

## AGBOOLA ALFRED AJAYI

## — Triple A —

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#### Introduction

At the moment in Ondo State, democracy and wide participation by the people have given way to unsolicited and illegitimate outsourcing of power, fascism and totalitarianism.

It is our resolve that political power that is based on participation by the people must go back where it rightly belongs – **the people.** 

The Agboola Ajayi governorship shall return power and participation in government and political leadership to the people of Ondo State from Akotogbo to Akunnu. Open politics and effective leadership must secure the wellbeing of the residents of the state.

# THE PEOPLE'SAGENDA focuses on these cardinal programmes:

### **Education**

1. The development of technical, sport and entrepreneurship education as an antidote to unemployment.

- 2. Effective government intervention together with creative alternate funding for education.
- 3. Students' loan
- 4. Effective school board for quality and functional secondary education

### Industrialisation

- Developing Olokola Free Trade Zone towards creating a major industrial and trade hub in West Africa.
- 2. The establishment of Ondo State Development and Industrialisation

## **Agriculture**

The focus of **The People's Agenda** in this sector will be on achieving the set target of:

- 1. Unlocking the agricultural sector as a key job driver in the economy.
- 2. Supporting emerging farmers and SMME-type agribusinesses
- 3. Recognition and protection of farm workers in Ondo State.
- 4. Creation of 3 Agricultural Development Zones (ADZs) and prioritization of commodities in the zones where support will be given to farmers to promote production of specific products in the state.
- 5. Reactivation of farm settlements for Youth in Agriculture.

## **Forestry**

 1. Review of forestry policies and laws for sustainable development of the sector.

- 2. Pursuit of climate change agenda in line with REDD.
- 3. Establishment of Forest Communities Development Commission (FCDC) to address issues like enclaves, encroachments, conflicts and sustainable community management of forests.
- 4. Eco-Tourism and wildlife conservation

## Youth Development and Empowerment

- 1. Creation of Tech Hubs across the state (through partnership with Google, Microsoft and Huwei, etc)
- 2. Out-of-School Youth Development programme.
- 3. Establishment of After-School programme to develop entrepreneur and leadership skill for secondary pupils.
- 4. Establishment of youth development centre in the 18 LGAs

### **Tourism**

- 1. Development and promotion of Ondo State as a business and Africa's premier tourism destination.
- 2. Development of the state's long coastline especially llaje Beach and Opotuo Island together with Idanre Hills as choice tourism destinations.
- 3. 3.Turning the state's tourist centres to meeting and conference centres.
- 4. 4.Promotion of sport tourism (Swimming, mountain climbing, etc)

#### Health

- 1. Total health coverage for every resident of the state.
- 2. The establishment of a sustainable local intervention medical team to cover the Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in each local government.
- 3. Ambulance services with dedicated lines for emergencies on highways and citywide.

### **Environment**

1. A new policy and comprehensive law on environment in Ondo State.

## **Sport**

- Get Ondo State into the nation's top sporting states and placing the state on the world sport map.
- 2. Increasing the economic value of sport through innovations.
- 3. Establishment of Sport Development Fund.
- 4. Establishment of a sport development centre or institute (Games Village).
- 5. Collaboration with LGAs for the development of sport facilities.

## **Social Security**

- 1. Old age monthly pension for indigenes of 75 years and above.
- 2. Tertiary education scholarship for the disabled.
- 3. Free health care for children (ages 0-6) and adults (70 and above).

### Infrastructure

The provision of critical infrastructure is central to any serious developmental agenda. Under infrastructure, The People's Agenda shall focus on: roads, provision of drinking water, and electricity.

#### Road:

- Good road network to connect all towns and villages in the state.
- Priority to be given to rural roads.
- Facelift for major towns in the state.

#### Water:

- Innovative solution to water problems in the state.

#### **Electricity:**

- Lighting up towns and villages unconnected to power sources.
- State-driven solution to power problems.
- Investment in solar farms and alternative sources of power to light up the state.

# Traditional Institutions and Leaders

- 1. Recognition of the roles of traditional rulers.
- 2. Integration of palace courts into formal judicial system.
- 3. New chieftaincy declarations and review of pending chieftaincy

## **Security and Safety**

 1. Securing the safety of all residents at home, school, place of work and on farmlands.

- 2. Community life free of fear.
- 3. Prioritizing community policing through effective collaboration with other states in the south west region.
- 4. Development of necessary data to capture the identities of residents of the state.
- 5. Computer-based data bank of offenders and crimes in the state for effective administration of criminal justice and general security.

# Intergovernmental Relations

Under The People's Agenda, intergovernmental relations shall be cordial. The usurpation of the responsibilities of other arms of government through the practice of criminal erosion of functions would be a thing of the past. Financial autonomy for both the legislature and judiciary as enshrined in constitutional provisions shall be fully implemented. Our watchwords in relating with the legislature and judiciary shall be mutual respect, trust, tolerance and cooperation for the good of Ondo State people.

## Local Government Administration

- 1. Only credible, competent and innovative persons shall be allowed to man the 18 LGAs in Ondo State.
- 2. Federal allocations to the local government areas would be strictly for their use to bring governance nearer to the people as envisaged.
- 3. Democratization of the local government system and full autonomy shall be pursued.

#### **OSOPADEC**

OSOPADEC shall be restored to its core mandate in order to meet the expectations of oil producing communities in the southern part of the state. To underscore this, a truly independent OSOPADEC shall be birthed. The Derivation Fund payable to the agency shall be increased to provide more funds for the development of our oil producing area.

#### **WOMEN**

Under the The People's Agenda, women shall take up prime positions in all spheres of leadership. In pursuit of the ideal of political liberalisation, more women shall be encouraged to participate in the politics of the state. Specific programmes targeted to encourage them as mothers, wives, sisters, girl-child, public sector workers, traders and business women would be put in place.

- Maternity leave shall be extended to 6 months from 3 months.
- A Business Revolving Loan specifically for female traders shall be created under the management of Ondo State Micro Credit Agency at low interest rate

# Internally Generated Revenue (IGR)

To achieve the objective of raising IGR for sustainable development, under The People's Agenda, we shall:

1. Launch an aggressive and innovative IGR drive.

- 2. Block waste and loopholes for optimal utilisation of funds.
- 3. Re-strengthen Ondo State Multilateral Office for access to available grants from donor agencies and development partners.
- 4. Create well-structured Desk Offices for Ondo State Multilateral Agency in all MDAs.

