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Inset Picture Showing Broodstock Bloody Cockles that HYPREP PC Prof. Zabbey is Admiring During His Visit to The Nigerian Institute For Oceanography and Marine Research, Buguma Rivers State

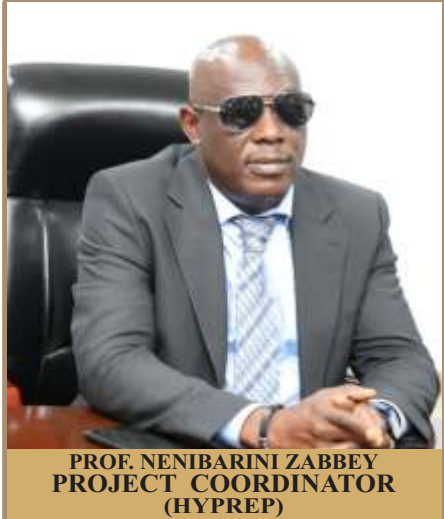
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PROF. NENIBARINI ZABBEY
PROJECT COORDINATOR
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In the December 2024 edition of the HYPREP Herald, we promised to update you periodically as we progress in restoring the West African bloody cockle in the Ogoni creeks. In keeping with that promise, we shall furnish you with the latest developments on the journey to restock the tidal flats following decontamination. The bloody cockle (locally called Koo) in Ogoni is highly relished. The cockle is nutritious (contains protein, amino acids, calcium, and carbohydrate, among other nutrients). Even the shells of the bloody cockle are locally valuable for ornamental decoration and in reinforcing civil construction concretes. We are deliberate about our plan to restore bloody cockles in the creeks of Ogoni for several reasons. It was a keystone livelihood support species in the region. Harvested by women and young persons, many riparian inhabitants had their education supported up to the start of the 21st century with proceeds earned from bloody cockle. Our focused approach drives our ambition to remediate the oil-

degraded environment and restore threatened and valuable biodiversity in Ogoniland. In line with Sustainable Development Goal 17 (Partnership for Development), we partner with seasoned fisheries management, fish geneticists, aquaculturists, and algae culture specialists from the region's universities and research institutions. These include experts and postgraduate students from the University of Port Harcourt, the Rivers State University, and the Nigerian Institute of Oceanography and Marine Research. These colleagues are working passionately on experimenting with artificial propagation (seed production) of the bloody cockle. This includes collecting the gravid adult cockles (broodstock) from the wild and transporting them safely to the experimental laboratory at the Nigerian Institute for Oceanography and Marine Research Station in Buguma. The broodstocks are acclimatized for two weeks before the spawning is stimulated. The spawning trials include thermal shock, salinity shock, and injecting the gravid cockles with hydrogen peroxide to stimulate maturation of the gonads, release of eggs and milts, and fertilization. The fertilized eggs hatched, and the trocophore larvae transformed into the D-shape larvae (the pre-spat stage). Now, we are experimenting with algae culture to feed the larvae to grow, becoming spat (the stage young cockles form shells and settle on the tidal flats).

We were at the Buguma Station three weeks ago to inspect the ongoing experiment and show

solidarity with the dogged researchers. It was lovely spending some time interacting with my professional colleagues. It allowed us to brainstorm technical solutions, which further bolstered our optimism! We shall conduct stocking trials at the Buguma Station to perfect the technique. It is a work in progress, and we document lessons learned as enablers of progress. Fast forward to the post-experiment, and when the tidal flats have been detoxified of hydrocarbon, we shall set up a mini cockle propagation facility for hands-on training of Ogoni youth and women. We shall stock the tidal flats with spats from the Ogoni make-shift station and supplies from the Buguma station. The ultimate decision will depend on prudent cost analysis. As stated in the earlier Herald, we shall co-develop with local communities' sustainable management models to protect against overharvesting of the restored cockles. This will complement the outcomes of strategic agribusiness training designed to improve smallholder farmers' income and the livelihood of mangrove-dependent women and young persons (e.g., periwinkle pickers). We intend to reduce the pressure on the wild mangrove resources to achieve environmental sustainability. Indeed, our efforts will improve local livelihoods and contribute to national food security. As always, we are grateful to the people of Ogoni for owning and actively participating in the cleanup. We reassure you that we are here for you to better your lot as a people as we restore the environment.

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It is the second month of the year, and the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project is keeping to its promise of implementing a sustainable clean-up in Ogoni. The ongoing shoreline clean-up is to be followed by restoration of biodiversity in Ogoni creeks. To actualize that goal and in line with project timelines, HYPREP has commissioned the Nigerian Institute for Oceanography and Marine Research (NIOMR) to culture bloody cockles – one of the several seafoods (mollusks) that once inhabited the Ogoni marine environment but decimated by oil spills. The Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey was at the Buguma station of the NIOMR to monitor the laboratory development of the bloody cockle's larvae to be used to restock the creeks of Ogoni. It is the lead story of this edition of the HYPREP Herald and a significant milestone in the clean-up effort.

The health intervention of HYPREP in Ogoni is gaining attention and commendation of stakeholders and in appreciation of that feat, the Rivers State Commissioner of Health, Dr. Adaeze Oreh was at the Project Coordination Office of HYPREP to seek ways and areas of partnership to fast track the implementation of the health component of the clean-up project.

More communities in Ogoni are to get access to potable water and the next in line are the communities of Beerli and Bunu. The disclosure was made by the Project Coordinator, Prof. Zabbey during an inspection visit to water facilities and shoreline clean-up sites

in K. Dere. The visit afforded him an opportunity to interact with the leadership of K. Dere community.

More visitors and stakeholders have continued to throng the HYPREP Project Coordination Office to express their solidarity and support for the project. The latest visitors are the members of the Nigerian Cassava Growers Association who had come to thank the project for the training it organized for its members in December, 2024. The story is carried in the edition of the HYPREP Herald. As progress is made there is need to brief relevant authorities on the achievements recorded so far. The Governing Council of HYPREP was recently briefed by the Project Coordinator of the success story of the project. The Project Coordinator, Prof. Zabbey also extended the stock taking on the activities of the project in 2024 to the general public when he appeared on a radio talk show in Port Harcourt to brief his audience on the progress made in the outgone year.

The 2025 Ogoni day celebration was held in Bori and HYPREP made an appearance to intimate the Ogoni people of the effort it is making to remediate the environment and restore the livelihoods of Ogoni communities.

As work resumes for a year, it is customary for HYPREP to hold a general staff meeting to motivate the workforce and show the direction for the new year. The session with the Project Coordinator was rewarding as staff promised to rededicate themselves to duty, while expecting Management to live up to its responsibility of providing the necessary tools and welfare packages for enhanced project delivery. The encomium keeps pouring in for HYPREP Project Coordinator, Prof. Zabbey for his achievements in project implementation and scholarly research. Community leadership and groups are more than ever appreciative of his efforts towards the development of Ogoni.

We have published the full list of the successful candidates for the HYPREP Post Graduate scholarship support programme. The Project Coordinator was at the palace of the Gbenemene Tai Kingdom, HRM King G.N.K Gininwa who passed recently to console the family.

Our poetry corner is maintained for your reading pleasure, and we do hope that this will provide you with the needed update on our activities.



Oysters Returning to Ogoni Creeks Following HYPREP Shoreline Clean-up

Project News

SHORELINE CLEAN-UP: HYPREP CULTURES BLOODY COCKLES

The Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) has engaged the services of the Nigerian Institute for Oceanography and Marine Research (NIOMR) to culture (breed) the African bloody cockle (*Senilia senilis*) that would be used to restock the mudflats that it is cleaning in Ogoni.

The move is part of the restoration efforts that HYPREP is making to ensure delivery of mangrove ecosystem goods and services to boost the livelihoods of the locals who depend on the mangrove for their survival.

Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey was at the Buguma office of the Nigerian Institute for Oceanography and Marine Research where HYPREP is funding research for the culturing of bloody cockles that have gone extinct

from the creeks of Ogoni due to oil pollution.

The African bloody cockles (*Senilia senilis*) are bivalve molluscs commonly found in muddy areas in the intertidal zone and are vital for sustaining the economy and livelihood of people living in the coastal communities of the Niger Delta. They have a high nutritional value as they are a good source of protein and contain high levels of essential amino acids (85-95%).

Due to the spills in Ogoni and other human factors, cockles have become critically endangered and have been completely wiped out in most of its shoreline areas. HYPREP aims to restore bloody cockles by artificially propagating them in the laboratory and reintroducing them to Ogoni creeks. Understanding the species' reproductive biology is essential to

determining the renewal capacity of natural stocks.

Professor Zabbey said the initiative is in line with HYPREP's mandate to restoring the environment, including key species like the bloody cockle, oyster and other seafood in Ogoni creeks, since they have been a major income earner for the people particularly women and children for centuries.

He explained that in restoring the environment, HYPREP is particularly interested in women and children, describing them (women) as drivers of the local economy, adding that the move is a wholistic approach in the restoration of mangrove ecosystem goods and services in post-remediation Ogoni.

Zabbey argued that the option of culturing the bloody cockle now is more sustainable given certain environmental conditions that could affect natural reproduction in large numbers as envisaged and expressed the optimism that the effort will benefit Ogoni and other coastal communities in the Niger Delta and beyond.

To complement the early successes recorded on the research work to restock the bloody cockle, Prof. Zabbey donated a microscope and other laboratory items to the team to enhance research at the centre.

The Institute reported that the initial laboratory cultures were successful, and HYPREP believes the restoration project will be a success at the end of the day.



**HYPREP PC, Prof. Zabbey Pointing at
Bloody Cockle Larvae at NIOMR, Buguma**

RIVERS GOV'T COMMENDS HYPREP ON HEALTH INTERVENTIONS IN OGONI

The several healthcare interventions in Ogoni by the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) have attracted the attention and admiration of the Rivers State Government.

HYPREP had recently and at different times in the past conducted free medical outreaches to Ogoni to address the healthcare needs of the people and to gather preliminary data for the conduct of the health impact study as recommended in the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Report on Ogoniland. HYPREP has also strengthened General Hospitals in the area, and it is building health infrastructure like the Buan Cottage Hospital and the Ogoni Specialist Hospital.

Rivers State Commissioner of Health, Dr. Adaeze Chidinma Oreh during a visit to HYPREP Project Coordination Office in Port Harcourt assured that the Rivers State Government will support the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project to achieve its goal of strengthening healthcare delivery in Ogoni.

Dr. Oreh commended HYPREP on the public health interventions in Ogoni, which include the construction of the 100 Bed Ogoni Specialist Hospital, the Buan Cottage Hospital and the strengthening of the Bori, Terabo and Nchia General Hospitals and Kpite Primary Health Centre, noting that the efforts are in accordance with the Rivers State Government policy of ensuring and enhancing access to quality healthcare.

She disclosed that the Rivers State Government, through the State Hospital Management Board is furthering discussions with HYPREP



Rivers State Health Commissioner, Dr. Oreh (R) During Her Visit to HYPREP PC, Prof. Zabbey (Background) with Director, Technical Services, HYPREP, Prof. Damian Aguiyi (L)

on the engagement of skilled and qualified manpower to ensure quality healthcare delivery in the health facilities that HYPREP is building.

"We will be working closely with HYPREP to ensure the deployment of skilled work force to the Cottage Hospital following its commissioning and formal handover. We also await the wisdom of the Governing Council of HYPREP to outline the strategic operational framework for the Specialist Hospital, because we have a close working relationship. We will be informed how HYPREP Governing Council seeks for that facility to be run."

The Health Commissioner reiterated the commitment of the State Government to work closely with HYPREP to ensure that the Ogoni people are not left behind in terms of quality healthcare.

"In relation to how this aligns with the Rivers State Government health agenda, one of our key pillars is

strengthening the accessibility of our people to quality health care and accessibility. I mean geographical accessibility and financial accessibility. And what HYPREP is doing with the soon to be commissioned Specialist Hospital and Cottage Hospital in Ogoni land, is going to enhance accessibility of the people of Ogoni land to quality healthcare service."

While welcoming his guest, the Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey said the Project cherishes the relationship with the Rivers State Government, especially the Health Ministry as key stakeholders in the effort to providing quality healthcare to Ogoni people.

"The partnership with the Rivers State Government particularly the Ministry of Health has been cordial and it's something we cherish because in providing health support to the Ogoni people, HYPREP as a project cannot do it alone because those facilities are



Rivers State Health Commissioner, Dr. Ore (4th from left) and Prof. Zabbey (5th from left) in a Group Photograph During the Commissioner's Visit to HYPREP

owned by the State Government so we knew from the beginning that the Ministry of Health is a very important stakeholder in the framework of our operation. We have been working with the Ministry of Health, right from the time we strengthened the four hospitals in Ogoni.”

Prof. Zabbey mentioned that to further drive access to healthcare in Ogoni, HYPREP will be strengthening more health facilities in Taabaa, Bodo, Nonwa and Onne and launch a comprehensive health study to be conducted by the World Health Organization (WHO).

“This year we are launching the comprehensive health study of Ogoni and that will be led by the World Health Organization and so we will need the support from the State Ministry of Health in undertaking that study. The study will last for three years, and we expect to see the relationship between exposure to hydrocarbon

contamination and human health.”

The HYPREP Project Coordinator disclosed that the recent medical outreach carried out by HYPREP in Ogoni, presented a prevalence of visual impairment and requested the Honourable Commissioner to integrate that in her posting of doctors to take care of the challenges.

The recent HYPREP medical outreach, a special purpose vehicle, benefitted over 7,000 patients. A breakdown of the statistics reveals that general surgeries was 203; fibroid (myomectomy) surgeries, 54; cataract surgeries, 100; with 825 glasses issued, 476 dental cares (teeth polishing and scaling); and 1 birth delivery and a caesarean section.

He assured that the Project will continue to work collaboratively with the Ministry to provide a robust fit-for-purpose health support to the Ogoni people, adding that the hospitals in Ogoni are open for everybody in the region and neighbouring states.

“We will continue to work collaboratively to provide, fulfilled

purpose health support to the Ogoni people. Of course, the hospitals in Ogoni are open to everybody so the spillover effect is what we cannot quantify, the most important thing is the emphasis on sustainable effective public health.”

Professor Zabbey also informed the Honourable Commissioner that the Project is providing potable water to communities in Ogoni and that the Honourable Minister of Environment and Chairman, Governing Council of HYPREP, Mallam Balarabe Abbas Lawal will commission the two additional water projects at Beeri in Khana, and Bunu in Tai Local Government Areas. He disclosed that HYPREP targets to provide potable water to about 70 communities by the end of 2025.

Meanwhile, the Buan Cottage Hospital has reached 87% completion, while the Ogoni Specialist Hospital is at 52% completion. Both projects are expected to be completed and commissioned for use this year.

BEERI, BUNU WATER PROJECTS UP FOR COMMISSIONING

More water schemes are up for commissioning in the coming weeks as contractors put finishing touches to projects in phase 2 of the provision of potable water to Ogoni communities by the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) in line with the recommendations of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) report on the environmental assessment of Ogoni.

The additional two water schemes that are almost ready for commissioning are in Beeri in Khana, and Bunu in Tai Local Government Areas. Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey made the disclosure while on an inspection visit to water facilities and some shoreline remediation sites in K-Dere, Gokana Local Government Area.

Prof. Zabbey who expressed satisfaction at the pace of work and the determination and commitment of community workers to the Project, urged them to see to it that the projects succeed, stating that the visit was to appraise the level of work on the projects and to encourage contractors and community workers as a way of enhancing the pace and quality of the work.

“We are doing sustainable cleanup in Ogoni land and what that tells us is that apart from the design and award of contract, it is important that we go to the field from time to time to access how our contractors are working and also to encourage the community workers because what we are doing is a community centered project so it is driven by the local communities particularly the youths and women. So, going to the field to see what they are doing and to encourage them is



Prof. Zabbey Observing Agitation of Sediment to Remove Oiling

very important. It helps in enhancing the speed of the work, the quality of the work. So, today we went round. We were in K. Dere to look at the shoreline cleanup that is ongoing. We were very impressed, and the community workers are determined. They are passionate about the work and that alone is exciting to observe. So, we interacted with them and encouraged them, and we had an interface meeting with the K. Dere leadership.”

The HYPREP Project Coordinator is confident that with the current state of the various projects under the HYPREP water schemes, soon more communities will have access to potable water, noting that other HYPREP's projects like the Specialist Hospital, remediation, livelihood training among others would improve the overall quality of life of the Ogoni people.

“We are delighted that more communities in Ogoni will have access to potable water as soon as we commission these two projects. In fact, the way we have structured it, in

every two months this year we will be commissioning water projects so that more communities in Ogoni will have access to potable water. Water is life and so we feel by providing them with potable water and by strengthening the hospitals by creating jobs for the youths and by remediating oil contaminated lands, the livelihood of the people will be enhanced and the quality of life of the people will also improve.”

Impressed with the warm reception accorded him by the K-Dere community, Professor Zabbey said the spontaneity of the gesture to such an unannounced visit was indicative of the level of acceptance and buy-in the Project is getting from Ogoni communities.

“The most interesting component of the Ogoni cleanup is the fact that the people did not just buy into the project, they have owned the project. We came to K. Dere unannounced and went straight to the field, then while we got back from the field at the water front, the youths encircled us insisting that the Council of Chiefs are meeting and



they are insisting that even if I did not inform them about my coming, that they will like to see us and we went there and we were surprised by their reception. They did not prepare for it and that further shows the level of community participation and the way the people are excited and appreciative of the Ogoni cleanup. Of course, I reminded them that the cleanup is community centric and that we will not just need their buy in and participation, we also need frequent feedback from every part of the community.”

In his interaction with the leadership of K-Dere, Prof. Zabbey promised to reconvene a meeting with them to discuss the demands raised by the community and reiterated that the Ogoni clean-up project is community-centric and stakeholders' buy-in and useful feedback are necessary for effective project implementation. He, however, requested the

community to have women representation at the rescheduled meeting in line with the Project's policy of gender inclusion, stating that as drivers of the local economy, women should not be left out in discussions that affect them.

Speaking further on the visit to the K-Dere shoreline, Prof. Zabbey said he was excited at the return of oysters to the creeks of the community. Oysters are saline water bivalve molluscs that were once in abundance before the environmental pollution that decimated them. The HYPREP Project Coordinator attributed the positive development to the improvement in the ecosystem as a result of the ongoing shoreline clean up of the creeks by HYPREP.

“So, we are confident that the more oil we take out of the sediment the more the condition of the creek will improve and the more the fishes will come in and breed in the mangrove and the

more the livelihood of the local people will be enhanced. We are excited in terms of mangrove fishing being dominated in Ogoni by women because it is mainly the women that go into the mangrove to pick up periwinkles. This year we will embark on a lot of training for the youths and women of Ogoni. We want to place more emphasis on the aspect of Agric business by building their capacity in agriculture.”

HYPREP is currently carrying out 39 shoreline remediation works and the construction of 14 water lots in its phase II water project which will provide potable water to 68 communities. The shoreline cleanup is at 25% completion, covering 123 grids across 357.6 of 1747.6 ha. Also, the general percentage completion for the 14 water lots is 55.56%.

HYPREP TO SET UP AGRO PROCESSING ZONE IN OGONI

To effectively maximize the abundant economic potentials that cassava holds, the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) is in talks with the African Development Bank to establish a special agro-industrial processing zone in Ogoni, with cassava as the primary crop.

Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Prof. Nenibarini Zabbey made the disclosure when a delegation of Ogoni Cassava Growers Association paid a courtesy visit to the Project Coordination Office in Port Harcourt to appreciate HYPREP for the training it organized in December 2024 for Ogoni cassava growers. The training, which targeted cassava growers in Ogoni, provided them with valuable skills and resources, including improved cassava stems and fertilizers.

Prof. Zabbey stated that the rationale behind the agro-processing zone is to support farmers to contribute to national food security, stressing that their efforts are crucial to ensuring that the Ogoni people are able to feed themselves.

"We are discussing with the African Development Bank on how we can establish a special Agro-industrial processing zone in Ogoni, and our choice of crop is actually cassava. We know that in Ogoni, most farmers cultivate cassava, and so we want to adopt cassava as a crop of choice.

This initiative, in collaboration with the African Development Bank, aims to increase the value addition and farm-gate price of cassava, creating jobs and encouraging young people to participate in agriculture. The project is expected to have a significant impact on national food security, aligning with the current



Members of the Cassava Growers Association During their Visit to HYPREP

administration's priorities."

According to the HYPREP Project Coordinator, the agro-industrial processing zone will provide a range of services, including processing, packaging, and marketing, to support cassava farmers in Ogoni, adding that the project is expected to increase the income of farmers, create jobs, and stimulate economic growth in the region.

Professor Zabbey commended the Association of Ogoni Cassava Growers on their active participation in the last cassava training programme conducted in December.

He emphasized the importance of aftercare in remediated lands, highlighting HYPREP's efforts to enhance soil fertility using indigenous micro-organisms, noting that experiments in Eleme have shown significant success, and that HYPREP plans to use these fertilizers to improve soil fertility in remediated lands.

"The training was very useful, and the

kits provided, including cassava stems and fertilizers, were also useful," Professor Zabbey said. "We are delighted that the training we organized actually targeted the right persons in the communities who are into cassava farming, which you represent."

Chairman of the Nigerian Cassava Growers Association, Rivers State Chapter, Mr. Ledogo Dumnia Lucky expressed the association's profound gratitude to HYPREP for organizing the training programme on agricultural skills enhancement and empowerment for farmers in Ogoni.

Dumnia revealed that over two hundred (200) farmers from Ogoni communities benefited from the training, describing the programme as "very knowledgeable" and "well understood," emphasizing that it exceeded their expectations.

The Chairman of the Nigerian Cassava Growers Association, Rivers State Chapter commended HYPREP's Project Coordinator, Professor



HYPREP PC, Prof. Zabbey with Members of Cassava Growers Association

Nenibarini Zabbey, on recognizing the importance of empowering farmers in Ogoni, particularly in cassava cultivation, stating that the association has over two thousand (2,000) registered cassava farmers in the region, many of whom, he said, are eager to participate in similar training programmes.

He highlighted the significance of HYPREP's efforts in training farmers to utilize restored lands, stressing that this approach demonstrates a genuine commitment to the well-being of the Ogoni people and expressed his association's desire for a deeper

synergy between HYPREP and the Nigerian Cassava Growers Association, Ogoni chapter.

The Chairman envisioned a future where HYPREP would establish a demonstration farm to train a larger population of Ogoni farmers and emphasized the need to promote farming as a viable career option for young people.

"We are looking forward to more of this training, more of the empowerment. We are also longing for a better synergy between the Nigerian Cassava Growers Association, Ogoni chapter and

HYPREP. In fact, we are dreaming of the future when HYPREP will actually go into a demonstration farm where we would train a larger population of our people."

HYPREP's commitment to supporting farmers in Ogoni is part of its broader mandate to remediate hydrocarbon-polluted lands and restore the environment in Ogoniland and ensure that the remediation process is accompanied by initiatives that promote sustainable livelihoods and economic development in the region.

PROF. ZABBEY BRIEFS COUNCIL ON PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION - Gets Council's Commendation on Improved Performance

The Project Coordinator of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP), Professor Nenibarini Zabbey was among other distinguished members who attended the 32nd HYPREP Governing Council meeting presided over by the Chairman and Honourable Minister of

Environment, Mallam Balarabe Abbas Lawal.

Deliberations at the meeting centered on the speedy and effective execution of the Ogoni clean-up project and other HYPREP-initiated interventions.

Professor Zabbey made a presentation

to council members, giving a comprehensive project update and restated the Project Coordination Office's commitment to drive a successful implementation of the Ogoni Clean-up project as recommended in the United Nations Environment Programme's report on



Hon. Minister of Environment/Chairman, HYPREP GC, Mallam Balarabe Lawal (7th from left) with Members of HYPREP Governing Council

Ogoni and the HYPREP Gazette. Council after a careful review of the presentation by the Project Coordinator commended him on the significant milestones he has achieved in the thematic areas of the project and across the over one hundred and thirty

(130) projects currently going on in Ogoni.

The 32nd HYPREP GC meeting was attended among other dignitaries, the Honourable Minister of Budget and Economic Planning, Senator Abubakar Atiku Bagudu, the

Honourable Minister of Regional Planning, Alh. Abubakar Momoh (represented by his Tech SA, Fred Odika) and the National Security Adviser's representative, Usman Iya Abbas.

PROF. ZABBEY SCORES HYPREP'S PERFORMANCE HIGH IN 2024

The Project Coordinator of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP), Professor Nenibarini Zabbey has rated the Project high in mandate delivery in the outgone year 2024.

Prof. Zabbey gave the scorecard when he appeared as guest on a radio talk show in Port Harcourt.

He stated that all projects and programmes that HYPREP lined up for implementation in 2024 were successfully pursued in the thematic areas of soil remediation, shoreline clean-up and mangrove restoration, provision of potable water, livelihood trainings, strengthening of health facilities in Ogoni and building of legacy projects among others.

“2024 was very eventful for us at the

HYPREP Project Coordination Office because it was packed with impactful activities. As you can recall, we are building the Center of Excellence. It is a massive center occupying 28.8 acres of land. We are also building the Ogoni Specialist Hospital. We are constructing the Ogoni Power Project. We are remediating soil and ground water in 39 lots. We have commenced shoreline clean-up in Gokana. We are doing mangrove restoration in the pilot phase, and we are constructing 14 water schemes that will reticulate potable water to 68 communities in Ogoni land.

So, if you look at each of these components of our interventions starting with the Center of Excellence for Environmental Restoration, it is a

center that is expected to be an international research work. It has two faculties - Faculty of Research and Development and Faculty of Vocational Skill Acquisition. So, we expect the center to spearhead research in remediation of hydrocarbon contaminated soil and wetlands not just here in Nigeria but also in the West African region. It is a center where researchers from all over the world will come to conduct research.

So as of 31st December 2024, that center was 72.8 percent completed, and it is the center that will host the Integrated Contaminated Soil Management Center which UNEP report recommended that we should construct and that is exactly what we



Shoreline Clean up in Progress

are doing, and it is a massive place. We expect that before the end of this year Mr. President will come and commission the project.”

Prof. Zabbey stated that in the aspect of mangrove restoration, Nigeria has the largest experience in mangrove and the fifth largest expanse of mangrove in the world, though it has suffered the loss of about 2000 square kilometers due to various reasons and conditions.

“So, we are now the fifth in the world. As you are aware, the mangroves are the best ecosystem when it comes to carbon sequestration and in this era of climate change it is important that focus is placed on mangrove. For us here in the Delta, specifically in Ogoni, the ecosystem goods and services are very important support system for the Ogoni people in terms of fishing, livelihood support and the mangroves are actually the breeding and nursery ground for most of the commercial fishes we depend on.

The first phase of our mangrove restoration intervention involves 560 hundred hectares and that is the pilot phase. We are providing leadership when it comes to mangrove

restoration so we are developing a template that can be replicated not just in the Niger Delta but elsewhere. So, we have produced manuals that can be used for mangrove restoration. Specifically, we have trained Ogoni youths and women to be able to nurse mangroves on their own, at least the three most common species - the white, the red and the black mangroves.

He observed with admiration that the planted mangroves are thriving and both nursed and planted in collaboration with the local community.

“All the seedlings we are planting in Bomu and the ones we have planted are actually nursed by the local people and that is also expanding the livelihood opportunities that we are creating in the region. So, we are not just doing mangrove planting, we are doing mangrove restoration because for the first time in this country we are planting the red, white and black mangroves. Before now the method of nursing the black and the white mangrove was not known to our people but with our user-friendly manuals and the training that we

conducted in the Ogoni area, they have developed the skills needed to plant them. As at today, it is 75 percent completed.”

In the area of provision of potable water, Prof. Zabbey assured that more communities will get access to water as HYPREP is working to give more than 68 communities in Ogoni access.

The HYPREP Project Coordinator promised accelerated work on the Ogoni Power Project, which he said, the components parts have been manufactured and will be shipped shortly to Nigeria.

“My colleagues just returned from China and India where they embarked on what we call factory acceptance test because before you import the equipment first of all it starts with designs. So, if we have done the design that is fit for our own project. The design is project specific. So, based on that the manufactures manufactured our own equipment specifically for the Ogoni project. They have completed the manufacturing, so we have to join the contractors and the supervision consultant to the manufacturer to see the equipment that is manufactured and ensure it is what is in the design and that is what manufacturing acceptance test is all about.”

He explained that work on the power project is currently at the transmission phase and that would be followed by the distribution phase.

“What we are doing now is the transmission phase of the power project and it has to do with running the 62-kilometer transmission line then building the two substations where one is in Wiiyaakara and the other in Bodo and so it involves a lot of activities, and we have completed some. We want to commence research on distribution because after transmission the next thing is distribution, and we do not want to

wait until we finish transmission before we decide where the transformers will be located.

For the transmission it will be completed this year. The study of distribution will also be completed this year. We hope that the distribution activities will commence before the

end of this year, but I cannot say for certain because the procurement process is guided by the Procurement Act. It takes a while, and we are talking about a project that will be approved by the Federal Executive Council.”

Prof. Zabbey disclosed that trainees

under the livelihood training programme in 2024 were given setup packs and the setup packs are skills specific and that HYPREP will keep monitoring beneficiaries to ensure that they put to use what they have been trained in.

HYPREP IMPLEMENTING MOSOP DREAM OF A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT - PROF ZABBEY

The Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) is set up by the Federal Government of Nigeria with the mandate of remediating the environment and restoring livelihoods of impacted communities in Ogoni.

In line with that mandate, the Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey has declared that the Project is living out its mandate which is in consonance with the vision of the Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People (MOSOP) for a clean environment and it is implementing its projects in collaboration with the people of Ogoni to foster peacebuilding.

Professor Zabbey, who was represented by Head, Communication, HYPREP, Dr. Enuolare Mba-Nwigoh made this declaration in a goodwill message at the 2025 Anniversary of Ogoni Day held in Bori, Khana Local Government Area. He reiterated that HYPREP shares a common vision with MOSOP in the quest for environmental sustainability, socio-economic development, and prosperity, noting that this partnership reflects a unified determination to bring hope and progress to every corner of the region by working together for a cleaner, healthier and more prosperous Ogoni.

In line with the theme of this year's



celebration: Unity for Freedom and Prosperity, the HYPREP boss, seized the occasion to call for continuous unity among the people while asking for support and protection of HYPREP's projects and facilities, adding that collaboration among Ogoni communities, government agencies, and other project stakeholders will ensure that the United Nations Environment Programme's (UNEP) recommendations are implemented to the letter.

He stated that the celebration should inspire a renewed commitment to continuous dialogue and a reminder that there is strength in unity.

Professor Zabbey assured that HYPREP is accelerating the Ogoni Clean-up in accordance with Priority 3, Deliverable 3 of the Renewed Hope Agenda of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu's administration, following the

implementation of over 130 projects simultaneously. The projects include soil and groundwater remediation, shoreline clean-up and mangrove restoration, construction of the Centre of Excellence for Environmental Restoration (CEER), Ogoni Specialist Hospital, Buan Cottage Hospital, Ogoni Power Project and the construction of potable water schemes as well as various stakeholder engagement activities. He announced that more of the projects will be completed this year.

He reiterated Federal Government's commitment to human capital development in Ogoni which has informed HYPREP's expansion of its livelihood interventions.

“A few days ago, the Project Coordination Office released the list of 300 Ogoni Postgraduate Scholarship Grant beneficiaries. This initiative and the training of 5000 Ogoni youths and

women underscores the Federal Government's commitment through HYPREP to investing in human capital development as deliberate strategy in creating alternative sources of livelihood for impacted communities while creating

opportunities for Ogoni youths to contribute meaningfully to society." While thanking the Ogoni people for their continuous support for HYPREP, Prof. Zabbey, noted that their cooperation, understanding and contributions have been invaluable in

driving progress in project implementation, adding that HYPREP will continue to engage and seek community inputs for projects execution.

PROF. ZABBEY SEEKS STAFF RENEWED VIGOUR TO WORK

In his first meeting with the workforce for 2025, the Project Coordinator of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey has called on staff to prioritize team work over solo efforts that will slow down project delivery in the new year.

Prof. Zabbey who appreciated God for keeping staff of the project safe from accident all through 2024, stressed the need for collaboration to achieving HYPREP's mandate, adding that knowledge sharing and leveraging each other's strength will enhance project delivery as HYPREP's goal to deliver impactful projects will require staff to contribute to problem solving and engage stakeholders from the project's planning stage.

"In my new year message, I articulated the goal of the project this year, and being here is not just about working, but it's about contributing to solving the problems. Therefore, in all our Units, we need to have that understanding and resolve to contribute our lot to making the project deliver on its mandate that we have been assigned.

It means that we must work collaboratively and integrate our efforts. We should not work in silos. I emphasize the need to do proper stakeholder mapping internally and externally because if we can map our stakeholders properly and bring them on board at the planning stage, they will participate and make useful contributions that will optimize the



Cross Section of HYPREP Staff During 2025 1st Quarter General Meeting

impact of what we are doing."

The Project Coordinator underscored the imperative of punctuality and diligence among staff, cautioning against habitual lateness and absenteeism as they are detrimental to the Project's overarching goal of timely delivery of projects. He urged staff to triple their efforts this year, emphasizing that a renewed commitment and dedication to duty is essential to project delivery.

To drive home the importance of accountability, Professor Zabbey announced that the project will adopt a zero-tolerance policy for lateness and unapproved absence from work.

He revealed plans to introduce a performance evaluation system, designed to assess staff based on work ethics, productivity, and contributions at the Unit level. According to him, this initiative seeks to recognize and reward hardworking staff, while also identifying areas for improvement and providing targeted support.

"The project will not tolerate lateness

and absenteeism, we will celebrate performance. We will also prioritize staff welfare. In celebrating performance, only staff that are dedicated and determined will be promoted at the end of the contract year. We are going to place emphasis on staff evaluation which will be done at the Unit level. If there are tools you think are necessary for you to perform maximally, inform the Unit lead so that those things will be escalated to management. I assure you that we will try our best to ensure that we provide all that is necessary for us to achieve our project's mandate."

By working together and sharing expertise, Professor Zabbey believes that HYPREP staff can unlock innovative solutions and ultimately make greater impact in the communities HYPREP operates.

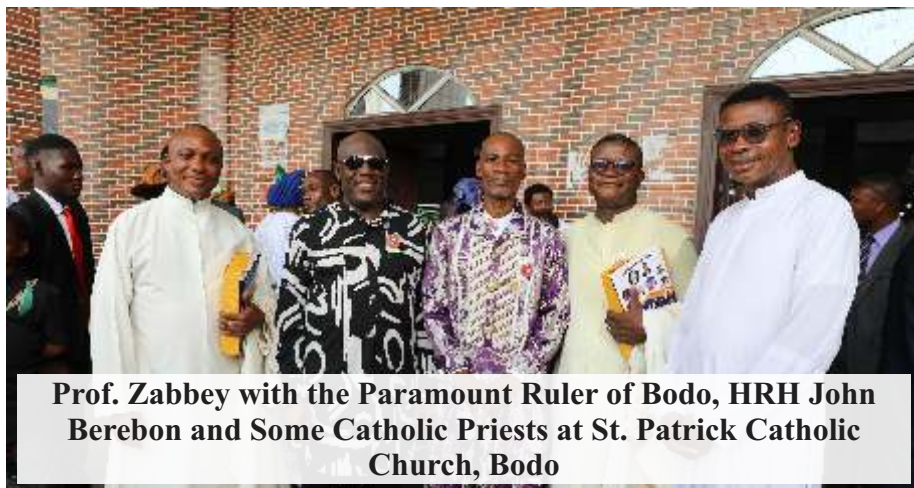
The Project Coordinator's call to action was well received by staff who acknowledged the importance of punctuality and discipline in achieving project goals.

MORE LAURELS FOR PROF. ZABBEY

More groups have continued to recognize and appreciate what they describe as the sterling performance of the Project Coordinator of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP), Professor Nenibarini Zabbey and his contributions to the development of Ogoni through the effective implementation of the clean-up project.

The groups are the Bomu Governing Council, Bomu League of Patriots, Bomu Oil City Carnival (CARNIBOM) and the Ogoni Association of Persons Living with Disabilities (OGAPWD).

They are unanimous in their commendation of the leadership style of Prof. Zabbey as Project Coordinator of HYPREP and his management acumen which has enabled the implementation of over one hundred and thirty (130) projects simultaneously across the four Local



Prof. Zabbey with the Paramount Ruler of Bodo, HRH John Berebon and Some Catholic Priests at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Bodo

Government Areas of Ogoni and in different thematic areas of remediation, shoreline clean-up and mangrove restoration, provision of potable water, livelihood trainings, construction of legacy projects (Centre of Excellence for Environmental Restoration, Ogoni Specialist Hospital, Buan Cottage Hospital, and the Ogoni Power Project).

The awards are in recognition of Prof. Zabbey's exceptional scholarly

achievements, outstanding visionary leadership, and contributions to academic excellence, research and learning, and the socio-economic development of Ogoni.

Professor Zabbey has severally assured stakeholders and regulators that the Ogoni clean-up project is in safe hands and seeks collaborative efforts and buy in to deliver a sustainable remediation and livelihood restoration for the people of Ogoni.

PROF. ZABBEY EULOGIZES HRM KING G.N.K GININWA OVER CONTRIBUTION TO OGONI DEVELOPMENT

Following the passage of the Gbenemene, Tai Kingdom and President, Supreme Council of Ogoni Traditional Rulers, HRM King Godwin Ndonake Kenneth Gininwa, the Project Coordinator of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) Professor Nenibarini Zabbey has eulogized the memory of the revered monarch on his immense contribution to the development of Ogoniland, saying he was a quintessential monarch, an excellent leader and a great gift to the Ogoni ethnic nationality and Nigeria as a whole.

Professor Zabbey who stated this

during a condolence visit to the Monarch's palace at Korokoro in Tai Local Government Area, acknowledged the uncommon dedication and commitment of the King to the development of Ogoni and Rivers state.

Prof. Zabbey specifically identified the significant role he played in the environmental assessment of Ogoni by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the eventual implementation of the recommendations of the report through the establishment of HYPREP.

"We deeply appreciate the prominent

roles, sacrifices, and unflinching support His Majesty gave HYPREP even in his last days. From the UNEP Assessment to implementing the UNEP recommendations on the Ogoni Environment, His Majesty demonstrated his passion for developing Ogoni by galvanizing stakeholders' support for the Project. His palace was always open to the Project team and its esteemed visitors including Honourable Ministers of Environment, technical partners and international organizations."

The HYPREP Project Coordinator noted that His Majesty would also be remembered for his enduring legacy

of sustained message of peace and mutual co-existence which are necessary for development to thrive, adding that the King was devoted to the service of humanity.

Prof. Zabbey assured that HYRPEP will through the implementation of the Ogoni Cleanup programme, continue to drive and sustain the respected monarch's vision for environmental sustainability and restoration of the people's livelihoods even as the Project has recorded significant milestones in the thematic areas of land and shoreline remediation, mangrove restoration, provision of potable water, construction of the Centre of Excellence for Environmental Restoration (CEER), Ogoni Specialist Hospital, Buan

Cottage Hospital, Ogoni Power Project and sustainable livelihood trainings.

While consoling the Gbene-Gininwa Royal Dynasty of Korokoro, Tai and Ogoni on the passage of the great King, Prof. Zabbey called for the immortalization of his ideals by upholding the virtues of peace, love, tolerance, cordiality and tenacious spirit that His Majesty preached and lived for.

Chief Dr. Prince Godwin Gininwa who received the Project Coordinator on behalf of the Gbene Gininwa family, stated that their father was an advocate of clean environment and one of the campaigners for the development of Ogoni and appreciated the laudable projects and

programmes of HYPREP in Ogoni.

His Royal Majesty, King G.N.K, Gininwa (OFR, DSSRS, JP, Amb.P) had reigned as the Paramount Ruler of Korokoro Community in Tai, the Gbenemene, Tai Kingdom and President, Supreme Council of Traditional Rulers of Ogoni. He also served as Chairman, Rivers State Council of Traditional Rulers; Member, Traditional Rulers of Oil Mineral Producing Communities of Nigeria; Member, South-South Traditional Rulers Council; Member, Presidential Implementation Committee for the Ogoni Clean-up amongst other esteemed positions.

SEE WHO READS HYPREP HERALD



Nigeria's Chief of Defense Staff, Gen Christopher G Musa Being Presented with a Copy of HYPREP Herald by the Paramount Ruler of Alesa, HRH Emere Emperor J. D. Nkpe During His Visit to Defense Headquarters, Abuja

HYPREP AWARDS 300 POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS TO OGONI YOUTHS

In keeping with its avowed goal of bringing development to Ogoni, the Federal Government through the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) has awarded three hundred (300) post-graduate scholarships to Ogoni youths who are pursuing their Masters and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Nigerian Universities.

At the award ceremony held in Port Harcourt, the Project Coordinator of HYPREP, Professor Nenibarini Zabbey congratulated the youths on their success in the Computer-Based Test (CBT) and other screening exercises that led to their emergence as winners of the 2024 HYPREP Post-graduate Scholarship Scheme.

Prof. Zabbey expressed satisfaction with the selection process that HYPREP put in place to screen the candidates, saying that the successful applicants were selected based on merit.

“HYPREP, through the selection process, has once again demonstrated its commitment to fairness, transparency, and inclusivity in implementing the Federal Government's livelihood interventions in Ogoniland. The integrity of the selection process for this scholarship has been a priority, and I can confidently say that the recipients here today have earned this recognition through merit.”

He urged the students to dedicate themselves to their studies and use the funds judiciously and solely for their academic advancement and in turn contribute to the development of Ogoni and the nation.

“At HYPREP, we believe that education is not only the bedrock of



HYPREP PC, Prof. Zabbey Addressing Beneficiaries of the HYPREP Post-Graduate Scholarship

personal growth but a transformative tool that can unlock new opportunities and create sustainable alternative sources of livelihood for oil-impacted communities in Ogoniland.

As you know, Ogoni postgraduate students are critical stakeholders of the Ogoni community in the HYPREP project and are integral to achieving HYPREP's goals. As researchers and leaders in your various fields, you are agents of change. You have the unique opportunity to contribute to HYPREP's ongoing environmental remediation and livelihood restoration in Ogoni. Please contribute your technical expertise to promoting peace and development at the community

level and communicate the cleanup mandate.”

The HYPREP Project Coordinator identified peace as key ingredient for peace and charged the scholarship beneficiaries to be agents of positive transformation.

“Discussing development without acknowledging the fundamental link between peace, progress, and prosperity is impossible. The growth of Ogoniland depends on an environment where peace reigns. As a people, we cannot afford continuous division or discord; instead, we must focus on unity and collaboration. I urge all of you, especially the scholarship recipients, to form



HEPREP PC, Prof. Zabbey with Beneficiaries of the HYPREP Post-Graduate Scholarship



Cross Section of Beneficiaries of the HYPREP Post-Graduate Scholarship



clusters that facilitate peacebuilding initiatives.

Let these clusters become platforms for dialogue, reconciliation, innovation, and solutions that address the Ogoni community's challenges. Through your efforts, especially in collaboration with HYPREP, we can build bridges of understanding and reinforce the foundation for a clean environment, sustainable peace, and development in Ogoniland.”

He informed his audience that HYPREP is working assiduously to deliver on its mandate of remediating impacted lands and restoring lost livelihoods through the implementation of various projects that have bearing on the environment and the life of the people.

“The task before HYPREP is enormous. However, the cooperation of the Ogoni community and the commitment of all project

stakeholders have sustained progress in the implementation process. With the progress made thus far in implementing the over one hundred (100) ongoing projects, we are confident that a significant number of these projects will be completed this year.

These projects include soil and groundwater remediation, shoreline cleanup, and mangrove restoration, as well as the construction of the Centre of Excellence for Environmental Restoration (CEER), Ogoni Specialist Hospital, Buan Cottage Hospital, and the Ogoni Power Project. They also include the construction of potable water schemes and various livelihood enhancement activities. We will also launch new projects this year to create more jobs and strengthen the employability capacity of Ogoni youth and women. We shall install digital ICT facilities to aid learning in

selected secondary schools in Ogoni.” Managing Director of Pa-Ed Multilinks Consulting, the firm that facilitated the scheme, Edward Baa stated that over 1,200 youths participated in the initial sensitization programme, with 837 registering for the scholarship. He also revealed that 766 sat for the aptitude test, and 474 advanced to the verification stage.

“The selection of the 300 recipients was deemed successful, as it reflected a good spread across the four Local Government Areas. The scholarship scheme is targeted at 300 candidates, comprising 100 Ph.D students and 200 Master's students.”

Beneficiaries of the scholarship scheme include some physically challenged persons (names highlighted in green) and the full list of the three hundred students are shown in the table below:

FINAL MASTER'S LIST OF 200 SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES FOR HYPREP POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP GRANT 2024

S/N	Candidate ID	Candidate Surname	Candidate Name	Candidate Middle Name	Gender	LGA
1	HYP24805	NTAAH	LEZAASI	DOCTOR	Male	Khana
2	HYP24087	OBARI	MICHEAL	NWAKAMA	Male	Eleme
3	HYP24502	ZAGHA	NORNUBARI		Female	Khana
4	HYP24618	NTEPTEP	COLLINS		Male	Tai
5	HYP24046	OBARI	MICHAEL	AMETOTO-OBARI	Male	Eleme
6	HYP24499	ZORMIIDOM	EDWARD	NOMATE	Male	Gokana
7	HYP24655	KPURUGBARA	JUSTICE	BARIAGARA	Male	Khana
8	HYP24121	OLAKA	EBIENJU	WALTER	Male	Eleme
9	HYP24350	EDAMKUE	EMMANUEL	VALENTINE	Male	Khana
10	HYP24585	DILOSI	ALLGAIN		Male	Gokana
11	HYP24325	LENEE	BARISUA	BEKE	Male	Khana
12	HYP24405	DEEDEE	BARIBOR	JUSTICE	Male	Gokana
13	HYP24668	MUBANA	DUMLE	LETE	Male	Gokana
14	HYP24708	MONDAY	VALENTINA	KPEGEMEA	Female	Gokana
15	HYP24472	BEEGA	GODAE	FIDELIS	Male	Khana
16	HYP24833	LELESI	FELIX	CHRIS-IMUEYII	Male	Khana
17	HYP24504	BURABARI	NKANWA		Male	Tai
18	HYP24426	JIALA	ANDREW	CHUAR	Male	Eleme
19	HYP24258	BAKPO	BARINEM		Male	Gokana
20	HYP24467	NKPAA	BRIGHT	BARIDA	Male	Gokana
21	HYP24279	KPAANADEE	REWARD	MEE-EEBARI	Male	Khana
22	HYP24453	YIGANUBARI	KABARI	ANITA	Female	Khana
23	HYP24329	JAMES	BARIDELO		Male	Tai

24	HYP24639	GODWIN	BROWN	ZORMIIDOM	Male	Gokana
25	HYP24529	DUMKHANA	STELLA		Female	Khana
26	HYP24559	DIMABO	KALEWA	PRECIOUS	Female	Khana
27	HYP24792	BROWN	LESOR	BENJAMIN	Male	Khana
28	HYP24047	TIGBARA	EMMANUEL	LEDESI	Male	Tai
29	HYP24312	ZARAKPEGE	BARINEKA	RICHARD	Male	Gokana
30	HYP24449	ANDREW	NSUDUM	ALEX	Male	Khana
31	HYP24485	LAWYER	MENKA	NWIKI	Male	Khana
32	HYP24513	NWIEBARI	KORLE	FREDERICK	Female	Khana
33	HYP24608	FYNEFACE	BARISUDOR	LAWRENCE	Male	Khana
34	HYP24425	CHU-NWAFOR	CLEMENT		Male	Eleme
35	HYP24563	KATIAH	ANITA	CHUJOR	Female	Eleme
36	HYP24229	KABARI	KOATE	DEEYOR	Male	Gokana
37	HYP24264	BAGBI	LOVEDAY	ELEBARI	Male	Gokana
38	HYP24483	FIRI	PRECIOUS	BURABARI	Female	Gokana
39	HYP24572	OMAH	WISDOM	NYIMANU	Male	Gokana
40	HYP24836	GIRAH	KILSI		Male	Gokana
41	HYP24286	NYIAGHAN	PEACE	BARIDAPSI	Female	Khana
42	HYP24662	BEASI	EMMANUEL		Male	Khana
43	HYP24314	NKPOGONE	NUAKA	DOMINIC	Male	Tai
44	HYP24456	OBARI	SARAH	OMENE	Female	Eleme
45	HYP24537	OSAROKOTE	SALOME	NYIMEOBARI	Female	Eleme
46	HYP24173	PAAGO	NVINBARI		Male	Gokana
47	HYP24535	NSAIN	BENJAMIN	ALOOMA	Male	Gokana
48	HYP24139	EDAMKUE	SIRA	FAITH	Female	Khana
49	HYP24088	NEEBEE-AKEKUE	NUKA		Male	Tai
50	HYP24256	NABIE	BARIKA		Male	Gokana

51	HYP24290	DORGBAA	RUTH	KOOAKA	Female	Gokana
52	HYP24602	NUBARI	BARIDULE	DINEBARI	Male	Gokana
53	HYP24657	PENTICOST	BARIBEFE	VICTORIA	Female	Gokana
54	HYP24275	NWIKANA	KOLE-SUANU	LEWURA	Male	Khana
55	HYP24352	JOE	SYLVIA	BARISUA	Female	Khana
56	HYP24564	GIBSON	DORCAS		Female	Khana
57	HYP24631	BARIDOO	HENRY	DUMNAMENE	Male	Khana
58	HYP24782	BENJAMIN	ONYINYECHI	MERCY	Female	Khana
59	HYP24786	RAPHAEL	GOHMENE	MILLION	Male	Khana
60	HYP24788	BIRA	MENENU	PEGEREKA	Male	Khana
61	HYP24198	DIINEE	HUGO	BARINE	Male	Tai
62	HYP24417	NWOLU	NWOLU		Male	Eleme
63	HYP24617	OLUNGWEONWI	BLESSING		Female	Eleme
64	HYP24276	GBARAMOGHO	BARIDIDUM		Female	Gokana
65	HYP24609	KPAI	GIFT	PIUS	Female	Gokana
66	HYP24704	YORKUM	LEYIRA	BARIVURE	Female	Gokana
67	HYP24580	PAULINUS	EMMANUEL	BARIDOMALE	Male	Gokana
68	HYP24108	NWIYORONU	BARIDORBII	RICHARD	Male	Khana
69	HYP24138	JAMES	KAANADOGO	KUMAH	Male	Khana
70	HYP24444	TUADOR	DORNUBARI	HOPE	Female	Khana
71	HYP24728	NSEABASI	EFEELOO	INI	Female	Khana
72	HYP24518	OSIH	BARIDAMUE	RAYMOND	Male	Tai
73	HYP24724	AKARADA	AFORJI	FORTUNE	Male	Eleme
74	HYP24219	DAMABEL	TORBARI	BLESSING	Female	Gokana
75	HYP24451	GIRIGIRI	JUSTICE	BATOMBARI	Male	Gokana
76	HYP24714	HYGINUS-OKU	NISSI	BARIBE-ELBA	Male	Gokana
77	HYP24779	ZABBEY	BARITULE	NELSON	Male	Gokana

78	HYP24150	LEGBARA	HOPE	DENNIS	Male	Khana
79	HYP24188	DOOBEE	FIDELIS	LEBARI	Male	Khana
80	HYP24252	NWIBE	BARIDOOLE	FABEKE	Male	Khana
81	HYP24349	NWIKANA	BERETAM	LEWURA	Female	Khana
82	HYP24581	SANGHA	NEKABARI	JUDE	Male	Khana
83	HYP24672	NWIDEEDE	DEEMENE		Male	Khana
84	HYP24747	TORNWE	VICTOR	TAALOR-NWIDAE	Male	Khana
85	HYP24281	AWUSE	TAMBARI	KHRISTINE	Female	Tai
86	HYP24644	NYOR-UE	ISRAEL	BIEBABARI	Male	Tai
87	HYP24787	DIVINE	EDIGBE		Female	Tai
88	HYP24051	MBOMBO	PRINCEWILL	KENWI	Male	Eleme
89	HYP24819	OSARONWOLU	EKPIKPIOBARI		Male	Eleme
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94	HYP24553	UEDEME	VICTOR		Male	Gokana
95	HYP24813	EIGEGE	PATIENCE	NENIINARINI	Female	Gokana
96	HYP24131	NNAALU	BUABEE	LIGHT	Male	Khana
97	HYP24162	MICHAEL	BAAH	BUEZOR	Male	Khana
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99	HYP24489	GEREMENE	MENEZOR	SOLOMON	Male	Khana
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106	HYP24053	MUBE	AJURI	WILO	Male	Eleme
107	HYP24278	GOYA	ROSEMARY	MAMA	Female	Eleme

108	HYP24435	OCHIMBA	OBELE	PETER	Male	Eleme
109	HYP24515	OBELE	LETICIA	OBARIDO	Female	Eleme
110	HYP24531	OSAROB	EZEKIEL	GOMBA	Male	Eleme
111	HYP24682	SAKA	OBO	SAMUEL	Male	Eleme
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113	HYP24378	FABIAN	MARGARET	DUMKA	Female	Gokana
114	HYP24136	GBENENEE	CHARLES	TAMYIRA	Male	Khana
115	HYP24333	MONEY	DUMBARI	HOPE	Male	Khana
116	HYP24603	LEGBORSI	GREAT	PROSPER	Male	Khana
117	HYP24679	BARRY-YOBO	MELODY	GOLD	Female	Khana
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121	HYP24827	VOPNU	ADOMALE	MONDAY	Male	Gokana
122	HYP24007	TEESII	VICTORY	GIDEON	Male	Khana
123	HYP24339	AZIA	AZIA	fege	Female	Khana
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125	HYP24406	NDUA	MARK	AKPOBARI	Male	Khana
126	HYP24706	NWIALU	NWILEE	LEDUM	Female	Khana
127	HYP24152	KONNE	JOEL	BURABARI	Male	Khana
128	HYP24031	GBORO	FRIDAY	JOSEPH	Male	Gokana
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130	HYP24265	NYIMANU	MEETOOBARI		Male	Gokana
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137	HYP24753	KIALEE	BLOSSOM	EKEKE	Female	Khana
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139	HYP24636	KENUDE	NORNU	PAT	Female	Tai
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142	HYP24541	NGEYAI	OBELE	WISDOM	Male	Eleme
143	HYP24154	LEDUM-DEKO	CHARITY		Female	Gokana
144	HYP24254	NASIKPO	FRANK	NENTOMBARI	Male	Gokana
145	HYP24627	GBERELE	BARILE		Male	Gokana
146	HYP24018	NUMGBI	BRIGHT		Male	Khana
147	HYP24176	NZIDE	DOLE		Male	Khana
148	HYP24501	DAVID	ALEX-NAENWI		Male	Khana
149	HYP24641	TAMBARI	HOLYMAN	YAABARI	Male	Khana
150	HYP24656	ADA	YAABARI	NKPEGAME	Male	Khana
151	HYP24745	NNAM	BRIGHT	SARO	Male	Khana
152	HYP24496	DOMINIC	BARIDOLE		Male	Tai
153	HYP24297	OKPABI	JONAH	OSARONGECHU	Male	Eleme
154	HYP24307	CHU	ADAKELE		Female	Eleme
155	HYP24650	NGOKANYA	BENJAMIN	NGOCHINYA	Male	Eleme
156	HYP24730	OSARO	MICHAEL	OSILAWAI	Male	Eleme
157	HYP24004	PAAGO	KILSI	JOSEPH	Male	Gokana
158	HYP24012	VIDEKION	VIDEKION		Male	Gokana
159	HYP24095	NWATE	KILSI		Male	Gokana
160	HYP24783	LEKALA	JOHN	TOMBARI	Male	Gokana
161	HYP24077	YAAGUA	DUMKA	VINCENT	Male	Khana
162	HYP24438	KUE	CLEMENT	EABA	Male	Khana
163	HYP24455	ABALUBU	MENE	THANKGOD	Male	Khana
164	HYP24506	GBARA	ULOMA	CELESTINE	Female	Khana
165	HYP24557	AKATA	SUNEBARI	BARIKPOA	Male	Khana
166	HYP24630	KABARI	CELESTINE	BARILUDUM	Male	Khana
167	HYP24690	NEEMANA	BARIDAKARA		Male	Khana

168	HYP24751	NKUE	PROMISE	LEYIRA	Female	Khana
169	HYP24832	NWINEE	YEEKA	GIVEN	Male	Khana
170	HYP24168	KARAGBARA	ERIC	FIIBOO	Male	Khana
171	HYP24234	OKPUDAM	LUCK	COLLINS	Male	Tai
172	HYP24304	OLUKANWI	CECILIA.	OSILAOBE	Female	Eleme
173	HYP24476	ANYA	KINGSLEY	PHEBE	Female	Eleme
174	HYP24080	KPOTURU	SAMUEL	BARIDIDUM	Male	Gokana
175	HYP24419	TEE	NGBAA	NWEBABARI	Male	Gokana
176	HYP24221	BEMENE	BLESSING		Female	Khana
177	HYP24241	TAMANA	LEELEE	BARIADOORA	Female	Khana
178	HYP24268	DEEKOR	CHRISTIAN	NEEKPOA	Male	Khana
179	HYP24664	KPUGHI	FAITH	LEASUU	Female	Khana
180	HYP24677	LELAP	LELAP		Male	Tai
181	HYP24431	PAUL	MONDAY	NNOKPO	Male	Tai
182	HYP24310	NWOLU	NOBLE	OBARI	Male	Eleme
183	HYP24600	NWOKOLU	EJII	AMEBEBEOBARI	Male	Eleme
184	HYP24041	DIYOR	HAPPY	LAWSON	Male	Gokana
185	HYP24224	AGBORA	EUNICE		Female	Gokana
186	HYP24357	LEGENEE	MIRACLE		Male	Khana
187	HYP24452	GBENENEE	GOLDEN	BARIZAASI	Male	Khana
188	HYP24583	KINEE	DUMBARI		Female	Khana
189	HYP24667	DEEMUA	SCHOLASTICA	KA-ALENEBARI	Female	Khana
190	HYP24063	OSARONWAJI	NWANKE	JARON	Male	Eleme
191	HYP24112	PAMOGHO	BURABARI	PROSPER	Male	Gokana
192	HYP24422	BADOM	LILIAN	BARIBOVEH	Female	Gokana
193	HYP24022	KORFII	BARILEDUM		Male	Khana
194	HYP24119	NWIBANI	DUMLEBABARI	FELIX	Male	Khana
195	HYP24328	SAMUEL	PROMISE	YIIBARI	Male	Khana
196	HYP24236	NNAH	TEEKAH	VICTOR	Male	Tai
197	HYP24345	KAMANU	TORNUBARI	VINCENT	Male	Tai
198	HYP24411	NDO	ADAMSMITH		Male	Tai
199	HYP24436	DEEDEE	NUBARI	DEEDEE	Male	Gokana
200	HYP24487	EKEE	VIRTUE	NNEMA	Female	Eleme

FINAL Ph.D LIST OF 100 SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES FOR HYPREP POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP GRANT 2024

S/N	Candidate ID	Candidate Surname	Candidate Name	Candidate Middle Name	Gender	LGA
1	HYP24828	BIIRAGBARA	FELIX	DIMKPA	Male	Tai
2	HYP24469	KPEA-UE	MARVIN	LEZOR	Male	Khana
3	HYP24359	FILIMA	NYIMABARI	MASTER	Male	Gokana
4	HYP24102	AKATA-OWEN	SORDUM	OWEN	Male	Khana
5	HYP24025	BARINEKA	ZORBARI	KELVIN	Male	Khana
6	HYP24579	LENEE	LETAMBARI	GODWIN	Male	Khana
7	HYP24429	BAN	TOMBARI	STEPHEN	Male	Gokana
8	HYP24362	GBARAYORKS	LEWIS	DORMAA	Male	Khana
9	HYP24204	GBOROKARA	TOMBARI	PETER	Male	Gokana
10	HYP24197	KURU	LETON	CYNTHIA	Female	Gokana
11	HYP24567	GAAWA	LETURA		Male	Gokana
12	HYP24439	OSILAECHUU	ADAOSILA	PRINCE	Male	Elemé
13	HYP24616	GUREDAM	LENU-ADOOA	LEGBORSI	Male	Khana
14	HYP24528	VIPENE	KALE	KELVIN	Male	Gokana
15	HYP24492	NNYAM	LEBATAM	BETE	Male	Tai
16	HYP24475	GBORALOO	WAALE	ANGELA	Female	Khana
17	HYP24722	NAANEE	BARIVULE	VIVIAN	Female	Gokana
18	HYP24521	LEGBORSI	JOSEPH		Male	Khana
19	HYP24503	LALEOBE	ALEMAMI	FAVOUR	Female	Elemé
20	HYP24640	UCHENDU	KILSI	NWINKA	Female	Gokana
21	HYP24462	BALE	DENNIS	LUCKY	Male	Khana
22	HYP24448	BARINE	BARISISIA	MAXWELL	Male	Khana
23	HYP24048	KOOLI	PROMISE	LEDORNU	Male	Khana
24	HYP24777	IYELE	KAMENEBALI		Female	Gokana
25	HYP24548	ATU-KOMI	WOLEE	BARISEREDUM	Male	Khana
26	HYP24248	DUMKPEGE	WISDOM	LETOM	Male	Gokana
27	HYP24231	BARILE	LEGBORSI	HENRY	Male	Khana
28	HYP24201	NGEI	OBARIJIMA	PRISCILLA	Female	Elemé
29	HYP24085	TAMBARI	BRAVE	LEZUA	Male	Khana
30	HYP24238	AZIAKA	BARINAADAA	OBERE	Male	Tai
31	HYP24129	ONUNGWE	GREAT	OBARIJIMA	Male	Elemé

32	HYP24109	KPOBARI	AMOS	JOSHUA	Male	Khana
33	HYP24461	BUMAA	NEEKA	FELIX	Male	Khana
34	HYP24244	SUNDAY	DANIEL	DORNUBARI	Male	Gokana
35	HYP24778	NKPORBU	NORNUBARI		Female	Tai
36	HYP24078	GBARABE	FLORENCE	ONUBULACHI	Female	Khana
37	HYP24020	NIMAA	TORNEBARI	JUSTICE	Male	Khana
38	HYP24737	DAMBIE	BARIKA	STEPHEN	Male	Khana
39	HYP24114	NUBANI	BRIGHT	EENEE	Male	Khana
40	HYP24699	KPOBE	BARIDURA	MIMI	Female	Gokana
41	HYP24676	LEDOGO	GOLDA	LUGESI	Female	Khana
42	HYP24666	SANGHA	NUKA	DAVID	Male	Khana
43	HYP24466	BIRA	LAWRENCE	LEBURA	Male	Gokana
44	HYP24336	AATOR	BARIDIDUM	LEOAH	Male	Gokana
45	HYP24266	NWOKOLU	ATEJIMAH		Male	Eleme
46	HYP24253	NEEDOM	PATIENCE	BARIVURE	Female	Gokana
47	HYP24118	NWIYORONU	KAYII	JOE	Male	Khana
48	HYP24104	JASON	BARITOESAE		Male	Khana
49	HYP24060	SALOKA	SALOKA	SALOKA	Male	Eleme
50	HYP24734	BONA	LOVELYN		Female	Gokana
51	HYP24711	NKPAH	FREDRICK	KOO	Male	Gokana
52	HYP24546	TOBA	BARIBE	GODWIN	Male	Gokana
53	HYP24488	KONEE	NULEE	DUM	Male	Khana
54	HYP24300	MINAEEBA	WINNER	DENNIS	Male	Khana
55	HYP2427	MUESI	ZORNATA	NOBLE	Male	Khana
56	HYP24578	INIAH	BARIKPE		Male	Khana
57	HYP24520	NKPA	NYIMENKA		Female	Eleme
58	HYP24423	NNEN	LETOM	NELSON	Male	Gokana
59	HYP24242	NUBANI	SORBARI	EENEE	Female	Khana
60	HYP24285	THANKGOD	MAMMABARI	MEEKOR	Male	Khana
61	HYP24370	OLLOR	CHRISTIAN	AMONIEKA	Female	Eleme
62	HYP24289	GABRIEL	DORNU	EVANS	Male	Khana
63	HYP24282	BAADOM	BURABARI		Male	Gokana
64	HYP24194	KARIKPO	LETAN	POPSAANA	Male	Gokana
65	HYP24081	ADOOH	LEGBORSI	LUCKY	Male	Khana
66	HYP24065	DANIEL	DORKA	NWIDAG	Male	Khana
67	HYP24057	EPPIE	OSAROLLOR	EVELYN	Female	Eleme
68	HYP24056	WAITE	OBARIJIMA		Male	Eleme
69	HYP24750	MMAH	DOMINIC	DUMBARI	Male	Gokana
70	HYP24723	LAWRENCE	BARINEM	BARINAADAH	Male	Gokana
71	HYP24685	TAMBARI	DEEKA	NAOMI	Female	Khana

72	HYP24604	TEERE	MIKE	BARISERE	Male	Gokana
73	HYP24497	NWIYOR	DUMLE	JERRY	Male	Khana
74	HYP24480	ZITE	BARIDORN	BANIGO	Male	Khana
75	HYP24409	NYOBANA	DUM	LIVINUS	Male	Khana
76	HYP24291	VIDEEZOR	PIUS	ZIGALOBARI	Male	Gokana
77	HYP24260	MBEE	SARAH	BARIGBUE	Female	Tai
78	HYP24240	NWIKASI	KIAKA		Male	Khana
79	HYP24133	PETER	BARINETAM	WILSON	Male	Tai
80	HYP24072	GBENWEE	BARIFAA		Male	Gokana
81	HYP24333	MONEY	DUMBARI	HOPE	Male	Khana
82	HYP24058	CHUJOR	CORNELIUS		Male	Eleme
83	HYP24830	SOR	CHRISTIANA	BARIGBO	Female	Khana
84	HYP24726	NKPORBU	NPIENEE	PADDY	Male	Tai
85	HYP24367	GBARANWI	PRECIOUS	BARIMA	Male	Khana
86	HYP24364	BARISUKA	UEBARI		Male	Khana
87	HYP24309	MBOOH	RANSOME		Male	Gokana
88	HYP24298	SIGBARA	MERCY	BARIDAKARA	Female	Khana
89	HYP24296	KORLE	DANIEL	TORNUBARI	Male	Gokana
90	HYP24205	CHU	FAVOUR		Female	Eleme
91	HYP24178	BASI	LEBEE	HENRY	Male	Khana
92	HYP24128	DORGBAA	EMMANUEL	DAVID	Male	Gokana
93	HYP24270	NKPORBU	CORNELIUS		Male	Tai
94	HYP24101	DORNANU	LEBARI		Male	Gokana
95	HYP24073	KPORMON	LUCKY	BARINEDUM	Male	Gokana
96	HYP24032	JOJO	LEZOR	GEORGE	Male	Khana
97	HYP24029	ADOOH	SORBARISERE	MAUREEN	Female	Khana
98	HYP24151	NKPITE	BARI-ENE	SAMUEL	Male	Tai
99	HYP24155	NWIMENE	KINGSTON	NWIKANE	Male	Khana
100	HYP24245	NGO	BARIDAPDOO	JOY	Male	Khana

PICTURES OF THE MONTH



Prof. Zabbey Making a Presentation to Rivers State Health Commissioner, Dr. Adaeze Oreh



Prof. Zabbey with Contractors at the Centre of Excellence for Environmental Restoration



Prof. Zabbey in an Interview with an International Reporter at Shoreline Clean Up Site



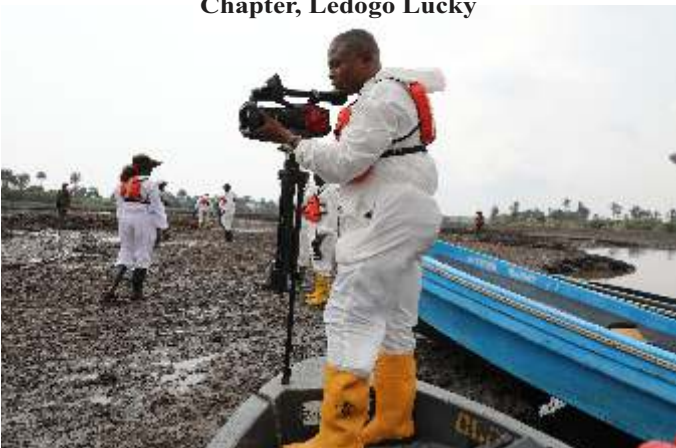
Head of Security, HYPREP, Col PO Mukoro at the Centre of Excellence, Wiiyaakara



Prof. Zabbey Making a Presentation to Chairman, Nigerian Cassava Growers Association, Rivers State Chapter, Ledogo Lucky



L-R: Head, Water, Lucky Ikue; CDO Gokana, Peter Zabbey; Editor, HYPREP Herald, Kpoobari Nafu; CDO Tai, Parkinson Nkoo. At the Background; CDO Eleme, Emma Osaro



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AN ODE TO BLOODY COCKLE

Bivalve of Niger Delta mudflats
Inhabitant of calcium hard corrugated house
Whose foundation is laid in sand and mud
And its flesh has many a home fed

The shell had high habitable houses built
Symbol of culture and business
How were you forced from the luxury Ogoni palace
To turn your back on your natural habitat?

We learned of the oily film that invaded your cover
Which poisoned your land and water
And drove you from our shores
To far away lands virgin and unpenetrated by pipelines

And there, we hear you are heavy and in labour
In maternity near the land, you once lived
We expect a birth not triplet nor quadruplet
May this pregnancy, our tidal flat litter with larvae boom.

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