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HOUSING AND URBAN
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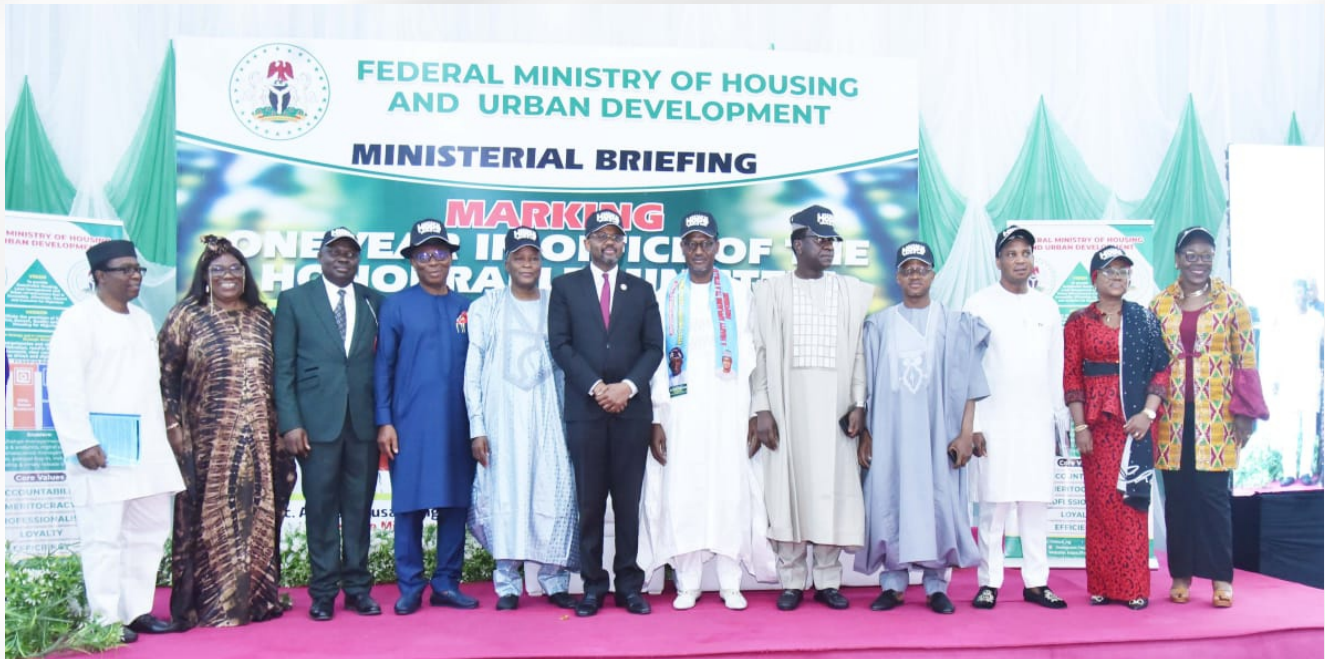
Special Bulletin



DANGIWA, GWARZO MARK ONE YEAR IN OFFICE

**As Ministry enters Historic Partnership with SHAfDB
...to deliver 5,000 Housing Units as Pilot**

**PRESS BRIEFING ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS,
MILESTONES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE FEDERAL
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
BY THE HON. MINISTER, ARC. AHMED MUSA DANGIWA
ON THURSDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 2024**



1. Exactly one year ago today, I resumed office as the Hon. Minister of Housing and Urban Development with my dear brother and friend, Alh. Abdullahi Tijanni Gwarzo, as the Hon. Minister of State. This was after our appointment by His Excellency President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR and confirmation by the Nigerian Senate.
2. At the Ministry, we met a team of hardworking and committed professionals. They provided us with needed support to begin the actualization of the Renewed Hope Agenda of Mr. President for Housing and Urban Development on a strong note. This includes the former Permanent Secretary Mr. Mahmud Mamman, our current Permanent Secretary, Dr. Marcus O. Ogunbiyi, Directors, Senior, Middle Management, lower cadre and ancillary staff and workers at the Ministry.
3. So today, as we mark one year in office, we want to begin this Press Briefing by thanking Almighty God for preserving us, Mr. President for the opportunity to serve, our Aides for the support, all staff of the Federal Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, for their hard work and our partners for the value that they add to our work.

4. When we assumed office, we developed an Action Plan in line with the Presidential Priorities and Deliverables of Mr. President. This was necessary to guide us in the implementation of reforms and initiatives that will increase access to affordable housing for Nigerians, unlock the potential of the housing sector to contribute to economic growth and improve our urban landscape.
- F. Establishing private sector-led local building materials manufacturing clusters in each of the six geo-political zones to reduce imports, and lower cost of housing construction.
- G. Over the past one year we have recorded substantial progress towards achieving these goals.
6. First is that we have laid a solid foundation for sustainable housing sector reforms that will touch on all critical value points and problem areas in Nigeria's housing eco-system.

Some of the key components of the Action Plan 2023 – 2027 are as follows:

- A. Rapidly reforming the Federal Housing Institutions (FHA, FMBN) to make them more efficient and increase their capacity.
- B. Increasing the stock of decent and affordable housing units in the country to meet rising demand.
- C. Expanding Implementation of the National Urban Renewal and Slum Upgrade Programme to improve liveability in our urban areas and slums.
- D. Streamlining Land administration and Governance through the review of the Land Use Act in conjunction with the National Assembly and State Governments.
- E. Establishing a National Social Housing Fund to ensure access to decent housing for low and no-income earners, underprivileged and IDPs and
7. As you may recall, in January, we inaugurated four (4) housing sector reform task teams with a focus on producing blueprints for strengthening federal housing institutions including FMBN and FHA, streamlining land administration, ensuring multi-agency collaboration and establishment of building materials manufacturing hubs in each of the six geo-political zones.
8. Today, I am happy to report that despite several challenges, these teams of professionals and their leaders have over the past six months, worked hard and made a lot of personal sacrifices towards producing their reports. We will study their recommendations and take necessary actions towards implementing them in as we begin our 2nd year in office. I want to on behalf of Mr. President, the Federal Ministry of Housing and

Urban Development and stakeholders in the housing sector to commend all the task teams for their good work and dedication. Thank you all.

9. Second, we have made substantial progress in increasing the stock of affordable and decent housing stock for Nigerians with the groundbreaking for 6,612 housing units across 13 locations nationwide under the Ministry's Renewed Hope Cities and Estates Programme. This includes the 3,112-housing unit Renewed Hope City in Karsana Abuja, under Public Private Partnership (PPP). Twelve other locations are being funded under the 2023 Supplementary Budget and they include the 500 Renewed Hope City in Kano and 250 Renewed Hope Estates in Katsina, Yobe, Gombe, Sokoto, Ebonyi, Abia, Akwa Ibom, Delta, Benue, Nasarawa, Osun and Oyo.
10. The Renewed Hope Cities comprise one, two, and three- bedroom blocks of flats; two-, three- and four-bedroom terraces, four-bedroom duplexes, and five-bedroom duplexes. Renewed Hope Estates to cater to low- and medium-income earners comprising one-, two-, and three-bedroom semi-detached bungalows.
11. Construction is ongoing at all these project sites and the plan is for the developers to complete them within three months. As we speak some of them have reached roof levels. They are evenly distributed with two in each of the six geopolitical zones of the country. They also cut across all party lines as the only criteria being States that provided free and unencumbered land first.
12. Once they are completed, Nigerians can own them through a broad range of affordable ownership options. This includes single digit and up to 30-year mortgage loans to be provided by the Federal Mortgage Bank of Nigeria, Rent-to-Own options where beneficiaries can move in and pay towards homeownership on monthly, quarterly, or annual instalments, Outright Purchase for high income earners or instalmental payments.
13. At an average of 25 jobs per house, these 6,612 housing units are providing jobs for over 165,000 skilled and unskilled Nigerians. This is in addition to the value chain effects of purchase, supply of building materials, businesses around the construction sites, etc.
14. To make it easy for Nigerians to own the homes under the Programme, we launched an Online Housing Portal. The platform provides a transparent, easy-to-use, integrated web-based application for the sale of homes from application to payment. It is a One-Stop Shop. You don't need to lobby anyone to own a home under the Renewed Hope Cities and Estates Programme. You visit the site www.renewedhopehomes.fmhud.gov.ng, check the house you want, in the

state that you want, apply, pay and print a provisional letter of offer.

15. Over the past couple of months analytics show that over 47,605 Nigerians – local and abroad – have created accounts on the renewed hope housing portal – indicating interest in homeownership. In fact, over the last two weeks alone, over 250,000 Nigerians have visited the website.
16. Thirdly, we have also expanded the Ministry's Urban Renewal and Slum Upgrade Programme. Under Phase 1 of the Slum Upgrading Programme, the Ministry has projects ongoing in a total of 26 sites nationwide. This includes four (4) sites in each of the six regions of the country totalling twenty-four (24) and two (2) in the FCT. The key services provided at the identified sites include water supply, solar streetlights, rehabilitation of access roads, construction of drainages, waste management and sanitation services amongst others. Most of these sites are now completed.
17. Fourth, we have also taken pragmatic steps to fast track the sale and occupation of the housing units across the country by our predecessor under the National Housing Programme. In January we advertised Expression of Interest forms with 4 (four) windows of subscription to give room for all

income segments of Nigerians as follows:

- a. Outright payment
 - b. Mortgage
 - c. Rent-to-Own
 - d. Instalmental payment
18. We received a total of 8,925 Expression of Interest. This comprises 1,294 for Outright Purchase, 2,408 for Mortgage, 2,184 for Rent-To-Own and 3,039 for Instalment payment.
 19. We have released the 1st batch of Offer of Provisional Allocation Letters for Outright Payment for successful applicants and keys issued to some of them. Those who applied to own the homes via mortgage are currently being processed by the Federal Mortgage Bank of Nigeria (FMBN).
 20. Fifth, we have also made significant progress in our efforts to establish a National Social Housing Fund (NSHF) in line with Mr. President's Renewed Hope Agenda to ensure that all Nigerians including the LOW AND NO INCOME, vulnerable and underprivileged groups have access to decent and dignified accommodation. The Ministry's Technical Committee and the Consultant have done extensive work on developing the framework for implementation.
 21. Sixth, as part of our land reforms we are exploring a partnership with the World Bank towards the implementation of a National Land

Titling Programme. Through this programme, we aim to partner with State Governments towards improving land formalisation from the less than 10% to 50% in the next ten years.

22. Through this initiative, the government through the Federal Ministry of Housing and Urban Development aims to establish a comprehensive, efficient, and accessible land registration system across Nigeria in line with the Renewed Hope Agenda of His Excellency, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR. By recording land transactions and ownership, and implementing advanced digital tools and technologies, the NLRDP seeks to ensure efficient land data management and accessibility for all stakeholders.
23. We have also made good progress in fixing the issues with the Federal Land Information System (FELIS). This digital system was created by our predecessor as part of efforts to centralize records of federal government land, ensuring their safety and integrity.
24. For years, our nation has grappled with conflicting and unsubstantiated figures regarding this housing deficit crisis. The range of estimates, varying from 17 million to 28 million, has not only been a source of embarrassment but also a hindrance to effective policymaking and strategic planning. On Monday this week, we inaugurated the Joint Steering Committee on National Housing Data.
25. The Committee has the mandate to develop and implement a blueprint for ensuring transparency and ease of access to housing data in Nigeria for policy and decision-making.
26. Membership includes representatives from Federal Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, National Population Commission, National Bureau of Statistics, Central Bank of Nigeria, Nigeria Mortgage Refinance Company, Federal Mortgage Bank of Nigeria, Federal Housing Authority, Family Homes Funds Limited, Mortgage Bankers Association of Nigeria, Housing Development Advocacy Network, Real Estate Developers' Association of Nigeria, and Association of Housing Corporations of Nigeria.
27. They have six months to complete their job and provide an actionable framework for establishing a National Housing Data Center.
28. As we move into the new year, I am hopeful that we will maintain the tempo of our activities and record more milestones towards actualizing the Renewed Hope Agenda of His Excellency, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, for Housing and Urban Development.

29. We plan to do groundbreaking for 2,000 housing unit Renewed Hope Cities in Lagos, and 1,500 housing unit Renewed City in Kano through PPP and FMBN next month. We have also acquired land in Enugu and Borno where we plan to build a 2,000 housing unit Renewed Hope City in each location under a PPP arrangement. Other planned locations for the Cities include Nasarawa (2,000 units) and Rivers (2000 units).
30. Overall, the Renewed Hope Cities and Estates Programme now has footprints in the FCT and 12 states. Remaining 18 States. We are currently engaging the National Assembly and Stakeholders towards 2024 Supplementary budgetary provision to enable us kickstart the projects in those 18 remaining States. Most of them have already provided us with unencumbered land at no cost.
31. I want to at this point, take out time to sincerely express my profound appreciation and gratitude to the leadership of the National Assembly and members of the Committees that oversight our Ministry for their continual support and encouragement.
32. We thank His Excellency, the Chairman Senate Committee on Lands, Housing and Urban Development, Sen. Aminu Waziri Tambuwal, CON and Distinguished members of the Senate Committee on Lands, Housing and Urban Development.
33. We thank the Chairman, House Committee on Housing, and Habitat – Hon. Abdulmumin Jibril Kofa and Distinguished members of the House Committee on Housing, and Habitat.
34. We also thank the Chairman, House Committee on Urban and Regional Development, Hon. Abiante Awaji – Inimbek Dagomie and Distinguished members of the House Committee on Urban and Regional Development.
35. You have all been of phenomenal support to our work at the Ministry. I recall that months ago I noted that there is a **MASSIVE AND HISTORIC MISMATCH** between the housing and urban development needs of our country versus budgetary provision. I pointed out that from research, Nigeria's population of over 220million with a growth rate of 2.5% p.a. requires about **550,000 UNITS** over the next ten years to meet the housing deficit. I also noted that this would require about **N5.5TRILLION PER ANNUM to fix**.
36. While I acknowledged that these cannot come from the Government and that we are working on PPPs and other sources of housing finance to bridge the gap, it is necessary for the government to do more in terms of budgetary allocation to Housing & Urban Development.

37. On this basis, we made a solemn request for the budgetary allocation of a minimum of N500bn Budgetary Allocation Per Annum for the Renewed Hope Cities and Estates Programme so that we can create more impact and enable more Nigerians have access to decent shelter. I am happy to say that this was well received by all the National Assembly Committees. This means that we are on course to tripling our impact in the 2nd year, God willing.
38. Besides increased budgetary allocation, we are intent on exploring all possible housing financing options to tackle the massive housing deficit that we face as a country. We may not have the financial war chest, but we have LEVERAGE AS A GOVERNMENT. For far too long we have failed to maximize our relationships with bilateral and multi-lateral institutions including those that we have substantial interests. We have seen where smaller African countries are taking advantage of these housing development institutions to boost housing for their citizens while we simply watch. Within this one year, we have taken steps to change this.
39. That is why I am pleased to announce that we are set to sign a Housing Development Partnership with the Shelter Afrique Development (ShafDB). Under the Partnership, the Pan-African housing institution will support the Renewed Hope Program with advisory services and financing of competent developers. We are looking at about 5,000 housing units in the pilot. This will be the first time that the Ministry is entering into such a practical and direct partnership with a multi-lateral institution for the construction of homes for Nigerians. Nigeria is the second largest shareholder in ShafDB only after Kenya with over \$29million USD share subscription. I want to specially thank the Managing Director of the Bank, Mr. Thierno Habib Hann for coming all the way from Kenya to be a part of today's event. Thank you, Habib.
40. In conclusion, I want to express our profound gratitude to His Excellency President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, for giving us the opportunity to serve. We want to reiterate our commitment to doing all within our powers to make a difference and justify the confidence that His Excellency reposes in us.
41. Thank you all for your attention.

DANGIWA CAPS ONE YEAR OF STELLAR PERFORMANCE WITH HISTORIC HOUSING ADVISORY AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP WITH SHELTER AFRIQUE DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Federal Ministry of Housing and Urban Development and leading Pan-African housing finance institution, Shelter Afrique Development Bank (ShafDB) yesterday signed a historic Joint Expression of Intent to partner towards the actualization of the Renewed Hope Agenda of the Bola Ahmed Tinubu's administration for housing and urban development.

The groundbreaking partnership represents the Ministry's first direct collaboration with a multilateral institution to build homes for Nigerians under the Ministry's Renewed Hope Housing Programme. Under the framework, Shelter Afrique Development will provide advisory services and financing to competent developers, with an initial goal of delivering 5,000 housing units in the pilot phase.

This was a key highlight at the Ministerial Briefing to mark the one-year anniversary of the Hon. Minister of Housing and Urban Development, Arc. Ahmed Musa Dangiwa and the Hon. Minister of State, HE Abdullahi Tijjani Gwarzo which held at the NAF Conference Center in Abuja, Thursday 22nd August 2024.

Arc. Dangiwa noted that the collaboration with Shelter Afrique Development aligns with the Ministry's strategy of leveraging bi-lateral and multi-lateral housing development financial institutions to expand access to decent and affordable

housing to Nigerians given the limited budgetary allocation versus the quantum of resources needed to tackle Nigeria's housing deficit.

"There is a massive and historic mismatch between the housing and urban development needs of our country versus budgetary provision. From research, Nigeria's population of over 220million with a growth rate of 2.5% p.a. requires about 550,000 units p.a. over the next ten years to meet the housing deficit. Conservatively this would require about N5.5trillion Per Annum to fix. This requires a more expansive and innovative housing finance approach and the partnership Shelter Afrique Development Bank at this stage of its transformation is a key step in this direction. We thank the Managing Director, Mr. Thierno Hann for his leadership and look forward to finalizing and getting the projects off the ground", he said.

Key aspect of the partnership framework includes ShafDB providing advisory services to the Ministry to structure affordable, solvent, ecological, and sustainable housing projects in major cities, as well as assisting the Ministry in raising funds for:

1. Development of Nigeria's Housing and Urban Development Partnership Strategy (CHUPS) by supporting the Ministry in conducting a comprehensive assessment of the

housing sector market integration in Nigeria. This will be achieved through the implementation of Shelter Afrique's "VIRAL" model, aimed at expanding the availability of large-scale, affordable.

2. Structuring of PPP transaction:

Shelter Afrique will provide advisory services to assist the Ministry in developing a market-attractive public-private partnership (PPP) transaction model for large-scale affordable housing programs and urban renewal projects. This model will target a minimum of 5,000 affordable and quality housing units, with the potential for nationwide replication.

3. Identification and selection of Private Partner Participants:

Shelter Afrique will provide advisory services to assist the Ministry in identifying and selecting one or more strategic private sector partners (PSPs) with demonstrated expertise in the development, financing, construction, marketing, and maintenance of the PPP project.

4. Capacity Building:

Shelter Afrique will provide advisory services to the Ministry through training programs, workshop seminars, policy development, and technical assistance to ensure the strengthening of the institutions' capacity and capabilities to address housing challenges and promote

sustainable urban development across Nigeria.

In his response, the Managing Director/Chief Executive of ShafDB, Mr. Thierno Habib Hann stated that the event indicates the Bank's readiness to support Nigeria's housing development goals.

"This development represents a landmark and historic milestone in Shelter Afrique Development Bank's partnership with Nigeria for advisory services and financing of developers towards the construction of 5,000 affordable units to support the Renewed Hope Agenda of the Ministry for housing and urban development. This is the first time in the history of the Ministry that we will be signing a framework for partnership. It is these kinds of partnerships that the Bank was set", he noted while commending Arc. Dangiwa for his proactive and progressive approach to leadership that made it possible.

Reflecting on a year of accomplishments, the Hon Minister Dangiwa outlined key achievements in advancing the Renewed Hope Agenda, including increasing stock of affordable under the Renewed Hope Cities and Estates Programme with groundbreaking for 6,612 housing units nationwide, launch of an online housing portal to ease homeownership, expansion of the Ministry's Urban Renewal and Slum Upgrade Programme with projects in over 26 sites nationwide, fast tracking sale and occupation of the housing units under the National Housing Programme.

The construction of 6,612 housing units has already created jobs for an estimated 165,000 skilled and unskilled workers, with future plans to deliver 50,000 units expected to provide employment for 1.25 million Nigerians.

Arc. Dangiwa also noted that work is at an advanced stage on several other initiatives. This includes plans to establish the National Social Housing Fund (NSHF) to cater to the housing needs of low, no income and vulnerable Nigerians, partnership with the World Bank towards the implementation of a National Land Titling Programme to increase land formalization and unlock the potential of land as an economic resource for the government and Nigerians.

On plans for the new year, Arc. Dangiwa said that he was optimistic that more progress would be made towards actualizing the Renewed Hope Agenda of Mr. President for the sector.

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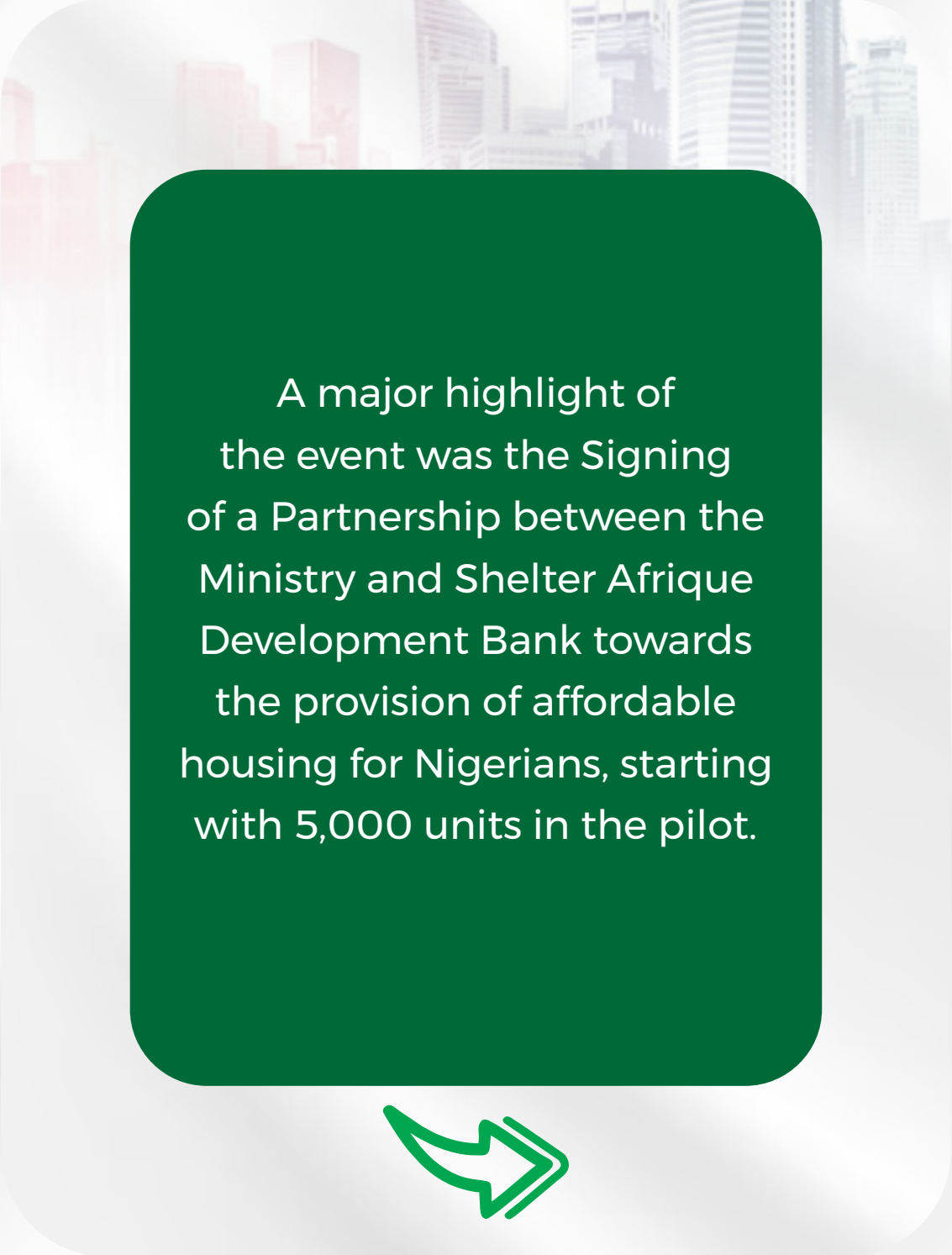
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The Hon. Minister expressed gratitude to the National Assembly, particularly the Senate and House Committees on Housing and Urban Development, for their continued support, as well as to the Ministry's agencies, staff, and members of the media.

Signed
Mark Chieshe
SA Media & Strategy



A major highlight of the event was the Signing of a Partnership between the Ministry and Shelter Afrique Development Bank towards the provision of affordable housing for Nigerians, starting with 5,000 units in the pilot.



**Housing Ministry Signs Historic Partnership with Shelter Afrique
...to Deliver 5,000 housing units in Pilot Phase**



Another major highlight was the submission of Reports by the four (4) Housing Sector Reform Task Teams, facilitated by Adedeji Adesemoye, Chairman of the Housing Institutions Reforms Task Teams. The Hon. Minister assured that the Ministry will quickly set up a review team to adopt low hanging fruits from the report in the short and medium term.



Housing Sector Reform Task Teams Submit Report,
Get Dangiwala's Assurance of Speedy Review and Implementation



We have seen how well the Honouble Ministers have taken on the task in the last one year, building houses in thousands and also looking to provide social housing as well through the National Social Housing Fund. I am so excited about that initiative because it touches the heart of the matter. I understand that there will be a Bill sent to the National Assembly in this regard. Let me assure the Ministers that we will give it the urgency it deserves and ensure you get the full support of the Committees and the National Assembly to do your work for the benefit of Nigerians.



**HONORABLE
ABDULMUMIN
JIBRIN**

Chairman, House of Reps Committee
on Housing and Habitat



We are grateful to the Committees overseeing the Sector and the leadership of the National Assembly for their support, and we will need them to do much more because what we have begun to do in the Housing and Urban sector is unprecedented in Nigeria, and we are only just beginning. I have a super Minister that I am learning from and who is providing excellent leadership in the sector, and together, we will move the sector forward in line with the Renewed Hope Agenda of His Excellency, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR.



**HE ABDULLAHI
TIJJANI GWARZO**

Minister of State, Housing &
Urban Development



It is quite impressive to see that the Ministers have built houses in their thousands across the country. This is important for the welfare of Nigerians and for speedy economic growth. I must also urge the Ministry not to relent on ensuring proper planning not just for the present, but for future needs as well. I congratulate them on one year of great successes, and urge them to remain focused on their mandate for the benefit of Nigerians.

**HON. ABIANTE
AWAJI-INOMBEK**

Chairman, House of Reps
Committee on Urban Development
and Regional Planning



Over the past 365 days, these dedicated Ministers have demonstrated visionary leadership, and a deep commitment to the Renewed Hope Agenda of Mr. President, His Excellency, Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, and have stayed true to their promise to transform the entire housing ecosystem of our country. These include the provision of affordable housing under the Renewed Hope Cities and Estates Housing Projects, urban renewal and slum upgrade projects across the 36 states of the Federation and the FCT, and numerous constituency infrastructure projects nationwide.



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