

# Hon. Tochukwu Chinedum Okere Targets Empowerment of 2000 Families in 12 Months

*'I have discovered one scam that has kept my people so poor and dependent' - Hon Tochukwu Okere*

The member Representing the people of Owerri Federal Constituency in Green Chambers of the National Assembly, Hon Sir Tochukwu Chinedum Okere has flagged-off his agricultural Empowerment project aimed at alleviating poverty and creating massive opportunities for rural community wealth and financial freedom through feasible agro businesses. The agricultural empowerment projects tagged Toska Agricultural Empowerment, which has started is said to be under insurance coverage, which enables the beneficiaries to operate at zero risk. The empowerment scheme is also seamlessly designed to provide agro products such as: Economic Trees, Fertilizers Pesticides and Livestock Addressing stakeholders in Owerri Federal Constituency during an interactive session held to create awareness of this wonderful initiative, the Rep member, Hon Sir Tochukwu Okere said 'Is one of my flagship initiatives, centered on lifting the agricultural and living standard of my people. We will start small and keep expanding with those doing well. We expect that

the agro market will be ready by December 2023 with the first stream of the livestock products rolling out'. The lawmaker gave reasons for distancing himself from the known antics of previous era, where politicians use paltry amount of money to display legislative representation at the expense of laudable empowerment of the people, deploying visible impacts and lasting economic solutions. Hon. Tochukwu Okere said again with emphatic assurance: 'It is my desire that this initiative will positively impact over 2000 families within the next 12 months. Sharing money, few cups of rice, and other food materials is one scam that has kept us so poor and dependent. I prefer to show my people how to make money and discover their own dreams'. The legislator, who is also a technocrat with financial administrative experience from the banking industry, conveyed his unwavering determination to create positive impact and mass wealth through viable empowerment projects among his Constituents within four years of his present legislative assignment

## Sen. Jimoh Ibrahim donates N10m for construction of Ikale West LCDA secretariat building

Billionaire business mogul and Senator representing Ondo South at the Red Chamber, Dr. Jimoh Ibrahim has donated a sum of N10 million for the completion of the Secretariat building of Ikale West Local Council Development Area of Ondo State. Presenting the bank draft to Oba Isaac Idepefo, the Majuwa of Moribodo Kingdom in Ilutitun, in his palace, the senator emphasized that the socio-economic development of the LCDA is paramount to him. He explained that the creation of the LCDA would impact on the lives of the people through provision of social amenities that would invariably enhance their means of livelihood. According to Senator Ibrahim, "It is necessary we ensure the completion of our Ikale West Local Council Development Area' Secretariat building so that the officials can hit the ground running when they are appointed. That's why I'm donating this N10 million. "Kabiyesi, it is important that we should provide all necessary logistics that would enhance the performance of the LCDA officials when they assume office and the secretariat is what is going to accommodate them. "The quality of job done by the contractors would be of international standard because the occupants are going to serve our people." Meanwhile, Senator Ibrahim, who has presented papers on the floor of the Senate on how to save the people of Aiyetoro community from being submerged by ocean surge, sought the assistance of Oba Idepefo on how to end the longtime unhealthy rivalry between Igbotako

and Ilutitun. He called for unity and cooperation between the two kingdoms for the development of the people and the communities, noting that unhealthy rivalry serves as a cog in the wheel of development. The senator said: "Kabiyesi, I want you to use your office as the traditional ruler of Ilutitun kingdom to resolve the longtime unhealthy rivalry between Igbotako and Ilutitun. "I am sure you know Kabiyesi that this rivalry has not added any positive thing to either communities. "We all know that unhealthy rivalry is a cog in the wheel of development, so I want you to work with your friend in Igbotako to bring this to an end soonest. "Ikale West LCDA cannot take the risk of being the last in terms of socio-economic development among its peers when they start off. "It is through the concerted efforts of both Ilutitun and Igbotako that our LCDA would develop at enviable pace for the betterment of the citizens and the communities." In his remarks, Oba Idepefo appreciated the senator for his concern for the people of Ondo South Senatorial District. He commended Senator Ibrahim for the Yeoman's job he has done within the short period he arrived at the Senate. The monarch described the billionaire as a philanthropist par excellence as he donates to ensure his people live a comfortable life. He promised to ensure the Ikale West LCDA Secretariat building construction work is monitored for judicious use of the donation.