

National Drug Law Enforcement Agency

Federal Republic of Nigeria



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VISION STATEMENT

o become the most proactive and leading Drug Law Enforcement Agency on the African Continent and one of the best in the world through the provision of effective and efficient services to Nigerians by cutting off the supply of illicit drugs, reducing the demand for illicit drugs and other substances of abuse and maintenance of an enviable image for the Nation throughout the world.

MISSION STATEMENT

he National Drug Law Enforcement Agency shall deploy all resources at its disposal for the total eradication of illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances; suppression of demand for illicit drugs and other substances of abuse; recovery of ill-gotten wealth, acquired from proceeds of illicit drug trade; protection, enhancement and maintenance of the image of Nigeria and Nigerians at home and abroad.



2021 Pictorial Highlight of Events





Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd), presenting a copy of NDLEA Today Magazine to His Excellency, President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, at the presidential Villa Abuja.



Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd), and the Inspector General of Police, Usman Alkali Baba during a courtesy visit to the NDLEA Headquarters in Abuja.



Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd), and United States (US) Ambassador to Nigeria, Mary Leonard during her official visit to NDLEA Headquarters in Abuja.



Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd), and officials of Smiths Detection and their partners during a visit to NDLEA, Abuja .

Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd), and the Chief of Army Staff, Lt. Gen. Farouk Yahaya during an advocacy visit to the Nigerian Army Headquarters in Abuja.



Chairman/ Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. MB Marwa (Retd) with the Chief of Air Staff Air Marshal Oladayo Amao and other management staff during an advocacy visit to the Headquarters of the Nigerian Airforce in Abuja.





Officials, during public destruction of drug exhibits at the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja.



Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of NDLEA, Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd), and the Chief Justice of the Federal High Court, Hon. Justice J.T Tsoho during an advocacy visit to the Federal High Court by the Agency's management team

CHAIRMAN/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S DESK

glimpse of the country's drug problem was unveiled by the 2018 national drug use survey. The survey, which was funded by the European Union (EU), was conducted by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) and the Centre for Research and Information on Substance Abuse (CRISA) with technical support from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

The report highlighted the level of psychoactive substance use in the preceding year. It also captures the use of cannabis and the non-medical use of prescription opioids like tramadol and cough syrups containing codeine, among others. The survey put the prevalence of drug use at 14.4 percent, or 14.3 million Nigerians aged between 15 and 64 years. This is indeed worrisome when compared to the global annual prevalence of 5.6 percent among adults.

It was discovered that one out of seven Nigerians has used drugs in the past year, and one out of every four drug users is a woman. In addition, the study revealed that out of every five drug users, one is drug dependent, while one in five high-risk users injects drugs. Armed with this survey report and the findings of the Presidential Advisory Committee for the Elimination of Drug Abuse (PACEDA), the stage was set for

the serious business of drug control in the country.

Upon assumption of duty on January 18, 2021, I was exposed to the multifaceted impediments militating against the smooth running of the agency. There was poor staff morale, inadequate workforce, and operational tools. Most officers were stagnated in one rank for many years, and there were distortions in the ranking system. The Agency was poorly funded and in huge debt, particularly for the unpaid burial expenses of officers that died in active service for over a decade.

To clear the Augean stable, the management embarked on a number of activities to restore the agency back to the path of glory by addressing the numerous challenges. We conducted harmonization and promotion exercises to address the problem of officers stagnating in one rank for many years. The agency was restructured with the creation of new directorates, units, and zonal commands. This was followed by key command appointments and postings. The protracted recruitment exercise was successfully concluded, thereby increasing the staff strength by 5,000 personnel. We also introduced Command Awards to promote

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CHAIRMAN CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S DESK

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healthy competition among the agency formations.

A committee made up of knowledgeable Nigerians drawn from different disciplines, non-governmental organisations and civil society groups known as the Special Purpose Committee was also constituted. This was a way of creating opportunities for members of the public to take ownership of the fight against drugs. The resultant effects of the administrative restructuring and innovation were simply phenomenal. The morale of officers was boosted, and the support from members of the public increased. This led to spectacular arrests and seizures of drugs across the country.

In recognition of our commitment, the agency witnessed unprecedented support from the presidency, national assembly, diplomatic community, traditional rulers, the media, and other relevant stakeholders. Interestingly, the War Against Drug Abuse (WADA) campaign was launched by President Mohammadu Buhari, GCFR, at the commemoration of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking on June 26, 2021.

The WADA project has created a platform for the robust engagement of stakeholders

in drug demand reduction programmes. In addition, the current National Drug Control Master Plan (NDCMP 2021–2025) was launched in the same year by the Honourable Attorney General and Minister of Justice, Abubakar Malami, SAN. The overall goal of this strategic document is to improve health and security for everyone living in the country.

No doubt, the year 2021 was significant not only in rescuing the nation's drug control programme from derailment but in redefining the best strategies to adopt in line with evidence-based drug abuse prevention. The results of the year are humbling and could not have been possible without the political will of Mr President as well as the cooperation of our local and international partners. Although there is still work to be done, we are pleased with the renewed vigour and enthusiasm of stakeholders. It is time to reinvigorate our efforts on the platforms of both WADA and NDCMP. The coming year is indeed very promising.

> Brig. Gen. Mohamed Buba Marwa (Rtd.), OFR Chairman/Chief Executive Officer NDLEA

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The following abbreviations have been used in this report.

ADDR : Annual Drug Data Report

ADP : Alternative Development Programmes:

ASI : Arrest-Seizure Index

ATS : Amphetamine Type Stimulants

CIA : Criminal Investigation Agency

DAPE Drug Abuse Preventive Education:

DPLS: Directorate of Prosecution and Legal Services:

DTO : Drug Trafficking Organisation:

ECOWAS : Economic Community of West African States: Economic and Financial Crimes Commission:

FATF: Financial Action Task Force:

FCMU: Forensic & Chemical Monitoring Unit:

FCT : Federal Capital Territory:
FRN : Federal Republic of Nigeria::

GIABA : Intergovernmental Action Group against Money Laundering and

Terrorism in West Africa

GON : Government of Nigeria

HONLEA: Heads of National Law Enforcement Agencies

HWD-Trafficking: Human, Weapons and Drug Trafficking

ICPC : Independent Corrupt Practices and other Related Offences

Commission

ICPO-Interpol: International Criminal Police Organization

IDUs : Injecting Drug Users

ISS : Institute for Security Studies

JAMB : Joint Admission and Matriculation Board

JCCE : Joint Consultative Committee on Education

JTF : Joint Task Force

LFN: Laws of the Federation of Nigeria

MAKIA : Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport

MDGs: Millennium Development Goals

MET : Mobile Enforcement Team

MLAT : Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty

MMIA : Murtala Mohammed International Airport

MoU : Memorandum of Understanding

EXPLANATORY NOTES

NACA : National Agency for the Control of AIDS

NAFDAC : National Agency for Food, Drug Administration and Control

NAIA : Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport

NCE : National Council on Education

NDC : National Defence College

NDE : National Directorate of Employment

NDCMP : National Drug Control Master Plan

NDCS : National Drug Control Strategy

NDLEA : National Drug Law Enforcement Agency

NENDU: Nigerian Epidemiology Network on Drug Use

NFIU : Nigerian Financial Intelligence Unit
NGO : Non-Governmental Organization

NHQs : National Headquarters

NIA : National Intelligence Agency

NIPSS : Nigerian Institute of Policy and Strategic Studies

NSA : National Security Adviser
OPS : Organised Private Sector

PH PORT : Port Harcourt Port

PRECHEM: Precursor and Essential Chemical Committee

R&NGO: Research & Non-Governmental Organisation

SACs : Special Area Commands
SAI : Seizure - Arrest Index

SIA : Special Investigation Assignment

SOCA : Serious Organised Crime Agency (Now known as National Crime

Agency - NCA)

TCIP : TinCan Island Ports

T&R: Treatment & Rehabilitation

UK : United KingdomUN : United Nations

UNODC: United Nations Office on Drug and Crime Control

US : United States

USDEA : United States Drug Enforcement and Administration

USG : United States Government

...in Perspective

1. BRIEF HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

1.0 BACKGROUND

The Government of Nigeria (GON) was deeply concerned about the magnitude and rising trend of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances demand trafficking. This was due to the consequences of drugs on the user, the family, and society at large. In addition, the link between narcotic drugs and other related organized criminal activities like terrorism, banditry, kidnapping, murder, among others, was a critical area of concern to the government.

Unfortunately, the arrest of some Nigerians for drug trafficking outside the country was considered an embarrassment to the country. These and other factors eventually led to the establishment of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA). This bold step was to ensure the effective eradication of illicit drug production, trafficking, and abuse in the country. Nigeria has also played an active role in global drug control programmes as a signatory to all the United Nations International Conventions on Drugs and Psychotropic substances.

Prior to the establishment of the NDLEA through decree No. 48 of 1989, which is now known as the NDLEA Act CAP N30, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, there existed drug control laws in the country. They include the Dangerous Drug Act of 1935 and the Hemp Act of 1966, among others. The function of drug control was initially performed by various security agencies like the Nigeria Customs Service, Nigeria Immigration Service, and Nigeria

Police.

The NDLEA Act empowered the Agency to coordinate all drug laws and policies previously conferred on any other statutory body in the country. This included campaigns to check the abuse of narcotics and psychotropic substances. Accordingly, the NDLEA became the sole prosecuting body for drug cases in Nigeria. Thus, other organisations and even individuals can arrest a suspected drug offender and seize narcotic drugs, but they are required by law to immediately transfer both the suspects and drug exhibits to the nearest NDLEA command for investigation and prosecution.

1.1 FUNCTIONS OF THE AGENCY

The functions of the Agency as stated in the NDLEA Act (CAP N30 LFN 2004) are as follows:

- (a)The enforcement and the due administration of the provisions of the NDLEA Act;
- (b) The coordination of all drug laws and enforcement conferred on any person or authority, including Ministers in the Government of the Federation, by any such laws;
- (c)Adoption of measures to identify, trace, freeze, confiscate or seize proceeds derived from drug-related offences or property whose value corresponds to such proceeds;
- (d) Adoption of measures to eradicate illicit cultivation of narcotic plants and to

eliminate illicit demand for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances with a view to reducing human suffering and eliminating financial incentives for illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

- (e) taking such measures which might require the taking of reasonable precautions to prevent the use of ordinary means of transport for illicit traffic in narcotic drugs including making special arrangements with transport owners;
- (f)Adoption of measures which shall include coordinated preventive and repressive action, introduction and maintenance of investigative and control techniques;
- (g) Adoption of measures to increase the effectiveness of eradication efforts;
- (h) The facilitation of rapid exchange of scientific and technical information and the conduct of research geared towards eradication of illicit use of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
- (I) Taking measures for the early destruction of or disposal of the narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances which have been seized, confiscated and forfeited;
- (j) Facilitation or encouragement of the presence or availability of persons, including persons in custody who consent to assist in investigations or participate in proceedings relating to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances:

- (k) Enhancing the effectiveness of law enforcement to suppress illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
- (I) establishing, maintaining and securing communication to facilitate the rapid exchange of information concerning offences and improving international cooperation in the suppression of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances by road, sea and air;
- (m)Reinforcing and supplementing the measures provided in the Convention on Narcotic Drugs 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol; the 1971Convention on sychotropic Substances and the United Nations onvention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and **Psychotropic** Substances 1988 as adopted by the Nigerian domestic law, in order to counter the magnitude and extent of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and its grave consequences;
- (n) Taking such measures that may ensure the elimination and prevention of the root causes of the problems of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
- (o) Strengthening and enhancing effective legal means for international cooperation in criminal matters for suppressing international activities of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
- (p)collaborating with government bodies within and outside Nigeria carrying out functions wholly or in part analogous to those of the Agency concerning among others –

- (I) the identities, whereabouts and activities of
 - persons suspected of being involved in offences mentioned in this Act;
 - (ii) the movement of proceeds or property derived from the commission of such offences;
 - (iii) the movement of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances specified in the Second Schedule to this Act, and instrumentalities used or intended for use in the commission of such offences;
 - (iv) the exchange of personnel and other experts
 - (v) the establishment and maintenance of a system for monitoring international dealings in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in order to identify suspicious transactions and persons engaged in them;
- (q) Taking charge, supervising, controlling, coordinating all the responsibilities, functions and activities relating to arrest, investigation and prosecution of all offences connected with or relating to illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. notwithstanding any law to the contrary; and
- (r) Strengthening co-operation with the Office of the Attorney General of the Federation, the Police Force, Customs Agencies, Immigration services, officials, health officials and other law enforcement agencies in the

eradication of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances.

1.2 SPECIAL POWERS OF THE AGENCY

The Agency has powers:

- To cause investigation to be conducted as to whether any person has committed an offence under the Act;
- b. To ascertain whether any person has been involved in offences under the Act or in the process of such offences to cause investigation to be conducted into properties of any person if it appears to the Agency that the person's life style and properties worth do not match ostentatious living;
- c. For the purpose of inquiring into and ascertaining whether an offence under paragraph (b) subsection(ii) of this section has been committed, the Agency may by notice in writing call upon any one to furnish it within a time specified in the notice, with information, returns, accounts, books, or other documents in custody of such persons as the Agency may consider fit and proper in the circumstances;
- d. The Agency shall not exercise the power conferred upon it by paragraph (b) of this section without first obtaining approval of the Attorney General of the Federation. For the purposes of carrying out or enforcing the Act, all officers of the Agency involved enforcement of the provisions of the Act shall have the same powers, authority privileges (including power to

carry arms) as are given by law to the members of the Nigeria Police.

1.3 OPERATIONAL SCOPE

The NDLEA is the main organ of the GON responsible for the control of illicit drug production, trafficking and abuse. It also plays a leading and coordinating role in drug demand reduction, drug control policy formulation and implementation in the country. Established in 1989, the Agency has had ten (10) Chief Executives to date. The National Headquarters of the NDLEA is located at No. 6, Port-Harcourt Crescent, Off Gimbya Street, Area 11, Federal Capital Territory (FCT)

2.0 DIRECTORATES

The 16 directorates of the Agency are listed below.

- a. Directorate of Prosecution and Legal Services
- b. Directorate of Planning Research and Statistics
- c. Directorate of Operations and General Investigations
- d. Directorate of Training and Manpower Development
- e. Directorate of Administration and Establishment
- f. Directorate of Assets and Financial Investigations
- g. Directorate of Technical Services
- h. Directorate of Drug Demand Reduction
- i. Directorate of Intelligence
- j. Directorate of Seaport Operations
- k. Directorate of Airport Operations
- I. Directorate of Finance and Accounts
- m. Directorate of Internal Affairs/Provost Marshall
- n. Directorate of Media and Advocacy
- o. Directorate of Special Duties/Strike Force
- p. Directorate of Forensic and Chemical Monitoring

ADMINISTRATION

The Agency has sixteen (16) established directorates and nine (9) autonomous units and offices that work together to carry out the drug control mandate assigned to it. The administrative and operational offices are located in 36 States and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja. Also, there are twelve (12) Special Area Commands (SAC) that are situated at the nation's international airports, seaports, and land borders.

CCEO AUTONOMOUS UNITS:

- i. Chairman/Chief Executive Officer's Office
- ii. Office of the Secretary to the Agency
- iii. National Drug Control Strategy (NDCS)/Inter-ministerial Drug Control Secretariat
- iv. External Affairs
- v. Internal Audit
- vi. Procurement
- vii. Lagos Liaison Services
- viii. Chairman's Monitoring Team
- ix. Sensitive Intelligence Unit

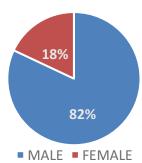
2.1 AGENCY PERSONNEL

The agency's staff strength, as at December 31, 2021, stands at nine thousand, five hundred and thirty-seven (9,539). The officers and men are deployed at the NHQ Abuja, 50 field operational commands, the Training Academy in Jos, and Lagos Liaison Services in the discharge of their statutory mandate. The total staff population represents a ratio of one (1) drug agent to over twenty-one thousand, four hundred and twenty Nigerians (1:20,966) using the population estimate of two hundred million (200,000,000) Nigerians. However, this situation is expected to improve with the FGN's approval for the recruitment of additional officers in the coming years.

STAFF DISPOSITION BY GENDER

Gender	No.	%
Male	7,860	82
Female	1,679	18
Total	9,539	100

STAFF DISPOSITION BY GENDER Chart Title



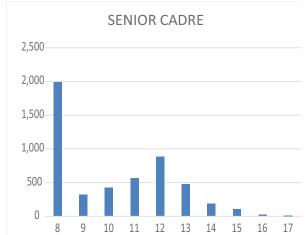
PERSONNEL DISPOSITION BY GRADE LEVEL

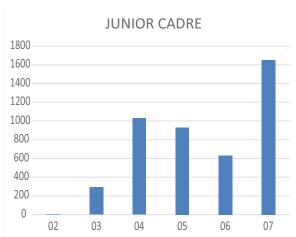
Senior Cadre Personnel

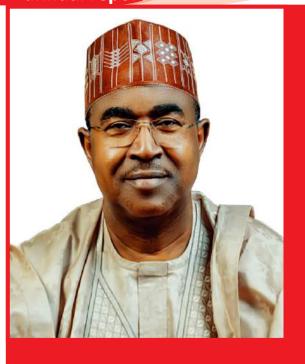
COMPASS	NO
08	1993
09	320
10	428
11	567
12	885
13	481
14	186
15	111
16	25
17	9
TOTAL	5,005

JUNIOR CADRE

COMPASS	NO
02	1
03	292
04	1,028
05	930
06	633
07	1,650
TOTAL	4,534

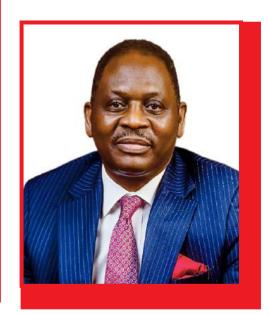






Brig Gen Mohamed Buba Marwa (Rtd.), OFR Chairman/Chief Executive Officer

DIRECTING STAFF National Headquarters



Shadrach Haruna Agency Secretary



Joseph Nbona Sunday Director, Prosecution & Legal Services



Victoria Egbase
Director,
Planning Research & Statistics



Ahmed Sule Ningi Director, Special Duties/Commander Strike Force



Omolade Faboyede Director, Seaport Operations



Zirangey D Sunday
Director,
Intelligence



Adeyemi Adeofe
Director,
Operations & General Investigations

DIRECTING STAFF



Chinyere Obijuru Director, Training & Manpower Development



Epeso Ezekiel Ngale Director, Technical Services



Nugu Pius Gamde Director, Internal Affairs/Provost Marshal



Sani Ibrahim Sani Director, Administration & Establishment



Ngozi Madubuike Director, Drug Demand Reduction



Ogundipe Margaret O.
Director,
Forensic & Chemical Monitoring



Ibrahim Abdul Director, Assets & Financial Investigation



Joyce Titus Awogbiyi Director, Airport Operations



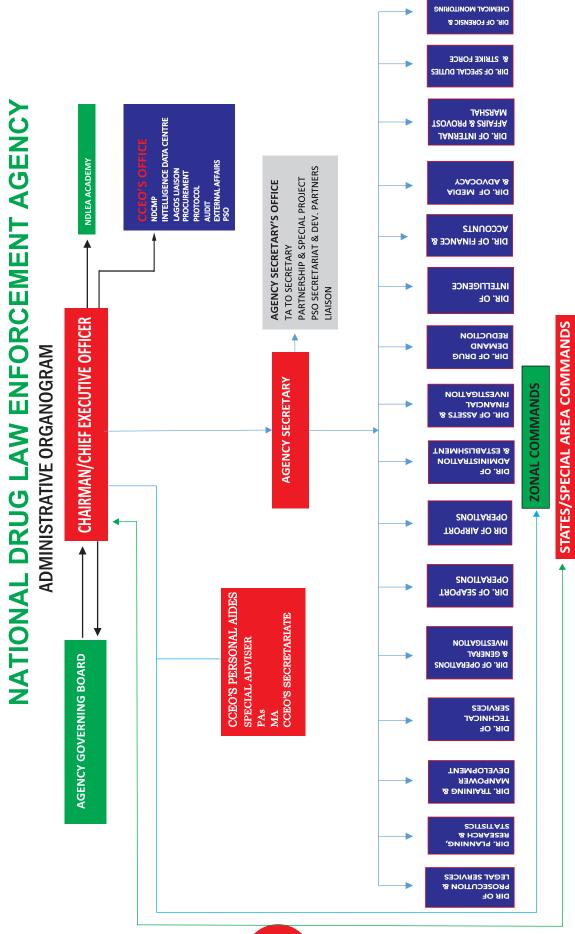
Femi Babafemi Director, Media & Advocacy

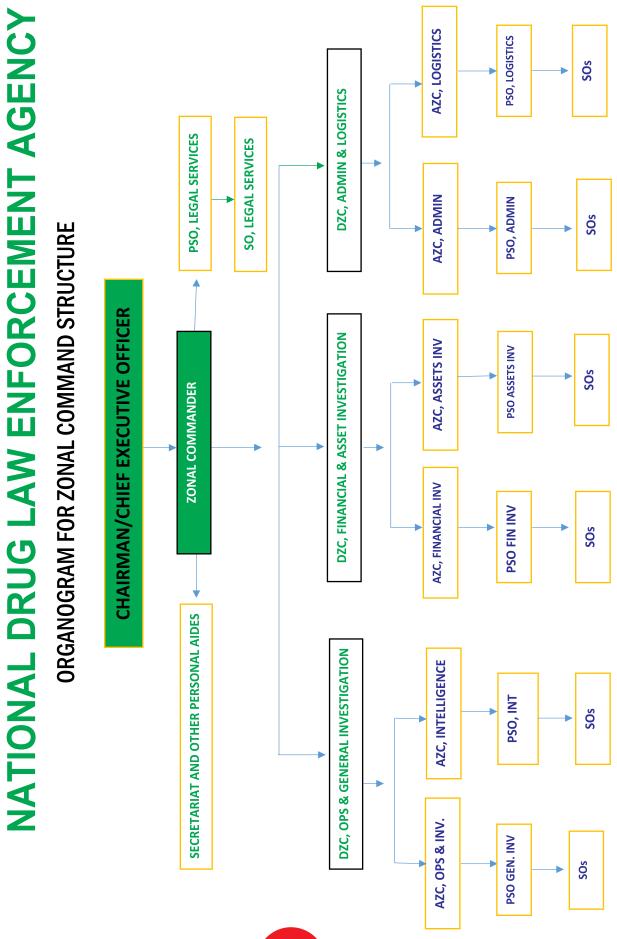


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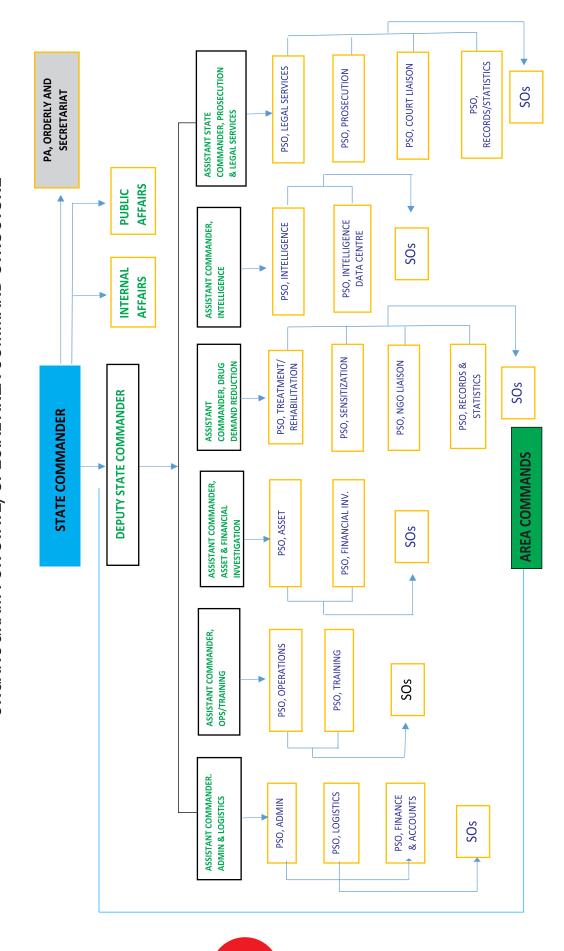


NDLEA CHAIRMAN/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER BRIG. GEN. MOHAMED BUBA MARWA (MIDDLE) WITH NEWLY PROMOTED SENIOR OFFICERS



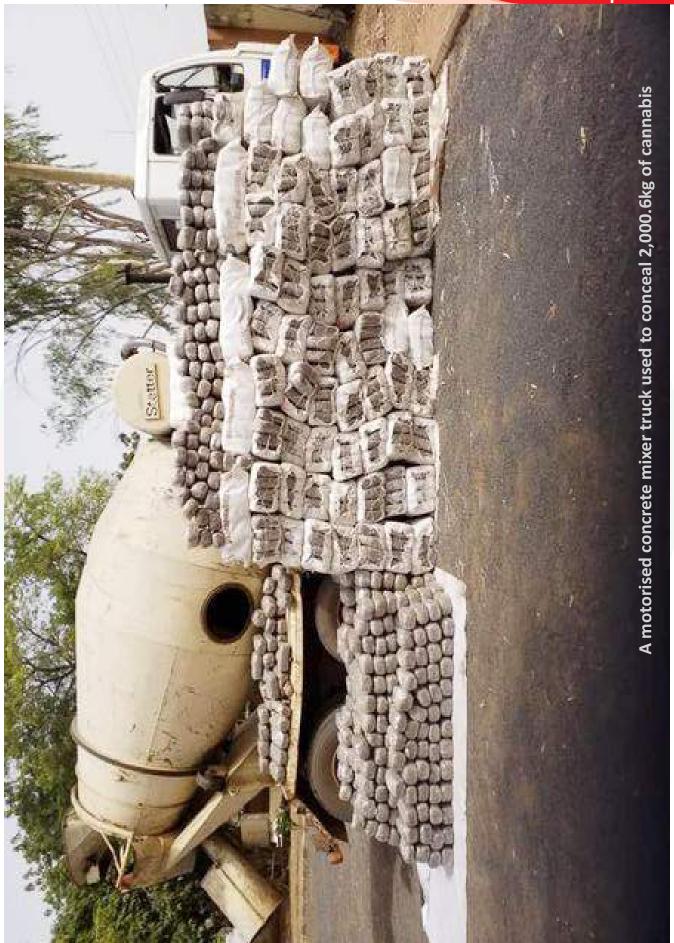


NATIONAL DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY ORGANOGRAM FOR STATE/SPECIAL AREA COMMAND STRUCTURE



... 2021 Operational Results





3.0 DRUG SUPPLY SUPPRESSION

Some of the spectacular seizures arising from the Agency's improved intelligence management process include: Interception of 451,807 tablets of CAPTAGON tablets weighing 79,119kg in September at Apapa Seaport Lagos, which is the first ever recorded seizure of Captagon in West and Central African Sub-Region; seizure of 1,994,400 capsules of Tramadol in February at Apapa seaport, Lagos; 144, 400 bottles of codeine syrup in March at Apapa seaport, Lagos; seizure of 43.110kg Cocaine in February at Tincan seaport, Lagos; 22,590kg Codeine syrup in September at Tincan seaport, Lagos. Others include seizure of 26.840kg Cocaine, the biggest single seizure from an individual in 15 years, at the Murtala Mohammed International Airport, MMIA, Lagos in January; 24.05kg Heroin at the MMIA, Lagos in April; 27.95kg Cocaine at the MMIA, Lagos in May; and 26.15kg Heroin at the MMIA, Lagos in July, all in 2021. Four large cannabis warehouses with an estimated street value of N1.4 billion, weighing two hundred and thirty-three thousand, seven hundred and seventy-eight kilograms (233,778 kg) were also found inside Ukpuje forest in the Owan West Local Government Area of Edo State.

Similarly, about two million capsules of Tramadol, precisely 1,994,400 capsules weighing 614.396 kilograms were detected in 554 cartons falsely declared as ceramic tiles at the Apapa seaport. An attempt to smuggle 30 parcels of cocaine weighing 32.9 kilograms into the country at the Apapa seaport was again foiled by the Agency. Interestingly, the Federal High Court in Lagos ordered the interim forfeiture of the vessel, MV Chayaneenre, which was used to smuggle the drug to the Federal Government of Nigeria.

At the Onne seaport command in Port-Harcourt, Rivers State, 100,000 bottles of Codeine cough syrup with a total weight of 15,325 kilograms were equally intercepted. The drug was packed in 500 cartons, and concealed in a container imported from India.

At the Murtala Mohammed International Airport (MMIA) command in Lagos, a total of 104.44 kilograms comprising 53.94kg of cocaine and 50.2kg of heroin, were intercepted in four separate operations. The directorate of operations and general investigations of the agency seized 500 grammes of heroin hidden inside auto spare parts going to Canada, while 140 grammes of methamphetamine hidden inside a statue of the blessed Mary destined for the Philippines were also seized. The Agency also uncovered a cannabis warehouse in Rivers where 621kg of compressed cannabis sativa was seized in Abuja Estate of Port Harcourt metropolis. The Joint Task Force (JTF) Operation Unit of the Agency arrested a suspected drug baron, Mr Chidi Olife, who escaped arrest for the unlawful importation of 5.250kg of heroin concealed in books from Karachi, Pakistan, to Lagos and had been on the wanted list since June 2010.

There was a seizure of 1,292 kilograms of illicit drugs in Ondo forest, where 9 suspects were apprehended. Out of the figure, 711.5kg of cannabis seeds were recovered from a forest in the Ago Oyibo area of Ogbese, Akure North Local Government Area of the state. A 70-year-old drug trafficker, Mohammed Rabiu Wada, who supplies illicit substances to Boko Haram insurgents and bandits, was arrested in Niger state.

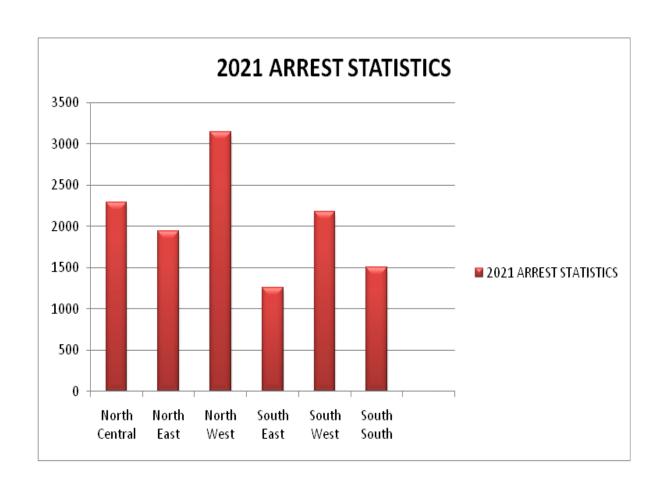
The suspect who hails from Dallawa town, Niger Republic, was found in possession of 10 pallets of skunk at Jebba, Niger state. In the same vein, operatives in Kogi state intercepted and seized 116.1kilogramme of cannabis at a patrol point along the Okene-Lokoja expressway. A Chadian lady was nabbed at the Abuja airport with 234 grams of heroin concealed in her private part while trying to board an Ethiopian airline flight 911 enroute Addis Ababa-Italy.

ARRESTS BY COMMANDS

COMMANDS	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL
ABIA	499	78	577
ADAMAWA	396	9	405
AKWA-IBOM	233	39	272
ANAMBRA	122	7	129
BAUCHI	237	17	254
BAYELSA	223	61	284
BENUE	169	26	195
BORNO	553	8	561
CROSS RIVER	141	7	148
DELTA	230	63	293
EBONYI	205	36	241
EDO	245	110	355
EKITI	49	7	56
ENUGU	130	13	143
FCT	414	32	446
GOMBE	233	21	254
IMO	136	27	163
JIGAWA	633	12	645
KADUNA	328	12	340
KANO	830	23	855
KATSINA	491	1	492
KEBBI	142	5	147
KOGI	135	10	145
KWARA	360	33	393
LAGOS	564	57	621
NASARAWA	609	3	612
NIGER	152	2	154
OGUN	200	18	218
ONDO	251	48	299
OSUN	285	47	332
OYO	297	33	330
PLATEAU	300	22	322
RIVERS	117	29	146
SOKOTO	173	10	183
TARABA	319	6	325
YOBE	142	2	144
ZAMFARA	465	15	480
MMIA	136	26	162
NAIA	13	3	16
MAKIA	4	0	4
AIIA	3	0	3
PIA	1	0	1
APAPA	43	0	43
TINCAN	4	0	4
PORTHARCOURT	3	0	3
SEAPORT		-102=0	1000000
SEME	35	13	48
IDIROKO	30	0	30
DOGI	34	1	35
TOTAL	11314	992	12306

ARRESTS BY GEO-POLITICAL ZONES: 2021

GEO-POLITICAL ZONE	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE (%)
NORTH CENTRAL	2152	131	2283	18.55%
NORTH EAST	1880	63	1943	15.79%
NORTH WEST	3066	78	3144	25.56%
SOUTH EAST	1095	161	1256	10.20%
SOUTH WEST	1928	250	2178	17.70%
SOUTH SOUTH	1193	309	1502	12.20%
TOTAL	11,314	992	12,306	100%



DRUG SEIZURES IN KILOGRAMS

	OTO A WIN A O	TIME A COCC		T. A. C. L. C.		PSYCH	OTROE	PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES	STANC	ES	TAHOH
COMMANDS	CANNABIS	COCAINE	HEKOIIN	MEIH	TRAMADOL	ROPHYNOL	CODEINE	DIAZEPAN	OTHERS	TOTAL PSY	IOIAL
ABIA	606171	0.153	0.235	0.349	1.359	0.021	8.0	1.718	2.695	6.593	613.501
ADAMAWA	2835.66	0.008	0	0	108.129	1.042	62.714	41.749	155.494	369.128	3204.8
AKWA-IBOM	311.248	1.2581	0.2882	0.0545	10.1704	0.5811	0.025	11.4384	4.78	26.9949	339.843
ANAMBRA	514.961	0.1297	0.1577	2.2544	313.7085	1.5404	205.624	23.213	27.614	571.6999	1089.2
BAUCHI	1055.01	0.19	0	0.74	6.25		28.021	45.767	63.592	143.63	1199.57
BAYELSA	179.26	0.031	0.694	0.15	0.805	0.315	6.504	2.252		9.876	190.011
BENUE	2420.19	0.093	0	0.845					492.029	492.029	2913.16
BORNO	324.965	0.14	0.83	0	4.027	0.681	53.4	7.639	2.387	68.134	394.069
CROSS RIVER	152.744	6.0	0.946	0					1.868	1.868	156.458
DELTA	2997.82	0.35226	0.11542	0.20962	37.597	0.7643	137.67	3.656	0.0105	179.6978	3178.2
EBONYI	183.313	0.051	0	0.503	3.411			5.804	18.12	27.335	211.202
EDO	260209	0.228	0.13	0.012	0.766	1.193		4.5116	2.784	9.2546	260219
EKITI	5009.3	0.102	0.7	0					0.21	0.21	5010.31
ENUGU	1328.17	0.222	0	0.592	0.258				29.92	30.178	1359.17
FCT	2232.9	54.4691	7.782	0.024	41.169	49.401		96.97	1030.83	1218.37	3513.54
GOMBE	146.608	0	0	0.318	117.332	3.224	22.4	11.453	6.967	164.376	311.302
IMO	5511.15	0.1034	0.2133	3.4971	0.274	0.002		3.089	0.271	3.636	5518.6
JIGAWA	302.09	0	0	0	2.52	0.248	2.56	8.25	30.05	43.628	345.718
KADUNA	2939.15	99.0	0.164	0					254.207	254.207	3194.18
KANO	6342.29	0.472	0.036	0.003	158.869	10.72	189.61	648.357	330.028	1337.584	7680.38
KATSINA	899.916	0	0	0.00000	40.77669	0.7784	54.75	17.25	170.1057	170.1057283.6608	1183.58
KEBBI	3319.71	0.032	0	0	1.911	0.043	6.359	211.315	27.353	246.981	3566.72
KOGI	3893.91	0.027	0	0.067	47.083	0.138	311.495	18.531	212.747	589.994	4484.0
KWARA	932.244	0	0	0					509.983	509.983	1442.23
LAGOS	38258.8	1.436	0.172	9990	6173.995	1.188	5699.57	31.791	11.447	11917.99	50179.1

DRUG SEIZURES IN KILOGRAMS

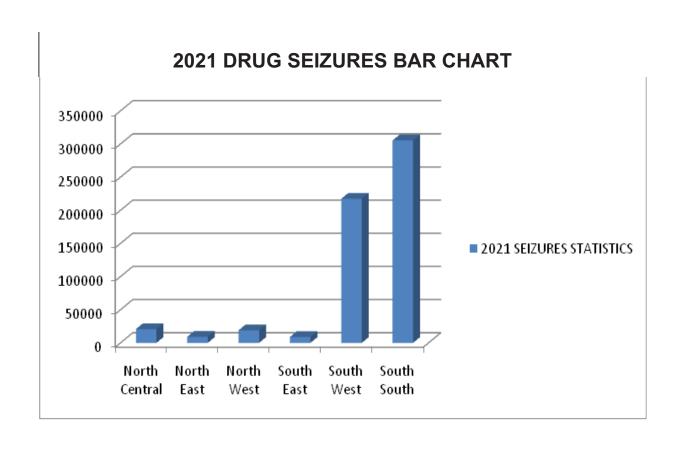
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NASARAWA	3266.44	0.002	0	0			400			400	3666.44
NIGER	2402.08	0.20795	0	900'0	18.1483	2.199	274.6	37.7124	161.6308	494.2905	2896.59
OGUN	4110.65	0.04025	0	0.4698			6.5			6.5	4117.66
0ND0	34080.3	0.227	0.16	0.165				94.15	86.38	183.53	34264.4
OSUN	3046.54	0.065	0	0						3.207	3049.81
0Y0	3181.68	0.117	9600'0	0.035	30.5876	3.31	190.9427	21.927	3.207	246.7673	3428.61
PLATEAU	1069.0	0.22	0	0.3	66.482	0.518	25.274	116.011	481.151	689.436	1758.96
RIVERS	867.3	0.159	0.302	0.541	4.776	2.624		5.276	0.476	13.152	881.454
SOKOTO	1487.84	0.1	1.55	0.19	0.707	2.975	62.78	8.218	328.859	403.539	1893.22
TARABA	77.9.213	0	0	0.24	76.535	2.304	7.115	45.013	149.034	280.001	1059.45
YOBE	2967.49	0.0062	0.024	0	3.413	0.0288	8.568	5.8283	10.899	28.7371	2996.26
O ZAMFARA	405.68	0.004	0	0	0.25	0.23	1.9	3.77	317.51	323.66	729.344
MMIA	430.863	110.157	100.65	15.6	22.176		32.3	253.75	2116.596	2424.822	3082.09
NAIA	7.849	46.388	3.015	5.0	0.361	0.192		0.214		0.767	63.019
MAKIA	9009	0	0	0					343	343	340.06
AIIA	0	8.169	0	0						0	8.169
PIA	0	0	0	0						0	0
APAPA	10675.5	46.55	1.52	0	239.33		22490		87.119	22816.45	33540.0
TINCAN	92.4402	43.11	0	0	0.0751		22590	0.00301 0.0047	0.0047	22590.08	22725.6
PORTHARCOURT SEAPORT (ONNE)	1.25	0	0	0	25099		15325			40424	40425.3
SEME	43873.8	2.483	0.5	0.101	41.978		2.5	27.907	0.168	72.553	43949.4
IDIROKO	6813.5	0	0	0.26	35.2	1.5			0.51	37.21	6850.97
DOGI	6774.36	6.988	2.357	43.306					317.0051	317.0051	7144.22
TOTAL	469246.0	326.051	122.551	76.6985	32709.43	87.76	68198.98	1814.53 7795.04	7795.04	110358.8	580368.0
* Cannabi	Cannabis Sized & Destroyed Wei	Destro	yed Wo	eighed	2.9 Million Kilograms	ion Kilo	grams				

★ Other Drug Seizures 580,368.0 Kilograms

* Grand Total 3,480,368 Kilograms

DRUG SEIZURES BY GEO-POLITICAL ZONES: 2021

GEO-POLITICAL ZONE	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE (%)
NORTH CENTRAL	20737.939	3.57%
NORTH EAST	9165.451	1.60%
NORTH WEST	18933.202	3.26%
SOUTH EAST	8799.842	1.52%
SOUTH WEST	217342.17	37.45%
SOUTH SOUTH	305390.266	52.62%
TOTAL	580368.87	100%



DESTINATION OF DRUG COURIERS ARRESTED AT

MMIA, LAGOS

SN	DESTINATION	FREQUENCY	%
1.	NIGERIA	33	23.24
2.	DUBAI (UAE)	19	13.38
3.	UNITED KINGDOM	17	11.97
4.	ITALY	12	8.45
5.	NOT ASSIGNED	7	4.93
6.	USA	6	4.23
7.	MALAYSIA	4	2.82
8.	SOUTH AFRICA	3	2.11
9.	EQUITORIAL GUINEA	2	1.41
10.	GUINEA CONAKRY	2	1.41
11.	PAKISTAN	2	1.41
12.	SPAIN	1	0.7
13.	CANADA	1	0.7
14.	CYPRUS	1	0.7
15.	GREECE	1	0.7
16.	INDIA	1	0.7
17.	LIBERIA	1	0.7
18.	QATAR	1	0.7
19.	TURKEY	1	0.7
20.	LOCAL	1	0.7
	TOTAL	142	100

NOTE:

The above table indicates that the highest destinations of couriers were Nigeria, Dubai and United Kingdom.

AIRLINES USED BY TRAFFICKERS (MMIA ONLY)

S/NO	AIRLINE	FREQUENCY	PERCENTAGE
1.	ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES	46	36.8
2.	NOT ASSIGNED	34	27.2
3.	DHL	13	10.4
4.	TURKISH AIRLINES	7	5.6
5.	QATAR AIRLINES	6	4.8
6.	AIRPEACE	3	2.4
7.	BRITISH AIRWAYS	3	2.4
8.	DELTA	2	1.6
9.	EGYPT	2	1.6
10.	EMIRATES	2	1.6
11.	AFRICA WORLD AIRLINES	1	0.8
12.	ASKY	1	0.8
13.	KENYA	1	0.8
14.	KLM	1	0.8
15 .	LUFTHANSA	1	0.8
16.	ROYAL AIR MAROC	1	0.8
17	VIRGIN ATLANTIC	1	0.8
	TOTAL	125	100

NOTE:

The table above indicates that Ethiopian Airlines was the most frequently patronised flight by couriers during the period under consideration. Seizures not assigned to any flight at the time of interception accounted for 27.2 percent while courier houses seizures are 10.4 percent.

3.2 VISA CLEARANCE

The visa clearance policy enables the agency to conduct a background investigation of visa applicants. This is to make certain that visa applicants to drug source countries have no link to drug trafficking cartels. The scrupulous screening process of the agency has made more countries subscribe to the policy.

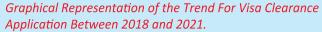
A total of 1,021 applications were received for the year. Of those, 959 were cleared, and 15 were declined, while 47 are pending. The pending cases are those with incomplete records. They will be attended to as soon as the necessary requirements are met.

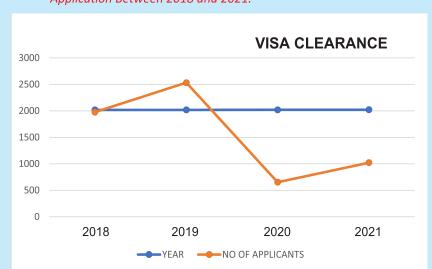
VISA CLEARANCE TABLE

MONTH	RECEIVED	CLEARED	REJECTED	PENDING
JANUARY	24	24		
FEBRUARY	45	45		
MARCH	59	59		
APRIL	63	59	1	3
MAY	49	49		
JUNE	41	41		
JULY	54	51		3
AUGUST	68	54	14	
SEPTEMBER	61	61		
OCTOBER	104	104		
NOVEMBER	157	149		8
DECEMBER	296	263		33
TOTAL	1,021	959	15	47

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Year	No of Applicants
2018	1,974
2019	2,523
2020	652
2021	1,011





More countries have indicated their desire to subscribe to the process in order to strengthen their Visa Control Procedures.

3.3 DRUG DEPORTEES

The Agency received **76** Nigerian nationals that were deported from fourteen countries over drug related offences. The deportees were appropriately debriefed, documented and released.

Serial No.	Country	No Of Deportees
1.	Thailand	48
2.	United Arab Emirates	11
3.	China	3
4.	South Africa	2
5.	Japan	2
6.	Vietnam	1
7.	Germany	1
8.	France	1
9.	India	1
10.	Italy	1
11.	Austria	1
12.	Namibia	1
13.	Kenya	1
14.	Ethiopia	1
14.	Spain	1
	TOTAL	76

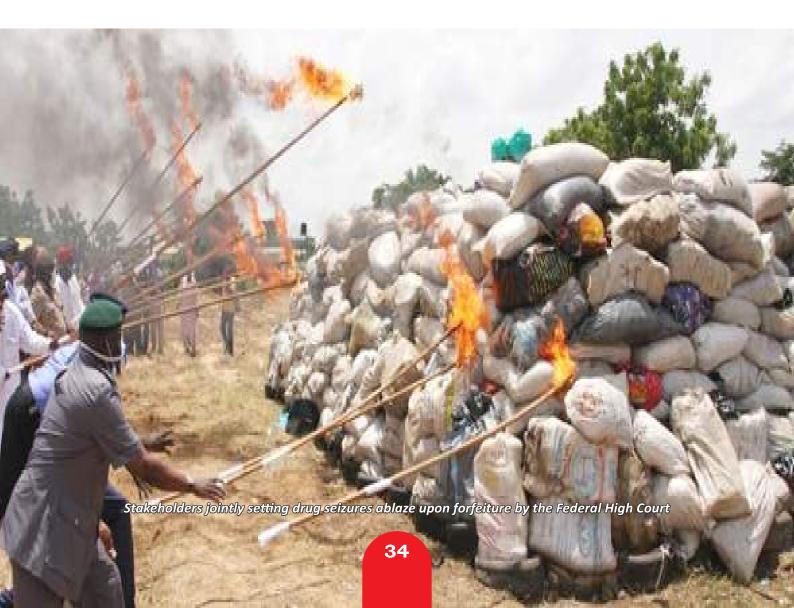
3.4 PUBLIC DESTRUCTION OF DRUG EXHIBITS

The agency publicly destroyed drug exhibits whose cases had been concluded in court and relevant legal orders for the destruction had been obtained. In 2021, the destruction exercises took place in two State commands. They are the FCT command with 19,883.92kg and the Osun State command with 24,486kg, totalling 44,369.92kg of various narcotic drugs.

This is in accordance with the NDLEA Act that provides for the taking of measures for the early destruction of or disposal of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances confiscated and forfeited.

PUBLIC DESTRUCTION OF DRUG EXHIBITS (LOCATION AND QUANTITY)

S/N	COMMAND	QUANTITY IN KG
1.	Osun	24,486
2.	FCT	19,883.92
	Total	44,369.92



3.5 INTERDICTION SUMMARY

The Agency in 2021 arrested 12,306 suspected drug traffickers, made up of 11,314 males and 992 females. The total quantity of drugs seized stood at 580,130.5 kilograms. The breakdown of the seized drugs is as follows: Cannabis weighed 469,246.4 kilograms, cocaine 326.05 kilograms, heroin 122.55 kilograms, methamphetamine 76.69 kilograms, and Tramadol 32,709.43 kilograms. Others are Rophynol 87.76 kilograms, Codeine 68,198.98 kilograms, Diazepam 1,814.53 kilograms, and others 7795.04 kilograms. A total of 405.705 hectares of cannabis farms were discovered in eleven (11) States.

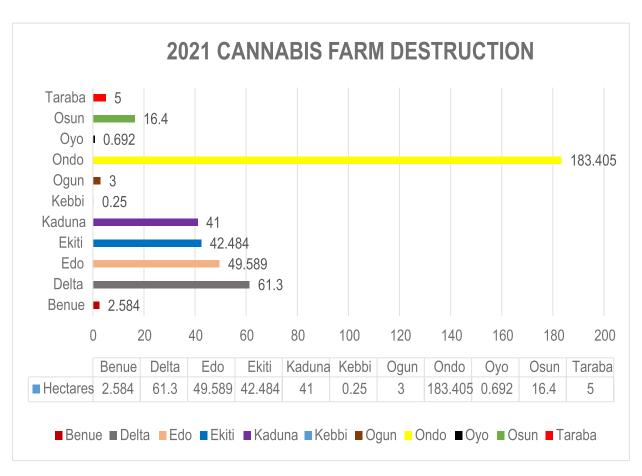
The cannabis that was seized and destroyed weighed **2.9 million kilograms**. The largest quantity of drugs, weighing **305,390.27 kilograms** was seized in the South South zone. This was followed by **217,342.17 kilograms** of drugs seized in the South West zone. The North Central zone had a total of **20,737.94 kilograms**, while the North West accounted for **18,933.2 kilograms**.

However, in 2020, the agency arrested

9,915 suspected drug traffickers with 144,795.6 kilograms of illicit drugs. This figure is made up of 9,181 males and 734 females. The breakdown of the drugs is as follows: cannabis 24,473.3 kilograms; cocaine 105.65 kilograms; heroin 7.55 kilograms; methamphetamine 59.55 kilograms; and Tramadol 10,126.54 kilograms. Others are Rophynol 254.23 kilograms, Codeine 1047.43 kilograms, Diazepam 140.37 kilograms, and others, 8,581.10 kilograms.

These figures above indicate an increase of **24.115** percent in the number of drug suspects arrested and an increase of **2,226.91** percent in drug seizures made in 2021 over that of 2020.

2021 CANNABIS FARM DESTRUCTION		
State Command	Cannabis Farm in Hectres	
Benue	2.584	
Delta	61.3	
Edo	49.589	
Ekiti	42.484	
Kaduna	41	
Kebbi	0.25	
Ogun	3	
Ondo	183.405	
Oyo	0.692	
Ogun	16.4	
Taraba	5	
Total	405.704	



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OFFICERS DURING CANNABIS FARM DESTRUCTION

INTERD	INTERDICTION SCORE CARD SINCE	SINCE 2000					
Year	Cannabis	Cocaine	Heroin	Others	Total	Male	Female
2000	272,260.02	53.42	56.6	234.28	272,604.32	2,253	132
2001	317,950.20	195.82	46.63	308.84	318,501.49	2,693	136
2002	506,846.09	35.35	55.62	791	507,728.06	2,549	108
2003	535,593.75	134.74	87.58	937.41	536,753.48	2,316	174
2004	68,310.07	124.47	90.94	233.83	68,759.31	3,382	318
2002	125,989	395.91	70.42	88.72	126,543.65	3,181	292
2006	192,368.30	14,435.88	33.09	515.57	207,352.84	5,883	440
2007	210,262.90	393.678	120.638	699.735	211,476.00	5,891	477
2008	335,535.34	365.4904	11.6054	530.4033	336,442.84	7,584	315
2009	114,700.71	392.05	104.71	712.77	115,910.24	6,700	342
2010	174,661.59	706.433	202.08	2,550.622	178,120.73	6,296	492
2011	191,847.91	410.81	39.752	2,985.447	195,283.9	8,072	267
2012	228,794.13	131.89	211.03	3,905.45	233,699.6	7,510	542
2013	205,373	290.20	24.53	134,280.38	339,968.11	8,324	519
2014	53,878,194.52	226.04	56.45	7,562.49	53,886,039.50	8332	494
2015	871,480.32	260.47	30.09	31,442.86	903,624.56	8143	635
2016	187,394	305.17	66.28	79,826.04	267,591.49	7,720	537
2017	191,084.19	92.26	85.36	117,143.20	309,356.31	9,387	622
2018	273,249.08	124.86	59.62	44,331.29	317,764.85	9,129	702
2019	602,654.49	113.00	23.89	10,112.10	612,903.48	8535	606
2020	124,473.3	105.65	7.55	20209.27	144,795.67	9181	734
2021	469,246.4	326.05	122.55	110435.5	580,130.5	11314	992
TOTAL	60,078,269.31	725,342.2084	1,607.0154	3,117,906.5853	60,671,350.93	144,375	10,551

4.0 DRUG TRAFFICKING AND ABUSE TREND

The drug trafficking trend in the country has taken a slightly different dimension since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. We have observed the use of online platforms for sales of drugs and home service delivery services. A dangerous development was also uncovered with the arrest of a drug syndicate that produces drug cookies. An investigation revealed that the cookies were laced with assorted drugs like Arizona, a highly potent psychoactive variant of cannabis, alcohol, and rohypnol, among other ingredients.

Unfortunately, such drug cookies are not only locally produced but equally imported. Members of the drug cartel were caught selling drug cookies to school children and other unsuspecting members of the public. The agency also observed the growing use of methamphetamine in the country. Methamphetamine seizures were recorded in 25 State commands in the country in the year under review.

Also worthy of note is the worrisome use of methamphetamine in the South East, where it is called *Mkpuru Mmiri*, meaning Seed of Water. The growing use of methamphetamine among young people in the East is worrisome. Also, the use of more than one drug, otherwise known as polydrug use, was equally observed. This involves the mixing of assorted drugs in beverages, all in a bid to get high.

In the area of drug trafficking, cannabis remains the most prevalent drug in the country. It accounted for the largest chunk of seized drugs because, out of 580,130.5 kilograms of drugs seized, cannabis weighed 469,246.4 kilograms apart from the 2.9 kilograms destroyed. Tramadol seizures were made in almost all commands in the country, with a total of 32,709.43 kilograms. The non-medical use of codeine cough syrup was equally noticed as the total seizure weighed 68,198.98 kilograms.





ASSETS & FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION

5.0 ASSETS AND FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION

The Agency has adopted strategies to financially incapacitate drug offenders by investigating the assets of persons arrested for committing offences under the NDLEA Act. In 2021, the Agency investigated 37 (thirty-seven) major cases. The monies that were investigated and seized are as follows:

- \$500,000 (Five hundred thousand United States Dollars.)
- N30,335,545,377.74 (Thirty billion, three hundred and thirty five million, five hundred and forty five thousand, three hundred and seventy seven naira, seventy four Kobo.)
- 102,000 pounds (One hundred and two thousand British pounds.)

➤ 14 million CFA (Fourteen million CFA Francs)

The total amount of money under interim forfeiture is as follows:

N252,407,726.20 (Two hundred and fifty two million, four hundred and seven thousand, seven hundred and twenty six naira, twenty Kobo.)

The agency is committed to the tracing and full recovery of illicit proceeds of drugs from traffickers.

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6.0 PROSECUTION ACTIVITIES

The prosecution of arrested drug offenders plays an important role in anti-narcotics control. Apart from providing legal opinions on drug-related cases and other matters relating to the agency, the directorate of prosecution and legal services ensures that arrested drug traffickers are prosecuted in accordance with the law. Members of the public are discouraged from drug trafficking when there is diligent prosecution, speedy dispensation of justice, and the award of commensurate punishment.

In 2021, the agency successfully prosecuted 1,385 drug traffickers, including seven drug barons, while **1,502** cases were pending in court as at December 31st, 2021. Those convicted include **1,335** males and **50** females. The highest number of convictions was recorded by the Jigawa State command, with **102** cases won. The Federal Capital Territory (FCT) command occupied the second position with 101 cases, while the Kano State command took the third position with 73 convicts for the year under review.

Some notable sentences include the sentence of Kalu Orji, to ten years of imprisonment for dealing in 252 grams of cannabis at the Federal High Court in Abia State. One Abdullahi Ibrahim was sentenced to fourteen years imprisonment at the Federal High Court Kano Judicial Division for a charge of possession of 500 grams of cannabis sativa. Also at the Federal High Court in Kano, one Phelemon Reuben was convicted and sentenced to fifteen years of imprisonment for possessing 340 kilograms of cannabis sativa.

Within the period under review, the Agency successfully prosecuted some appeal cases to a conclusion. Worthy of mention is the case involving Philip Biokpo versus

- National Drug Law Enforcement Agency
- 2. The Chairman NDLEA
- The Director of Administration and Finance, NDLEA
- The Assistant Director, Finance,
 NDLEA

In this case, judgement was delivered at the lower court (the National Industrial Court of Nigeria) against the appellant, who sought declaration orders against the Agency as well as general and exemplary damages in the sum of twenty-five million (N25,000,000) and ten million (N10,000,000) respectively against the Agency. Dissatisfied with the judgement, he appealed to the court of Appeal; the court upheld the decision of the lower court and dismissed the appeal as unmeritorious.

Similarly, in the case of NDLEA versus Mohammed Zakari, judgement was given against the Agency by the Federal High Court. On appeal by the Agency, the said judgement was reversed.

However, the Agency is making efforts to strengthen the legal framework through periodic review. This will ensure that identified gaps in the prosecution of drug cases are closed through the amendment of the Act.

SUMMARY OF 2021 CONVICTIONS BY COMMANDS

S/NO	STATE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1.	ABIA	70	2	72
2.	ADAMAWA	68	-	68
3.	AKWA IBOM	37	2	39
4.	ANAMBRA	8	-	8
5.	BAUCHI	38	-	38
6.	BAYELSA	-	-	-
7.	BENUE	28	1	29
8.	BORNO	23	-	23
9.	CROSS RIVER	46	-	46
10.	DELTA	19	-	19
11.	EBONYI	20	-	20
12.	EDO	26	3	29
13.	EKITI	4	-	4
14.	ENUGU	48	2	50
15.	FCT	99	2	101
16.	GOMBE	13	-	13
17.	HQTRS	11	-	11
18.	IMO	30	3	33
19.	JIGAWA	101	1	102
20.	KADUNA	41	1	42
21.	KANO	73	-	73
22.	KATSINA	56	-	56
23.	KOGI	11	-	11
24.	KWARA	28	4	32
25.	LAGOS	55	2	57
26.	NASARAWA	24	-	24
27.	NIGER	64	2	66
28.	ONDO	36	-	36
29.	OSUN	6	-	6
30.	OYO	46	1	47
31.	PLATEAU	67	4	71
32.	RIVERS	13	-	13
33.	SOKOTO	3	-	3
34.	TARABA	40	1	41
35.	YOBE	13	-	13
36.	ZAMFARA	12	-	12
	AIRPORTS			
37.	MMIA	32	9	41
	BORDER POSTS			
38.	SEME	16	9	25
	SPECIAL TEAM			
39.	SET	10	1	11
	TOTAL	1335	50	1385

CONVICTION BY GEO-POLITICAL ZONES: 2021

GEO-POLITICAL	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
ZONE				(%)
NODELL CENTRAL	222	42	2.45	25
NORTH CENTRAL	332	13	345	25
NORTH EAST	195	1	196	14
NORTH WEST	286	2	288	21
SOUTH EAST	176	7	183	13
SOUTH SOUTH	141	5	146	11
SOUTH WEST	205	22	227	16
TOTAL	1335	50	1385	100

PROSECUTION SCORE CARD: 2000 - 2021

Year	Cases	Won	Lost
2000	1,626	1,624	2
2001	1,172	1,172	0
2002	870	870	0
2003	817	817	0
2004	853	853	0
2005	779	779	0
2006	1,363	1,363	0
2007	1,508	1,459	49
2008	1,720	1,712	8
2009	1,506	1,497	9
2010	1,526	1,509	17
2011	1,501	1,491	10
2012	1,736	1,718	18
2013	1,871	1,865	6
2014	2,070	2,054	16
2015	1,731	1,690	41
2016	2,278	2,256	22
2017	1,666	1,621	45
2018	1,230	1,220	10
2019	1,133	1,120	13
2020	899	887	12
2021	1,397	1,385	12
Total	31,252	30,957	290

7.0 DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION

One of the statutory responsibilities of the Agency is to effectively educate and sensitize members of the public on the dangers inherent in drug trafficking and abuse. It encompasses drug abuse prevention education, research, and Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) services as well as treatment and rehabilitation.

The Drug Demand Reduction Directorate collects, collates, and analyzes drug use data from the States and Special Area Commands. The data collected helps to generate an empirical report on the emerging trend and pattern of drug use, abuse, and trafficking within the country. These activities were carefully executed in accordance with evidence-based practice.

Drug abuse prevention education is one of the strategies for providing facts on drugs and substance use. This is aimed at highlighting the dangers inherent in the use of drugs. The launch of the War Against Drug Abuse (WADA) has also provided a suitable platform to boost drug demand reduction activities across the country.

The Agency took the advocacy campaign under the WADA platform to schools, markets, motor parks, communities, workplaces, and religious organisations among others. Interestingly, NGOs and other stakeholders have equally promoted anti-drug abuse sensitization by targeting different groups, particularly women and youths out of school.

In the area of counseling and rehabilitation, a total of 7,096 persons with drug abuse problems received brief intervention services. They include 6,717 males and 379 females. However, 662 others, comprising 630 males and 32 females, were rehabilitated in the Agency facilities across State commands. The Agency also carried out follow-up and after care services for discharged clients who were reintegrated with their families. North West has the highest number of rehabilitated cases with 202 clients. This was followed by South East with 130 and South South with 126.

Another objective of the enlightenment programmes is to create awareness that drug use problems are public health challenges like malaria, diabetics and stomach ulcer just to mention a few. This perception will help to eliminate stigmatisation of patients and encourage them to seek early treatment both at the Agency rehabilitation centres and other health care facilities.

Cannabis was found to be the highest drug of abuse in the country. This was closely followed by tramadol and codeine based cough syrups. Some of the patients also reported the abuse of more than one type of drug, a situation known as poly-drug use.



NUMBER OF COUNSELLED CLIENTS PER STATE COMMANDS

S/N	STATE COMMANDS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1	ABIA	9	-	9
2	ADAMAWA (NENDU)	24	-	24
3	AKWA IBOM	1	-	1
4	ANAMBRA (NENDU)	74	1	75
5	BAUCHI (NENDU)	7	-	7
6	BAYELSA (NENDU)	9	1	10
7	BENUE	23	-	23
8	BORNO			
9	CROSS RIVER			
10	DELTA			
11	EBONYI			
12	EDO	48	22	70
13	EKITI			
14	ENUGU (NENDU)	33	-	33
15	GOMBE			
16	IMO	13	-	13
17	JIGAWA			
18	KADUNA (NENDU)	68	-	68
19	KANO (NENDU)	58	-	58
20	KATSINA	28	-	28
21	KEBBI	22	-	22
22	KOGI	13	-	13
23	KWARA (NENDU)	28	2	30
24	LAGOS	4	-	4
25	NASARAWA (NENDU)			
26	NIGER	2	-	2
27	OGUN			
28	ONDO	49	3	52
29	OSUN			
30	OYO(NENDU)	9	-	9
31	PLATEAU (NENDU)	24	-	24
32	RIVERS (NENDU)	45	-	45
33	SOKOTO	25	2	27
34	TARABA			
35	ZAMFARA			
36	FCT (NENDU)	12	1	13
37	NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS	2	-	2
38	TOTAL	630	32	662

NUMBER OF COUNSELLED CLIENTS FOR THE YEAR 2021 PER GEO-POLITICAL ZONE – NENDU AND NON- NENDU **COMMANDS:**

S/N	GEO-POLITICAL ZONE	NUMBER OF CASES	OF CASES	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
		MALE	FEMALE		
	NORTH-EAST	31	ı	31	4.69%
2	NORTH-WEST	200	2	202	30.52%
3	NORTH-CENTRAL	102	3	105	15.87%
4	SOUTH-EAST	129	1	130	19.64%
2	SOUTH-WEST	65	3	89	10.28%
9	SOUTH-SOUTH	103	23	126	19.04%
	TOTAL	630	32	662	100%

The above table shows that North West had the highest number of clients with 202 (30.52%). This was followed by South East recording 130 (19.64%) and South—South with 126 (19.04%).



PASSING OUT PARADE OF NEW OFFICERS AT THE NDLEA TRAINING ACADEMY JOS, PLATEAU STATE.

8.0 TRAINING AND MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT

he Agency successfully engaged in various professional and specialized capacity-building courses on narcotics control, administration, and collaborative efforts. The training provided was aimed at enhancing the competence and confidence level of the officers on the job, with the overall objective of raising the professional standard of operations and administration.

In the period under review, numerous local and international training partnerships were engaged by the Agency. Strategic partnership support came from the European Union (EU) and other International Organisations such as the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The United States of America, Germany, France, the United Kingdom, and many others have also supported our training programmes.

The Agency participated in the development of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Inter-Agency collaborations at the International Borders organised by IOM. The training covers Cooperation in Border Security Management, Transnational Organized Crimes, Investigation and Data Intelligence Exploitation.

TABLE
AGENCY'S STATISTICS OF TRAINING IN 2021

S/N	Type of Training	No of Participants	Locations
1	Monthly Training	11,109	Directorates & Commands
2	E-Learning	419	Directorates & Commands (Online)
3	UNODC/EU	104	Abuja & Lagos
4	International	49	Greece, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Benin Repu blic, Sri Lanka, Ghana, Cote d'ivoire, Senegal, Togo.
5.	Others (Local)	579	Across Nigeria
6.	Basic Training	5, 000	Jos, Nigeria
	Grand Total	17, 260	

9.0 FORENSIC AND CHEMICAL MONITORING

The Directorate of Forensic and Chemical Monitoring ensures that seized substances are scientifically tested to ascertain their true identity and components. The results of testing and scientific analysis of drugs are crucial for the successful prosecution of drug cases. During the period under review, the directorate conducted analysis on a total of a thousand, nine hundred and one (1,901) drug samples both at the national headquarters and various commands nationwide. The breakdown is contained in the table below.

Table of Tested Drug Samples

DRUG TYPE	SAMPLE TESTED
ATS	73
CANNABIS	1,099
CATHA - EDULIS	26
COCAINE	199
OPIATES	102
NEGATIVES	151
PRECURSOR CHEMICALS	01
PSYCHOTHROPIC	330
TOTAL	1,901

10.0 NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL MASTER PLAN (NDCMP 2021-2025)

The National Drug Control Master Plan (NDCMP) 2021–2025 is a strategic instrument for addressing the complex problems of drug trafficking, production, cultivation, and use in Nigeria. This edition is an improvement on previous plans by building on the experience gathered over the years. It is a comprehensive, balanced, and inclusive approach to addressing a wide range of drug issues.

Nigeria has been consistent in its strategic response to the evolving drug situation with the development of several master plans. The first NDCMP was produced in 1999, followed by the second, implemented from 2008 to 2013, and the third, from 2015 to 2020. The fourth and current NDCMP, 2021 to 2025, represents continuity and sustainability on the part of the Nigerian government in addressing the drug problem.

The NDCMP 2021–2025 is a product of two years of coordinated, collaborative, and multiagency effort comprising experts from all the relevant Ministries, Department and Agencies (MDAs) as well as Civil Society Organizations

(CSOs). Interestingly, it was developed with the technical support of the UNODC. The master plan is a results-based strategic planning tool for coordinating interventions against illicit drug production, trafficking, and use as well as related organized crime in Nigeria.

The Plan contains four strategic pillars, namely: Supply Reduction; Drug Demand Reduction; Access to Controlled Medicines for Medical and Scientific Purposes; and Governance and Coordination. Each of the strategic pillars is anchored on one or two MDAs of the government that will be responsible for achieving the desired outcomes.

The main goal of the NDCMP 2021–2025 is to contribute to improved health and security for all Nigerians. It recognizes that the problems caused by drug supply and consumption affect more than just the people who use drugs. The health and socio-economic impact of drugs also extends to families, communities, and the entire nation. This explains the need for a national strategy that engages relevant stakeholders in the implementation of key activities.



Public unveiling of the National Drug Control Master Plan (NDCMP 2021 - 2025) by stakeholders in Abuja

Summary of 2021 Finances



11.0 FINANCES

The 2021 approved appropriation for the Agency is as follows:

Details	2021 Appropriation	2021 Releases	% Released
Recurrent Personnel Cost	9,195,356,166:45	9,195,356,166:45 9,195,356,166:45	100%
Recurrent Overhead Cost	398,973,302:14	398,973,302:14	100%
Capital Expenditure	2,965,167,283	2,965,167,283	100%

Projection/Conclusion

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12.0 CONCLUSION/PROJECTION

here is no gainsaying the fact that the year 2021 was marked by interesting and exciting developments in the agency. It was a period of new life and activities as officers were motivated by harmonisation and promotion after many years of stagnation. Accumulated allowances of officers, including benefits of diseased personnel, were paid. The collaboration with local and international partners was impressive, culminating in a flurry of arrests, seizures and support programmes.

The War Against Drug Abuse (WADA) campaign, launched by President Mohammadu Buhari, GCFR, has rejuvenated public sensitisation programmes across the country. Nongovernmental organisations, civil society groups, and stakeholders were more vibrant and enthusiastic in driving the anti-

drug abuse campaign. Besides, the launch of the National Drug Control Master Plan (NDCMP) 2021–2025 and WADA provided opportunities for the articulation of drug control policies and programmes for the next four years.

This has paved the way for the robust engagement of a wide group of stakeholders in the fight against illicit drug production, trafficking, and abuse in the country. Expectedly, the coming years are very promising for the country's drug control programmes. As the agency takes the leading role in evidence-based programmes, the renewed partnership will provide a platform to intensify the onslaught against drug trafficking cartels. In the days ahead, better operational results in both drug supply and drug demand reduction are anticipated.

Modes of Concealment

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Cocaine Hidden In Cosmetics



Liquid Cocaine Concealed In Makeup Bags Imported From Brazil



Cookies Produced With Drugs



Drugs Hidden In The Soles Of Female Shoes



Codeine Syrups sized at Onne Seaport Port-Harcourt



Captagon tablets hidden in machine parts seized at Apapa Seaport



Recovering the Captagon tablets



Cocaine seized at Lagos Airport in luggage



Drugs Hidden In Blessed Holy Mary Statute

Drug Offences and Punishment



OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
Importation, Manufacture, Produce, Processes, Plant, Grow Cocaine, LSD, Heroin	11 (a)	Life Imprisonment
Exports, transports or otherwise traffic in the drugs popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar drugs, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction.	11 (b)	Life Imprisonment
Sells, buys, exposes or offers for sale or otherwise deals in or with the drugs popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar drugs shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction.	11 (c)	Life Imprisonment
Knowingly possesses or uses the drug popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar drugs by smoking, inhaling or injecting the said drugs shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction.	11 (d)	Imprisonment for a term not less than fifteen years but not exceeding 25 years.
Occupier or is concerned in the management of any premises unlawfully, permits or cause the premises to be used for the purpose of storing, concealing, processing or dealing in drug popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar drug shall be guilty of an offence liable on conviction.	12	Imprisonment for a term not less than fifteen years but not exceeding 25 years.
Storage, custody, movement, carriage or concealment of the drug popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar drug who while concerned is armed with any offensive weapon or is disguised in any way.	13	Life Imprisonment
Incites, promises or induces any other person by any means what -soever, conspired with and, abets, counsels attempts to commit or is an accessory to any act or offence referred to in this act	14	Imprisonment for a term not less than fifteen years but not exceeding 25 years.
Any person who, with intent to deceive unlawfully assumes the name, character or designation of an officer of the Agency.	15	Imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years.

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
Unlawfully removes, conceals, destroys or in any way tempers with drug popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar drug seized from any person or otherwise in possession of the agency or any authorized person.	16	Imprisonment for a term not exceeding 25 years.
Being in lawful custody, escape, aid any person in lawful custody to escape	17	Imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.
Willfully prevents or attempts to prevent any person who has been duly summoned to attend as a witness before Federal High Court from attending as witness or from producing anything in evidence pursuant to the subpoena or summons served on him.	18	Imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years.
Any person who without lawful authority knowingly possesses the drugs popularly known as Cocaine, LSD, Heroin or any other similar 1. Where a person is charged with any of the offences under this act and the evidence established an attempt to commit that offence, he may be convicted of having attempted to commit that offence although the attempt is not separately charged and such a person shall be punished as prescribed for the offence under this act.	23	Punished as prescribed for the offence under the act.
2. Where a person is charged with an attempt to commit an offence under this act but the evidence establishes the commission of the full offence.	23	The offender shall not be entitled to acquittal but shall be convicted of the offence and punished as provide under this act.

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
1. Where an offence under this act which has been committed by a body corporate is proved to have been committed on the instigation or with the connivance of or attributable to any neglect on the part of Director, Manager, Secretary or other similar officer of the corporate body or any person purporting to act in any such capacity he as well as the body corporate. Where practicable, shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.	24	Shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
2. Where a body corporate is convicted of any offence under this act, the Federal High Court may order that the body corporate shall thereupon and without and without any further assurance, but for such order be wound up and all its assets and properties forfeited to the Federal Government.	24	Be wound up and all its assets and properties forfeited to the Federal Government.
 It shall be the duty of every commercial carrier to take reasonable precaution to: (a) ensure that its means of transport are not used in commission of offences under this Act; (b) Comply with appropriate security measures at points of entry and exit in the Federal Republic of Nigeria and other Customs control areas to prevent unauthorized cargo in its means of transportation. Such precautions as are referred to in subsection (1) of this Section shall include – (a) the training of personnel to identify suspicious consignment or persons. (b) promotion of integrity of their personnel; (c) submission of cargo manifest advance; (d) use of tamper-resistant individually verifiable seal or containers. (e) reporting to the agency at earliest opportunity all suspicious circumstances relating to drug trafficking. 	25	Liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding N100,000.

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
3. Any commercial carrier which violates the provision of subsection (1) of this section shall in addition to any other penalty provided in any other act or enactment be guilty of an offence.		
4. Where an offence under subsection (3) of this section is committed by a body corporate, every person who at the time of commission of the offence was a proprietor, director general, manager, secretary or other similar officer, servant or agent of the body corporate (or a person purporting to act in any such capacity) he as well as the body corporate shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and may be proceeded against and		
PROVISIONS RELATING TO FORFEITURE OF PROPERTIES OF CONVICTS	27	1. Any person convicted of an offence under this act shall forfeit to the federal government (a) all the assets and properties which may or are the subject of an interim order of Federal High Court after an attachment by the agency, as specified in Section 34 of this act. (b) Any assets or property constituted or
		derived from any proceeds the person obtained, directly or indirectly as a result of such offence not already disclosed in the Assets Declaration Form or not falling under paragraph (a) of this subsection.

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
		(c) Any of the person's property or instrumentalities used in any manner to commits or to facilitate the commission of such offence not already disclosed in the Assets Declaration or not falling under paragraph (a) of this subsection. (2) The Federal High Court in imposing sentence on such person shall order in addition to any other sentence imposed pursuant to section 11 of this ACT, that the person forfeit to the Federal Government, all property described in subsection (1) of this section (3). In this section "proceeds" means any property derived or obtained directly or indirectly through the commission of the offence.
Forfeited property for the avoidance of doubt and without any further assurance than this Act, all the properties of the person convicted of an offence under this ACT and already the subject of an interim order shall be forfeited to the Federal Government.	28	

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
Forfeiture of Passports	30	The passport of any person convicted of an offence involving the illegal importation or exportation of any narcotic drug or psychotropic substance shall be forfeited to the Federal Government and shall not be returned to the person unless or until the President directs otherwise after the grant of a pardon or on the exercise of the prerogative of mercy under the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, as amended.
Property subject to forfeiture	31	 (a) any property, real or personal, which represents the gross receipts a person obtains directly as a result of the violation of this Act or which is traceable to such gross receipts; (b) any property within Nigeria which represents the proceeds of an offence under the laws of a foreign country involving the manufaction, sale, distribution, illicit traffic, abuse or misuse of any narcotic drug or psychotropic substance

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
		within whose jurisdiction such offence or activity would be punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year and which would be punishable by imprisonment under this Act if such act or activity had occurred within Nigeria.
Other property subject to forfeiture	32	(a) all narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances which have been manufactured, distributed, dispensed or acquired in any manner in violation of this Act;
		(b) all raw materials, products and equipment of any kind which are used, or intended for use, in manufacturing, compounding, processing , delivering, importing or exporting any narcotic drug or psychotropic substance;
		c.) all instrumentalities of conveyance, including aircraft, vehicles, or vessels which are used or are intended for use, to transport, or in any manner to facilitate the transportation, sale, receipt, possession or concealment of substances described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this section, except that —
		(I) no means of conveyance used by any person as a common carrier in the transaction of business as a

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
		common carrier shall be forfeited under this section unless it shall appear that the owner or other person in charge of such means of conveyance was a consenting party or privy to a violation of this Act;
		(ii) no means of conveyance shall be forfeited under this section by reason of any act established by the owner thereof to have been committed by any person other than such owner while such means of conveyance was unlawfully in the possession of a person other than the owner or other person in violation of the criminal laws of Nigeria or any part thereof; and
		(iii) no means of conveyance shall be forfeited under this section to the extent of an interest of an owner, by reason of any act established by that owner to have been committed without the knowledge, consent or willful connivance of that owner;
		(d) all books, records and research, including formulae, microfilms, tapes and data used or intended to be used in violation of any provision of this Act;

OFFENCES	SECTION	PENALTY
		(e) all monies, negotiable instruments, securities or other things of value furnished or intended to be furnished by any person in exchange for any narcotic drug or an exchange, and all monies, negotiable instruments and securities used or intended to be used to facilitate any violation of this Act; (f) all real property, including any right, title and interest (including any leasehold interest) in the whole or any piece or parcel of land and any improvements or appurtenances which is used or intended to be used, in any manner or part to commit, or facilitate the commission of, an offence under this Act.

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