



A Country Dealing with Trauma

Nigerians are going through difficult times - **poverty; police brutality; state abuse of power** (illegal arrests & intimidation); **insecurity** - armed robbery, terrorism, kidnapping (even school children are not safe); **inflation; COVID-19, sexual & gender-based violence; unemployment & underemployment; bribery & corruption; closed schools, and a struggling healthcare system.**

In the last one year, police brutality and extra-judicial killings have gotten a lot of attention and the stories shared on social media are heart wrenching. **According to Section 14 (2)(b) of the 1999 Nigerian Constitution (as amended), "the security and welfare of the people shall be the primary purpose of government".**

The Nigerian government continues to fail its citizens, governing a nation of traumatised human beings.

Tola @adetolaov · 1d
People are arrested with no record of their arrests and no communication of what station they are taken to, so our lawyers are going station to station. We have already checked 4 stations.

One year after #EndSARS, and the police is still using same tactic. Not one improvement.
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Ada Idemili @tellmarh
A Nigerian politician was caught on camera as he shot at someone from his car, the person died and the guy who recorded it also died under suspicious circumstances. Till today, nothing has been done. Dude is still "representing the people".
#EndSARS #EndSARSMemorial
23:38 · 19/10/2021 · Twitter for Android

NewsWireNGR @NewsWireNGR · 1d
VIDEO: "Let the whole world watch, look what they're doing to us" - Protester laments as Police arrest him at Lekki Toll Gate #EndSARSMemorial

Bad Bitch Wendy @MsNwangwa
According to my mom's driver, the women who handle cleaning of the streets of Calabar were protesting today about nonpayment of salaries and you know what security forces did to them? They threw teargas at them.
12:36 · 20/10/2021 · Twitter for iPhone

20.10.2020 @I_Am_Ilemona · 23h
This man attacked #EndSARS protesters. His name & address were posted on Twitter. His facebook handle was tagged.

He has never been arrested or prosecuted.
#EndSARS #NeverForget

John Ogu @ogujohnugo
A police man asked me for my ID card one night and I said I do not have, and that my face and name is my ID card. He later was yelling after I asked him his own and man literally showed me the gun he was carrying as ID card.
12:51 · 20/10/2021 · Twitter for iPhone

Let's be kind to one another. We are all going through a lot!

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"There is an urgent and massive need for moral and spiritual reconstruction: the kind which will help to demolish morbid desire for naked power and domination and ensure justice, equity and fair play for all."

Obafemi Awolowo (SAN, GCFR)
(Nigerian Nationalist and Statesman)

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