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Media Report: Conditional Cash Transfers: Beneficiaries Paid In Anambra, Jigawa, FCT as Taraba, Rivers, Oyo, Join This Week

Payments to the poorest and most vulnerable households through the Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) Programme continued in parts of the country over the weekend, while similar payments will commence in more states across the country on Monday 6th April, 2020, the National Cash Transfer Office has disclosed.

A statement by the Communications Officer of the National Cash Transfer Office (NCTO), Henry Ayede, explained that the payments made on Saturday in Anambra, Katsina, Yobe and Nasarawa states among others, were in continuation of the bi-monthly payment of stipends to beneficiaries which has been ongoing since 2016.

Mr Ayede said on the instruction of President Muhammadu Buhari, each beneficiary among the poorest and most vulnerable households is paid N20,000 covering four months from January to April 2020 during the lockdown to cushion the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Communications Officer dismissed as false a statement by the Ohanaeze Youth Council, in which it accused the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs, Disaster Management and Social Development of allocating benefits of the program sectionally by excluding the South East.

He emphasised that the program did not marginalise any group of people, or region in the country, adding that the ongoing roll-out is national in scope.
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FG Provides Rice Grains as Palliative against COVID-19

As part of palliative measures in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, President Muhammadu Buhari has approved the release by the Nigerian Custom Service of 150 trucks of rice seized from smugglers, to FMHADMSD for distribution across the country
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Minister of Humanitarian Affairs Flags-Off CCT in Imo, Delivers Food Aid

The Minister for Humanitarian Affairs, Disaster Management and Social Development, Sadiya Umar Farouq on Wednesday 8 April, 2020 in Iho, Ikeduru Local Government Area of Imo State flagged off the payment of stipends of N20, 000 to the beneficiaries of the Conditional Cash Transfer Programme.

She said during the Flag off: "Mr. President has directed that we commence the payment of 20, 000 to beneficiaries of Conditional Cash Transfer. Payment to beneficiaries in Imo State will commence today." The programme started in 2016 by the Federal Government to assist the most economically vulnerable citizens in the country.

The Minister said that it was important to highlight that "since the creation of this Ministry we have piloted digital payment in 6 states and will continue to expand it. It is a priority to us and we will continue to expand it as it is not sustainable to distribute cash manually especially for the purpose of transparency and accountability."

She explained that School Feeding Program will commence in Imo State in the next few weeks after Lagos, Ogun and FCT. "We have adopted a modality that will ensure that even though children are at home, they will get the food. We shall adopt a door to door modality in the distribution using a voucher system." ...More

7/4/2020 - The Hon. Minister at a briefing of the leadership of the National Assembly led by the President of the Senate, Senator Ahmad Lawan and Speaker of the House, Rt. Honourable Femi Gbajabiamila on the Ministry's interventions to curb the effects of Covid-19 as directed by His Excellency, President Muhammad Buhari. "I count on the support of their leadership to provide a legal framework to ensure sustainability and institutionalization of the social investment programs of the Federal Government" ..More

8/4/2020 - The Hon. Minister, Sadiya Umar Farouq visited Anambra and Imo States to witness the conditional cash transfer process in line with Mr. President's directives. The Federal Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs continues to ensure that the most vulnerable members of the Nigerian populace receive the Federal Government's social interventions to cushion the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic ...More

10/4/2020 - The Hon. Minister paid a courtesy call on the Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu and commended the leadership he has exhibited. she also applauded the commitment and patriotism of the medical team for their swift response against COVID19 pandemic. The Minister informed the Governor that the NHGSFP will kick off in weeks and will adopt a door-to-door voucher distribution approach for states already on the program ...More

10/4/2020 - Hand over of relief materials in Ogun State as part of palliative measures to cushion the effects of ...More