women and girls in the State.</p>		
33.	9/12/24	<p>The Commission visited the Ogun State Television at about 9:30am on the program; NEW DAWN to sensitize the public on the ongoing 16 days of Activism, with emphasis on the need for a collective effort in eradicating Violence against Women and Girls. The State office as represented by Rahmat Oyedele Esq. and Olamide Kayode Esq. emphasized on the need for the general public to channel reports of any perceived or known violence against women and girls rights or the rights of others, to the office of the Commission via the Phone and email, while urging victims of abuse or violence to speak up.</p>	Staff of NHRC and General Public	Ogun State Television, NEW DAWN, Ogun State.



3.2 Courtesy Visits

The advancement of human rights promotion and protection is diverse and cross-cutting which calls for proactive measures for the Commission to achieve its mandate. As a result, the Commission adopts courtesy visits in order to strengthen partnership and enhance visibility of its work, among others.

Courtesy visit is an avenue to foster and elicit co-operation from organizations. While some visits were to the Commission, others were carried out by the Commission at the Headquarters and State Offices.



Abraham Lincoln Visit to the NHRC
on 13 Sept. 2024



Tetago Ngo Visit to the NHRC on
25 Nov. 2024



Legum Ltd Visit to the NHRC on
5 Sept. 2024



Mr. Andy Yih-Ping-Liu Receiving
Gift from ES

3.2.1 Visits to the Headquarters (HQ)

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	OBJECTIVES	LOCATION
1.	2-07-24	The New Country Representative of the UNHCR to Nigeria, Mr. Arjun Jain, paid a familiarization visit to the headquarters of NHRC	To engage the Commission on what has been done so far between his organization and the NHRC, to share ideas on the existing collaboration and to expand the conflict target areas	Council Chambers, NHRC
2.	9-07-24	The Executive Director, Mariam Ashley Yusuf Foundation Mariam Yusuf and her delegation paid a courtesy visit to the Commission,	To collaborate with the Commission in exploring joint advocacy initiatives towards eradicating the menace of human trafficking, sexual and drug abuse	Office of the E.S
3.	15-07-24	The Executive Secretary, management and focal persons on safe schools declaration paid a courtesy visit to the office of the Chair, senate committee on human rights	To solicit the chairman's support on the proposed development of a national legal framework on safe school declaration	Office of the Chair, Senate Committee on Human Rights
4.	4-10-24	Visit by Legal Advocacy and Policy Change Working Group	To seek for ways of partnership with the NHRC	Council Chambers, NHRC
5.	31-10-24	Visit by a team of Judges from Liberia	To find out how the Commission works	Council Chambers, NHRC
6.	4-11-24	Visit by the Chairman, Police Service Commission (PSC), Hamisu Argungu	To restate PSC commitment to partnering with the NHRC	Council Chambers, NHRC
7.	12-11-24	Visit by Afri-Law	To partner with the Commission in a campaign against death penalty for drug offences in Nigeria	Council Chambers, NHRC

8.	18-11-24	Visit by a delegation from the Swiss Embassy	To reiterate their commitment to their partnership with NHRC	Council Chambers, NHRC
9.	19-11-24	Visit by the Firma Advisory	To collaborate on Access to Justice	Council Chambers, NHRC
10.	20-11-24	Visit by Duty Solicitor Network	To seek for collaboration on Access to Justice for prison inmates	Council Chambers, NHRC
11.	21-11-24	Visit by the Chief of Civil Military Relations Nigerian Air Force	To collaborate with the Commission on human rights issues	Council Chambers, NHRC
12.	21-11-24	Visit by Axis Hope Initiative	To chart ways of enhancing Access to justice for women and child survivor of sexual abuse	Council Chambers, NHRC
13.	21-11-24	National Assembly oversight visit to NHRC	To monitor the operations of the NHRC	Council Chambers, NHRC
14.	25-11-24	Visit by Princess Barbra Odoh	To intimate the Commission on the project Scavro-Tetaga	Council Chambers, NHRC

3.2.2 Visits by Headquarters (HQ)

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	OBJECTIVES	LOCATION
1.	4/11/2024	NHRC paid a courtesy call on Sen. Mohammed Monguno with WARDC partners	To solicit support for improved funding of the Commission	National Assembly Complex
2.	12/11/2024	Visit to the Chairman, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission	To seek for partnership on human rights issues	The EFCC Headquarters



League Women Voters Visit to NHRC on 29 Jan. 2024



Wouter Plomp with his Team Visit NHRC on 12 March 2024



Malick Fai UN Resident Visit NHRC on 26 March 2024



AWJAI Visit NHRC on 1 March 2024



Chief Solomon Akuma SAN Visit NHRC



Visit by Institute for Humanitarian Studies and Social Development (IHSD) to the HRI on 19 July 2024

3.2.3 Visits to State Offices

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1.	13/5/2024	Visit to Kano office by Alkhairi Orphanage and Women Development	Kano Office
2.	14/5/2024	Visit to Kano office by African Centre for Leadership, Strategy and Development	Kano Office
3.	3/6/2024	Visit from the Society of Family Health, Oyo State Branch	NHRC, Oyo State Office
4.	10/10/2024	Visit by Women and Children Right and Empowerment Foundation	NHRC Office, Kaduna State.
5.	15/10/2024	Advocacy visit to the Commission's Bauchi Office by We Aid Initiative to discuss Advancing gender equality, social inclusion, access to education for girls and fostering resilience in marginalized communities.	NHRC Office, Bauchi State.
6.	18/10/2024	Visit by Voice of Women in Nigeria Initiative to collaborate with the Commission.	Conference Room, National Human Right Commission, Niger State
7.	31/10/2024	Visit by Rigasa Co-incidence Co-operative Society Limited.	NHRC Office, Kaduna State.
	31/10/2024	Advocacy Visit to NHRC Bauchi State by CSO (Young Leaders Network) to discuss collaboration on the improvement of the realization of sexual and reproductive health and rights for the adolescent girls and women including vulnerable populations in Bauchi.	NHRC Office, Bauchi State.
8.	05/11/2024	Visit by Niger State Steering Committee of National Senior Citizen Centre to discuss how to protect and promote the rights of senior citizens.	National Human Rights Commission Conference Room Niger State
9.	15/11/2024	Visit by Niger State Coordinator Human Rights CSOs to collaborate with the Commission.	Conference Room, National Human Rights Commission Niger State
10.	27/11/2024	Visit by Kadashi Initiatives aimed at promoting equity in health, empowerment and education.	NHRC office, Kaduna State.
11.	6/12/2024	Visit by National Orientation Agency	NHRC Office Akure,

		(NOA).	Ondo State
12.	17/12/2024	Visit from Kunyi Afetu Village Youth Association.	NHRC Office Jos, Plateau State
13.	19/12/2024	Visit by AVOCATS SANS FRONTIERS (Lawyers without Borders) France.	NHRC Office Kano State.



Etsu Nupe Palace, Bida Niger State on 11 Nov. 2024



Visit from the Society of Family Health, Oyo State Branch on 3 June 2024



3.2.4 Visits by the State Offices

S/N	DATE	DETAILS	LOCATION
1.	8/5/2024	Courtesy call on the Hon. Commissioner Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development. To congratulate the new Commissioner and intimate her on the rising cases of child abandonment in the state.	Office of the Commissioner, Yola North Adamawa State
2.	6/6/2024	Visit to Commissioner of Police	Force Headquarters, Dutse Jigawa State.
3.	9/10/ 2024	Working visit to Ekiti State Transit Home, to check the condition and people in the facility.	Ado Ekiti, Ekiti State
4.	10/10/2024	Working visit to Children Correctional Centre to access the state of the Children in custody.	Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State.
5.	11/11/2024	Visit to Etsu Nupe, His Royal Highness Alh. Yahaya Abubakar. Objective(s): To seek for support in the planned program on sensitization against forceful marriage in some part of Nupe communities in Niger State.	Etsu Nupe Palace, Bida Niger State.
6.	25/11/ 2024	Visit to Commissioner for Women Affairs for flag off of 16 Days of Activism	Dutse, Jigawa State
7.	27/11/2024	Visit to the Commissioner of Police by GBV Management Committee (Ekiti State Min. of Justice, NAPTIP, BIGIF, GRIP, SACA, NPF, NSCDC, Nigeria Custom Service) on 16 Days of Activism campaign on VAWG to mark part of 16 Days of Activism.	Ado Ekiti, Ekiti State
8.	27/11/2024	Advocacy visit to the Honorable Chief Judge of Oyo State	High Court Ibadan, Oyo State
9.	27/11/2024	Advocacy visit to Ministry of Justice	Block D, Ministry of Justice Office, Oyo State
10.	27/11/2024	In continuation of the 16 Days of Activism, the NHRC Imo State paid a courtesy visit to the Speaker of the	Imo State House of Assembly

		Imo State House of Assembly to advocate for legislative action to end GBV	
11.	27/11/2024	As part of the activities marking the 16 Days of Activism, the NHRC Imo was at the Imo State Judiciary to pay a visit to the Chief Judge of the state to promote the awareness on prioritizing SGBV cases in court to ensure victims get justice, to ensure proper records are kept/maintained and to advocate for the establishment of a Violence Against Persons Prohibition (VAPP) Court that will specially cater for speedy justice delivery and full implementation of the VAPP law.	Imo State High Court
12.	27/11/2024	NHRC Imo visited the Federal High Court as part of the 16 days of activism and in a bid to strengthen the judicial response to sexual and gender-based violence in the state. The Commission disclosed that their reason for the visit was to engage with the federal high court on strategies to strengthen the judicial response of SGBV with the ultimate goal of ending the scourge in the state.	Federal High Court
13.	27/11/2024	Osun State Office of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) paid a visit to the Chief Judge of Osun State, Hon. Justice Adepele Ojo, as part of the activities commemorating the 2024 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence.	Osogbo, Osun State
14.	29/11/2024	The NHRC Imo, paid a visit to the palace of HRM, Eze Innocent Opara, Ezeugo II of Orji Uratta Autonomous Community to promote and create awareness on the elimination of GBV especially at the grassroots level.	Palace of HRM, Eze Innocent Opara, Orji Uratta, Owerri, Imo State
15.	29/11/2024	Visit to Jigawa State House of Assembly.	Dutse, Jigawa State
16.	29/11/2024	Visit to the Presiding Judge, Federal High Court, Plateau State.	Jos, Plateau State

17.	29/11/2024	VISITING RELIGIOUS AND TRADITIONAL LEADERS The Commission visited the Owu Baptist Church after a letter had been sent the previous week informing them of the advocacy visit. The team was informed that the Reverend was not available to attend to the team.	Owu Baptist Church, Ogun State.
18.	03/12/2024	Advocacy visit to the Hon. Speaker, Enugu State House of Assembly to advocate for strong legislations to promote and protect the rights of women and girls in the state.	Enugu State House of Assembly Complex, Independence Layout, Enugu, Enugu State.
19.	03/12/2024	Advocacy visit to the Judiciary for more collaboration in the fight against SGBV and accelerated hearings for cases of SGBV.	Enugu State Judiciary, Independence Layout, Enugu, Enugu State.
20.	3/12/2024	Advocacy visit to the Office of the State Commissioner of Police, Force Headquarters Eleyele, Ibadan.	Force Headquarter Eleyele Ibadan, Oyo State.
21.	3/12/2024	ADVOCACY VISIT TO THE HON. SPEAKER, OGUN STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. The Commission along with some stakeholders paid an Advocacy visit to the Speaker of Ogun State House of Assembly to engage the Speaker constructively on strengthening State legislation on violence against women and girls. Due to the Speakers tight schedule the team was invited to meet with the Deputy Speaker of the House, Hon. Lateefat Ajayi. The Coordinator of the Ogun State office of the Commission drew the attention of the Deputy Speaker to the Cases of Violence against women in the state and also cases of Child Labour which is very common in market places around	Ogun State House of Assembly, Ogun State.

		<p>the State. The Team finally called on the House to reconsider the passage of the State Anti-stigmatization bill.</p> <p>The Deputy Speaker of the Ogun State House assured the team that she would pass the information to the speaker while also reiterating the commitment of the house to continue to fight the scourge of Violence against women and girls. The Deputy Speaker assured the Commission of her readiness to partner with the Commission with respect to sensitization of women and girls in the State and Particularly in her Constituency.</p>	
22.	4/12/2024	Advocacy visit to the Chief Magistrate in continuation of the 16 th Days of Activism, aimed at promoting collaboration and support for the Commission's efforts to address Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) in the state.	Magistrate Court, off Basin Road, Ilorin Kwara State.
23.	4/12/2024	NHRC Visits University of Osun (UNIOSUN) Teaching Hospital to Strengthen SGBV Response in Osun State.	Osogbo, Osun State.
24.	4/12/2024	Advocacy visit to the state coordinator National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons (NAPTIP).	NAPTIP Office, Ibadan, Oyo State.
25.	5/12/2024.	<p>ADVOCACY VISIT TO THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE OF OGUN STATE.</p> <p>The Staff of the Ogun State Office of the Commission paid an advocacy visit to the Chief Judge of the Ogun State. The Chief Judge, who was unavoidably absent, was represented by her management team. In line with the Agenda made available by the Chief Judges office, there was introduction of all the parties, after which the Coordinator of the Ogun State office</p>	Ogun State High Court

		of the commission presented the purpose of the visit wherein she among other things called for the speedy treatment of SGBV related cases in addition to a creation of a special court for related matters.	
26.	6/12/2024	The staff of the Ogun State office of the Commission visited and met with the Chiefs. The team led by the State Coordinator delivered the message of the 16 days of Activism against Gender Based Violence to the Chiefs for passage unto the King and also sought collaborations with the King of Yewa Land in sensitizing the people on SGBV. On behalf of the King, the Bobaseto of Ilaro, thanked the Commission for carrying out this crusade and hope that there can be a fast track to enlighten the people to eradicate this menace.	Palace of Onilaro of Ilaro in Ogun State.
27.	9/12/2024	Visit to the Chief Judge of Bauchi to discuss issues around GBV.	Bauchi, Bauchi State.
28.	24/12/2024	Visit to the Executive Governor of Plateau State by Justice Sector Reform Team.	Government House, Jos, Plateau state.

3.3 Meetings

As enjoined by Section 5(g) & (h) of the National Human Rights Commission Act 1995, as amended, the Commission participates in different meetings both locally and internationally to facilitate the achievement of its mandate. Meetings are very essential to drive the promotion, protection and enforcement of human rights as they create an avenue for interaction with stakeholders to brainstorm on issues bordering on human rights. Some of these meetings are either organized by the Commission while it attends others on invitation. A number of round table meetings were attended by the Commission relating to the defense of human rights.

3.3.1 Headquarters

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	CONVENER
1.	28/11/2024	2024 Roundtable Meeting for Legal Advisers of Ministries, Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government	Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)
2.	2/12/2024 – 3/12/2024	Stakeholders Roundtable Meeting on the Review of the Administration of Criminal Justice Amendment Bill	Administration of Criminal Justice Monitoring Committee (ACJMC)
3.	9/12/2024	Legal Aid Strategy Meeting	Prisoner Rehabilitation and Welfare Action (PRAWA)
4.	11/12/2024 – 12/12/2024	Stakeholders Roundtable/Technical Meeting on Restorative Justice as a Diversion Measure	Federal Ministry of Justice (FMoJ)

3.3.2 State Offices

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1.	2,14,21,28 /02/ 2024	Weekly Assessment Meeting of all the respective Technical Partners (TPs) and relevant NGOs and relevant government institutions rendering HIV/AIDS, SGBV and humanitarian services in Taraba State. Agenda of the meeting is to discuss the successes, challenges encountered in the discharge of responsibilities	Taraba State Action Committee on AIDS (TACA) Secretariat, Jalingo, Taraba State.
2.	8/3/2024	Town Hall Meeting to mark the International Women's Day to let the women know the significance of celebrating the day.	Fofure LGA of Adamawa State.
3.	28/3/2024	Meeting on Community Safety Partnership (CSP)	Swali, Yenagoa Local Government Area, Bayelsa State.
4.	18/4/2024	Coordination Meeting on Risk Mitigation and Response to SGBV & Organizational Effectiveness and Financial Management (OEFM) for CSOs, representatives from government agencies, traditional & religious leaders (Caritas Nigeria)	NHRC Office, Bayelsa State.

5.	11/10/2024	Stakeholders meeting on GBV in Rural Access and Agricultural Marketing Project (RAAMP) in Ekiti State; to identify the roles of stakeholders in addressing GBV cases in RAAMP in Ekiti State.	Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State.
6.	22/10/2024	One day State Technical Committee meeting (STC) on Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), in Ebonyi State organised by the Ebonyi State Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development with Ebonyi State Ministry of Health in support with UNFPA-UNICEF held at Ebonyi State Ministry of Health centenary city Abakaliki	Abakaliki, Ebonyi State
7.	23/10/24 24/10/24	State Coordinator attended a monthly meeting of Taraba Forum of Farmers and Herders Relation (TAFFAHR) and Peace Architectural Dialogue (PAD) in contributing to the mitigation of conflict over natural resources between farmers and herders committee in Taraba state (COMITAS).	TACA Secretariat, Jalingo
8.	24/10/2024	Stakeholders engagement meeting organized by Adolescent Girl Initiative for Learning Empowerment	Agba Road GRA, Ilorin Kwara State.
9.	29/10/2024	GBV monthly review meeting by NEPWHAN	Limoh Suites, Benin City, Edo State.
10.	30/10/2024	Stakeholder's meeting on advocacy against discrimination of people living with HIV/AIDS.	Alagbaka, Akure Ondo State.
11.	2,9,16,23,30 October, 2024	Weekly Assessment Meeting of all the respective Technical Partners (TPs) and relevant NGOs and relevant government institutions rendering HIV/AID, SGBV and humanitarian services in Taraba State. Agenda of the meeting is to discuss the successes, challenges encountered in the discharge of responsibilities.	TACA Secretariat, Jalingo
12.	1/11/2024	Biannual stakeholder coordination	Hotel seventeen, No. 6

		meeting organized by Rule of Law and Empowerment Initiative.	Tafawa Balewa Way, Lafia Road, Kaduna State.
13.	5/11/2024	Planning and inception meeting for project aimed at enhancing public awareness of the ACJL in Edo State by JDPC Uromi.	Chancery Hall, JDPC, Airport Road, Edo State.
14.	14/11/2024	Agenda for engagement meeting & learning session on ACJL provisions and implementation with state actors in Benin City	Chancery Hall, JDPC, Airport Road, Edo State.
15.	14/11/2024	GBV Committee meeting in preparation for the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence.	Conference Room, Ministry of Women Affairs Minna
16.	15/11/2024	Quarterly meeting of the Edo State Justice Sector Reform Team (JSRT)	Judge's Conference Room, New Court Complex. Sapele Road, Edo State.
17.	18/11/2024	State Peace Architecture (SPA) Stakeholders Engagement Meeting to bring together critical stakeholders involved in peace building efforts and to coordinate their actions more effectively.	Guddel Hotel, Minna, Niger State.
18.	6,13,20,27 November, 2024	Weekly Assessment Meeting of all the respective Technical Partners (TPs) and relevant NGOs and relevant government institutions rendering HIV/AIDS, SGBV and humanitarian services in Taraba State. Agenda of the meeting is to discuss the successes, challenges encountered in the discharge of responsibilities	TACA Secretariat, Jalingo
19.	25/11/24	COMMENCEMENT/LAUNCHING OF THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM BY THE FIRST LADY OF OGUN STATE. The commencement of the 16 days of Activism for the year 2024 in Ogun State was launched by Her Excellency, the First Lady of Ogun State Mrs.	State Secretariat, Ogun State.

		<p>Bamidele Abiodun. The Event, the State Coordinator of the Commission called on the First Lady of the State to play a transformative role in addressing the issues towards ending gender-based violence in Ogun State. The Commission also urged the First Lady to serve as a beacon of hope for victims and survivors, a voice for the voiceless and an advocate of justice to inspire the cultural and structural shift necessary to eradicate the menace from our society. The Coordinator final called for a collaboration to work together to ensure that every individual, regardless of their gender can live in dignity, free from violence and fear.</p> <p>The representative of the First Lady of Ogun State, on her Part informed the Staff of the Commission and CSOs Present that she would relay the Information to the First Lady and that the State will continue to work very hard the End Violence against women and girls.</p>	
20.	28/11/2024	Meeting of members of the Justice Sector Reform Team Adamawa to create 2025 work plan	Yola, Adamawa state
21.	28/11/2024	Meeting with women and youth group in commemoration of 2024 16 days of activism to deliberate and identify violations that pertains to GBV	NHRC Yola, Adamawa state
22.	29/11/2024	Meeting with NBA for 16days of activism to discuss available legislations and advocate for further legislation, amendment or established policy.	NHRC, Ilorin Kwara State.
23.	2/12/2024	Meeting with religious and traditional	NHRC

		leaders and visit to the emir's palace	Dutse, Jigawa state
24.	02/12/2024	Meeting with Niger State GBV Stakeholders to bring together critical stakeholders to discuss issues related to gender-based violence in the Niger State.	Conference Hall, Ministry of Women Affairs, Niger State.
25.	3/12/2024	<p>MEETING WITH NBA/FIDA AND CSO'S</p> <p>As part of the activities put in place by the Commission for the 16 days of activism for 2024, the Commission organized a meeting inviting relevant stakeholders such as NBA, NAPTIP, Women Groups and other relevant CSO's. The aim of the meeting with all the relevant stakeholders was to identify the prevailing violations against women and girls in Ogun state; to explore all relevant legal provisions on Gender Based Violence and discuss plans on how to hold perpetrators accountable, plan action on Advocacy for passage of laws and protection of women and girls from harmful practices peculiar to Ogun State. Some of the issues raised at the meeting bothered on the continued rise of incidences of violence against women and girls despite all measures put in place to curb it, the need to exert more resources in the sensitization of stakeholders in the pursuit of this common justice in this regard such as the Police to enable us attain the desired results, the need to establish a center for the Psycho-social support of survivors of SGBV among others.</p>	NHRC Office, Abeokuta, Ogun State.
26.	4/12/2024	Meeting with NBA, FIDA & CSOs to explore legal provisions against GBV.	NHRC Dutse, Jigawa State.

27.	5/12/2024	Meeting with youths groups to create awareness on GBV.	NHRC Dutse, Jigawa State
28.	5/12/2024	Meeting with the NBA, FIDA, CSOs and other Stakeholders.	University Road, Tanke Ilorin, Kwara State.
29.	9/12/2024	Presentation of communiqué from previous engagements to the Secretary to the State Government.	Government Secretariat, Dutse Jigawa State.
30.	13/12/2024	A townhall meeting organized by NHRC, on the state of Human Rights in Kaduna	NHRC Kaduna State.
31.	16/12/2024	Town hall meeting on the State of Human Rights in Plateau state	NHRC Jos, Plateau state
32.	4,11,18/12/2024	Weekly Assessment Meeting of all the respective Technical Partners (TPs) and relevant NGOs and relevant government institutions rendering HIV/AIDS, SGBV and humanitarian services in Taraba State. Agenda of the meeting is to discuss the successes, challenges encountered in the discharge of responsibilities	TACA Secretariat, Jalingo



Participants at the Commemoration of the 2024 International Day of the Disappeared on 30 Aug. 2024



Director HRI was one of the panelists at a Two-Day 1st International Anti-Corruption and Climate Change Conference on 3&4 Sept. 2024





3.4 Council Meetings

The NHRC Act, 1995 (as amended), provides the needs for regular and periodic meetings of the Council. In the year under review, the Governing Council held meetings on the respective dates below:

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| (i) February, 26 and 27, 2024 | - | NHRC Council Chambers |
| (ii) April, 29 and 30, 2024 | - | NHRC Office, Lagos State |
| (iii) June 24 and 25, 2024 | - | NHRC Council Chambers |
| (iv) August, 15 and 16, 2024 | - | NHRC Council Chambers |
| (v) October, 14 and 15, 2024 | - | NHRC Council Chambers |
| (vi) December, 8 and, 2024 | - | NHRC Council Chambers |

3.5 School Visits

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1.	12/02/2024	School Visitation by Students	Springtide International School, Abuja.
2.	5/03/2024	School Visitation by Students	Benford International Schools, Suncity Estate, Lokogoma, Abuja, FCT.
3.	27/11/2024	Quiz Competition for Senior and Junior Secondary School in public and Private schools.	FCT, Abuja.
4.	28/11/2024	Debate Competition for Senior and Junior Secondary School in public and Private schools.	FCT, Abuja.
5.	2/12/2024	Launch of the Implementation framework for Human Rights Education in Nigeria.	NHRC Auditorium, FCT Abuja
6.	08/03/2024	School Sensitisation program in collaboration with Silent Voices on sexual harassment in tertiary institutions to commemorate the International Women's Day	NTA College, Rayfield, Jos, Plateau State
7.	21/5/2024	School sensitization	Sweet Haven Schools, Hadejia Road, Kano
8.	1/7/2024	Sensitization on Child Rights Act	Our Lady of Fatima Creek Road Port Harcourt, River State.
9	3 July 2024:	One – day Capacity Building Programme on Human Rights for teachers in	Government and Private schools in Abuja, FCT.

10.	4/7/2024	Sensitization on Child Rights Act	St. Scholastica Group of School, Iwofe Port Harcourt, River State.
11.	11/10/2024	Sensitization and awareness creation/commemoration of International Day of the Girl child, 2024	Ijo Mimo High School, Akure, Ondo State.
12.	10/11/2024	School sensitization program to mark the International Day of the Girl Child.	Government Day Secondary School, 44 Independence Way, Kaduna State.
13.	5/11/2024	Sensitization of Students on the Adamawa State Child Protection Law 2022, for children (from the ages of 10-17)	Government Day Secondary School Jambutu Yola North Adamawa State.
14.	26/11/2024	School sensitization on Human Rights and GBV	Harmony High School Bauchi State.
15.	26/11/2024	School sensitization students & teachers	St. Mary's Dedication British International School, Benin City, Edo State.
15.	26/11/2024	VISIT TO SCHOOLS TO CREATE AWARENESS The Commission visited to sensitize the students and their staff on SGBV and how they can seek redress whenever they find themselves in such situations. On the 29 th day of November, another visit was made to Abeokuta Girls Grammar School to sensitize the students and their staff on SGBV and how they can seek	Lisabi Grammar School Abeokuta, Ogun State.

		redress whenever they find themselves in such situations.	
17.	27/11/2024	School sensitization on Human Rights and GBV	ATBU Demonstration School Bauchi State.
18.	28/11/2024	Advocacy visit to sensitize staff and management on the dangers, effects and referral pathway for SGBV. It was also to ascertain the availability of PEP cocktail drugs for victims of sexual abuse.	Polly Government Clinic, Asata, Enugu State.
19.	29/11/2024	Sensitization visit	Government Girls Secondary School, Garu Dutse, Jigawa State.
20.	3/12/2024	Educational Visit	Government Secondary School Kufang Jos, Plateau State.
21.	03/12/2024	School Debate and Quiz	Women Multipurpose Hall, Minna
22.	5/12/2024	Awareness creation/sensitization of students of Government Girls College on Gender Based Violence/Drug Abuse.	Government Girls College, Maiduguri, Borno State.



3.6 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

The Department of Legal Services and Enforcement, as part of carrying out the promotion aspect of the Commissions mandate, had signed several Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with several stakeholders on behalf of the Commission. This is in a bid to encourage synergy and cooperation amongst relevant duty bearers.

List of Partners the Commission Entered Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in 2024.

1. NHRC AND ASABE WAZIRI JUSTICE ADVOCACY INITIATIVE Endorsed on 12TH MARCH 2024

AWJAI is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing access to justice through strategic initiatives such as prison decongestion programs, community awareness programs, policy advocacy, capacity building and accountability initiatives.

2. NHRC AND CARITAS DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH INITIATIVE (CDHI) Endorsed on 27TH MARCH 2024

CDHI is a non-profit organization committed to promoting policies and guidelines aimed at safeguarding human rights.

3. NHRC AND NETWORK ON POLICE REFORM IN NIGERIA FOUNDATION (NOPRIN) Endorsed on 28TH MARCH, 2024

NOPRIN is a network of 73 civil society organizations committed to advocating for police reforms and respect for human rights.

4. NHRC AND PARADIGM INITIATIVE(PIN) Endorsed on 3RD APRIL 2024

PIN is a non-governmental organization committed to the promotion, protection, and realization of digital rights within Nigeria.

5. NHRC AND ONE ACT OF PEACE INITIATIVE(1AOP) Endorsed on 12TH APRIL 2024

1AOP is an organization whose mission is to champion domestic harmony through creative solutions.

6. NHRC AND LEGEND GOLDEN CARE FOUNDATION(LGCF) Endorsed on 13TH MAY 2024

LGCF is an NGO primarily concerned with the welfare of children, women and inmates in correctional centers.

7. NHRC AND SHE WRITES WOMAN MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE(SWW) Endorsed on 16TH MARCH 2025

SWW is a non-profit movement that gives mental health a voice in Nigeria by empowering people with lived experiences to tell their stories, concrete their solutions and advocate for their rights.

8. NHRC AND JUSTICIA CRUSADERS FOUNDATION(JCF) Endorsed on 1ST JULY 2024

JCF is a non-profit organization committed to promoting policies and guidelines aimed at safeguarding human rights.

9. NHRC AND AUGUSTINIAN CENTER FOR ADVOCACY, JUSTICE AND PEACE (AJACP) Endorsed on 15TH JULY, 2024

ACAJP is a non-governmental organization committed to the promotion, protection of human rights, advancing equality, and fostering peace within Nigeria.

10. NHRC AND HUMAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT AGENDA (HEDA) Endorsed on 4TH SEPTEMBER 2024

HEDA is an organization with the mandate to protect and promote universally recognized human rights, public accountability, transparency and environmental justice in Nigeria and Africa, in accordance with International best standards.

11. NHRC AND WORLD IMPACT DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (WIDEF) Endorsed on 2ND OCTOBER 2024

WIDEF is an NGO focused on promoting digital rights, inclusion, good governance, and youth and women empowerment for economic prosperity.

12. NHRC AND LEGUM LIMITED Endorsed on 8TH OCTOBER 2024

Legum Limited is a company focused on promoting access to justice within youth communities by way of “a project”.

13. NHRC AND DRUG HARM REDUCTION ADVOCACY NETWORK NIGERIA(DHRAN) Endorsed on 1ST NOVEMBER 2024

DHRAN is a national peer-based organization that seeks to promote the health and defend the rights of people who use drugs.

14. NHRC AND INTERRA NETWORKS LIMITED Endorsed on 15TH NOVEMBER, 2024

INTERRA is a company duly incorporated under the laws of Nigeria, with extensive experience in the provision and maintenance of short codes.

3.7 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence (SGBV)

S/N	DATE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1.	25/11/2024	Commemoration and flag off of the 16 Days of Activism with the First Lady Adamawa State represented by the Commissioner MWASD.	Jimeta Yola, Adamawa State.
2.	25/11/2024	Flag off of 16 Days Activism by the First Lady of Bauchi State, in attendance were people from Ministry of Women Affairs, National Orientation Agency, CSOs, Students, Media, etc.	Bauchi State
3.	25/11/2024	Opening and flag off of 16 Days of Activism with a road walk to create awareness and sensitization.	NHRC Kaduna office
4.	25/11/2024	Sensitization and Awareness rally on the commencement of 16 Days of Activism targeting Market Women, Taxi drivers & general public.	AKURE, ONDO STATE
5.	26/11/2024	Road Show to commence the 16 Days of Activism on SGBV targeting traders and passersby in Agu-awka, Awka.	Ministry of Women Affairs, at the Popular Immigration Junction in Agu-Awka Anambra State.
6.	27/11/2024	Sensitization on GBV to mark 16 Days of Activism targeting Traditional leaders, CSOs founded by Plan International.	NHRC Bauchi State.
7.	29/11/2024	Visit to the Commissioner of Police to canvass for the inclusion of Human Rights Education and GBV in their orientation programs for newly recruited personnel as part of activities for 16 Days of Activism.	Kaduna, Kaduna State.
8.	29/11/2024	Road walk on the 16 Days of Activism to create awareness on GBV. The walk took off from Target Junction Jimeta through Luggere community and stopped at Blind workshop.	Yola, Adamawa State.
9.	3/12/2024	Hospital sensitization to mark 16 Days of Activism at Primary Healthcare Center, Yelwa, Bauchi LGA.	Bauchi, Bauchi State.

10.	4/12/2024	Courtesy visit for advocacy and collaboration to Kadashi Initiative on Equality, Health, Empowerment and Education as part of 16 Days of Activism.	Kaduna, Kaduna State.
11.	4/12/2024	Visit to Hidayat Academy to create awareness on SGBV as part of 16 Days of Activism.	Kakuri, Rigasa Kaduna, Kaduna State.
12.	4/12/2024	Right to health enlightenment and campaigns for pregnant women in commemoration of the 16 Days of Activism.	RCCG Maternity Clinic, Okpuno Awka Anambra State.
13.	04/12/2024	Visit to Kano Emir's Palace as part of 16 Days of Activism to intimate the Emir on the Global campaign for the elimination of violence against women and girls.	Emir's Palace Kano.
14.	5/12/2024	Advocacy visit to Salama Sexual Assault and Referral Centre (SARC) for staff sensitization as part of 16 Days of Activism.	Yusuf Dan Tsoho Memorial Hospital, Tudun Wada, Poly Road, Kaduna.

3.8 Commemoration of 16 Days of Activism by State Offices



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Friday, 29.11.2024

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Friday, 29.11.2024



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GMT 07:00:52 AM

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Altitude 84 meters
Friday, 29.11.2024

Commemoration of 16 Days of Activism by State Offices Continued:



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Commemoration of 16 Days of Activism by State Offices Continued:



3.9 Commemorations

In compliance with the NHRC Act, the Commission observed the following days of international human rights commemorations in the course of the year under review:

- i. 6 February 2024: International Day of Zero Tolerance of Female Genital Mutilation.
- ii. 8 March 2024: International Women's Day
- iii. 22 March 2024: International Day for the Right to the Truth.
- iv. 16 June 2024: Day of the African Child (DAC).
- v. 20 June 2024: Celebration of World Refugee Day "Solidarity with Refugee/IDPs"
- vi. 21 June 2024: International Day of Elderly.
- vii. 18 July 2024: The Nelson Mandela Day is celebrated.
- viii. 30 July 2024: The International Day against Trafficking in Persons.
- ix. 10 August 2024: World Humanitarian Day.
- x. 30 August 2024: Commemoration of International Day of the Disappearance of Persons.
- xi. 10 October 2024: International Girl Child Day.
- xii. 28 October 2024: International Day for Older Persons.
- xiii. 2 November 2024: International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists, to draw attention to the low conviction rates for crimes committed against Journalists on a global scale.
- xiv. 25 November 2024: Commemoration and flag off of the 16 days of activism
- xv. 3 December 2024: Commemoration of International Day for Persons with Disabilities.
- xvi. 10 December 2024: Commemoration of International Human Rights Day. The National Human Rights Commission embarked on series of human rights based activities in collaboration with the UN System, Embassies and different Local and International Civil Society Organisations in the observance of IHRD in Nigeria. The following events took place:-

- ❖ 27-29-11-24: Human rights Quiz: To create awareness on human rights for secondary school students as part of the activities to commemorate the IHRD.
- ❖ 2-12-24: Annual Civil society/human rights defenders forum & human rights Expo: To interface with CSOs and human rights defenders on the state of human rights in Nigeria as part of activities to mark the IHRD.
- ❖ 3-12-24: National Legislative Forum on Human Rights: To engage with the legislature on human rights issues.
- ❖ 4-12-24: High level forum on business and human rights: To discuss human right issues in doing business and create awareness on the NAPBHR.
- ❖ 5-12-24: National town hall programme on strategic litigation in advancing human rights in Nigeria: To chart the way forward on strategic litigation in advancing human rights in Nigeria.
- ❖ 6-12-24: Civil –Military Forum: To create awareness on human rights issues as it pertains to civil-military relations.
- ❖ On the 10th of December, 2024, the Commission along with other Civil Society Organizations and FIDA marked the International Human Rights day at a rally organized by the Ogun State Office of the Commission. The State Coordinator led the rally and along with the entire Staff of the Ogun State office marched in a rally from the state office through Panseke to Omida. The speech of the Executive Secretary was read to the entire participants of the rally and a press interview was given by the State Coordinator.

CHAPTER FOUR

SPECIAL PROJECTS

4.0 Preamble

In accordance with the mandate of the Commission to promote, protect and enforce human rights, the Commission carried out some activities to increase its visibility and accessibility. Some of the activities provide opportunity to interact with the Government, Non-Governmental Organizations and the general public.

In the year under review, the activities embarked on include the following:

4.1 JANUARY - DECEMBER- MONTHLY DASHBOARD PRESENTATION

The Human Rights Situation Dashboard is supported by the NHRC Human Rights Observatory established across the 36 states and the Federal Capital Territory which conducts Monitoring, Reporting and Analysis of violations across Nigeria, in line with its mandate. The Situation Dashboard is a monthly analysis and graphical presentation to the public of the human rights situation in Nigeria.

4.1.1 15 MARCH, 2024- STRATEGIC CONSULTATION ON DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

The Strategic Consultation on Declaration of Human Rights promotes multi-stakeholder collaboration to develop policies that empower and protect Human Rights Defenders (HRDS). The key focus of the consultation is addressing emerging threats to life restrictive laws and surveillance. The consultation is also aimed at strengthening legal protections and global recognition for Human Right Defenders. In addition, it also seeks to establish monitoring mechanisms to ensure accountability and adherence to Human Rights Standards.

4.1.2 FEBRUARY 2023 TO NOVEMBER 2024 SPECIAL INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIVE PANEL ON COUNTER-INSURGENCY IN THE NORTH-EAST (SIIP-NORTH EAST)

The Special Independent Investigative Panel on Counter-Insurgency in the North-East (SIIP-North East) was inaugurated to investigate claims of gross violations of National and International Human Rights Standards, specifically the allegations was against the Nigerian Armed Forces in its treatment on Women and Children. The Panel is in accordance with the Commission's mandate under the Act of 2010.

4.1.3 13 NOVEMBER 2024: NHRC – EU CIVIL SOCIETY CONSULTATION ON THE STATE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN NIGERIA AND INAUGURATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS FORUM

The dialogue is an institutional reform prioritized to enhance responsibility on duty bearers in the discharge of the protection, promotion and enforcement of human rights. Furthermore, the meeting fosters international partnership between Nigerian and European Stakeholders for sustainable human rights advancements. The Consultation accesses the state of human rights in Nigeria, identifying crucial challenges and areas for reforms. It empowers Civil Society engagement and Human Rights Defenders Forum to support collaborative activities.

On-Going - Mechanism to Monitor Freedom of Religion and Belief (FoRB) in Nigeria (Phase one).

The National Human Rights Commission in collaboration with the Kukah Centre for Faith and Leadership Research (TKC) and Nasrul-Lahi-il Fathi Society of Nigeria (NASFAT) has set up Mechanism To Monitor Freedom of Religion and Belief (FoRB) in Nigeria (Phase one) and is being funded by King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue (KAICIID).

The first phase of the project focused on monitoring and addressing freedom of religion and belief in Nigeria initiated due to increasing violations. KAICIID provided financial support to conduct surveys in six states - Plateau, Kano, Sokoto, Edo, Osun, and Ebonyi. The ultimate goal was to provide insights and recommendations to the government for mitigating religious conflicts.

The basic activities included virtual training for field officers on inter-religious dialogue, conflict resolution and data analysis. The data collected from the survey was systematically analysed to determine the underlying factors driving religious conflicts. The final report was structured for public presentation aimed at influencing policy discussions on religious tolerance in Nigeria.

The last activity of the project focused on grassroot sensitization, where essential findings were shared with local communities to enhance awareness of religious freedom and co-existence. This sensitization effort targeted religious leaders, traditional rulers and other stakeholders to foster lasting peace.

4.2. ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ON SAFE SCHOOLS LEGISLATION.

In December 2019, due to the incessant attacks on schools in Nigeria, the President Muhammadu Buhari signed the Safe Schools Declaration Ratification Document signifying the Country's commitment to ratify and uphold the principles of the Safe Schools Declaration (SSD). The document is an international initiative aimed at promoting and protecting the right to education during conflict, it also ensures that educational institutions are safety zones.

The Commission inline with its mandate: to liaise and cooperate with local and international organizations on human rights for the purpose of advancing the promotion and protection of human rights had since inception of Safe Schools Declaration (SSD) provided technical and advisory support to Federal Ministry of Education, SSD secretariat and other development partners.

The NHRC also:

- i. Organised a 2 Day Sensitization Workshop on Mainstreaming the Safe Schools Declaration (SSD) into the Operations of the National Human Rights Commission.
- ii. Convened a Multi Stakeholders Forum on the Safe Schools Declaration towards the Fourth International Conference on SSD. The forum discussed issues of attack on Education particularly the spate of abductions and kidnapping of School Children and how to promote accountability by ensuring that perpetrators of attacks on Education are brought to book.
- iii. Convened a meeting between National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), Women Advocates, Research and Documentation Centre (WARDC) and Save the Children International (SCI). The meeting was aimed at discussing the process of the SSD legislation as well as having a clear understanding of the activities planned by both WARDC and SCI with a view to harmonizing their work plan and working together on this legislation.

- iv. Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Women Advocates Research and Documentation Centre (WARDC) and the Commission.
- v. Engaged two Consultants to develop a draft legal framework on SSD
- vi. Advocacy visit to 1. Federal Ministry of Education, 2. Chairman Senate Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters, 3. Chairman House Committee on Education, 4. Chairman Senate Committee on Education, 5. Chairman house Committee on Human Rights.
- vii. Conveyed a meeting of Stakeholders on the draft legislation to make inputs into the draft Bills.
- viii. Appearance on 92.9 Capital FM to Speak on SSD.

4.3. ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION BY PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT.

The Procurement Department of National Human Rights Commission was setup as a Unit before it was eventually upgraded to a department. The department is responsible for the procurement of goods, works and services (consultancy and non-consultancy) from external sources. The activities of the department in 2024 included processing all procurement regarding the execution of both capital and recurrent expenditures.

4.3.1 ACHIEVEMENT RECORDED IN THE DEPARTMENT

The department was able to successfully execute the technical and financial bids for (5) both Capital and Zonal Intervention/Constituency projects, as well as the implementation of the projects. As part of its vision, the Commission in 2020 embarked on the construction of new state offices in four (4) state, namely; Katsina, Katsina State, Owerri, Imo State, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State and Makurdi, Benue State. In continuation of that vision, in 2021 the Commission awarded four (4) more projects for the sourcing for land, construction and furnishing of one (1) storey prototype office complexes in Awka, Anambra State, Kebbi, Kebbi State, Yola, Adamawa State and Abuja Metropolitan Office. All of these constructions are completed in 2024. Also, there was one (1) award for projects for the implementation of 2024 Zonal Intervention/Constituency projects that was domiciled in the Commission.

CHAPTER FIVE

COLLABORATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

5.0 Preamble

The mandate of the Commission in Section 5(g) empowers it's to partner with local and international human rights organizations for the purpose of advancing the promotion, protection and enforcement of human rights issues in Nigeria. In pursuit of solutions, the Commission collaborated with relevant stakeholders in advancing the cause of human rights through funding and technical support. Consequently, in the year 2024, the Commission partnered with the following local and international organizations as indicated below:

1. TRIPARTITE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME (TPP) (FEBRUARY-DECEMBER 2024)

This is a collaborative initiative with the UNDP, OHCHR and GANHRI, providing technical support for programmes executed by the Commission, such as capacity building to NHRC staff, town hall meetings, interactive Forum for Law Enforcement Agencies and Forum on Business and Human Rights, as well as humanitarian actors and state authorities in conflict zones. It promotes a human rights-based approach during emergencies, leading to the adoption of a National Action Plan (NAP) endorsed by the Federal Government. The programme enhances access to justice and increases advocacy and public awareness on human rights. It also strengthens policy frameworks for business and human rights while improving monitoring and reporting of violations. Additionally, TPP broadens partnerships with stakeholders to advance human rights protection.

2. STRATEGIC CONSULTATION ON INAUGURATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS (15 MARCH 2024)

The Consultation aims to strengthen legal protections and global recognition for Human Rights Defenders (HRDs). It fosters multi-stakeholder collaboration to develop policies that empower and safeguard HRDs. The key focus is

addressing emerging threats like surveillance and restrictive laws. Additionally, it seeks to establish monitoring mechanisms to ensure accountability and compliance with human rights standards.

3. INAUGURATION OF THE NATIONAL WORKING GROUP ON RIGHTS OF OLDER PERSONS (16 APRIL 2024)

The National Working Group presents a national platform to advance the rights and well-being of older persons. It promotes legal and social protections while improving access to healthcare, social security and economic opportunities. Multi-stakeholder collaboration is key to driving inclusive, rights-based policies.

4. STAKEHOLDERS MEETING ON GENDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS (30 APRIL 2024)

The meeting aimed to promote gender equality and strengthen legal frameworks protecting human rights. It fosters inclusive participation in policymaking and addresses emerging challenges like digital violence and economic disparities. Collaboration among stakeholders is key to advancing gender justice. Additionally, it establishes monitoring mechanisms to track progress and ensure accountability.

5. LAUNCH OF NATIONAL WORKING GROUP ON CIVIC SPACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS (2 MAY 2024)

The Working Group established a national platform to monitor, protect, and expand civic space while upholding human rights. It strengthens legal safeguards, ensuring freedom of expression, assembly, and association. The initiative empowers civil society and addresses emerging threats like digital repression and restrictive laws.

6. NHRC IN COLLABORATION WITH GIFT HEALTH PLUS (GHP) AT NIGERIAN CORRECTIONAL SERVICE HEADQUARTERS ABUJA (14 JUNE 2024)

The NHRC in collaboration With Gift Health Plus (GHP) presented Medical items for the Welfare of Detainees at the Nigerian Correctional Service. The NHRC used the opportunity to remind the Nigerian Correctional Service the need to always apply human rights measures while discharging their core duties.

7. NHRC-EU CIVIL SOCIETY CONSULTATION ON THE STATE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN NIGERIA AND INAUGURATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS FORUM (13 NOVEMBER 2024)

The Consultation assessed the State of Human Rights in Nigeria, identifying key challenges and areas for reform. It strengthens civil society engagement and inaugurates the Human Rights Defenders Forum to support activists. Policy dialogue and institutional reforms are prioritized to enhance accountability.

8. CSO FORUM ON CIVIC SPACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS (14 NOVEMBER 2024)

The forum advocates for protecting civic space and fundamental freedoms against restrictive policies. It strengthens civil society resilience and promotes legal reforms that uphold democracy and human rights. Addressing emerging threats like digital surveillance and shrinking civic space is a key focus.

9. SENSITIZATION ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE (14 NOVEMBER 2024)

The sensitization was organized by Women 4 Women & Rescue Initiative and facilitated by NHRC for Women from Gar community in Alkaleri Local Government Area. There was also a Legal Clinic Session by NHRC.

5.2 Conclusion

These activities successfully raised awareness, fostered dialogue, and mobilized action in support of human rights across various sectors of Nigerian society. They contributed to building a more rights-inclusive society and instilled a sense of responsibility among participants towards upholding human rights principles.

CHAPTER SIX

COMPLAINTS TREATMENT MECHANISM

6.0 Preamble

The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), established by the National Human Rights Commission Act (1995) as amended, is dedicated to the promotion, protection and enforcement of human rights in Nigeria. In furtherance of this mandate, the NHRC has developed and institutionalized a comprehensive framework for handling complaints, crafted in accordance with the provisions of the National Human Rights Commission Act (1995) and the Standard Orders and Rules of Procedures (STORP). This framework is designed to ensure that all complaints received by the Commission are thoroughly investigated and where necessary, appropriate remedial actions are taken to address the grievances of complainants.

6.1 Human Rights Complaints in Nigeria: 2024 Summary

During the year under review 2024, the NHRC received a total of 2,500,537 complaints from various sources, including individuals, organizations and communities across the 36 States of the Federation and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT). This figure represents a significant increase in the number of complaints received by the Commission from inception. The complaints received were meticulously categorized into various thematic areas, including but not limited to:

- Sexual and Gender-based Violence
- Women and Gender Rights
- Child Rights
- Rule of Law and Access to Justice
- Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- Labour Rights
- Freedom from Discrimination
- Niger Delta and Environmental Rights
- Others

In addition to these complaints, the Commission also handled other matters including:

- a. **Panel Inquiries:** The Commission conducted several panel inquiries into alleged human rights violations, including cases of insurgency, extra-judicial killings, torture and enforced disappearances.

- b. Suo-Moto Cases:** The Commission initiated investigations into several cases of human rights violations on its own motion, without waiting for complaints from organizations, victims or their families.
- c. Public Inquiries:** The Commission conducted public inquiries into systemic human rights issues, such as prison conditions, police brutality and electoral violence.
- d. Human Rights Monitoring:** The Commission monitored human rights situations in various parts of the country, including areas affected by conflict, insurgency and natural disasters.

6.2 Geographical Distribution of Thematic Complaints Received According to 38 Locations

The Table below shows the breakdown of complaints received from Headquarters, the Abuja Metropolitan Office (AMO), and the State Office the Commission in 2024. The River State Office had the highest number of complaints at 292,410, followed by Headquarters with 265,009 complaints, Delta State Office with 230,332 and the Lagos Office with 202,839 complaints respectively. Other State Officers like Abia, Akwa Ibom, Anambra, Benue, Borno, Cross River, Ekiti, Katsina. Nasarawa received less than 20,000 complaints each in 2024, while Osun State Office received the lowest number of complaints of 8,873

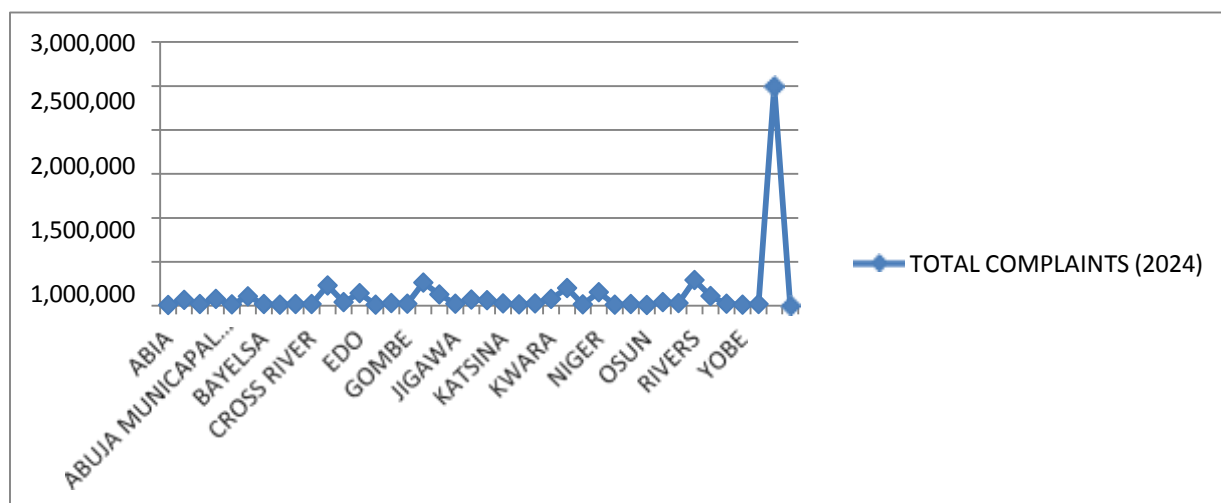
6.3 The table provides a detailed breakdown of complaints according to State representation:

S/NO	STATE	TOTAL COMPLAINTS (2024)
1	ABIA	10,080
2	ADAMAWA	68,520
3	AKWA IBOM	19,462
4	AMO FCT	79,318
5	ANAMBRA	16,178
6	BAUCHI	106,701
7	BAYELSA	19,131
8	BENUE	13,678

9	BORNO	18,171
10	CROSS RIVER	18,774
11	DELTA	230,332
12	EBONYI	41,794
13	EDO	144,177
14	EKITI	13,445
15	ENUGU	30,305
16	GOMBE	24,349
17	HEADQUARTERS	265,009
18	IMO	129,244
19	JIGAWA	21,862
20	KADUNA	71,074
21	KANO	63,763
22	KATSINA	26,319
23	KEBBI	16,746
24	KOGI	27,817
25	KWARA	76,465
26	LAGOS	202,839
27	NASARAWA	14,405
28	NIGER	155,550
29	OGUN	12,188
30	ONDO	19,739
31	OSUN	8,873
32	OYO	42,930
33	PLATEAU	29,378
34	RIVERS	292,410
35	SOKOTO	112,487
36	TARABA	24,371

37	YOBE	13,152
38	ZAMFARA	19,501
	TOTAL	2,500,537

The graphic representation below is a disaggregation according to States, of the total complaints received in the Commission amounting to 2,500,537. The HQ, Rivers, Lagos, Delta, Niger States had the highest, while State like Zamfara, Yobe, Osun, Nasarawa and Kebbi could not make up to 10 percent of the complaints received.

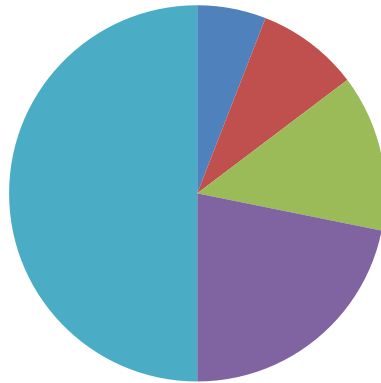


6.4 QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTION OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED IN 2024

Quarter	Total
First	209,434.00
Second	393,260.00
Third	719,500.00
Fourth	1,178,343.00
Annual Total (2024)	2,500,537.00

The quarterly spread of the total complaints received in 2024 shows that the fourth quarter had the highest figure of 1,178,343.00, followed by the third quarter with 719,500 while the first and second quarter had 209,434 and 393,260 respectively.

Quarterly Distribution of Complaints Received in 2024 Quarter

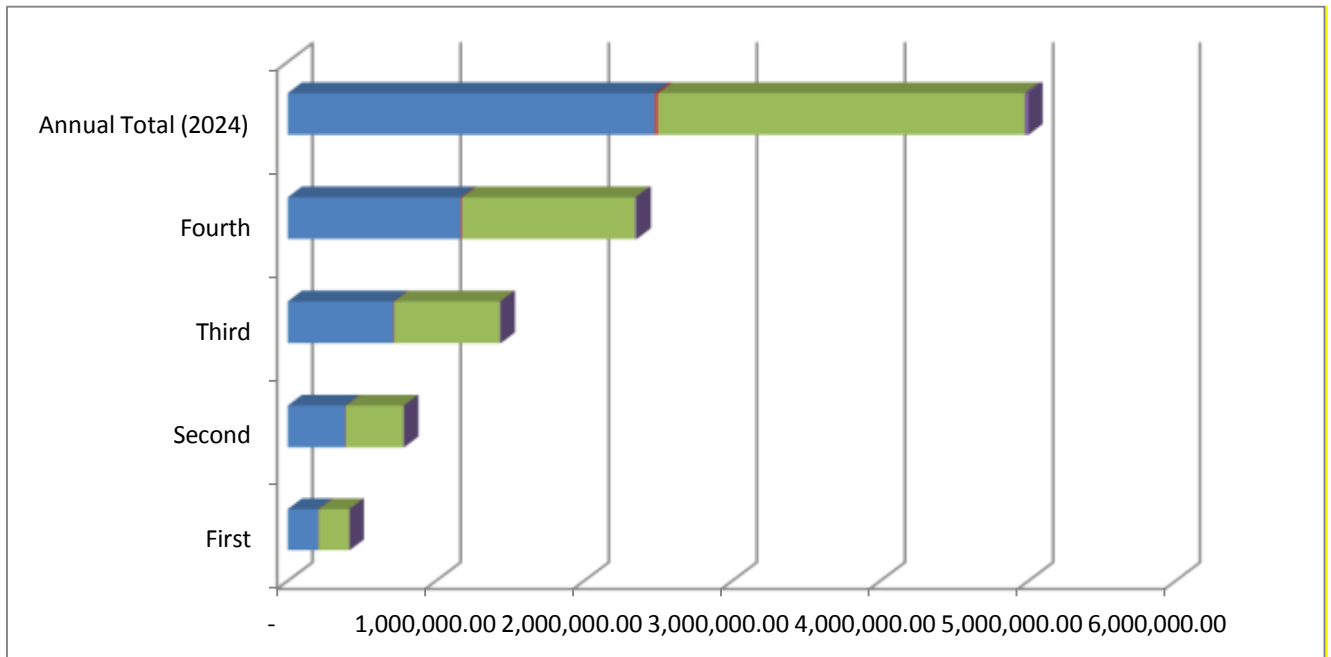


6.5 ADMISSIBILITY OF CASES

In accordance with the NHRC's Rules of Procedure, all complaints received by the Commission are subjected to a rigorous admissibility test, to determine their validity and relevance. In 2024, the NHRC received 2,474,923 admissible complaints, out of which 1,625,350 were conclusively investigated and resolved, while 25,614.00 did not meet the guidelines as provided in the Rules of Procedures and therefore inadmissible. Below is the breakdown:

Admissible and Inadmissible Complaints (2024)

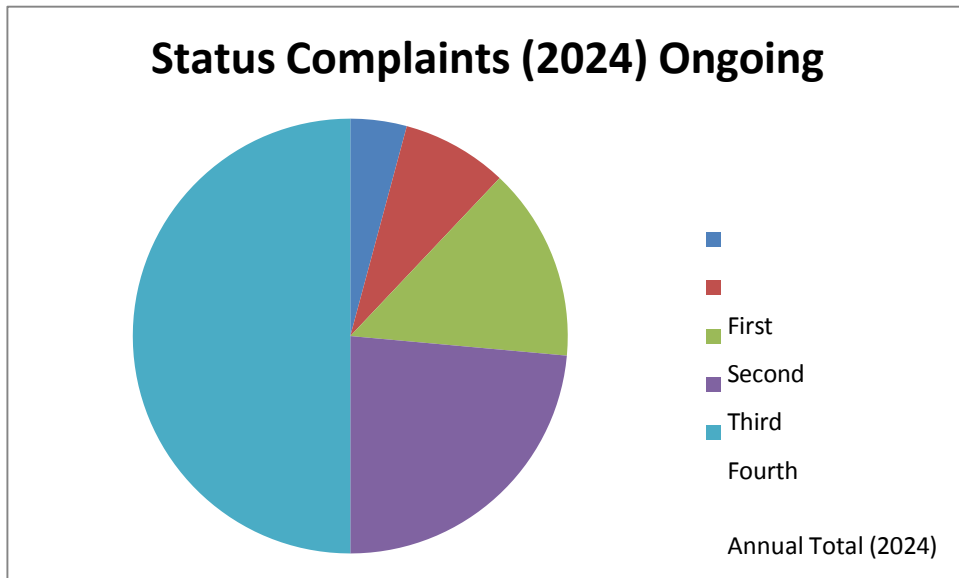
Quarter	Admissible	Inadmissible
First	206,406.00	3,028.00
Second	388,758.00	4,502.00
Third	712,597.00	6,903.00
Fourth	1,167,162.00	11,181.00
Annual Total (2024)	2,474,923.00	25,614.00



The number of concluded cases increases steadily throughout the year, with a significant jump in the fourth quarter. The number of ongoing cases also increased throughout the year, but at a slower rate than concluded cases. The ratio of concluded to ongoing cases remains relatively consistent throughout the year, with around 60-70% of cases being concluded and others ongoing. Different stages of investigation by the end of year are summarized in the table below.

6.6 Status Complaints (2024)

Quarter	Concluded	Ongoing
First	136,132.00	73,301.00
Second	255,619.00	137,641.00
Third	467,675.00	251,825.00
Fourth	765,924.00	412,420.00
Annual Total (2024)	1,625,350.00	875,187.00



In the year under review, the commission received complaints from the 38 states of it location

Amounting to 2,500,537 showing River State as the having the highest and Osun State with the lowest

As shown in the table below.

Table 6.7 Complaints Received by the Commission Nationwide

S/ N	STATE OFFICE	SEXUAL AND GENDER BASED VIOLENCE	WOMEN AND GENDER RIGHTS	CHILD RIGHTS	RULE OF LAW AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE	FREEDOM/ LIBERTY OF PERSONS	RIGHTS OF THE AGED	RIGHT TO LIFE	FREEDOM OF RELIGION	LAW ENFORCEMENT AND HUMAN DIGNITY	ECONOMIC SOCIAL & CULTURAL RIGHTS	LABOUR RIGHTS	FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION	NIGER DELTA AND ENVIRONMENT	OTHERS	TOTAL
1	ABIA	535	785	408	793	563	11	520	454	1,649	1,315	473	1,996	242	336	10,080
2	ADAMAWA	3,854	5,015	2,697	5,473	3,607	55	3,737	3,005	11,854	9,372	3,132	12,773	1,728	2,238	68,540
3	AKWA IBOM	1,042	1,544	804	1,560	1,108	24	1,019	822	3,216	2,543	929	3,631	563	660	19,465
4	ABUJA MUNICIPAL OFFICE (FCT)	4,433	6,333	3,289	6,177	4,558	61	4,209	3,312	13,444	10,572	3,796	14,533	1,949	2,692	79,358
5	ANAMBRA	895	1,246	648	1,257	894	16	820	763	3,030	2,090	747	2,846	393	533	16,178
6	BAUCHI	5,692	8,600	5,209	8,183	5,346	79	5,479	5,385	17,785	14,437	4,972	19,518	2,508	3,508	106,701
7	BAYELSA	1,037	1,426	743	1,441	1,727	18	943	823	2,976	2,394	854	3,461	725	563	19,131
8	BENUE	754	1,069	557	1,082	768	17	704	569	2,296	1,790	644	2,644	328	456	13,678
9	BORNO	678	945	493	957	779	15	633	508	2,106	1,586	569	8,194	304	404	18,171
10	CROSS RIVER	1,052	1,479	773	1,494	1,062	17	973	779	3,095	2,478	890	3,478	573	631	18,774
11	DELTA	12,970	16,717	10,112	18,615	12,954	180	12,679	10,139	40,244	32,512	10,867	38,553	6,305	7,485	230,332
12	EBONYI	2,263	3,090	1,765	3,324	2,437	32	2,237	1,782	7,019	5,580	2,037	7,747	1,034	1,447	41,794
13	EDO	7,980	10,435	6,214	11,555	7,576	114	7,803	6,236	24,693	19,492	6,971	26,777	3,680	4,651	144,177

S/ N	STATE OFFICE	SEXUAL AND GENDER BASED VIOLENCE	WOME N AND GENDE R RIGHTS	CHILD RIGHT S	RULE OF LAW AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE	FREEDO M/LIBER TY OF PERSONS	RIGHT S OF THE AGED	RIGHT TO LIFE	FREEDO M OF RELIGIO N	LAW ENFORCEME NT AND HUMAN DIGNITY	ECONOMI C SOCIAL & CULTURA L RIGHTS	LABOU R RIGHTS	FREEDO M FROM DISCRIMI NATION	NIGER DELTA AND ENVIRON MENT	OTHER S	TOTAL
14	EKITI	742	1,052	547	1,061	755	16	691	557	2,186	1,768	632	2,606	383	449	13,445
15	ENUGU	1,657	2,430	1,264	2,454	1,747	22	1,600	1,272	5,068	4,073	1,461	5,566	747	944	30,305
16	GOMBE	1,330	1,921	1,000	1,940	1,277	16	1,281	1,085	3,989	3,416	1,154	4,490	590	757	24,246
17	HEADQUARTERS (ABUJA)	14,863	19,446	11,313	21,093	14,098	199	14,004	11,230	45,013	36,646	12,714	48,742	6,592	9,076	265,029
18	IMO	7,077	9,545	5,493	10,254	6,580	99	6,907	5,510	22,293	17,655	6,336	24,106	3,190	4,199	129,244
19	JIGAWA	1,197	1,755	912	1,720	1,260	16	1,151	924	3,642	2,937	1,052	4,011	535	750	21,862
20	KADUNA	3,866	5,272	3,007	5,564	4,148	54	3,772	3,045	12,010	9,665	3,469	13,193	1,747	2,262	71,074
21	KANO	3,508	5,016	2,716	5,069	3,749	51	3,436	2,807	10,925	8,884	3,134	11,921	322	2,225	63,763
22	KATSINA	1,429	2,067	1,077	2,091	1,485	17	1,360	1,146	4,303	3,462	1,242	5,129	627	884	26,319
23	KEBBI	915	1,298	675	1,310	934	16	854	751	2,717	2,173	781	3,367	400	555	16,746
24	KOGI	1,516	2,183	1,136	2,205	1,569	19	1,436	1,262	4,544	3,653	1,311	5,390	661	932	27,817
25	KWARA	4,179	5,462	3,261	6,026	4,499	59	4,101	3,322	12,971	10,483	3,464	14,313	1,924	2,421	76,485
26	LAGOS	10,838	14,580	9,626	15,772	11,129	152	10,626	8,490	34,827	27,963	9,421	37,617	4,895	6,903	202,839
27	NASARAWA	775	1,069	657	1,142	768	15	705	650	2,259	1,890	744	2,944	331	456	14,405
28	NIGER	8,699	11,222	5,880	12,456	8,158	122	8,497	6,880	26,981	21,306	7,226	29,168	3,938	5,017	155,550
29	OGUN	619	889	562	899	740	15	597	469	1,880	1,589	634	2,533	283	479	12,188

S/ N	STATE OFFICE	SEXUAL AND GENDER BASED VIOLENCE	WOME N AND GENDE R RIGHTS	CHILD RIGHT S	RULE OF LAW AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE	FREEDO M/LIBER TY OF PERSONS	RIGHT S OF THE AGED	RIGHT TO LIFE	FREEDO M OF RELIGIO N	LAW ENFORCEME NT AND HUMAN DIGNITY	ECONOMI C SOCIAL & CULTURA L RIGHTS	LABOU R RIGHTS	FREEDO M FROM DISCRIMI NATION	NIGER DELTA AND ENVIRON MENT	OTHER S	TOTAL
30	ONDO	1,074	1,551	806	1,496	1,114	19	1,020	819	3,224	2,595	932	3,943	485	661	19,739
31	OSUN	463	732	429	639	555	11	427	336	1,327	1,160	381	1,945	198	270	8,873
32	OYO	2,353	3,067	1,804	3,370	2,491	33	2,271	1,821	7,268	5,804	1,985	8,122	1,062	1,479	42,930
33	PLATEAU	1,609	2,301	1,200	2,325	1,653	22	1,514	1,285	4,887	3,853	1,384	5,661	702	982	29,378
34	RIVERS	15,985	20,714	12,704	23,260	16,458	222	15,718	12,551	50,383	40,099	13,429	53,893	7,748	9,246	292,410
35	SOKOTO	6,157	8,186	4,783	8,787	6,599	88	6,005	4,918	19,069	15,079	5,114	20,999	2,786	3,917	112,487
36	TARABA	1,310	1,806	1,019	1,883	1,408	17	1,280	1,092	4,088	3,280	1,177	4,577	597	837	24,371
37	YOBE	695	1,026	539	1,005	736	14	681	595	2,181	1,730	621	2,563	321	445	13,152
38	ZAMFARA	1,037	1,556	808	1,478	1,116	18	1,017	894	3,263	2,618	903	3,668	469	656	19,501
	TOTAL	137,078	184,830	106,930	197,210	138,405	1,971	132,707	108,288	424,705	339,942	117,582	466,618	61,865	82,406	2,500,537

6.8 Disaggregation of Complaints According to Thematic Area of Focus

The complaints received by the commission in 2024, were admitted based on their admissibility status. The thematic area of focus of various rights violations and rate of occurrences within the year under review were also considered. The availability of accurate data and information on the frequency of occurrence of each type of violation reported is highly imperative for guiding the commission in its promotion, protection, and enforcement activities, as well as other interventions like research and monitoring. The table below further illustrate it:

Table Disaggregation of Complaints According to Areas of Thematic Focus

SUB-GROUP	THEMATIC FOCUS	TOTAL
SEXUAL AND GENDER BASED VIOLENCE	Sexual Violence	45,986
	Domestic Violence	84,187
	Rape	6,943
	Sub Total	137,116
WOMEN AND GENDER RIGHTS	Gender Based Discrimination	23,880
	Harmful Cultural Practices	21,353
	Forceful Marriage	20,534
	Sexual And Reproductive Rights	18,822
	Denial Of Access To Children	20,548
	Inheritance	18,966
	Abandonment (Women)	35,393
	Women Trafficking	25,353
	Sub Total	184,849
CHILD RIGHTS	Right To Survival & Development	10,705
	Child Custody	17,979
	Access To Children	9,954
	Other Child Abuses	8,529
	Child Labour	8,069

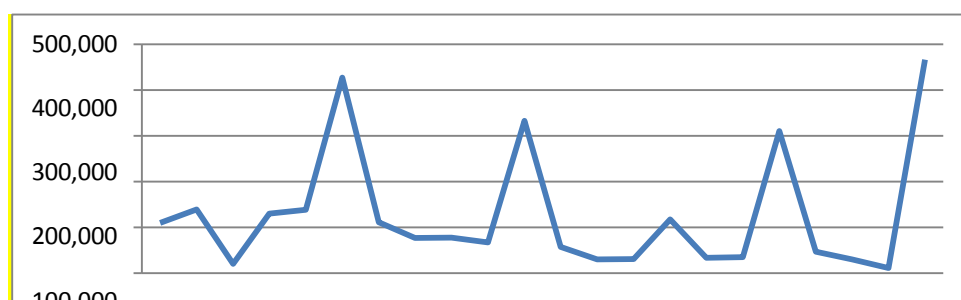
	Child Marriage	7,861
	Child Trafficking	8,829
	Sexual Abuse	8,734
	Child Abandonment	18,626
	Right To Education	9,642
	Sub Total	108,928
RIGHTS OF THE AGED	The Elderly	3,641
RULE OF LAW AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE	Delay Of Court Hearing	23,106
	Abuse Of Power	16,454
	Disobedience Of Court Order / Judgment	23,510
	Right To Fair Hearing	23,313
	Appeal For Prerogative Of Mercy	22,255
	Access To Justice	85,590
	Sub Total	194,228
FREEDOM/LIBERTY OF PERSONS	Right To Personal Liberty	13,453
	Right To Dignity Of Person	24,356
	Participation In Political Affairs	13,214
	Right To Freedom Of Peaceful Assembly/ Association	14,671
	Unlawful Arrest And Detention	72,829
	Sub Total	138,523
RIGHT TO LIFE	Threat To Life	111,171
	Enforced Disappearance	21,563
	Sub Total	132,734
FREEDOM OF RELIGION	Right To Freedom Of Religion, Thought & Conscience	109,394
LAW ENFORCEMENT AND HUMAN	Cruel Inhuman & Degrading Treatment	139,026
	Extra Judicial Killing	20,088

DIGNITY	Torture	130,289
	Extortion/Unlawful Seizure Of Property	138,009
	Sub Total	427,412
ECONOMIC SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS	Right To Health	111,270
	Right To Food	76,956
	Right To Shelter	77,627
	Right To Private And Family Life	66,830
	Sub Total	332,683
LABOUR RIGHTS	Non Payment Of Benefits And Entitlement	57,090
	Wrongful Termination And Dismissal From Employment	29,922
	Labour Rights	30,587
	Sub Total	117,599
FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION	Land And Landed Property	33,689
	Discrimination (Medical)	34,925
	Protection Of Internally Displaced Persons (IDP's)	310,519
	Discrimination (Others)	46,933
	Circumstances Of Birth	29,842
	Disability	10,752
	Sub Total	466,660
NIGER DELTA AND ENVIRONMENT	Environmental Rights	61,849
OTHERS	Others (Ethnic/Religious)	19,348
	Complaints Related Calls	56,124
	Others	8,769
	International Matters	680

	Sub Total	84,921
TOTAL		2,500,537

In the year 2024, Freedom of discrimination (land and landed, medical, circumstance of birth and discrimination), Law Enforcement (Cruel and Extra-Judicial Killing), Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Health, Food, Shelter and Private), Rule of Law and Access to Justice (Delay Court Hearing, Abuse of Power, Fair Hearing, Disobedient of Court Order), Gender Base and Freedom of Liberty Cases recorded high frequencies of occurrence while low frequencies of occurrence were recorded in the areas of Right of the Aged and the Niger Delta.

Graphical Representation of Complaints by Thematic Area of Focus



6.9 SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS FROM 1996 TO 2024

The Commission has seen a steady increase in the number of complaints received, demonstrating growing public awareness and trust in its role to protect human rights. This data, visualized in the following tables and graphs, offers valuable insights into human rights trends in Nigeria from inception till date.

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS 1996-2024					
YEAR	TOTAL RECEIVED	ADMISSIBL E	INADMMISSI BLE	CONCLUDE D	PENDING
1996	41	29	12	28	1
1997	114	85	29	73	12
1998	221	133	88	89	44
1999	343	135	208	100	35
2000	559	286	273	95	191
2001	557	377	180	143	234
2002	421	356	65	114	242
2003	432	388	44	122	266
2004	287	271	16	92	179
2005	551	476	75	319	157
2006	514	416	98	258	158
2007	574	235	31	151	84
2008	1,300	1,423	185	1,133	290
2009	1,061	1,040	21	750	290
2010	6,967	6,700	267	4,000	2,700
2011	19,210	18,060	1,150	15,403	2,657
2012	22,542	21,373	3,187	18,188	3,185
2013	26,067	24,198	1,869	19,806	4,392
2014	31,847	28,974	2,873	24,339	4,635
2015	433,865	430,962	2,903	414,384	16,578
2016	1,099,919	1,000,430	99,489	489,219	511,211
2017	1,081,329	1,081,126	203	576,742	504,384
2018	1,099,825	1,097,777	2,048	647,688	450,089
2019	1,304,849	1,303,936	913	1,105,738	198,198
2020	1,287,760	1,124,600	2,680	190,520	934,080

2021	1,701,519	1,697,777	3742	1,187,079	514,440
2022	2,314,440	2,314,380	60	1,643,018	671,362
2023	2,511,005	2,510,483	522	502,097	2,008,386
2024	2,500,537	2,474,923	25,614	1,625,350	875,187
Total	15,448,656	15,141,349	148,845	8,467,038	6,703,667

The Commission has received complaints exceeding 15.4 million by the end of 2024. As of 2008 onwards, the number of complaints received significantly increased. The number of complaints received between 2015 till date marked a turning point due to massive awareness creation. While there have been fluctuations over the years. There has been average steady rise in the number of complaints received, admitted and treated. The Commission has received cumulatively a totally number (15,448,656) Fifteen Million, Four Hundred Thousand Four and Forty Eight Six Hundred and Fifty Six complaints from 1996 to 2024.

6.10 CONCLUSION

This Chapter provides a comprehensive analysis of human rights complaints received by the NHRC in 2024. The data presented in this Chapter highlights areas of concern and underscores the importance of evidenced based statistics that underwent thorough investigation and analysis to understand the human rights situation in Nigeria. The NHRC remains committed to its mandate and will continue to work tirelessly to promote, protect and enforce human rights in Nigeria, using variety of mechanisms, including complaints handling, panel inquiries, Suo Moto cases, public inquiries, and human rights monitoring.

CHAPTER SEVEN

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE AND BALANCE FOR THE MONTH OF JAN. – DEC. 2024.

7.0 Preamble

The Finance and Accounts Department is basically a service department charged with the following responsibilities.

- Receipt of Budgetary and extra budgetary allocation on behalf of the Commission:
- Receipt of all funds/donations on behalf of the Commission:
- Payments to staff, contractors and other beneficiaries on behalf of the Commission:
- Liaison with banks and other financial institutions on behalf of the Commission:
- Liaison with statutory and regulatory authorities on behalf of the Commission such as:-
 1. The External Auditors;
 2. The Auditor General's office;
 3. The Accountant General of the Federation etc.

-Recording of all financial transactions of the Commission.

-Preparation of financial reports.

During the year 2024 the Commission successfully hosted visitors and inspectors from the various regulatory agencies and also undertook budget preparation and defense exercises for 2025.

7.1 Receipts from the Federal Government

The financial receipt and expenditure of the Commission for the year 2024 are summarized in the table below. It is important to note that the sources of the fund reflected below are from the Federal Government of Nigeria and donor Agencies.

Table 7.1 SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE AND BALANCE FOR THE MONTH OF JAN. – DEC. 2024.

SN	Expenditure Head (N)	Account Codes	Opening balance (N)	Budget Appropriation (N)	Amount Released (N)	Amount Expended (N)	Transfer to CRF (N)	Balance as at Dec. 2024 (N)	Per. of Exp. %
1.	Personnel	15010101	NIL	2,663,405,122.41	2,663,405,122.40	2,663,255,062.35	150,060.50	NIL	99.99%
2.	Overhead	15010101	NIL	1,008,178,849.86	1,008,178,841.47	1,008,114,583.84	64,258.03		99.99%
3.	Capital i	43010101	11,349.77	1,328,416,027.73	-	-	11,349.77	NIL	100%
	Capital ii	43010101	-		1,328,416,027.73	1,328,416,027.73	-	NIL	100%
	TOTAL		11,349.77	5,000,000,000.00	4,999,999,992.00	4,999,785,673.92	225,667.85	NIL	99.99%

The above analysis explains that ₦5,000,000,000.00 was appropriated for the Commission in 2024, but ₦4,999,999,992.00 was released on appropriation. A sum of N11,349.77 was brought forward from 2023 capital Account into the year 2024 Capital Account. The total sum of ₦4,999,785,673.92 was expended, and the total sum of N225,667.85 was transfer to CRF. The entire budget performance for 2024 is 99.99%.

7.2 SPECIAL PROJECT (Constituency Project)

S/N	EXPENDITURE HEAD (N)	ACCOUNT CODES	OPENING BALANCE (N)	BUDGET APPROPRIATION (N)	AMOUNT RELEASED (N)	AMOUNT EXPENDED (N)	TRANSFER TO CRF (N)	BALANCE AS AT DEC. 2023	PER. OF EXP.
1	Constituency Project 2024	13020301	44,320,353.49	-	25,000,000.00	40,067,768.75	-	29,252,584.74	57.80%
	TOTAL		44,320,353.49		25,000,000.00	40,067,768.75		29,252,584.74	57.80%

- i. The above analysis explains that the sum of N44,320,353.49 was brought forward from 2023 constituency project account, while the total sum of

N25,000,000.00 was released through constituency fund. The sum of N40,067,768.75 was expended, leaving a balance of N29,252,584.74 in the commission's account. The entire budget performance for this project is 57.80%.

7.3 OTHER SPECIAL PROJECT

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2024

SN	Expenditure Head(<u>N</u>)	Account Codes	Opening Balance (<u>N</u>)	Amount Released (<u>N</u>)	Amount Expended (<u>N</u>)	Transfer to CRF (<u>N</u>) Donor Agency	Balance as at Dec. 2024 (<u>N</u>)
1	UNHCR 2024	13020401	414.80	125,930,840.00	125,093,283.40	-	837,971.40

1) The total sum of N125,930,840.00 was released into the UNHCR account through the commission project account. The sum of N125,093,283.40 was expended, Leaving a closing balance of N837,971.40.

7.4 DONATIONS

Financial supports were received from Donor Agencies as shown in the table below:-

SN	Expenditure Head(<u>N</u>)	Account Codes	Opening Balance (<u>N</u>)	Amount Released (<u>N</u>)	Amount Expended (<u>N</u>)	Remitted to CRF	Balance as at Dec. 2024 (<u>N</u>)
1	Mac Arthur Foundation	13020401	25,982.71	105	-	-	26,087.71
2	Ford Foundation	13020401	-	-	-	-	Nil
3	NHRC Project Account	13020401	16,515,397.14	148,753,058.54	94,271,124.42	-	70,997,331.26
4	OSIWA	13020301	8,194,216.60	-	-	-	8,194,216.60
5	UNDP	13020301	25,361,587.97	529,500.00	18,544,150.00	-	7,346,937.97
6	SERVICE WIDE VOTE	-	-	-	-	-	Nil
7	Danish Instituted Project	13020401	285,125.55	-	-	-	285,125.55
8	UNDP Lake Chad	13020301	42.09	64,316,200.00	63,820,677.50	-	495,564.59
9	UNDP New Project Strenghting Human Rights in Nigeria	13020301	-	67,424,713.00	67,338,815.00	-	85,898.00
10	Unicef Project Acct	13020301	-	57,466,000.00	57,442,112.23	-	23,887.77
11	NHRC Project (Ward C)	13020301	-	7,000,000.00	2,766,397.50	-	4,233,602.50
12	NHRC Project Acct (Giscor)	13020301	-	40,933,040.00	40,933,040.00	-	Nil

7.5 DOMICILIARY/EURO

S/N	Expenditure Head(₺)	Account Codes	Opening Balance (₺)	Amount Released (₺)	Amount Expended (₺)	Balance as at Dec. 2024 (₺)
1	Donor (Swiss Embassy	13020401		\$69,683.47	\$62,970.00	\$6,713.47
2	Macarthur Foundation	13020401		\$50.00	-	\$50.00
3	Ford Foundation	13020401		\$97.02	-	\$97.02
4	Donor 1	13020401		\$373.13	-	\$373.13
5	EU/NHRC/HRAN	13020401		€50.00		€50.00

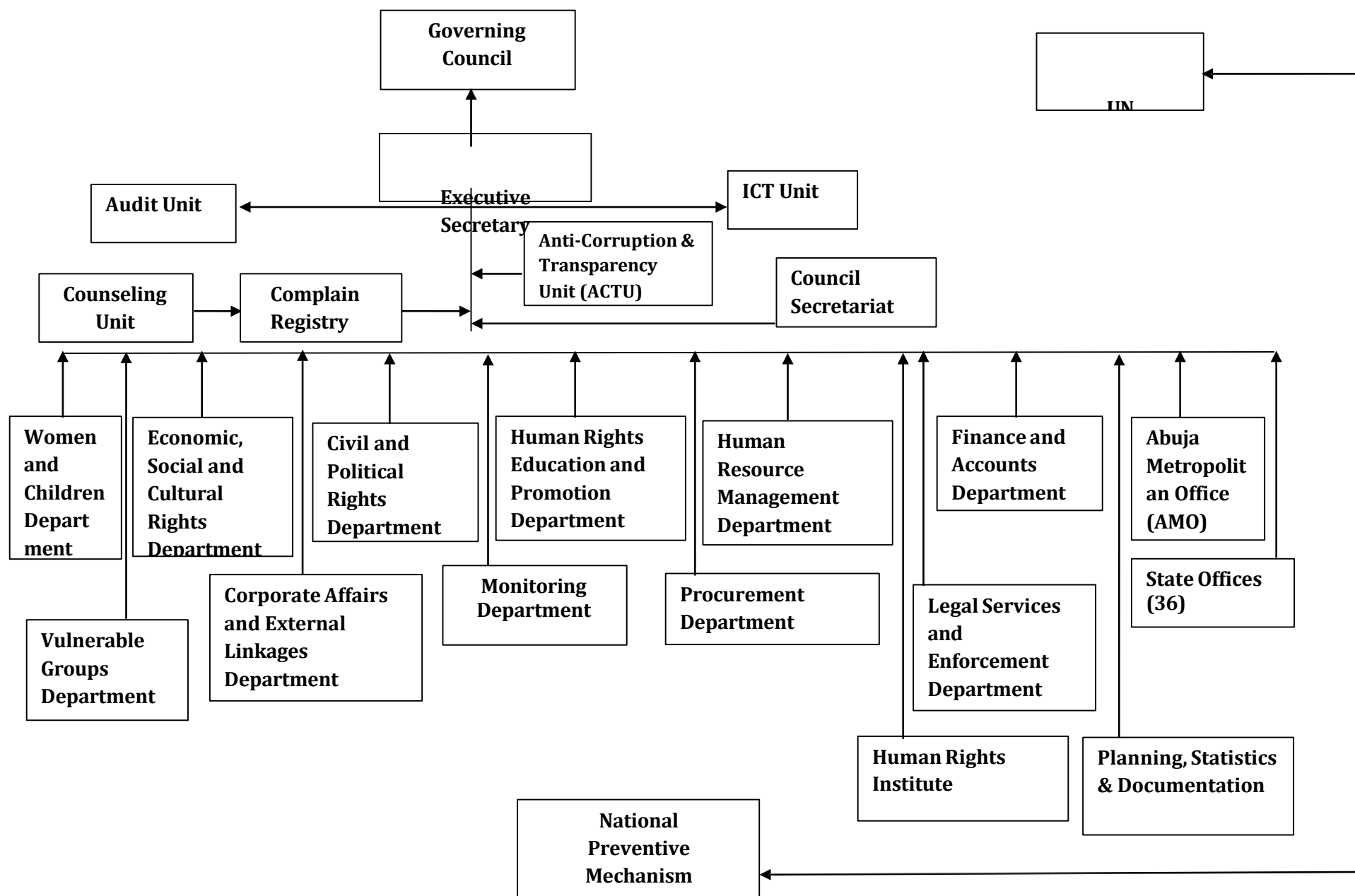
The above analysis shows that there was no activities on the commission's domiciliary accounts for the year 2024, except from donor fund with expenditure head (1).

7.6 REVENUE ACCOUNT (REMITTED TO CRF).

S/N	Expenditure Head(₦)	Account Codes	Opening Balance (₦)	Amount generated (₦)	Amount Expended (₦) (remitted to CRF)	Balance as at Dec. 2024 (₦)
1	Revenue	12020417	-	238,500.00	238,500.00	-

The above analysis shows that the sum of ***₦238,500.00 (Two Hundred and Thirty Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Naira) Only*** was internally generated by the Commission in the year 2024, and same was remitted to the consolidated revenue fund of the federation.

ORGANOGRAM OF THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION



LIST OF ACRONYMS

1AOP	–	One Act of Peace
ACCI	–	Abuja Chambers for Commerce and Industry
ACJL	–	Administration of Criminal Justice Law
ACJMC	–	Administration of Criminal Justice Monitoring Committee
AMO	–	Abuja Metropolitan Office
BHR	–	Business and Human Right
BIGIF	–	Balm – in – Gilead – Foundation for Sustainable Development
CA&EL	–	Corporate Affairs and External linkages
CAO	–	Chief Accounting Officer
CBN	–	Central Bank of Nigeria
CDHI	–	Caritas Development and Health Initiative
CEO	–	Chief Executive Officer
CFRN	–	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
CPN	–	Child Protection Network
CSOs	–	Civil Society Organizations
CSP	–	Community Safety Partnership
DAC	–	Day of the African Child
DHRAN	–	Drug Harm Reduction Advocacy Network Nigeria
EBBC	–	Ebonyi State Broadcasting Corporation
EBS	–	Edo Broadcasting Service
EFCC	–	Economic and Financial Crimes Commission
ES	–	Executive Secretary
EU	–	European Union
FBOs	–	Faith-Based Organizations
FCT	–	Federal Capital Territory
FGM	–	Female Genital Mutilation
FICMC	–	Fellow, Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators
FIDA	–	International Federation of Women Lawyers
FMoJ	–	Federal Ministry of Justice
FORB	–	Freedom of Religion and Belief
FoRB	–	Freedom of Religion and Belief
GANHRI	–	Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions
GBV	–	Gender-Based Violence
GHP	–	Gift Health Plus
GRIP	–	The Greater Rape Intervention Programme

HEDA	–	Human and Environmental Development Agenda
HRDS	–	Human Rights Defenders
HRDS	–	Human Rights Defenders
IHRD	–	International Human Right Day
IHSD	–	Institute for Humanitarian Studies and Social Development
JCF	–	Justicia Crusaders Foundation
JDPC	–	Justice, Development, and Peace Commission
JSRT	–	Justice Sector Reform Team
KAICIID	–	The King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue
LGA	–	Local Government Area
LGCF	–	Legend Golden Care Foundation
Low Hub	–	Development and Advocacy Centre
MDAs	–	Ministries, Departments and Agencies
MOU	–	Memorandum of Understanding
NAP	–	National Action Plan
NAPTIP	–	National Agency for the Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons
NASFAT	–	Nasrul-Lahi-I-Fatih Society of Nigeria
NBA	–	Nigeria Bar Association
NEPWHAN	–	Network of People Living with HIV and AIDS in Nigeria
NGOs	–	Non-Governmental Organisations
NHRC	–	National Human Rights Commission
NHRIs	–	National Human Rights Institutions
NLC	–	Nigeria Labour Congress
NOA	–	National Orientation Agency
NOPRIN	–	Network on Police Reform in Nigeria Foundation
NPF	–	Nigeria Police Force
NSCDC	–	Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps
NTA	–	Nigeria Television Authority
OEFM	–	Organizational Effectiveness and Financial Management
OES	–	Office of the Executive Secretary
OFR	–	Order of the Federal Republic
OGTV	–	Ogun State Television
OHCHR	–	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
OSIWA	–	Open Society Initiative for West Africa
PAD	–	Peace Architectural Dialogue

PIN	–	Paradigm Initiative
PRAWA	–	Prisoner Rehabilitation and Welfare Action
PRTVC	–	Plateau Radio Television Corporation
PSC	–	Police Service Commission
PSD	–	Planning, Statistics and Documentation
RAAMP	–	Rural Access and Agricultural Marketing Project
SACA	–	Safety Assessment of Community Aircraft
SAN	–	Senior Advocate of Nigeria
SARC	–	Sexual Assault and Referral Centre
SCI	–	Safe the Children International
SGBV	–	Sexual and Gender Based Violence
SIIP-NORTH EAST	–	Special Independent Investigative Panel on Counter-Insurgency in the North-East
SPA	–	State Peace Architecture
SSD	–	Safe School Declaration
STC	–	State Technical Committee
SWW	–	She Writes Woman Mental Health Initiative
TACA	–	Taraba State Action Committee on AIDS
TAFFAHR	–	Taraba Forum of Farmers and Herders Relation
TOT	–	Training of Trainers
TPP	–	Trans-Pacific Partnership
TPs	–	Technical Partners
UN	–	United Nations
UNDP	–	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	–	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFPA	–	United Nations Population Fund
UNHCR	–	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	–	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
UNIOSUN	–	Osun State University
UNITAR	–	United Nations Institute for Training and Research
VAPP	–	Violence Against Persons Prohibition
VAWG	–	Violence Against Women and Girls
WARDC	–	Women Advocates Research and Documentation Centre
WIDEF	–	World Impact Development Foundation

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

April 06, 2025

The Governing Council
National Human Rights Commission
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REPORT ON THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to below present fairly, in all material respects the financial position of the National Human Rights Commission as of December 31, 2023 and the changes in net assets and their cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2024 in accordance with accounting principles (IPSAS) generally accepted in Nigeria.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of National Human Rights Commission which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2024 and the related Statements of Performance and Cash Flows for the year ended December 31, 2024 and the related Notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility

- a. For the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the applicable Financial Reporting Framework. This includes:
 - The responsibility for the preparation of the financial statements on a going concern basis.
 - The responsibility for selection and consistent application of appropriate accounting policies, including implementation of applicable Accounting Standards, along with proper explanation relating to any material departures from those Accounting Standards.
 - The responsibility for making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Institution at the end of the financial years.
- b. For such internal controls, as the Commission's Management determines, are necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements, that are free from material misstatements, whether fraud or error. The responsibility for the internal controls also implicitly enshrines the responsibility for compliance with relevant directives/circulars of the Government.
- c. To provide us with access to all information, including the books, accounts, vouchers and other records and documentation, of the entity that are relevant to the preparation of the financial statements such as records, documentations and other matters;

- d. Additional information that we may request from the Management for the purpose of the audit, including any internal audit, concurrent audit, revenue audit, stock audit, cash audit, staff audit etc.
- e. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity, from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence. This includes our entitlement to require from the officers of the Commission such information and explanations as we may think necessary for the performance of our duties as auditors.

Auditors Responsibility

- i. Our audit of the financial statements for 2024 was conducted with the objective of our expressing an opinion on the true and fairness of the financial statements of this year and comply with relevant fiscal policies, Financial Regulations and other extant regulatory provisions. These financial statements include the Balance sheet, the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Cash flow, Statement of Changes in Net Assets/Equity and Notes to the accounts.
- ii. We examined your Commission's accounts in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and included such tests of the accounts and records including other auditing procedures as we consider necessary in the circumstances.
- iii. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend upon the auditors' judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- iv. Because of the inherent limitation of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and guidelines.
- v. In making our risk assessments, we considered internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we communicated to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.



For: SAMUEL NJOKU & CO. (Chartered Accountants)
(April 06, 2025)
NJOKU SAMUEL ONYEDIKACHI (MBA, FCA, CISA, ACTI)
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SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

3. Significant accounting policies:

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial statement are set out below. These policies have consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

3.1 Statement regarding status of compliance with IPSAS

The Commission's financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2024 are prepared in accordance with IPSAs. The accompanying comprehensive financial statements relate to the full year ended December 31, 2024. The Commission's financial statements are presented in accordance with, and comply with, International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and IFRS Interpretations Committee and effective at the time of preparing these statements.

3.2 Basis of preparation

The General Purpose Financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost convention and in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) Accrual Basis, and other applicable standards as may be defined by the Financial Responsibility Commission (FRC).

Fundamental Accounting Concepts represented in the preparation of the General Purpose Financial Statements.

- a. Accrual basis.
- b. Going concern
- c. Consistency.
- d. Conservatism
- e. Materiality.
- f. Relevance.
- g. Prudence.
- h. Completeness.

3.3 Accounting Period:

The Accounting year for the Commission is from January 1, to December 31.

Each accounting year is divided into twelve calendar months and the accounting system is set up as such. These financial statements are from January 1 to December 31 2024.

- 3.4 Reporting Currency
The General Purpose Financial statement is prepared in the Nigerian Currency (NAIRA)
- 3.5 Consolidation Policy:
The Consolidation of the General Purpose Financial Statement by the Ministries and Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government shall be in agreement with the provisions of all legal requirements.
- 3.6 Notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements
The notes to the General Purpose Financial Statements have been presented in a systematic manner with cross reference to the related information in the Notes.
- 3.7 Comparative Information
The General Purpose Financial Statements include all numerical information covering the current period.
- 3.8 Revenue recognition
Revenue has been recognised only when it is received. Revenue has been classified as statutory Revenue and Independent (Non-Tax Revenue).
- 3.9 Government Aids and Grants
Aids and grants to the Commission are recognised as Revenue and entitlements.
- 3.10 Subsidies, Donations and Endowments
Subsidies, Donations and Endowments to the Commission are recognised as Revenue when money is received or entitlement to receive money is established; except where fulfilment of any restrictions attached to these monies are not probable.
- 3.11 Expenses
All expenses have been reported on an accrual basis i.e. all expenses are to be recognised in the period they are incurred or when the related service are enjoyed, irrespective of when the payment is made.
- 3.12 Prepaid Expenses
Prepaid expenses are amounts paid in advance of receipt of goods or services. Prepaid expenses can represent payments made early in the year for benefits to be received in subsequent years. Prepayments for which the benefits are to be derived in the following twelve months have been classified as Current Assets. Where the benefits are expected to accrue beyond the next twelve months, it is accounted for as a Long Term Prepayment and classified as Non-Current

Assets. Prepayments identified with specific future revenue or event, e.g. adverts, are expensed in the year in which the related event takes place, those that relate to specific time periods, e.g. Insurance, Rent, Leasehold premises are to be recognised as an expense in such periods.

Prepayments not exceeding for example N10,000 shall be expensed immediately, except there is a possibility of obtaining a refund or credit within the same financial year.

3.13 Statement of Cash flow

This statement is prepared using the direct method. The Cash flow statement consists of three sections:

1. Operating activities: include cash received from all Revenue sources of the Commission and record the cash payments made for the supply of goods and services.
2. Investing activities: are those activities relating to the acquisition and disposal of non-current assets.
3. Financing activities: comprise the change in equity and debt capital structure of the Commission.

- 3.14 **Cash & Cash Equivalent:** Cash and cash equivalents means cash balances on hand, held on the accounts demand deposits and other highly liquid investments in which the Commission invests part of its day cash management.

3.14 **Employee Entitlements**

3.15 Pension & Gratuity

Pension has been made, where applicable using an actuarial valuation for retirements gratuities. The actuarial valuation determines the extent of anticipated entitlements payable under employment contracts and brings to account a liability using the present value measurement basis which discounts expected future cash outflows.

To the extent that it is anticipated that the liability will arise during the following year, the entitlements are recorded as Current Liabilities. The remainder of the anticipated entitlements are recorded Non-Current Liabilities.

3.16 Staff Salary Advance

Staff Salary advance are funds given to eligible staff members and payable at an agreed period of time. It is due for repayment within the next twelve months.

This portion of advance is classified under Current Assets in the Statement of Affairs.

3.17 Unremitted Deductions

Unremitted Deductions are monies owed to third parties such as Tax Authorities, Schemes and Associations and other Government Agencies. These include: Tax deductions and other deductions at source.

These accounts are stated in the General Purpose Financial Statements at their repayment value as Current Liabilities in the Statement of Affairs.

3.18 Reserves

Reserves are classified under equity in the Statement of Financial Affairs and include:

Statement of Financial Affairs Surplus/ (Deficit) and the Revaluation Reserve.

3.19 Impairment of Tangible Assets excluding Goodwill and Financial Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Entity reviews the Carrying Amount of its Tangible and Intangible Assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Commission estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

When a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful life and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whether there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of the fair value less the cost to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimate of future cash flow have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash –generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in the Income Statement, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount. In which case, the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease subject to the available surplus in the revaluation reserve.

When an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its

recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying cost amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash generating Unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the income statement, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount in which case, the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

3.20 Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value and they are reported under Current Assets in the Statement of Financial Position. In addition, the inventories in these financial statements have been classified as being 'held for consumption'

3.21 Financial Instruments

These form part of the Commission's everyday operations. These financial instruments include Bank Accounts, Short Term Deposits, Trade and Accounts Receivables, Trade and Accounts Payables and Term Borrowings, all of which are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position as instruments that are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position. Revenue and Expenses in relation to all financial instruments are recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance.

Loans and Receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative from financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an open market. Loans and receivables including (trade and other receivables and cash and Bank balances are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The EIR amortisation is included in the statement of Financial Performance in financial costs. Interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at fair value through income statement (FVTIS), are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are considered to be impaired when there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial assets, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been affected.

Loans and receivables

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment loss recognised is the difference between the assets carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases as a result of an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through surplus or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had impairment not been recognised.

3.22 Financial assets (continued)**Derecognition of financial assets**

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when the entity transfers the financial assets and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another party. If the entity neither transfer transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the entity recognises its retained interest in the assets and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the entity retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the entity continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable and the cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity is recognised in profit or loss.

On recognition of a financial asset other than in its entirety (e.g. when the entity retains an option to repurchase part of a transferred asset), the entity allocates the previous carrying amount of the financial asset between the part it continues to recognise under continuing no longer involvement, and the part it no longer recognises on the basis of the relative fair values of those parts on the date of the transfer. The difference between the carrying amount allocated to the parts that is no longer recognised and the sum of the consideration received for the part no longer recognised and any cumulative gain or loss allocated to it that had been recognised in other

Comprehensive income is recognised in profit or loss. A cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income is allocated between the part continues to be recognised and the part that is no longer recognised on the basis of the relative fair values of those parts.

3.23 Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities ‘at fair value through financial performance’ (PVTFP) or ‘other financial liabilities’.

Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities (including borrowings and trade and other payables) are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relative period. The effective interest rate is the exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The entity derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the entity’s obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in profit or loss.

Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

For financial assets carried at cost, the amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the assets carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment deficit will not be reversed in subsequent periods.

4.0. Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation & uncertainty

In the application of the Commission’s accounting policies, which are described in note 3, the board are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The following are the critical judgements and estimates that the directors have made

in the process of applying the Entity's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in statement of financial position.

4.1 Property, plant and equipment

The charge in respect of periodic depreciation is derived after determining an estimate of an asset's expected useful life and the expected residual value at the end of its life.

Increasing an asset's expected life or its residual value would result in the reduced depreciation charge in the statement of financial performance.

The useful lives and residual values of the property, plant and equipment are determined by management based on historical experience as well as anticipation of future events and circumstances which may impact their useful lives.

Depreciation on other assets is charged to the statement of financial performance using the straight-line method so as to write-off the cost less their residual values over their estimated useful lives on the following bases:

	Useful Life (Years)
Library Books	10
Motor Vehicles	5
Office Equipment	10
Furniture and fittings	10
Power Generator	10
Laboratory Equipment	10
Storage Facility	10
Buildings	20
Land	0

4.2 Allowance for inventory obsolescence

Judgement is equally exercised in arriving at inventory write down by reference to financial and other circumstances of the affected inventory. Based on experience and fair value process, inventory is written down the lower of its cost and net realizable value where applicable.

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 2024

	NOTE	2023 ₦	2024 ₦
<u>ASSETS:</u>			
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plants, and Equipment	1	2,798,180,493	3,231,940,453
Total Non Current Assets		2,798,180,493	3,231,940,453
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2	94,714,575	132,968,500
Inventories	3	42,881,159	67,391,691
Accounts Receivable and Prepayments	4	68,869,847	57,188,081
Total Current Assets		206,465,581	257,548,272
Total Assets		3,004,646,074	3,489,488,725
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	5	136,641,542	319,042,206
Total Liabilities		136,641,542	319,042,206
Net Assets		2,868,004,532	3,170,446,519
NET ASSETS/EQUITY			
Capital Grant	6	7,242,298,196	8,570,714,224
Reserves	7	(4,380,350,979)	(5,406,325,020)
Revaluation Reserves	7a	6,057,315	6,057,315
Total Net Assets/Equity		2,868,004,532	3,170,446,519

The Financial Statements and notes on pages 88 to 113 were approved on, 2025
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FRC/2020/004/0000002722

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NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024.

	NOTE	2023 N	2024 N
REVENUE			
Aids & Grants (Recurrent)	8	3,462,798,202	3,822,514,804
Other Revenue	9	744,961,682	397,850,303
Total Revenue		4,207,759,884	4,220,365,107
Expenditure			
Personnel Cost		2,024,732,911	2,785,076,590
Administrative Expenses	10	2,416,864,391	2,145,031,254
Establishment Cost	11	216,796,034	161,721,044
Depreciation Charges		155,663,468	120,098,694
Grants and Contributions to Communities (Constituency)	12	501,598,020	33,947,398
Transfer to Other Government Entities	13	732,922	464,168
Total Expenditure		5,316,387,746	5,246,339,148
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		(1,108,627,862)	(1,025,974,041)
Gain/Loss on Foreign Exchange Transaction		-	-
		(1,108,627,862)	(1,025,974,041)

The notes annexed form an integral part of these financial statements.

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS/EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024.

	Accumulated Funds ₦	Revaluation Reserves ₦	Translation Reserve ₦	Accumulated Surpluses/(Deficits) ₦	Total ₦
Balance as at 1st January 2023	5,694,370,066	6,057,315	-	(3,271,723,116)	2,428,704,265
Changes in Accounting Policy					
Restated Balance	5,694,370,066	6,057,315	-	(3,271,723,116)	2,428,704,265
Capital Grants	1,547,928,130	-	-		1,547,928,130
Surplus on Revaluation of Property					-
Deficit on Revaluation of Investments					-
Net Gains on Foreign Currency Translation				-	-
Net Deficit/Surplus for the period				(1,108,627,862)	(1,108,627,862)
Balance as at 31st December 2023	<u>7,242,298,196</u>	<u>6,057,315</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,380,350,979)</u>	<u>2,868,004,532</u>
	₦	₦	₦	₦	₦
Balance as at 1st January 2024	7,242,298,196	6,057,315	-	(4,380,350,979)	2,868,004,532
Changes in Accounting Policy					
Restated Balance	7,242,298,196	6,057,315	-	(4,380,350,979)	2,868,004,532
Capital Grants	1,328,416,028				1,328,416,028
Deficit on Revaluation of Property					
Surplus on Revaluation of Investments					
Net Gains on Foreign Currency Translation				-	
Net Deficit/Surplus for the period				(1,025,974,041)	(1,025,974,041)
Balance as at 31st December 2024	<u>8,570,714,224</u>	<u>6,057,315</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,406,325,020)</u>	<u>3,170,446,519</u>

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
STATEMENT OF COMPARISON OF BUDGET, RELEASE AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURE
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024

	Opening Balance ₦	Appropriation Budget ₦	2024 Actual Release ₦	Actual Expenditure ₦	Treasury Remittance ₦	Balance ₦
a DESCRIPTION						
Personnel		2,663,405,122	2,663,405,122	2,663,255,062	150,060	
Overheads		1,008,178,850	1,008,178,842	1,008,114,584	64,258	
Total Recurrent Expenditure	-	-	-	-		
b Revenue Accounts					238,500	
c Capital Expenditure						
Capital Expenditure	11,350	1,328,416,028	1,328,416,028	1,328,416,028	11,350	
	11,350	5,000,000,000	4,999,999,992	4,999,785,674	225,668	
d Constituency Capital Expenditure						
-NHRC Main Constituency Project	44,320,353		25,000,000	40,067,769	- -	29,252,585
-NHRC UNHCR Project	415	-	125,930,840	125,093,284	-	837,971
	44,320,768		150,930,840	165,161,052	-	30,090,556

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
STATEMENT OF CASHFLOW
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
Cashflow from Operating Activities		
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(1,108,627,862)	(1,025,974,041)
Adjustments for items not involving movement of cash:		
Depreciation	155,663,468	120,098,694
	<u>(952,964,394)</u>	<u>(905,875,347)</u>
Adjustment for Movement in Working Capital		
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(14,149,369)	(24,510,533)
(Increase)/Decrease in Accounts Receivable and Prepayment	18,150,566	1,090,059
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable & Accruals	<u>56,401,236</u>	<u>(182,400,663)</u>
Net Cashflow From Operating Activities	(892,561,962)	(1,111,696,485)
Cashflow From Investing Activities		
Purchase/Construction of PPE	(842,059,414)	(553,858,654)
Prior Year Adjustments	-	-
	<u>(842,059,414)</u>	<u>(553,858,654)</u>
Net Cashflow from Investing Activities	(842,059,414)	(553,858,654)
Cashflow from Financing Activities		
Cashflow from Financing Activities	1,547,928,130	1,328,416,028
	<u>1,547,928,130</u>	<u>1,328,416,028</u>
Net Cashflow from Financing Activities	1,547,928,130	1,328,416,028
Net (Decrease)/Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>(186,693,245)</u>	<u>38,253,923</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalent at the Beginning of the Year	281,407,822	94,714,577
	<u>94,714,577</u>	<u>132,968,500</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalent at the End of the Year	<u>94,714,577</u>	<u>132,968,500</u>

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024.

NOTES. 1

1: Non-Current Assets (Properties, Plants & Equipment).

	LAND	BUILDING	MOTOR VEHICLE	PLANT MACHINERY	OFFICE F & F	LIBRARY	COMPUTERS	TOTAL
COST	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
As at 1st January, 2024	10,000,000	2,952,072,618	521,899,775	137,902,210	101,664,160	12,421,000	77,941,267	3,813,901,030
Constrction in Progress:		473,645,743						473,645,743
WIP 2023								
WIP 2024								
Additions during the year	-	-		28,608,133	13,700,000	-	37,904,778	80,212,911
Adjustment on Cost	-	-	-	(3,056,550)	(4,942,507)	(3,120,000)	(5,899,480)	(17,018,537)
Prior Year Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
As at 31 st December 2024	10,000,000	3,425,718,361	521,899,775	163,453,793	110,421,653	9,301,000	109,946,565	4,350,741,147
DEPRECIATION								
As at 1st January, 2024	-	519,203,519	383,933,037	33,834,776	40,719,309	9,448,400	28,581,496	1,015,720,537
Adjustments	-	-	-	(3,056,550)	(4,942,507)	(3,120,000)	(5,899,480)	(17,018,537)
Charge for the Year	-	33,929,026	52,189,978	13,900,866	9,710,082	930,100	9,438,642	120,098,694
Fully Depreciated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prior Year Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
As at 31st December, 2024	-	553,132,545	436,123,015	44,679,092	45,486,884	7,258,500	32,120,658	1,118,800,694
NET BOOK VALUE								
As at 31st December, 2024	10,000,000	2,872,585,816	85,776,760	118,774,701	64,934,769	2,042,500	77,825,907	3,231,940,453
As at 31st December, 2023	10,000,000	2,432,869,099	137,966,738	104,067,434	60,944,852	2,972,600	49,359,770	2,798,180,493

NOTE 2.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
2 CASH AND EQUIVALENTS.		
<u>MAIN ACCOUNTS (HQ)</u>		
CBN 0020163741025 (Statutory Transfer Account)	0.24	0.24
CBN 0020163742048 (NHR Constituency Project)	-	29,252,585
CBN 0326007001 (Capital Account)	11,350	-
CBN 0326007001 (Capital Account)	44,320,353	-
<u>DONOR ACCOUNTS</u>		
CBN 0020163761018 NHRC (Swiss Project A/C)	16,515,397	70,997,331
CBN 0020163761018 (NHRC Project (WARD C)	-	4,233,603
CBN 002016376101018	-	23,888
CBN 0020163761044 NHRC Dom (Ford Foundation)	-	149,005
CBN 0020163761058 NHRC (Mac Arthur Fund)	26,088	26,088
CBN 0020163761034 NHRC (UNDP)	25,361,588	7,346,938
CBN 0020163761085 NHRC (OSIWA FUND)	8,194,217	8,194,217
CBN 0020163761069 NHRC UNHCR PROJECT ACCOUNTS	415	837,971
CBN 00020042 (Domiciliary Swiss Embassy)	-	10,310,665
CBN 0020163761034 (NHRC UNDP SHRN)	-	85,898
CBN 0020163761034 NHRC UNDP LAKE CHAD	42	495,565
CBN 0020163761093 NHRC (Donor 1)	-	573,060
CBN 00029943BMACARTHUR Foundation (Domicilliary)	-	76,791
CBN 0020163761093 NHRC DANISH INSTITUTE PROJECT	285,126	285,126
CBN 0020163761025 NHRC SERVICE WIDE VOTE	-	-
CBN 00020062 NHRC (Domiciliary EURO/FUND)	-	79,770
	94,714,575	132,968,500

NOTE 3.

	2023	2024
	₹	₹
3 INVENTORIES		
Total Stock Taking	90,358,471	109,637,306
Less: Capital Items	(47,477,312)	(42,245,614)
	42,881,159	67,391,692
Stock: Stationery	42,521,159	49,145,992
Stock of Diesel	360,000	18,245,700
	42,881,159	67,391,692

NOTE 4.

	2023	2024
	₹	₹
4 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND PREPAYMENT		
Insurance Premium	12,943,942	10,518,032.00
Life Assurance Policy	41,035,455	27,220,730.00
Prepaid Rent	10,613,461	18,275,951
Unretired Advances	-	1,090,059
Prepaid NSITF (Employees compensation)	-	83,309
Prepaid NHIS	4,276,989	-
	68,869,846	57,188,081

NOTE 5.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
5 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUALS		
Audit Fees	5,150,000	11,459,404
Unpaid Staff's Payment Vouchers (Other Charges-2024)	-	35,383,318
Unpaid Companies Payment Vouchers (O/C 2024)	-	16,105,421
Unpaid Individual Vouchers (2016)	-	-
Unpaid Companies Payment Vouchers (2016)	-	-
Unpaid Individual/Companies PV (2017)	-	-
Unpaid Individual/Companies PV (2018)	4,425,000	-
Unpaid Companies PV (2018)	500,000	-
Unpaid Individual/Companies PV (2019)	-	-
Unpaid Companies PV (2019)	-	-
Unpaid Individual/Companies PV (2020)	45,000	-
Unpaid Individual/Companies Capital PV 2020	806,250	-
Unpaid Individual Payable Vouchers PV 2023	14,497,749	-
Unpaid Capital Payable Vouchers 2023	13,142,496	-
Unpaid Companies Payable Vouchers 2023	45,332,447	-
Unpaid Service Wide Votes Payable Vouchers 2023	30,040,811	-
Unpaid Constituency Payable Vouchers 2023	1,913,320	-
Unpaid Personnel Payable Vouchers 2024	20,788,470	124,601,591
Unpaid Individual/Companies Capital PV 2024	-	131,492,472
Unpaid Individual/Companies Overhead PV 2022	-	-
	136,641,542	319,042,206

NOTE 6.

	2023	2024
	₪	₪
6 CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS		
Balance at the beginning of the year	5,694,370,066	7,242,298,196
Receipt in the year	1,547,928,130	1,328,416,028
	<u>7,242,298,196</u>	<u>8,570,714,224</u>

NOTE 7.

	2023	2024
	₪	₪
7 RESERVE		
Balance Brought Forward	(3,271,723,116)	(4,380,350,979)
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(1,108,627,863)	(1,025,974,041)
Less: Prior Year Adjustment	-	-
Less: Accumulated Depreciation of Fully Depreciated Asset	-	-
	<u>(4,380,350,979)</u>	<u>(5,406,325,020)</u>
Balance Carried Forward		

	2023	2024
	₪	₪
7a Revaluation Reserve		
Revaluation of Motor Vehicle	6,057,315	6,057,315
	<u>6,057,315</u>	<u>6,057,315</u>

NOTE 8.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
AIDS & GRANTS (RECURRENT)		
NHRC Constituency Project	296,466,532	25,000,000
NHRC Constituency Project (Capital)	142,375,000	-
NHRC UNHCR Project	71,884,800	125,930,840
Personnel Cost	2,050,338,847	2,663,405,122
Overhead Cost	901,733,023	1,008,178,842
	3,462,798,202	3,822,514,804
This represents recurrent releases from the FGN in the year.		

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
9 OTHER INCOME		
Donor Agencies (Note 9b)	162,388,682	254,152,099
Donor Agencies (UNDP) 9b	-	132,270,413
Donor Funds (Foreign Exchange) 9b	-	11,189,291
		-
Tenders fees 9a	123,000	238,500
Service wide Votes	582,450,000	
	-	-
	744,961,682	397,850,303

NOTE

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
9b DONOR AGENCIES		
Donor (Ward C)	-	7,000,000
UNDP (Fund Account)	23,280,000	-
Donor - Lake Chad	33,302,100	-
Donor Project	38,408,142	148,753,059
Ford Foundation	66,090,000	-
Danish Institute	1,308,440	-
Donor (Unicef)	-	57,466,000
Donor (Giscor)	-	40,933,040
	<u>162,388,682</u>	<u>254,152,099</u>
9b		
Donor (UNDP)	-	529,500
Donor (Lake Chad)	-	64,316,200
Donor (UNDP SHRN)	-	67,424,713
	<u>-</u>	<u>132,270,413</u>

NOTE 10.

	2023	2024
10 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	₦	₦
Local Transport & Travel (Training)	19,658,240	58,362,711
Local Transport & Travel (Others)	288,789,998	376,320,669
International Transport Travel (Others)	169,289,882	187,693,192
Electricity Charges	19,592,876	28,887,382
Telephone Charges	12,767,700	16,291,200
Internet Access/DSTV	26,099,735	57,237,562
Sewage Charges	4,170,186	5,210,025
Office, Store Materials & Computer Consumables	58,734,890	76,041,185
Books	820,000	500,000
Newspaper & Journals	6,798,690	4,135,660
Printing of Non Security Documents	57,881,159	44,438,485
Uniform & Other Clothing	5,800,000	35,925,000
Training Local	213,833,783	139,218,338
Security Services	30,827,935	36,747,177
Non-Regular Allowance	119,255,641	172,421,820
Office Rent	36,922,872	25,005,516
Cleaning & Fumigation	25,492,900	42,763,453
Audit Fees	5,150,000	11,459,404
Legal Fees	127,066,039	213,753,077
Motor Vehicle Running Costs	40,687,596	41,202,500
Plant & Generator Running Costs	26,356,575	46,980,122
Financial Consulting	21,350,000	1,279,400
Satellite Broadcast Access Charge	354,800	271,459
Bank Charges	496,554	16,817,409
Insurance Premium	81,830,408	107,291,294
Refreshment/Meals	125,780,217	54,304,184
Honorarium	61,990,425	226,702,602
Advertisement/Publicity	120,587,267	3,830,548
Postages & Courier Services	2,781,914	61,103,905
Staff Recreation & Welfare	62,448,972	23,420,000
Subscription to Professional Bodies	20,107,574	15,415,978
Refund to UNHCR	-	13,200,000
Water Rate	-	-
Medical Expenses	1,235,070	800,000
payment to he Agency to refund Recurrent Expenditure	-	-
Information Technology Consulting	21,770,875	-
Teaching Aids and Instruction Materials	17,683,617	-
Margin for Increases in Cost	582,450,000	-
Surveying Service	-	-
	2,416,864,391	2,145,031,254

NOTE 11.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
11 ESTABLISHMENT COSTS		
Maintenance of Building	24,638,066	39,049,982
Maintenance of Equipment	14,261,700	6,961,785
Maintenance of Plant & Machinery	8,503,125	14,916,456
Maintenance of Furniture & Fittings	4,902,000	59,102,068
Maintenance of Motor Vehicles	47,450,832	28,566,640
Maintenance of Communications Equipment	-	3,131,113
Research and Development	107,040,311	9,500,000
Other Maintenance Services	10,000,000	493,000
	216,796,034	161,721,044

NOTE 12.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
12 GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMUNITIES ON CONSTITUENCY PROJECTS		
Grants and contributions to Communities on Constituency Projects	501,598,020	33,947,398
Grants and contributions to Foreign International Organisations	-	-
	501,598,020	33,947,398

NOTE 13.

	2023	2024
	₦	₦
13 TRANSFER TO OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES		
Overhead Cost Account	8,453	64,258
Personnel Cost Account	-	150,060
Capital Cost Account	13,965	11,350
Capital Constituency Account	2,000	
Revenue Account	123,000	238,500
Project Account	584,597	-
Capital Account(paid in Error now Returned)	-	-
Service Wide Vote	906	-
	732,922	464,168

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
STATEMENT OF VALUE ADDED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 20234

	2023	%	2024	%
Sub-ventions	3,462,798,202		3,822,514,804	
Admin Cost	(2,416,864,391)		(2,145,031,254)	
Establishment Cost	(216,796,034)		(161,721,044)	
	<u>829,137,777</u>		<u>1,515,762,506</u>	
Other Income	744,961,682		397,850,303	
	<u>1,574,099,459</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>1,913,612,809</u>	<u>100</u>
Applied as follows				
To pay employees:				
salaries, wages and pensions	(2,024,732,911)	(53)	(2,785,076,590)	(53)
To provide for Assets Maintenance				
Depreciation	(155,663,468)	(4)	(120,098,694)	(4)
To provide for Expansion				
Refund to CRF	(732,922)	(0)	(464,168)	(0)
Grants & contributions to communities (Constituencies)	(501,598,020)	(31)	(33,947,398)	(31)
(Surplus) /Deficit for the year	<u>1,108,627,862</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>1,025,974,041</u>	<u>(11)</u>
	<u>(1,574,099,459)</u>	<u>(100)</u>	<u>(1,913,612,809)</u>	<u>(100)</u>

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (NHRC)
FIVE YEARS FINANCIAL TREND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
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ASSETS EMPLOYED					
Non-Current Assets	3,232	2,798	2,112	945	945
Accounts Receivable and Prepayments	57	69	87	49	49
Inventories	67	43	29	0	13
Cash and Bank	132	95	281	0	254
Total Assets	3,488	3,005	2,509	995	1,262
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable and Accrued expenses	(319)	(137)	(80)	(61)	(105)
Total Net Assets	3,169	2,868	2,429	933	1,158
FINANCED BY					
Capital Fund	8,571	7,242	5,694	4,298	3,499
Reserves	(5,406)	(4,380)	(3,272)	(2,010)	(2,348)
Revaluation	6	6	6	6	6
Total Net Assets/Equity	3,171	2,868	2,429	2,294	1,158
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE					
Income	4,220	4,208	4,884	4,671	3,107
Expenditure	(5,246)	(5,316)	(6,146)	(4,334)	(3,353)
(Deficit)/Surplus for the Year	(1,026)	(1,109)	1,262	337	(246)