

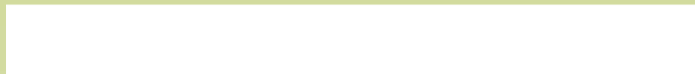
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Mission Statement

Archery is an Olympic sport and it is also a tradition of Nigerians. Comparatively, we intend taking the game of archery from the developmental stage and make it a household name among the Nigerian citizenry, just the very way Nigerians idolized football, we on our part will make sure that Archery is duly accepted and worshipped here in Nigeria within the next ten years.

VISION STATEMENT:

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Introduction and Our Target Goals:

This project is a road map for archery development in Nigeria. It is an open project for all ages provided they are interested in archery.

At International level archery is an Olympic sport; presently it has 4 gold in Olympic Games and soon likely to increase the medal prospect to 5 gold medals after the introduction of mix team event sails through.

Here in Nigeria we are trying to include the noble sport to our Nigeria National Sports Festival which can be considered as Nigeria Olympics, because it comprised more than 36 sports and it also involves 36 States and Federal Capital Territory (FCT).

Presently, archery is part of many traditional Sports Festivals in Nigeria i.e. National Games of Art and Culture (NAFEST) and Argungu Fishing Festival in Kebbi State and other local festivals as such.

It is the intention of this new Federation to establish archery in every State of Nigeria and as a house hold Sport.

Starting from this year, we are determined to organize various coaching courses, to attend foreign courses, to organize and attend championships here in Nigeria and African championships and overseas and to send some archers for foreign training tours where and when possible. Camping here and in abroad for high levels of training that will enable our archers face ideal various challenges.

Archery is part and parcel of our traditions in Nigeria and if well catered for, we should be able to win at least a gold medal in the next 2 years African Championship.

Furthermore, the Federation determined this project to enable Nigeria win at least a Gold Medal at 2020 Olympic Games.

Brief Background History of Archery in Nigeria

In 1998 we decided to bring archery to Nigeria when some Nigerians myself and late Jim Obot who was the major developer of powerlifting in Nigeria saw the values of archery as a major Olympic event.

The first meeting was held under the auspices of Mr. B. A. Orodele (NUGA Secretary General) in room 216 of National Institute for sports (Nisports), who advised us to meet some dignitaries and that advice led us to meet Major General Ishola Williams (Rtd) to help us establish a federation and also with expectation to make him our president.

But surprisingly, he declined the proposal and suggested Dr. Niran Adeniji (Ex Badminton President) to preside the Federation, and so that was how he became the President for good 14 years without a single championship.

However, during his tenure in year 2000; three Nigerians participated in Olympic Games qualifiers in South Africa, among them two were sponsored by FITA namely: Mrs. Gloria Obajimi now Nisports Registrar and Mr. Boluji Olatunji while Afolabi Dokunmu sponsored himself. Furthermore, FITA sent Boluji to Kenya in 2004 to attend I.O.C solidarity coaching course and also gave Nigeria 12 standard bows, through the then chairman of DTAC of Africa in person of Mr Andrew Omalla from Uganda.

Archery was demonstrated in Nigeria at the occasion of 10th National Sports Festival (Bauchi 2000) and at Edo 2004.

After that, there was no any other activity by the federation for some time and

that led to the establishment of the Archery Academy by Boluji in early 2005 after

the national sports festival at Anwar Islam College Agege and brought about the inclusion of archery in that school games (inter house sports game) and also demonstration of archery in Primary and Secondary School Sports Festival in 2006.

In 2009 the Federation was suspended due to failure to pay affiliation fees and lack of participation in active archery at home and abroad.

In early 2011 the federation was reformed and gained new affiliation from World Archery Federation (WA) while the following officers are now serving as preterm executives: Dr. Felix Okugbe as president, Mr. Bola Orodele as the V/President, Mr. Boluji Olatunji as Secretary,

Mr. Lucky Izekor as the Technical Director, Mr. Badmus Adeleke, Mr. Tom Oniovo and Mr Frank Ilaboya as Directors, while Barr. Bayo Lawanson serves as the legal adviser.

In 2012 the President Dr. Felix Okugbe from his purse sponsored two coaches to participate in I.O.C Solidarity Coaching Course: Boluji Olatunji and Izekor Lucky and three archers: Florence Ogunkoya, Adisa Rahman and Sunday Ogundeji to 4th TIZOCATA championship in Benin Republic and won the first ever medal in archery (2 bronze) for Nigeria.

Administrative Crew:

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EX. CO.)

The following are the Ex. Co. of NAFED: -

The President

The 1st Vice – President

The 2nd Vice –President

The 3rd Vice – President

The General Secretary

The Ass. Secretary General

The Financial Secretary

The treasurer

The PRO

Chairmen of Permanent Committees

WEAKNESSES/CHALLENGES:

There are so many weaknesses/challenges which we have to work upon to achieve success in the project, to mention the major ones as follows:

no enough hands

no sponsorship

yet to be recognized by the federal government

few archers and coaches

yet to get NOC membership

no equipment i.e. classic and compound bows

no arrows

no buttresses and target faces

no single referee

The technical committee is working hard on how to find solutions on all of the above challenges and they have also made recommendations to the executive committee and also to make necessary actions on them.

Above all the main issue is that the federation is lacking capable hands and on that note we shall put effort on how to improve our membership strength and by so doing to hook new members who are capable on many areas where we are lacking and to fortify the organization.

Developmental Committee:

However, the sole objectives of the noble sport can only be achieved with absolute support of various units; especially the corporate entity and many technocrats here among Nigerians and Foreigners.

The Developmental Committee comprises of members who are vast in many areas of sports development; such as highly technical, knowledgeable, influential, charismatic, active and passionate persons.

The present members are:

1. Dr. Niran Adeniji Administrative “
2. Mr. Boluji Olatunji Technical
3. Mr. Lucky Izekor “
4. Mr Tom Oniovo “

Our expectation is to get about 100 to 150 participants from each zone and we intend to use our local two FITA's trained resource personnel in first phase and to use the FITA resource personnel in the second and third phase of the programme.

We intend to start the programmes by holding coaching courses of about 7 days each of the 6 geo political zones of the Country.

Because of very few resource personnel available to handle the training; we shall schedule the training programmes on zonal basis as follows i.e

1. Zone I comprises of Ogun, Oyo and Lagos States

2. Zone II comprises of Ondo, Ekiti and Kwara States etc.

The purpose of the first and second phases is to raise participants and to give them the basic to medium experience before the coming of the third phase which is the final stage that will bring together about 50 people (male and female) that will attend the advanced training programme of the game of archery coaching mastery.

The third phase will be handled by a well advanced resource personnel from World Archery; possibly to be handled by Pascal Colmaire (Director of Coaching Education) or another high caliber coach who can positively affect high performance archers.

Education for Coaches and Archers:



Nigeria National Institute for Sports (NISPORTs) in Lagos is a sport coaching specific specialized institution and therefore we shall strive to see how a Nigerian coach can handle archery training for archers at the institute in other to reinforce the development of archery in Nigeria,

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West Africa and Africa as a whole. Also to make effort to include archery in elite athlete development programme of the same NISPORTs that have it's based in Abuja Centre.

Also to strive and send archers and coaches to foreign training as we deem fit and when the opportunities are available.

Sponsorship Drive Committee:

The Sponsorship Committee includes the following members:

Dr. Niran Adeniji (Chairman)

Mr. Bola Orodele (V/Chairman)

Mr. Badmus Adeleke (Member)

Mr. Francis Ilaboya (Member)

The federation shall use the above press members to influence the support of the corporate entities to come into our aid and also shall seek for sponsorship from the Ministry of sports and various individuals to support our mission etc.

This committee will have to work hard as this area is very important for sports development and especially when a sport is starting-up from the scratch. The committee have to go at all levels to seek for sponsorship, to hook up with corporate organizations may not be easily achieved at this level; but they have to also seek for states governments, sports councils, various individual philanthropists, and Ministry of sports at states and at national levels and also World Archery for further support.

We shall however appeal to the World Archery for support in terms of equipment and training of our coaches and exposure through training tours for the coaches and archers.

Equipment:

The available equipment are only standard bows given to us by the World Archery in year 2000 and in other to achieve our target goals; we need to acquire more standard, classic and compound bows. And also there is need for us to get bamboo bows for training and competitions.

Also we need to get local and standard buttresses, target faces, finger tabs, arm guard and arrows.

Nigeria is a big market in terms of population and therefore, we however wish to solicit for Equipment Companies to come and establish their branches in Nigeria in other to explore the opportunities in our Country and Africa.

Competitions:

We shall at intervals make effort to organize our national championships and to also strive hard to attend various international championships i.e. TIZOCATA, Africa championships, open

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championships in Europe and at wherever we deem necessary for exposure and proper development.

Source of Support/Finances:

Presently Nigeria archery Federation has no any source of income, but the only means are through self sacrifice from executive members through labor and some financial support in various capacities.

Affiliation within Nigeria:

Presently, there is no any organization that is affiliated to the federation; but we are looking towards when fully set up to request for states affiliation with the federation in which they will have to pay affiliation fees.

Motivation:

Motivation is a very important aspect of sports development; we therefore wish to measure the values of whatever rewards adequately so that it may not in turns discourage our participants either coaches, managers or archers at every given time when this is to be carried out.

A temporary committee will have to be engaged in other to meet the necessary recommendations and to engage the stimulus thresholds of the caliber of the achievers and also not to over emphasize the achievement.

APPRECIATION:

We wish to use this medium to express our hearty appreciation to the Nigerians who had given us many supports in one way or others and finally the World Archery Federation for all their financial and material supports both here in Nigeria and abroad.