

80 Young Advocates Empowered in NYFF-Sponsored Workshop: 'Activism that Yields Results: Building the Future Now' (Cohort 2) in Kano, Nigeria







In collaboration with the Nigeria Youth Futures Fund (NYFF), we recently hosted the "Activism that Yields Results: Building the Future Now" Workshop (Cohort 2) in Kano, Nigeria.

Over two days, 80 young individuals from Kano gained essential skills and knowledge to become effective advocates for social change, thanks to this workshop.

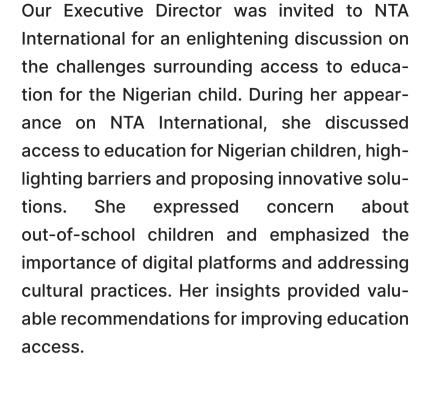
The workshop was graced by esteemed guests, including Hon. Umar Haruna Doguwa, Honorable Commissioner Kano Ministry of Education; Ms. Hafsat Adhama, Senior Special Assistant to the Executive Governor of Kano State on Girl Child Education; and Mr. Sa'ad Bashir, Acting Chair, FlexiSAF Foundation; among other distinguished individuals.

It also featured phenomenal personalities as facilitators, including: Amina Abubakar, Executive Director, FlexiSAF Foundation, a leading voice in education reform and gender equality advocate; Amina Usman, Programs Manager, FlexiSAF Foundation, a seasoned educator dedicated to empowering marginalized children; Sadiq Abubakar Shehu, Program Associate, Bridge Connect Africa Initiative, a passionate advocate for women's empowerment and healthy living initiatives; and Adamu Abubakar Ishaq, Founding Partner, Braveminds Attorneys, a champion of community development and education access for all; among others. These facilitators brought a wealth of expertise to the workshop, enriching participants' experiences and empowering them to drive meaningful change in their communities.

Participants are now encouraged to apply their newfound knowledge by initiating projects that drive positive change in their communities. Additionally, the FlexiSAF Foundation is organizing a step-down webinar to allow participants to share their skills. Those who join the incubator program will receive funding, technical support, and mentorship.

Interview with NTA International on The Nigerian Child and Access to Education







Advancing Education in Nigeria: Collaboration with the Ministry of Education

We had the privilege of engaging with the Minister of State for Education, Dr. Yusuf Tanko Sununu, during a follow-up meeting at his office.

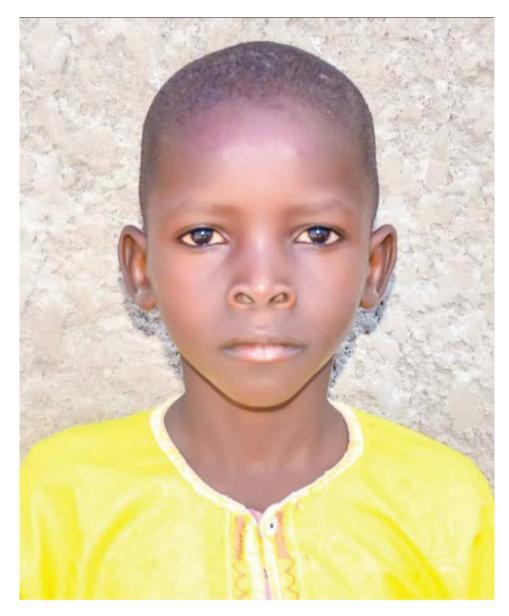
At the Walk for Education 3.0, an advocacy event primarily aimed at drawing the government's attention to prioritize education, commitments were made by the Minister's Special Adviser, Dr. Claris Ujam, who represented him at the Walk. These commitments include providing education access to 3 million out-of-school children, improving teacher skills and welfare, and enhancing coordination across the education sector.

We are prepared to work in tandem with the Federal Ministry of Education to advance the objectives outlined in SDG4, and we urge fellow education enthusiasts and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) to align their efforts and collaborate to meet SDG4.

Our heartfelt appreciation extends to the Minister and his team for their commendable work in tackling the challenges faced within the educational sector in Nigeria.



Beneficiary Feature: The Story of Abubakar Sani



In the remote community of Rugan Fulani Gangara, Dougirei, buried among the hills of Yola North, Adamawa State, lives a ten-year-old boy with a spirited mind and a heart full of dreams. His name is Abubakar Sani.

Before starting his transformative journey with the FlexiS-AF Foundation, Abubakar's days were spent assisting his parents on the farm, navigating the challenges of their lower-class life in this small rural part of Nigeria.

Education was a distant aspiration for Abubakar and many children like him in the community, where public schools were scarce, and the terrain posed its own obstacles. Yet, Abubakar's thirst for knowledge burned brightly, fueled by a dream to one day serve in the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) and contribute to his society.

Amidst his struggles, a golden opportunity emerged — the Accelerated Learning (AccLearn) program, a collaboration between Madina Institute Nigeria and the FlexiSAF Foundation. This initiative sought out-of-school children aged 7 to 18, offering them a chance at education and empowerment by fast-tracking their basic education, condensing the 9-year curriculum into 3 years.

Abubakar seized this opportunity eagerly, stepping into a classroom for the first time with determination in his eyes. However, communication posed a challenge for him initially. Despite this hurdle, Abubakar's innate intelligence and quick grasp of concepts soon became evident, pushing him forward on his educational journey.

Through the unwavering support of the AccLearn program, Abubakar flourished. He not only learned to read and write but also discovered his own unique talents and potential. His progress was a testament to the resilience and strength of spirit that defined him.

As Abubakar's knowledge grew, so did his ambition to pursue his dream of joining the NDLEA. His story resonated deeply within the community, inspiring hope and igniting a belief in the transformative power of education.

You, too, can be a part of our journey of giving disadvantaged out-of-school children a chance at a better life by providing them access to quality education. Visit our page now at www.flexisaf.org to learn more on how to get involved in creating meaningful impact for children who need it the most.



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