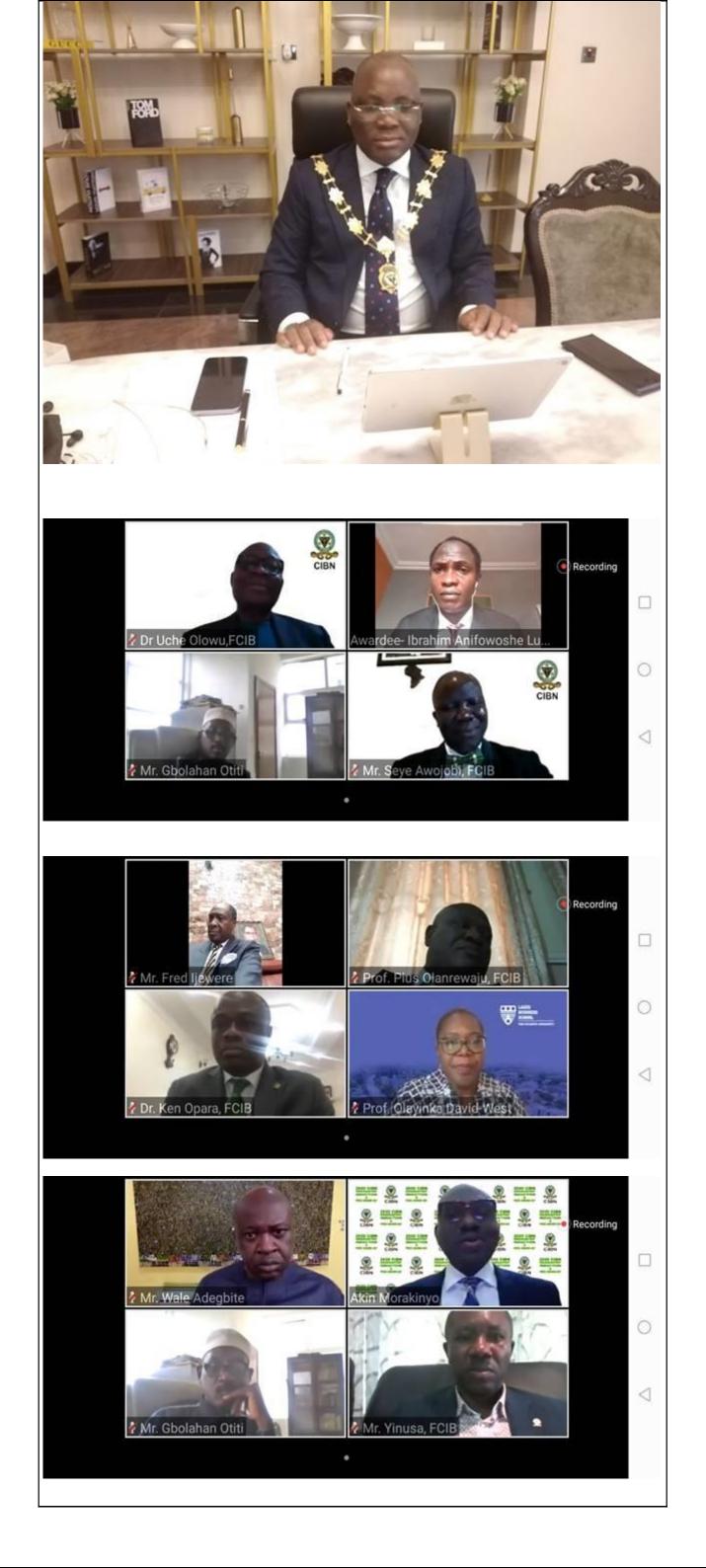
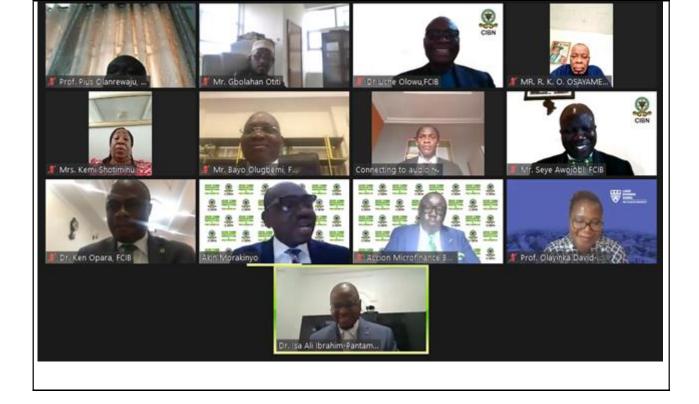
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# **FINANCE NEWS**

# FG raises agric credit scheme fund to N50bn

The Federal Government has raised the share capital of the Agricultural Credit Guarantee Scheme to N50bn from N3bn.

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## CBN drops savings account interest rate to 1.25%

The Central Bank has ordered all Deposit Money Banks to review interest rates on savings accounts to a minimum of 10 per cent of the Monetary Policy Rate effective from September 1, 2020.

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### Heritage Bank seeks economic growth amid COVID-19

Heritage Bank Plc has said it is committed to supporting young entrepreneurs in Nigeria to grow their businesses as part of efforts to stimulate economic growth.

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## Four banks delay halfyear reports

Four Nigerian banks on Monday gave the Nigerian Stock Exchange reasons for the delay in the submission of their halfyear audited accounts as and when due. The banks are Zenith Bank Plc, United Bank for Africa Plc, Stanbic IBTC and Guaranty Trust Bank Plc.

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### Contractors picket finance ministry over N18bn debt

Indigenous contractors on Monday staged a protest at the headquarters of the Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning to kick against the non-payment of their N18bn contract sum by the ministry.

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### Afreximbank Wins Award

The African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank), Africa's foremost multilateral trade finance institution, has been announced winner of the Debt Deal of the Year Award at the 14th Annual African Banker Awards 2020 held virtually.

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MARKET RATES: INTERBANK /PARALLEL				
NGN	USD	GPB	EUR	
1 SEP	455 / 465	595 / 605	540/ 545	
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27 AUG	472 / 477	602 / 615	545 / 555	

Source: CBN & Abokkifx

# **BUSINESS NEWS**

# FirstBank Sponsors The Voice Nigeria

First Bank of Nigeria Limited has announced its lead sponsorship of the TV reality musical talent show, The Voice Nigeria, Season three. The talent show which is organised by Unity Nigeria, was created to discover, nurture and bring to the fore musical talents amongst the next generation of Nigerian youth.

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# Dangote Cement Shops for N50bn to Support Short term Funding

Dangote Cement Plc is issuing Series 17 and 18 Commercial Paper to raise N50 billion under its N150 billion CP Issuance Programme. The offer opened yesterday and is expected to close on Thursday, September 3, 2020. The series 17 CP has a tenor of 177 days and yield of 4.0 per cent, while the 18 series CP has a tenor of 268 days and a yield of 5.0 per cent.

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# Cititrust Financial Services Wins Award

Cititrust Financial Services Limited (CFS Limited), a subsidiary of CFS Group PIc, has been adjudged and presented an award as the best Africa most innovative loan/ investment brand of the year. CFS Limited emerged tops in the category following the report of the editorial board of the African Brands Magazine that conducted research on several Fintech brands.

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# Oil price posts fifth monthly gain, hits \$46

The international oil benchmark, Brent crude, nudged up on Monday, posting its fifth straight monthly gain, as global stimulus measures underpin prices even as demand struggles to return to pre-COVID levels in a well-supplied market.

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# IOC taxes plunge by N16.46bn amid production cuts

The tax revenue accruing to the Federal Government from Production Sharing Contracts with international oil companies operating in the country fell by \$45.72m (N16.46bn) in May. The tax lifted as oil by the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation on behalf of the Federal Inland Revenue Service dropped to 2.56 million barrels valued at \$59.34m in May from 4.38 million barrels (\$105.06m) in April, according to data from the corporation

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# WHAT'S NEW?

### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**



COVID-19 live updates: Total number of cases passes 25.4 million The new study — which appears in the journal Frontiers in Public Health reached the above conclusion after analyzing the rates of symptom incidence of 55,924 confirmed COVID-19 cases in China.

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Healthy eating, rest, proper dressing help to prevent cold — experts Although the sun has been quite scorching and temperature low, especially in the evenings, making many people to be indoors so as to keep warm. To avoid coming down with health conditions such as cold associated with this type of weather, medical experts have advised that necessary precautions be taken.

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Ex-Eaglets, Flying Eagles keeper Felagha dies in Senegal John Felagha, a former Golden Eaglets and Flying Eagles goalkeeper, has died. Felagha, a staff of Aspire Academy, died in Saly, Senegal on Sunday, according to the Nigeria Football Federation on its Twitter page on Monday. The 26-year-old was the Eaglets' second choice keeper as they reached the final of the U-17 World Cup on home soil in 2009.

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### Barcelona may suspend, seize Messi's salary for refusing to attend club duties

Lionel Messi could be suspended and have a portion of his salary seized by Barcelona if he continues to refuse to attend official club events, writes footballcritic.com. Messi did not show up for Sunday's coronavirus tests and it seemed clear he would not attend new coach Ronald Koeman's first training session as coach yesterday.

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"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." – Walt Disney

GENERAL NE	WS

JUST IN: NCDC confirms 143 new COVID-19 cases, total now 54,008

The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has reported 143 new cases of COVID-19 in the country, bringing the nation's total infections to 54,008. The NCDC made this known on its official twitter handle on Monday. The health Agency said that 143 cases were confirmed from 17 states and the Federal Capital Territory(FCT), taking the number of confirmed cases to 54,008 in the country

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Fayemi swears in eight new commissioners, sacks two, re-appoints four as special advisers Ekiti State Governor Kayode Fayemi, yesterday, inaugurated eight newly-appointed

commissioners and seven special advisers with a charge to them to avoid any form of distraction in the discharge of their duties.

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Adeboye declines interview after Villa closed-door meeting with Buhari The President, Major General Muhammadu Buhari (retd.), on Monday, received the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God, Pastor Enoch Adeboye, at the Presidential Villa, Abuja. Both of them met behind closed doors at the President's office.

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