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Rochdale Greater Manchester United Kingdom

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The Nigeria Community Association
Rochdale, Manchester, United Kingdom
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UK-Nigeria Partnership

Committed to generating trade and
investment opportunities,
adding values to
Nigeria socio-economic initiatives.

Arise, O Compatriots



NIGERIA

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Arise O Compatriots
Nigeria's call obey
to serve our fatherland
with love and strength and faith.
The labour of our heroes past
shall never be in vain,
to serve with heart and might
one nation bound in freedom
Peace and unity.

Pledge

I pledge to Nigeria my
Country
To be faithful, loyal and
honest
To serve Nigeria with all
my strength
To defend her unity
And uphold her honour
and glory
So help me God

O God of creation,
direct our noble cause
Guide our leaders right
Help our youth the truth to
know
In love and honesty to grow
And living just and true
Great lofty heights attain
To build a nation where peace
And justice shall reign



Goodwill Messages

Rochdale Councillors facilitate with Nigerians on the occasion of their independent day



Cllr Mohammed Zaman
Former Mayor of Rochdale

"Independence is very dear and important to all of us. This year, Nigeria is celebrating her 59th independence day. It is a great occasion for all Nigerian communities around the globe; especially in Rochdale.

Our Nigerian friends and families in Rochdale work very closely with all other communities and take pride in doing so. It was a great pleasure for me, as a Mayor to organise first ever Nigerian independence day in Rochdale Town Hall last year and I enjoyed working with Nigerian Community Association. I convey my best wishes to all our Nigerian brothers, sisters and young people. Independence does not come easy, it demands lots of struggles, hard work and sacrifices. On this special day when we celebrate independence, we shall remember all those martyrs and heroes, who sacrificed their lives for independence of Nigeria. Congratulations, once again and I hope it all goes well."



Allen Brett
Rochdale Council Leader

"I am delighted to have been given the opportunity to provide you with a goodwill message for your upcoming celebrations. I have always found Rochdale's Nigerian community and its Nigeria Community Association to be friendly, supportive and an integral part of Rochdale's rich community spirit. Mary and the team have always welcomed me with open arms and a genuine warmth, I find intoxicating. I'm sure your independence celebrations will be just as colourful and enjoyable as every other NCA event I have had the pleasure of attending."



Councillor Sultan Ali
Former Mayor of Rochdale

I am honoured to be asked to write a congratulatory message for the forthcoming 59th Independence Day of Nigeria. It is indeed a joyous occasion for all free-minded people to celebrate with our fellow Nigerian citizens. May it be happy day and may Nigeria prosper in all aspects. Best wishes.



Councillor Janet Emsley

I wish all people in the Borough of Rochdale and beyond health and happiness on the occasion of the 59th Nigerian Independence Day celebration, may we live in peace and harmony with all people in our one Community.



Sajjad Miah
Community Cohesion, Resilience & Integration Manager
Neighbourhood Services

Since I first met the Nigeria Association 12 months ago, I have been amazed by the energy and enthusiasm they have shown in their involvement with community inter-cultural and interfaith events. The Nigeria Association has developed a fantastic relationship with authorities and one which has been built on mutual trust and respect. I look forward to working with them for many more years to come and truly believe that they will go from strength to strength and represent the Nigerian Community of Rochdale in a positive and productive way.



Shiri Sheraz Mohammed
Former Mayor's Consort

I would like to congratulate the Nigerian community in Rochdale on the 59th Independence Day celebrations. It has been an honour to work with the Nigerian community association based here in Rochdale and taking part in various community cohesion projects and celebrating our diversity. Keep up the good work.



Tony Lloyd
Member of Parliament for Rochdale

"I am proud of Rochdale's rich community spirit, and the part that the Nigeria Community Association plays in working closely with other communities in various cohesion projects and bringing together people to celebrate our diversity. "The 59th Nigerian Independence Day is a joyous and celebratory occasion for all Nigerians around the world, and it reminds us of the struggles and sacrifices that brought about independence. We remember those who gave so much and promote peace and harmony with all people."

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Our Goals!

- Provide an inviting, accessible and safe community environment as a focal point for all Nigerian residents.
- Develop programmes, services and activities channelled to the social, cultural, recreational, welfare and educational needs of the Nigerian community.
- Establish networks with other groups, community leaders and key agencies to pool resources and take up issues of concern for the benefit of the community.
- To establish strategic partnerships with key organisations, and in particular, Rochdale Municipal Council, United Kingdom.

What We Are Doing

Our Mission

We are committed to work in partnership with the government, business and most especially socio-humanitarian community in the United Kingdom in our continuous strive to add positive value to our individual and collective mind, body and spirit.

Promote strong membership of the Nigerian Community Association to project the rich Nigerian socio-cultural values.

“..Provision of programmes that enhance life skills, self-image and vocational motivation.”

What We Aim To Do

Our Vision

Our organisation is a non-governmental, non-profit making venture committed to providing a vibrant cross cultural platform and supportive environment for Nigerian community members. Establish networks with other

“Bridge the gap and maintain the balance of intergenerational equity.”

groups, community leaders and key agencies to pool resources and take up issues of concern for the benefit of the community.



Our Team

Executive Members of the Nigeria Community Association



Members of The Nigeria Community Association during a courtesy visit to the Nigerian High Commission in London



Mr Elvis Obianyi
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ROCHDALE NIGERIA Partnership PROJECT

Building a stronger Community

The Nigeria Community Association
Is Proud To Work Together With
The People Of Rochdale,
Greater Manchester, United Kingdom

Nigerians in Rochdale, Greater Manchester, UK are proud to live in this borough. The people of Rochdale have not only shown love and affection to our community, but also shown enormous amount of support to our various activities.

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2018 AWARD & CULTURAL EVENT

The Nigeria Community Association got the Most Influential Community Association Of The Year Award In Greater Manchester

INDEPENDENT DAY



2018 @ 58th Independence Day Celebration

The former Mayor of Rochdale, Muhammed Zaman joined the NCA members to commemorate the 2018 Nigeria Independence Day celebration.



Multicultural Parade 2019



Holiday Jamboree Family Fun Day 2019

We Have Been
So Far



Project the rich Nigerian socio-cultural values.

Nigeria Community Association



2018 Nigeria Independence Day Celebrations

The Rochdale Borough Council joined NCA in celebration of Nigeria's 58th anniversary held at Rochdale Town Hall, United Kingdom

UK/NIGERIA



2019 NCA OFFICIAL LAUNCH

The Mayor of Rochdale @ the Official launch of the Nigeria Community Association @ Rochdale Town Hall.

A Bit Busy

So Good!

PARTICIPATION

CULTURAL



Community Participation

NCA members with Mayor's Charity Committee



2019 MIDSUMMER CELEBRATION

NCA's Prince Oluwaseyi Adekugbe teaching a local residents how to beat the African drum @ the Midsom Celebration Event in partnership with KYP & PETRUS.

Mrs Mary Oluwabukola Ajoke Adekugbe, Founder & Chairperson, Nigeria Community Association, reflects on NCA, it's antecedents and the immense support from partners; Rochdale Council, Nigeria High Commission as well as the Nigerian Community.

I am Mrs Mary Oluwabukola Ajoke Adekugbe Nee Fadahunsi. Married to Prince Jones Oluwaseyi Adekugbe. I am blessed with 6 wonderful children. A native of Iju Itaogbolu Akure North, Ondo state. Born and bred on the Island in Lagos state Nigeria. A business woman based in Rochdale, Greater Manchester UK.

Nigeria Community Association, was formed in July 2018 and got incorporated on the 4th of October 2018 with the Company registration no of 11604363 Limited by Guaranty under England and Wales.

Following the success story of a community cohesion event at the Falinge Park in Rochdale called Holiday Jamboree Family Fun Day 2018, which gave my family the support and encouragement to build bridges within our local Community by promoting identity, culture and stronger community with our people.

Many referrals were made through the 1st event on the park organised by Beejs Ventures which is my Family business name, however later lead to the formation of Nigeria Community Association based in Rochdale, Greater Manchester Uk. This enabled us to progress on to serving the needs of the less fortunate, be they individual or families.

Nigeria Community Association joined in with the work of Mayor's Charity Committee. This awareness awoke the desire within us to look at a long-term project to address the needs of our people and other needy within our community.

Our social events has given users a feeling of belonging and a desire to be part of the community. It has also provided a home environment for those families fleeing persecution and those fleeing domestic violence.

Nigeria Community Association aims are not to but alleviate poverty and create social balance. We want our service users to become self sufficient.

The Genesis Of The Association



Mrs Mary Oluwabukola Ajoke Adekugbe Founder & Chairperson, NCA



(Top left) Mrs Adekugbe at the Mayor's Making 2019 in Rochdale,
(Top right) with Nigerian Ambassador to the UK, Justice George Oguntade,
(Bottom Right) with Hon. Abike Erewa Dabiri @ the Stakeholders meeting,
and receiving the Most Influential Community Association Of The Year Award In
Greater Manchester from Alhaji Wasiu Alabi Pasuma @ the Asawa Day earlier this year.

"The NCA aims to address the needs of our people and other needy within the community"

The hub provides a safe environment for users to socialise with people from various backgrounds without being judged, enabling them to boost their confidence and moral.

We have various initiatives focusing on community cohesion and improved understanding between different sectors of society, be they of a religious, cultural, ethnic or socio-economic nature.

I believe no ethnicity creed or culture is better than the other, and it is far better to embrace our many similarities rather than be divided by our differences.

Awards

Certificate of Appreciation by the Mayor of Rochdale, Rochdale Council.
Certificate of Merit by Afeelink Promoting African Heritage.
Influential Community Association of the year by ASA WA Buklad Concept.

Places we visited

Presidency Abuja, Nigeria
Ministry of Information Abuja, Nigeria
Ministry of Foreign Affairs Abuja, Nigeria
House Of Parliament, London, UK
House Of Lords London, UK
House Of Common London, UK
Nigeria High Commission, London, UK

NCA's Itinerary for the year

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IS FREE**
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PROVIDED



NCA End Of The Year Celebration



Rochdale African Communities

Africa United For Rochdale

Africans in Rochdale,
Greater Manchester are proud to be part
of the diversity and multicultural
population of this borough.
We will continue to advance the course for
peace, understanding and mutual
respect that Rochdale is known for.

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By Tayo Mustapha

Officially designated as the Federal Republic of Nigeria, a country divinely located in the western part of Africa, bordering Niger in the north, Chad in the northeast, Cameroon in the east, and Benin in the west.

“Nigeria has more than 250 ethnic groups, with varying languages and customs, creating a country of rich ethnic diversity”



Nigeria has been home to a number of ancient and indigenous kingdoms and states over the millennia.

The modern state originated from British colonial rule beginning in the 19th century, and took its present territorial shape with the merging of the Southern Nigeria Protectorate and Northern Nigeria Protectorate in 1914.

The British set up administrative and legal structures while practising indirect rule through traditional chiefdoms. Nigeria became a formally independent federation in 1960. It experienced a civil war from 1967 to 1970.

It thereafter alternated between democratically elected civilian governments and military dictatorships until it achieved a stable democracy in 1999.

Nigeria is a Federal Republic with executive power exercised by the President.

It is influenced by the Westminster System model in the composition and management of the upper and lower houses of the bicameral legislature.

The president presides as both head of state and head of the federal government; the leader is elected by popular vote to a maximum of two 4-year terms.

The president's power is checked by a Senate and a House of Representatives, which are combined in a bicameral body called the National Assembly. The Senate is a 109-seat body with three members from each state and one from the capital region of Abuja; members are elected by popular vote to four-year terms.

The House contains 360 seats, with the number of seats per state determined by population.

Nigeria is often referred to as the "Giant of Africa", owing to its large population and economy with over 186 million

inhabitants, Nigeria is the most populous country in Africa and the seventh most populous country in the world. Nigeria has the third-largest youth population in the world, after India and China, with more than 90 million of its population under age 18.

Nigeria is the world's 20th largest economy as of 2015, worth more than \$500 billion and \$1 trillion in terms of nominal GDP and purchasing power parity respectively. It overtook South Africa to become Africa's largest economy in 2014.

Ethnicity & Languages

Nigeria has more than 250 ethnic groups, with varying languages and customs, creating a country of rich ethnic diversity.

The largest ethnic groups are the Hausa, Yoruba, Igbo and Fulani together accounting for more than 70% of the population, other minorities groups make up the remaining 30%. The official language

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of Nigeria, English, was chosen to facilitate the cultural and linguistic unity of the country, owing to the influence of British colonisation that ended in 1960.

Religion

Nigeria is a religiously diverse society, with Islam and Christianity being the most widely professed religions. Nigerians are nearly equally divided into Muslims and Christians, with a tiny minority of adherents of Traditional African religions and other religions.

Our Technology

Nigeria in recent years has been embracing industrialisation. It currently has an indigenous vehicle manufacturing company, Innoson Motors, which manufactures Rapid Transit Buses, trucks and SUVs with an upcoming introduction of cars.

Nigeria also has few Electronic manufacturers like Zinox, the first Branded Nigerian Computer and Electronic gadgets (like tablet PCs) manufacturers. In 2013, Nigeria introduced a policy regarding import duty on vehicles to encourage local manufacturing companies in the country. In this regard, some foreign vehicle manufacturing companies like Nissan have made known their plans to have manufacturing plants in Nigeria. Ogun is considered to be the current Nigeria's industrial hub, as most factories are located in Ogun and more companies are moving there, followed by Lagos.

The city of Aba in south-eastern part of the country are well known for their handicrafts, famously known as "Aba made".

Healthcare

Health care delivery in Nigeria is a concurrent responsibility of the three tiers of government in the country, and the private sector. Nigeria has been reorganising its health system since the Bamako Initiative of 1987, which formally promoted community-based methods of increasing accessibility of drugs and health care services to the population, in part by implementing user fees.

The new strategy has been extended to all areas of health care, with subsequent improvement in the health care indicators and



improvement in health care efficiency and cost.

Education

Education in Nigeria is overseen by the Ministry of Education. Local authorities take responsibility for implementing policy for state-controlled public education and state schools at a regional level. The education system is divided into Kindergarten, primary education, secondary education and tertiary education..

Nollywood

The Nigerian film industry is known as Nollywood (a blend of Nigeria and Hollywood) and is now the 2nd-largest producer of movies in the world.

Nigerian film studios are based in Lagos, Kano and Enugu, forming a major portion of the local economy of these cities. Nigerian cinema is Africa's largest movie industry in terms of both value and the number of movies produced per year. Although Nigerian films have been produced since the 1960s, the country's film industry has been aided by the rise of affordable digital filming and editing technologies.

Our Football

Amongst our various sports activities, football is largely considered Nigeria's national sport and the country has its own Premier League of football. Nigeria's national football team, known as the "Super Eagles", has made the World Cup on Six occasions 1994, 1998, 2002, 2010, 2014, and most recently in 2018.

Tourism

Tourism in Nigeria centers largely on events, due to the country's ample amount of ethnic groups, but also includes rain forests, savannah, waterfalls, and other natural attractions.

Abuja

Abuja is home to several tourist and recreational centers including the Zuma Rock, parks and green areas with the largest one being Millennium Park. Millennium Park was designed by architect Manfredi Nicoletti and was officially opened by the United Kingdom's Elizabeth II in December 2003. Other parks are home to numerous outdoor and indoor attractions such as a 4D cinema, astro-turf, lawn tennis court, paintball arena and a variety of restaurants.

Lagos

Lagos has become an important location for African and "black" cultural identity. Lots of festivals are held in Lagos; festivals vary in offerings each year and may be held in different months. Some of the festivals are Fanti Carnival, Festac Food Fair held in Festac Town Annually, Eyo Festival, Lagos Black Heritage Carnival, Lagos Carnival, Eko International Film Festival, Lagos Seafood Festac Festival, Lagos Photo Festival and the Lagos Jazz Series; a unique franchise for high-quality live music in all genres with a focus on jazz, rhythm and blues to soul, Afrobeat, hip-hop and traditional jazz. Lagos has a number of sandy beaches by the Atlantic Ocean, including Elegushi Beach and Alpha Beach. Lagos also has a number of private beach resorts including Inagbe Grand Beach Resort and several others in the outskirts.

Our Black Gold

Nigeria is the 12th largest producer of petroleum in the world and the 8th largest exporter, and has the 10th largest proven reserves. (The country joined OPEC in 1971) Petroleum plays a large role in the Nigerian economy, accounting for 40% of GDP and 80% of Government earnings.

My Nigeria...
Your Nigeria...
Our Nigeria!!!



Nigerian Festivals

There are amazing places to visit and festivals to attend in every corner of Nigeria all year round.

Ojude Oba Festival

Durbar Festival

Calabar Carnival

Eyo Festival

Gidi Culture Festival

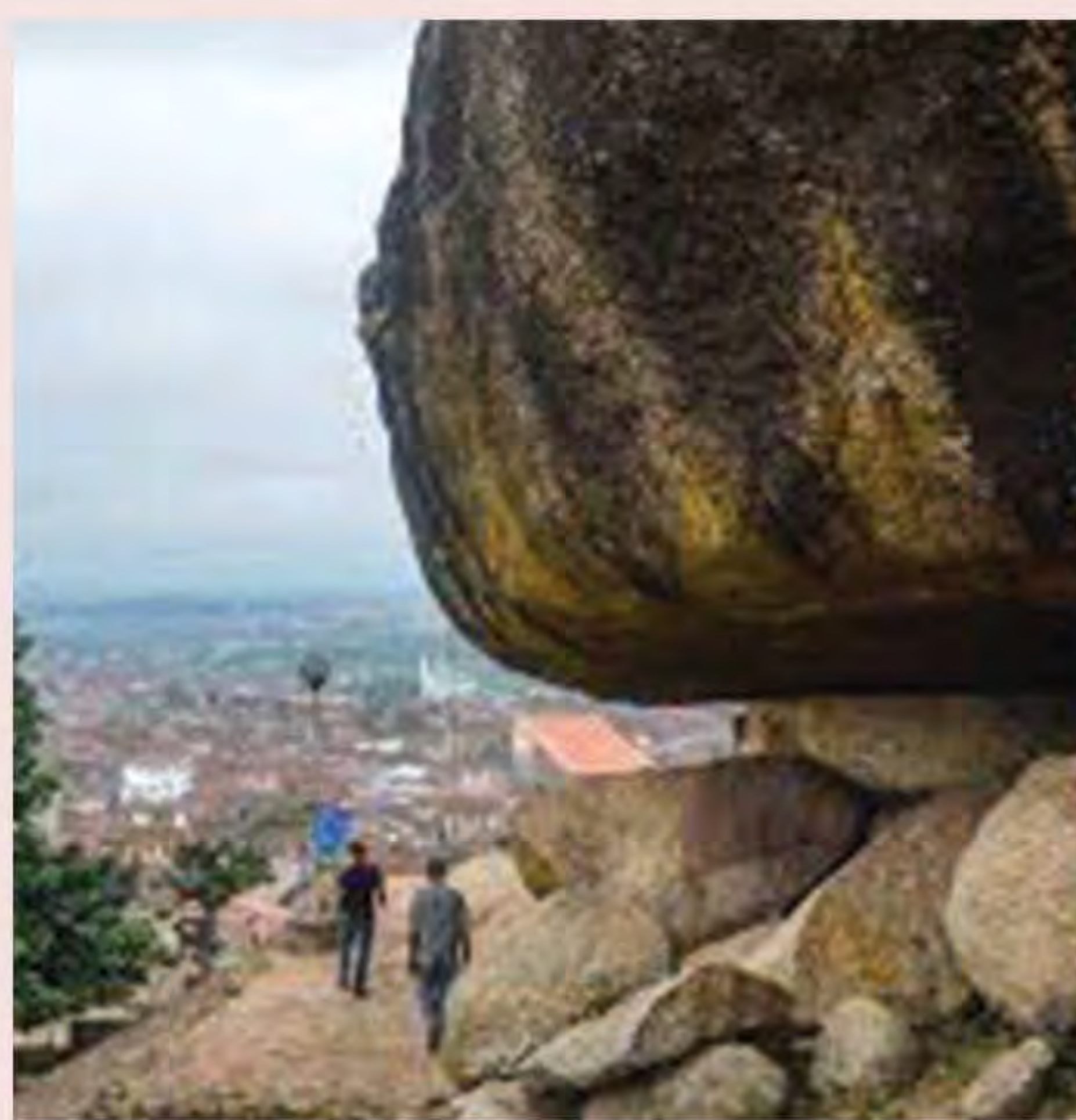
Yam Festival

Argungu Fishing Festival.....and more

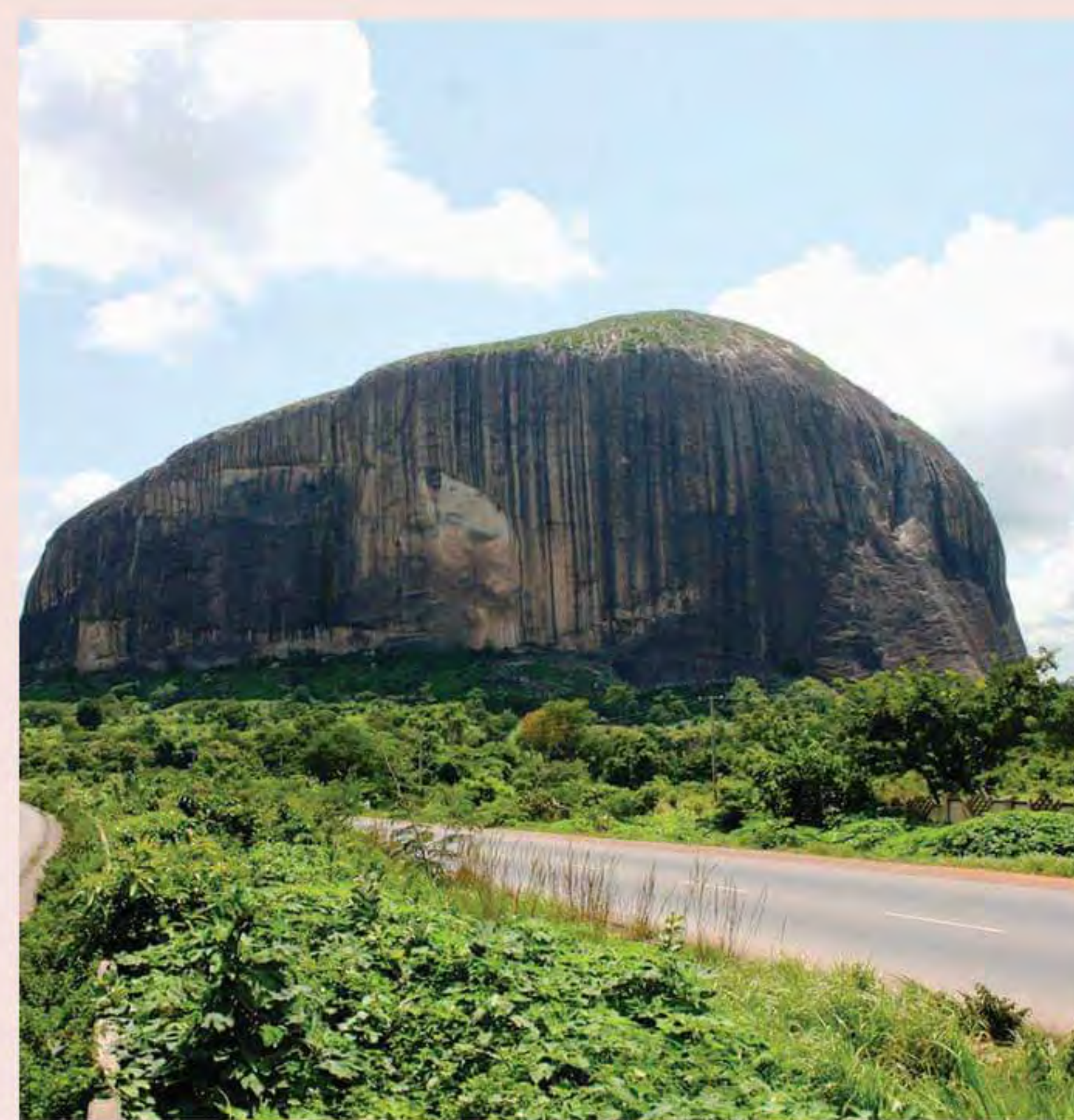




Agbokin Waterfalls, Cross River



Olumo Rock, Abeokuta



Zuma Rock, Abuja

“ There are several tourist attractions in Nigeria, each with its own uniqueness, nature, structure & historical background. ”



Ngwo Pine Forest, Enugu

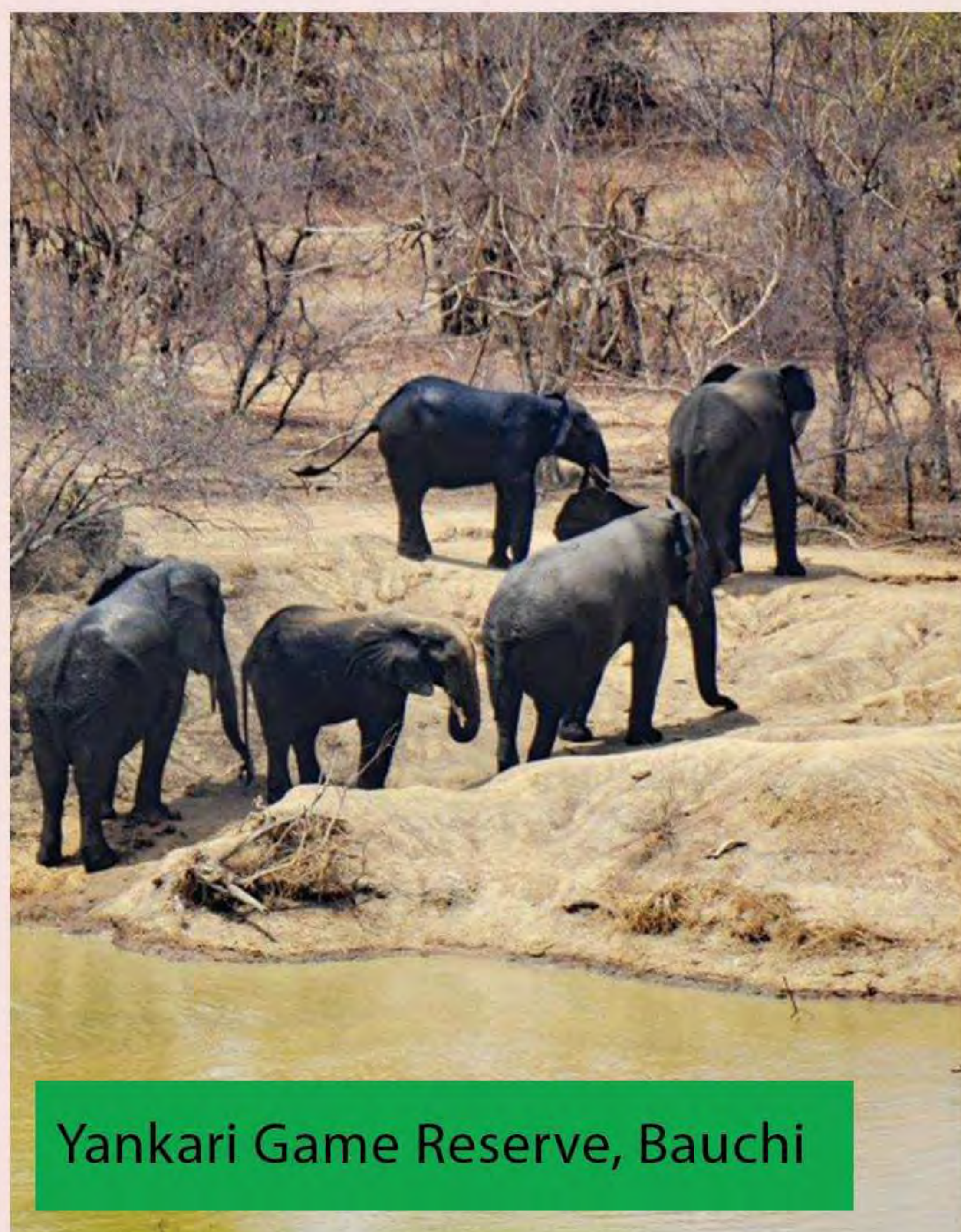


Kajuru Castle, Kaduna



Osun Sacred Grove, Osogbo

Exciting Places In Nigeria See Naija And Live!!!



Yankari Game Reserve, Bauchi



Eleko Beach, Lagos

There are hundreds of exciting places to visit in Nigeria.

From Olumo Rock to the Kaduna Castle, not forget the Yankari Games Reserve. There are beaches to relax and wind down.

Other places include

- Kianji Dams
- Gurara Waterfalls
- Ibeno Beach
- Idanre Hill
- Ikogosi Warm Springs and more

Our Next Project!



The proposed NCA Centre...

A learning environment for the Nigeria Community
in Rochdale, United Kingdom; and beyond...

A platform for cross-cultural and heritage interaction...

Aimed at promoting the rich cultural values of the Nigerian Brand...

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