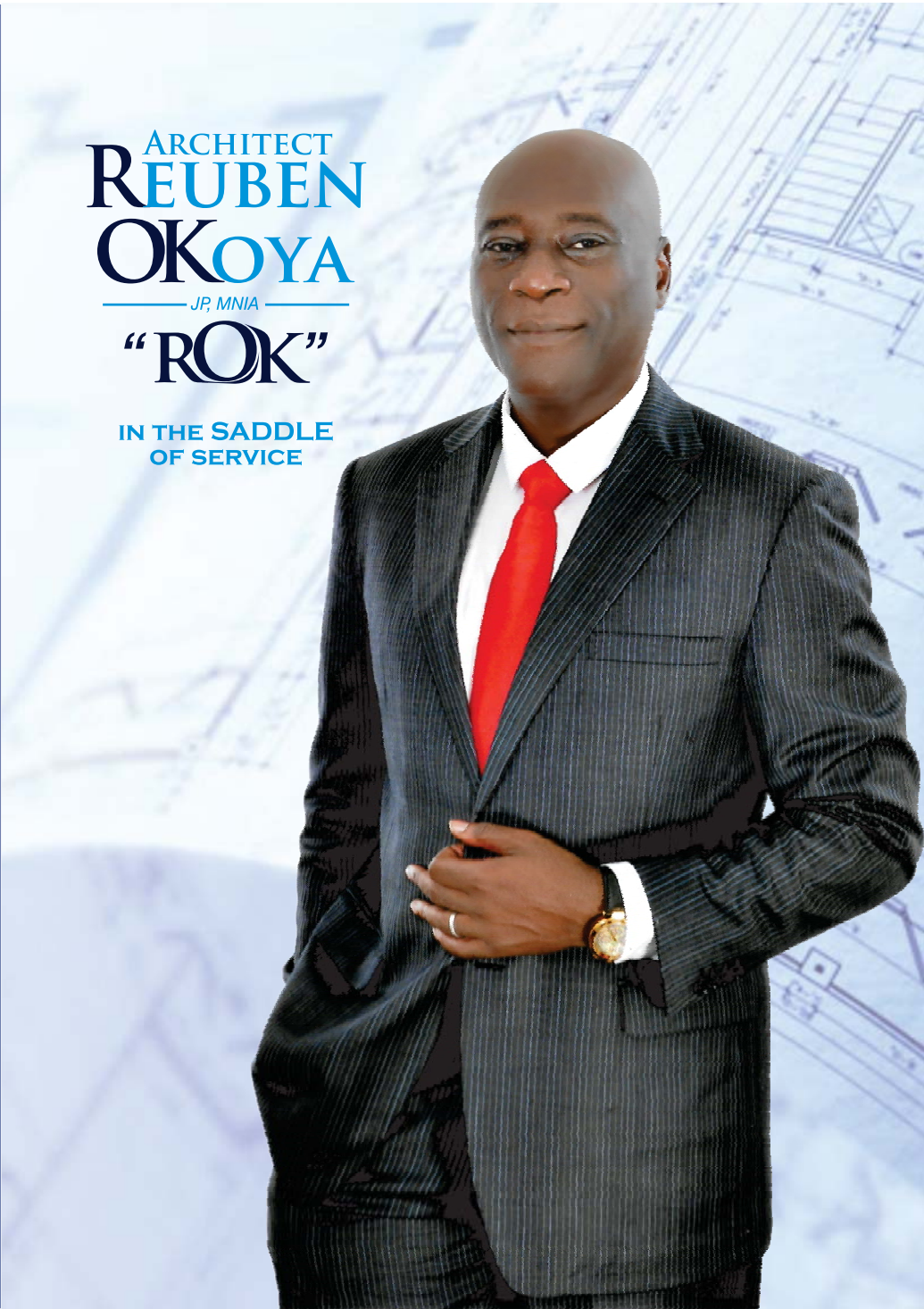




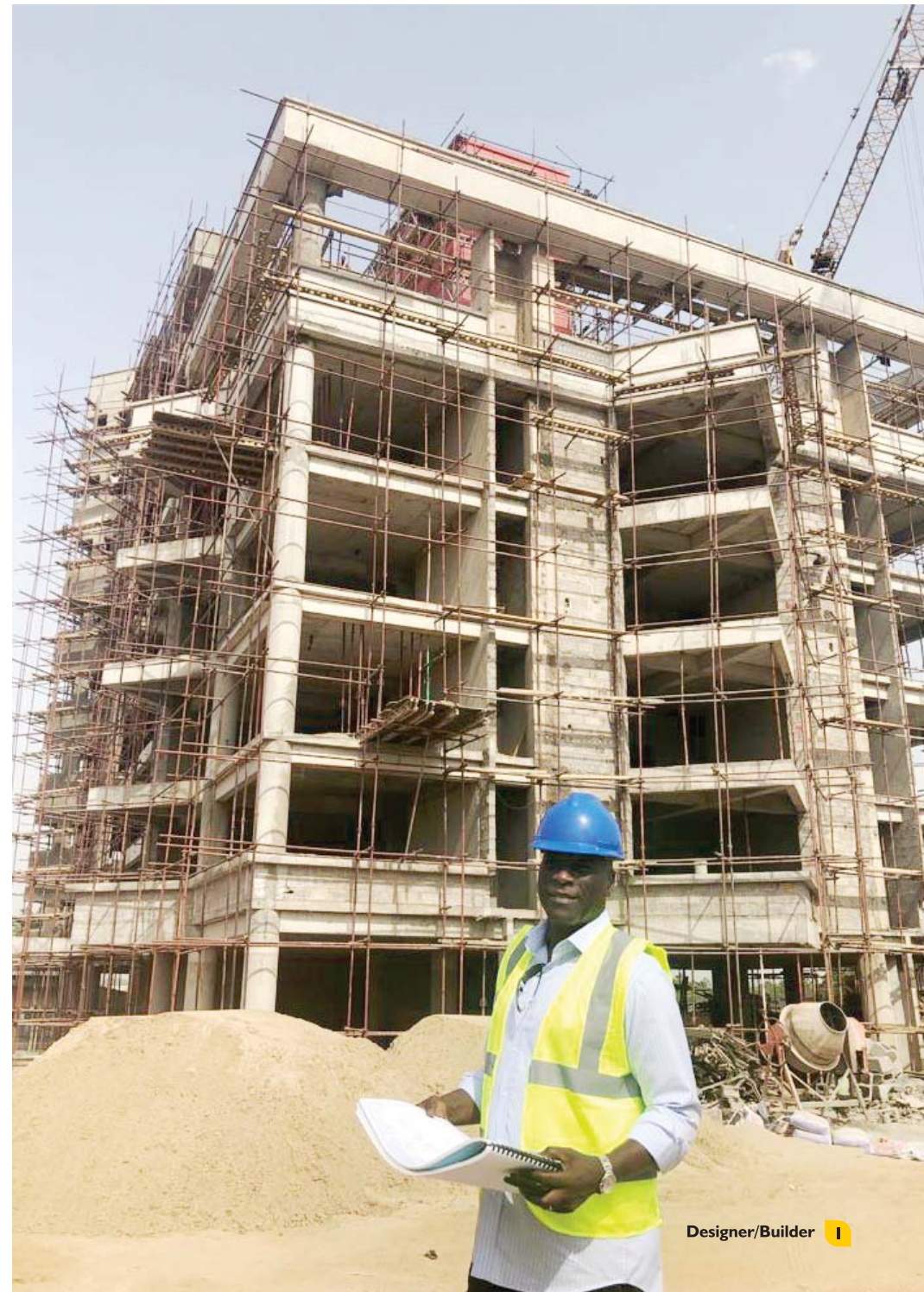
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ARCHITECT
**REUBEN
OKOYA**
— JP, MNIA —
“ROK”

IN THE SADDLE
OF SERVICE





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COMMITMENT

I am driven by my passion for and commitment to good governance to ensure a better life and prosperity for all Nigerians. I have been fortunate throughout my professional career to have held administrative, managerial and political positions from which I have been able to serve the people to the best of my abilities. In every instance, I have excelled.

My desire to serve has only been heightened and deepened by the clear and present need for good governance and proper and effective resource management.

In this diary lies the maze of my experience, passion and commitment as expressed during my service as:

- Private Businessman
- Construction Manager, Niger Delta University Project, Bayelsa State.
- Commissioner for Special Projects, Bayelsa State and
- Coordinator, Abuja Metropolitan Management Council (Abuja City Manager)

– Architect Reuben Okoya

DESTINY

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rom early childhood, destiny honed the leadership acumen of Architect Reuben Okoya, with an innate passion for helping people expand their imagination and maximize their potential. This passion did not only deepen in him a strong sense of justice and a great passion for excellence, it also led him to positions of leadership at different stages of his life.

Like a diligent coach, destiny prepared him painstakingly for impact and influence, for which he has been widely honoured and celebrated within and outside Bayelsa State because of his great investments in human capital and infrastructural development.

Today, by virtue of his humility, visionary leadership style, track record of sterling achievements and contributions to nation building, he has emerged as one of the most respected and honoured men in the state.

In addition, this has motivated and shaped an entire generation of youth, men and women in the state and has become a metaphor for administrative excellence.



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The GENESIS



**HE WHO OPENS
A SCHOOL DOOR,
CLOSES A PRISON”**

- Victor Hugo

"Always do the right thing even if there is no benefit to you."

- Chief E.P. Okoya

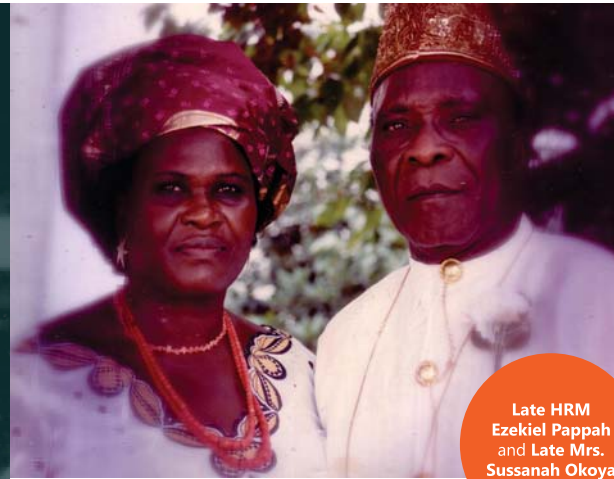
Foundation for Excellence & Performance

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rchitect Reuben Boutuaowei Okoya was born on 3rd July, 1961, to Late His Royal Majesty Ezekiel Pappah Okoya of Bumoundi in Ekpetiama Clan, the Ibenanaowei of Ekpetiama Kingdom and Late Mrs. Sussanah Okoya of the eminent family of Chief Michael Engule Soba of Igbedi, both of Bayelsa State.

His father, being someone having truth, honesty and humility as his core values, was a member of the Eastern Region House of Assembly (1951).

Thereafter, he was appointed a Minister (Transport, Health and Information) in the Eastern Region between 1954 and 1966. Subsequently, he was made an Officer of the Federal Republic (OFR) in recognition of his services to the nation in 2009.



Late HRM
Ezekiel Pappah
and Late Mrs.
Sussanah Okoya

In his time as a minister, his father succeeded in providing a substantial amount of amenities to the minority he was elected to serve, and to the Ijaw areas in particular.

A few examples are as follows:

- Built two General Hospitals, one at Yenagoa and the other at Okrika,
- Provision of health centres at Odi, Sabagreia, Biseni, Kolo, Oporoma and Nembe.
- **Construction of the Mbiama/Yenagoa Road.**
- Built the former House of Assembly Complex at Yenagoa.
- **Provision of potable water at Okordia/Zarama and Amassoma.**
- Established an Agricultural Department in Yenagoa; and through his efforts, Yenagoa was made the capital of Yenagoa Province.
- **He established the current Federal Medical Centre, Yenagoa, which is now the centre of health activities in Bayelsa.**



EDUCATION

His father's belief in education made him drive all his children to become graduates with master's degrees or professionals in their fields of endeavour. In that stead, Late King Ezekiel Pappah Okoya ensured that all his eight children, which he got from one wife, had the best of education and emulated his life of honesty, service and humility.

Following his father's dream, Architect Reuben Okoya started his primary school education at Township School, Port Harcourt and thereafter, attended Government Comprehensive Secondary School, Borokiri, Port Harcourt, where he got the West African School Certificate in 1977. He went further to study at the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma, USA in 1978. In 1981, he bagged a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Design (BSED), and a Master of Architecture (M. Arch) from Florida A and M University, Tallahassee, Florida, USA in 1984. He is registered with the Nigerian Institute of Architects (NIA), Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and American Institute of Architects (AIA).



CAREER

After his education, Architect Reuben Okoya embarked on a flourishing and successful Design and Construction Career and has also devoted his time in serving Bayelsa State and the Federal Government in various capacities.

FAMILY & FAITH

He is a devout Christian with true greatness wrapped in humility, simplicity and a strong unshakable faith in the will of God. He has undoubtedly latched onto the indelible footsteps of his late father, HRM Ezekiel Pappah Okoya, who was erudite, compassionate and an accomplished man that attracted great respect from everyone within and outside his domain. Architect Okoya is happily married to Natalie, who is a technocrat working with a multinational company in the Oil and Gas industry. They are blessed with Miss Wenginanaye Tehillah and Master Ebinimi Kenanyah.



STEWARDSHIP

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**THE BEST WAY TO
FIND YOURSELF IS
TO LOSE YOURSELF
IN THE SERVICE OF
OTHERS.”**

- Mahatma Gandhi

Professional Practice

1984 – 2000



Like Alexandre Gustave Eiffel, the designer of the Eiffel Tower (an iron lattice tower located in the city of Paris, France), Architect Reuben Okoya has used the science and art of architecture as a window to express the power of his creative thoughts and vision for excellence and professionalism.

As a professional, who has a penchant for goal-getting, whether in private practice or as an administrator in the public sector, his focus in every project has always been planning, designing and constructing form, space and ambience to reflect functional, technical, social, environmental and aesthetic considerations.

Between 1984 and 1991 he worked in different establishments. He was, at one time, a staff Architect with the Professional Engineers Inc, a leading architectural firm in Alexandria, Virginia, USA, where he was responsible for Project Design and Project Management for all Architectural and Engineering Projects.

In 1991 he joined VHT Associates as a Director of Architecture and Construction. The company, based in Washington DC, offered professional services to private and public institutions in the United States of America. He continued his professional practice there till 2000 before returning to Nigeria to serve his motherland.



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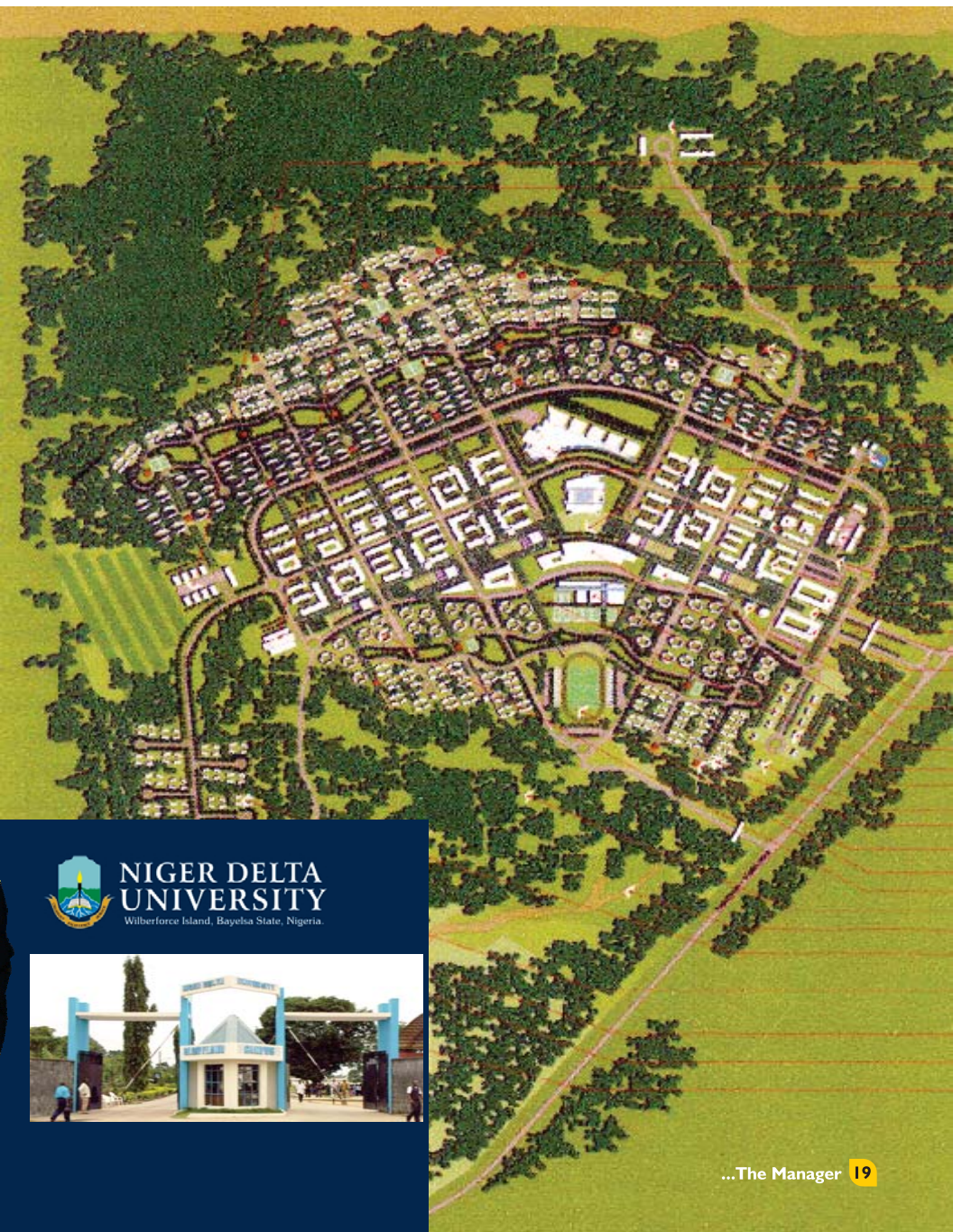
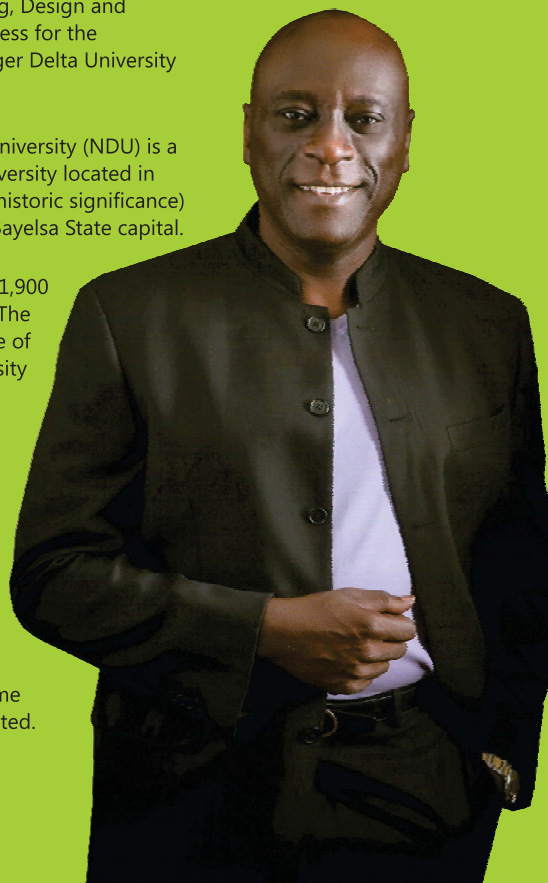
Construction Manager, Niger Delta University

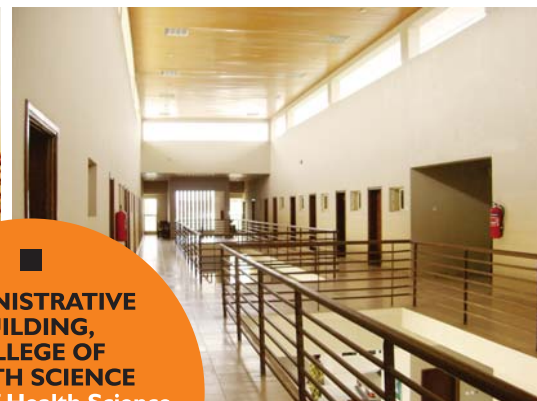
2000 – 2003

In 2000, Architect Reuben Okoya returned from the United States of America to join the services of the Bayelsa State Government as Construction Manager, Niger Delta University Project, where he managed the entire Planning, Design and Construction Process for the infrastructural development of the Niger Delta University permanent site.

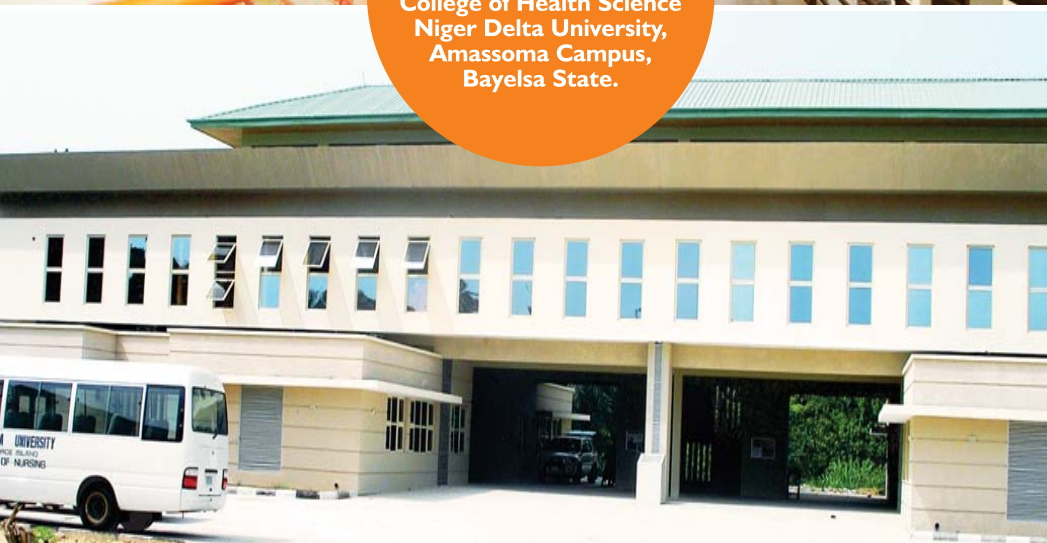
Established in 2000, the Niger Delta University (NDU) is a Bayelsa State Government funded university located in Wilberforce Island (an island of great historic significance) about 30 kilometers from Yenagoa – Bayelsa State capital.

The site is an island located on about 1,900 hectares in a bend of the Niger River. The only access road to the site at the time of construction was by water. The university designed for a student population of 5,000, and it provides a full range of academic disciplines with 9 faculties and a college of medicine, plus community support services and residential areas for the students, faculty and staff. As the Construction Manager, Architect Reuben Okoya was fully responsible in designing, planning, construction and completion of the entire university project. The following pages show some of the buildings completed.





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**ADMINISTRATIVE
BUILDING,
COLLEGE OF
HEALTH SCIENCE**
College of Health Science
Niger Delta University,
Amassoma Campus,
Bayelsa State.

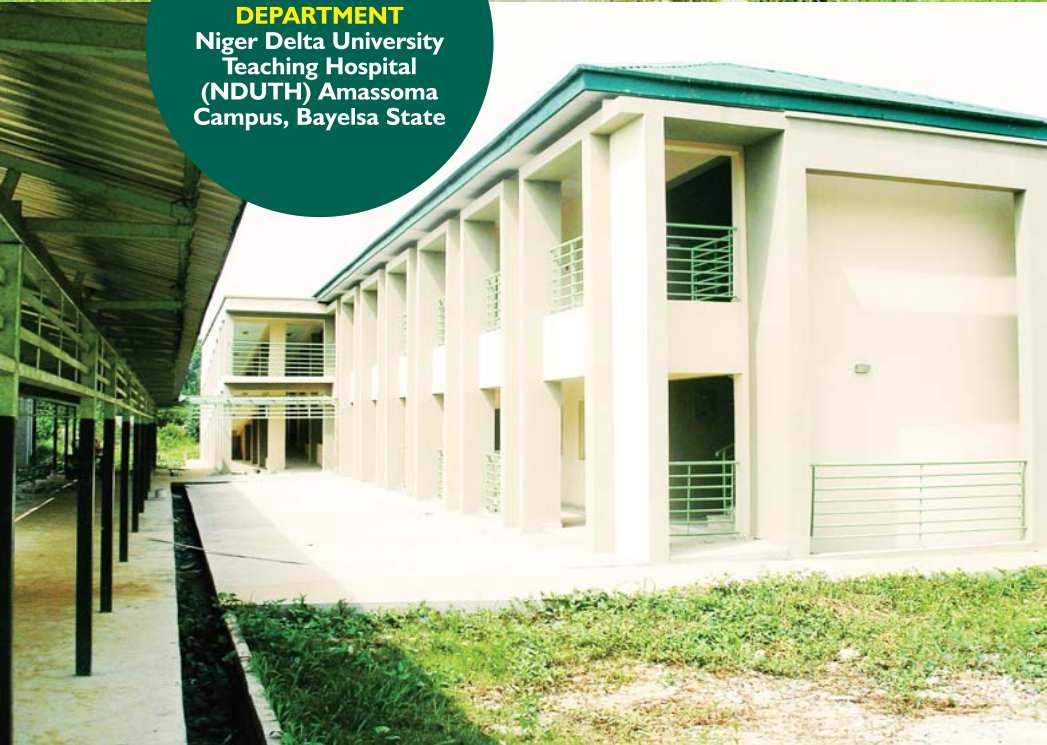


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**ENGINEERING
WORKSHOP AND
LABORATORIES**
Niger Delta University,
Amassoma Campus,
Bayelsa State.

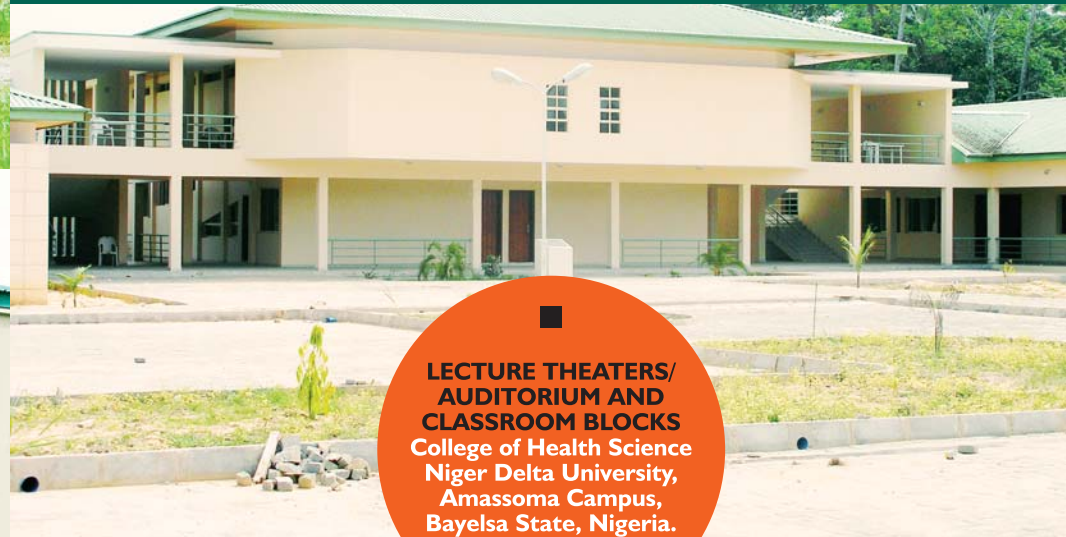




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**PEDIATRICS / OBS /
 GYNECOLOGY
 DEPARTMENT**
 Niger Delta University
 Teaching Hospital
 (NDUTH) Amassoma
 Campus, Bayelsa State



Construction and erection of Lecture Theater / Auditorium and 2 Nos Classroom Blocks. The total floor area is approximately 2,031m². The construction is of reinforced cement frame and sandcrete block panel with 0.50mm longspan aluminum roofing sheet covering on timber trusses. Aluminum louver windows, solid core internal doors and purposed hardcore external doors, internal wall are rendered with cement mortar. Floors are of vitrified tiles and terrazzo paving all through. The services are mainly plumbing and electrical. External works include paved walkways and landscaping.



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**LECTURE THEATERS/
 AUDITORIUM AND
 CLASSROOM BLOCKS**
 College of Health Science
 Niger Delta University,
 Amassoma Campus,
 Bayelsa State, Nigeria.



Commissioner for Special Projects, Bayelsa State

2003 – 2007



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From 2003 to 2007, Architect Reuben Okoya was appointed Commissioner for Special Projects in Bayelsa State by the H.E. D. S. P. Alamieyeseigha and H.E. Goodluck Jonathan administrations.

As the Honorable Commissioner, Architect Reuben Okoya managed numerous projects across the state. These included but were not limited to infrastructural, social, educational, medical and other projects.

Architect Reuben Okoya was the political head of the Ministry and supervised the day to day running of the Ministry. His duties included:



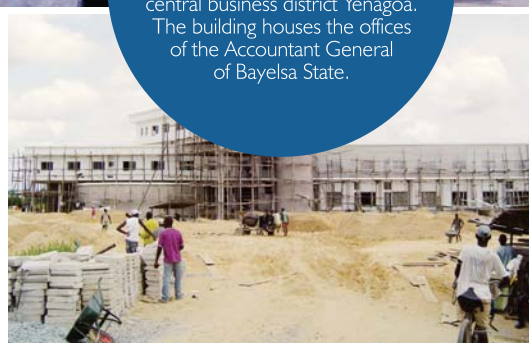
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Treasury Building Accountant General's Office Complex

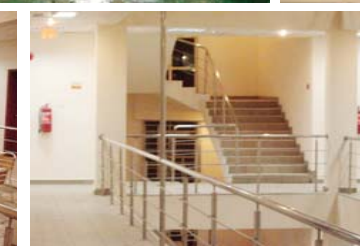
The site is located in the central business district Yenagoa. The building houses the offices of the Accountant General of Bayelsa State.

- Formulation and implementation of policy frame work to guide the rapid and qualitative completion of priority projects as identified by the Government of Bayelsa State.
- Liaising with other ministries and parastatals to identify areas of mutual cooperation and to jointly complete projects of interest to the state.
- Identifying and fast tracking of slow paced or abandoned projects.
- Preparation, review and vetting of design/contracts drawings and documents for various projects cutting across all other ministries in the state.



REVENUE HOUSE, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICES, YENAGOA, BAYELSA STATE

It is a three-storey office building erected to accommodate the Bayelsa State Board of Internal Revenue



**INTERIOR OF
REVENUE HOUSE,
INTERNAL REVENUE
SERVICES, YENAGOA,
BAYELSA STATE**

Some notable projects conceived, implemented and completed during his tenure include but not limited to:

- DSP Alamieyeseigha Information Technology Center, Yenagoa.
- Main State Secretariat Annex, Yenagoa.
- State Secretariat Annex,
- State Secretariat Annex 1, Yenagoa.
- Treasury Building, Yenagoa.
- Revenue House, Yenagoa.
- Cultural Center, Yenagoa.
- Renovation of General Hospital, Okolobiri
- Kiama Internal Road Network (3Km)
- St Peter's Anglican Church, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State.

His success is achieved through a balance of technical excellence, vast professional experience both locally and internationally, creativity and corporate managerial/ leadership skill with a commitment to timely delivery and within budget.

He was:

- Chairman of African Movie Academy Awards (AMAA) Planning Committee (2007)
- Vice Chairman of African Movie Academy Awards (AMAA) Planning Committee (2006)
- Member Bayelsa State Executive Council, (4 Years)

**GENERAL
HOSPITAL**
Doctors and Staff
Residences, Okolobiri,
Bayelsa State.

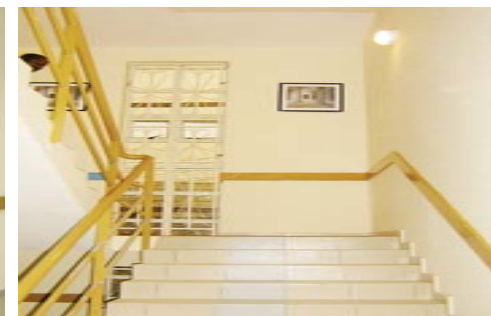
**STATE SECRETARIAT
ANNEX 1 & 2, Special**
Advisers Office
Complex, Yenagoa,
Bayelsa State.



By the time he was leaving office in 2007 as a result of the new administration led by H.E. Timipre Sylva, Architect Reuben Okoya had left his mark as a performer.

The undeniable truth, attested to by citizens of Bayelsa State, is that the Ministry of Special Project under Architect Reuben Okoya definitely added value to the H.E. D.S.P. Alamiyeseigha and H.E. Goodluck Jonathan administrations in the state.

In his characteristic modesty, Architect Reuben Okoya is always quick to give the glory to the Almighty God.





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**NEW GOVERNOR'S
LODGE, BAYELSA STATE**

Design and Project
Management handled by
Architect Reuben Okoya
(Ministry of Special Projects)
and constructed by
Julius Berger Nigeria
Plc.



Private Practice

2007 – 2011

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From 2007 to 2011, Architect Reuben Okoya returned to private practice. Being a member of Nigerian Institute of Architects (NIA), the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and American Institute of Architects (AIA) and coupled with his vast experience as an administrator, he established a firm to offer choice service to clients.

As Chief Executive Officer, he ensured that the company achieved its strategic objectives by providing adequate resources, effective as well as efficient leadership and direction to staff. He developed and

supported the Corporate Governance framework of the organisation by delegating some responsibilities to members of the Management Team.

His responsibilities included but not limited to:

- 1 Oversaw design and construction projects and feasibility studies as well as delivered post-construction services
- 2 Managed teams of multi-disciplinary professionals, including architects, engineers and external consultants
- 3 Motivated, developed and led members of the Management Team
- 4 Chaired meetings of the Management Team
- 5 Liaised with clients and ensured efficient management and delivery of projects for Federal and State Governments and private institutions
- 6 Implemented the Board's policies and strategies
- 7 Developed and presented the strategic and annual business plans
- 8 Managed the day-to-day operations of the company
- 9 Managed resources efficiently and effectively to achieve the company's objectives
- 10 Took a leadership role in establishing or developing the company's culture and values
- 11 Ensured that there is a fit between strategy and culture, and the company's processes and structure
- 12 Ensured that appropriate project processes and procedures were in place
- 13 Developed and implemented a risk management plan
- 14 Ensured that there was a succession plan in place



Coordinator, Abuja Metropolitan
Management Council - AMMC
(Abuja City Manager)

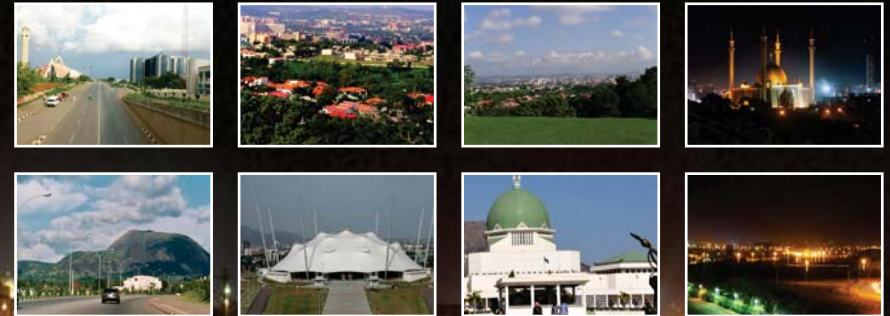
2011 – 2015

In recognition of his admirable attributes, charisma, virtues and expansive achievements in delivering in the Niger Delta University Project and as Commissioner for Special Projects in Bayelsa State, he was appointed as Coordinator, Abuja Metropolitan Management Council - AMMC (Abuja City Manager), by the FCT Minister, Senator Bala Mohammed in 2011.

He served meritoriously in the role akin to Mayor, and was in charge of orchestrating and managing AMMC's activities to ensure the accomplishment of its published organizational goal of bequeathing to Nigeria, a first class Capital City that is not only a functional seat of government, but comparable to any world class city.

Abuja Metropolitan Management Council (AMMC) operated through Seven Technical and one Service Departments namely:

- 1 Administration and Finance
- 2 Development Control
- 3 Facilities Maintenance and Management
- 4 Parks and Recreation
- 5 FCT Emergency Management Department
- 6 Abuja Environmental Protection Board (AEPB), and
- 7 Special Duties





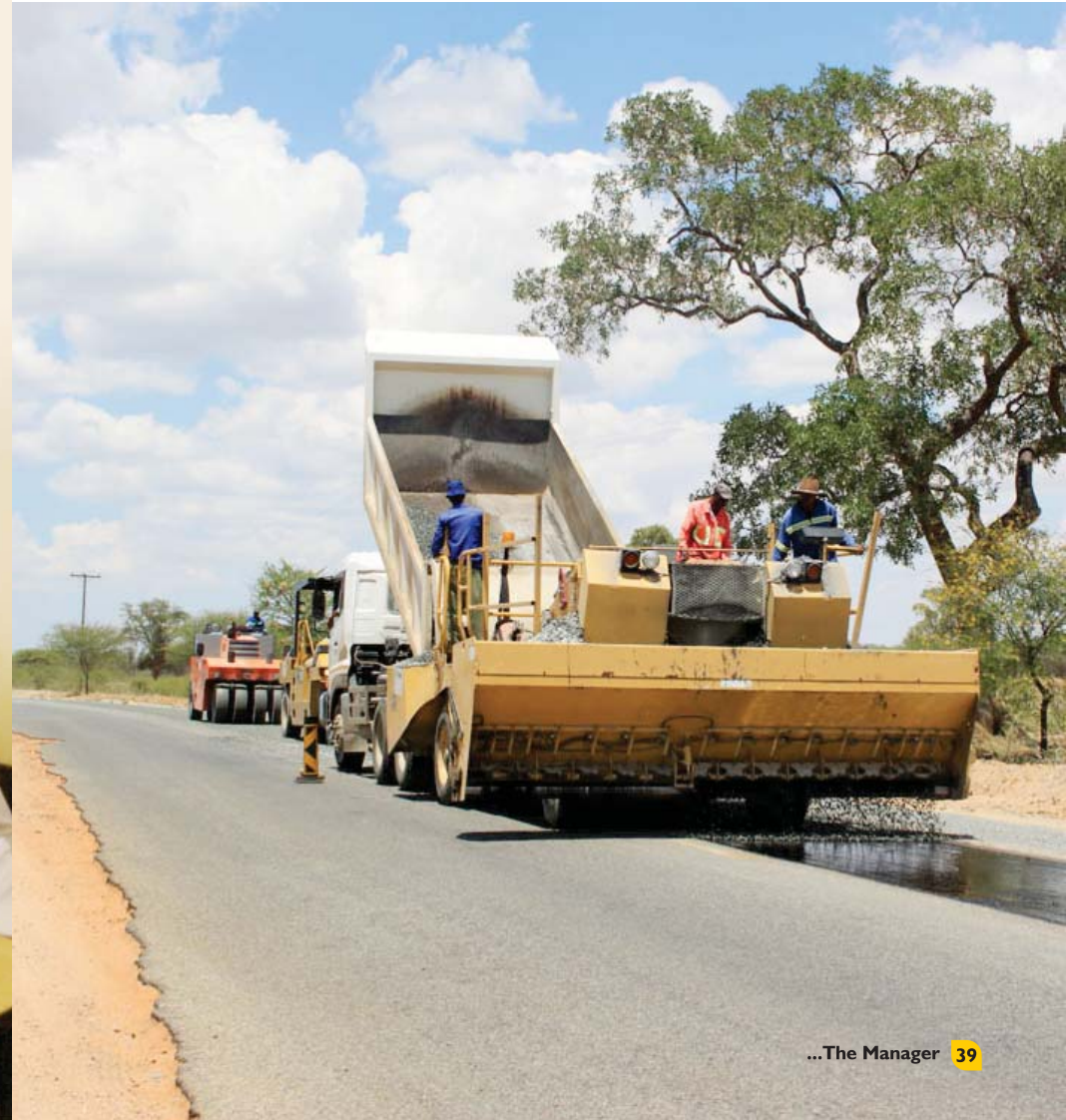
Computerization of Building Plan Approval Process: Development Control Information System (DevCIS)

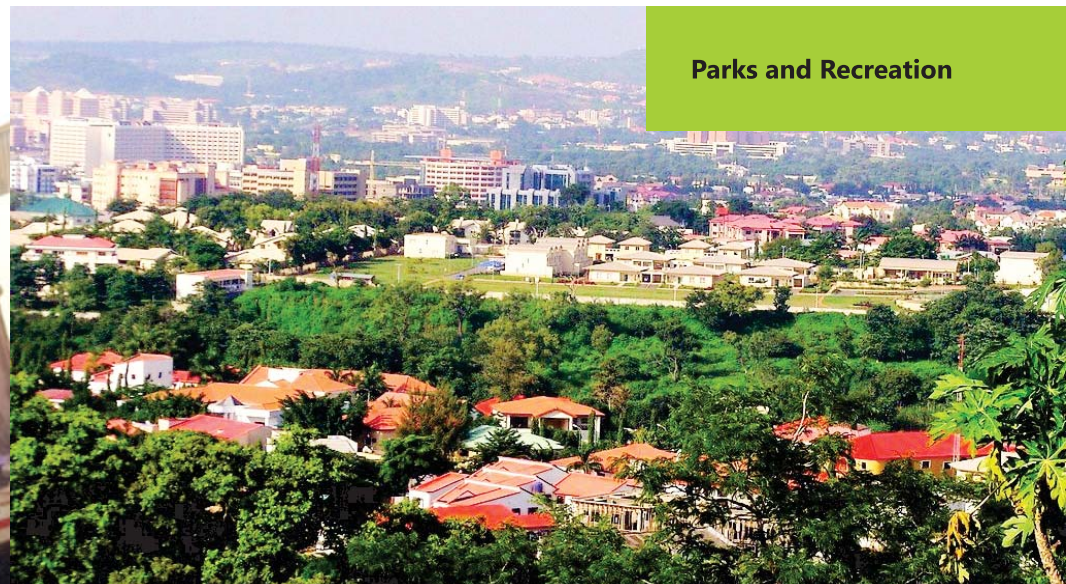
Following the implementation of Development Control Information System (DevCIS) in collaboration with Nigerian Communications Satellite (NIGCOMSAT) Limited, which started since April 2011, a total of 17,035 applications for building plan permit from various Area Councils have been captured in DevCIS Database. This has enabled establishment of the Department's Front Office towards the automation process to ensure integrity of submission/softcopies accepted for building plan processing and the generation of the sum of N2,596,940,370.39 as revenue.



Opening of Access Roads

In 2010, a decision was taken by the Council, but implemented during his tenure as Coordinator, to enable developers have access to their plots in Districts where there are final Engineering Design. It enabled developers to take possession of their plots and fast track development which resulted to a more rapid construction of buildings appearing in the territory.





Purchase of Departmental Vehicles and Heavy Duty Equipment

With Area Council development springing up and building of District Offices in the Area Councils, from 2011 to date, the department was able to procure additional 27 Nos. Heavy Equipment and 26 Nos. Toyota Hilux, and were immediately put into use. The vehicles and heavy duty equipment help the Department during the routine monitoring of building and removal of illegal structures and shanties in the FCC.



Development of Recreational Facilities Within The Neighbourhood

The Abuja Master Plan provides land use for neighbourhood parks in each neighbourhood of FCT.

11 Nos. Recreational Facilities were awarded for construction in 2009.

10 Nos. recreational centres were completed and put into use in 2012, during his tenure as Coordinator, while 1 was completed in 2013. It has granted access to people living within the neighbourhood for sporting and other recreational activities.

Beautification of The FCC

The beautification and greening of the City is enhanced with 5 landscaped sites in Area 1, Maitama and Asokoro.

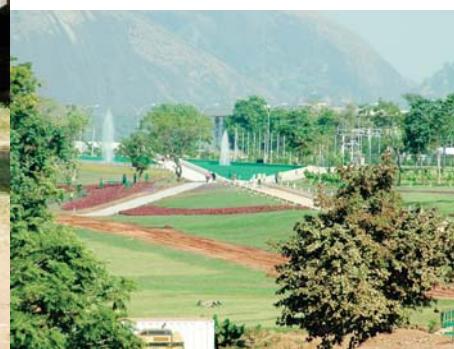
In 2012, 30 sites were landscaped with 900m prototype white beautification panel.





Procurement of Utility Vehicles and Park Working Implement E.g Slasher and Hilux

2 Nos. of slashers were procured in 2012, and 10 slashers were procured in 2013. 15 Nos. of Hilux were supplied in 2013 for effective policing and monitoring of parks development, operation and vegetation control as well as achieve a well maintained greenery in the environment within the Federal Capital Territory.



Abuja Environmental Protection Board (AEPB)



Abuja Environmental Protection Board (AEPB)

The Board achieved a lot in the following areas: (1) Enforcement of all environmental legislations and abatement of all forms of environmental degradations and nuisance. (2) Minimization of impact of physical development on the ecosystem (3) Preservations, conservations, and restorations to pre-impact status all ecological processes essential for the preservation of bio diversity (4) Protection and improvement in air, water, land, forest and wild life in the ecology of the FCT (5) Municipal liquid and solid waste collections and disposal/sanitation management services including connections of plots to the central sewer line (6) Pollutions control and environmental health fumigations and vector control services. (7) Acquisition of additional vehicles and silos. (8) Manpower Training.



Establishment of Fire Service Training School

Realizing the need for the Firemen to receive the modern fire fighting techniques to meet up with international best practice and handle rescue situation in a professional way, the FCT Administration saw the need to establish a Fire Service Training School. Professionalization of the Fire Personnel in the FCT and environs has been achieved since the establishment of the School.

Establishment of Disaster Data Bank

A Disaster Monitoring Template (DMT) encompassing key issues in disaster management has been developed to track disaster events in the six(6) Area Councils of the FCT. The project was completed in 2012 and now fully in operation.

Purchase of Emergency Equipment & Rescue Vehicle

The vehicle helps in times of emergency/search and rescue operation.

Purchase of Assault Gear

It gives protection to the firemen during

fire fighting operation. Hence, improve the efficiency of fire extinguishing within shortest possible time. It also reduces the impact of heat on the fire fighters.

Specialized Water Tender

The water tender helps in boosting the operations of fire fighting in the territory.

Fabrication and Installation of Street Name Poles, Directional Arms and House Numbering in the FCT

The idea of street name was conceived in the master plan since the inception of the capital territory. During his tenure as Coordinator, 254 poles were fabricated and installed with names of individuals who have contributed to the development of FCT and the country at large in one way or the other, African nations capital etc placed on the poles, in various districts of the FCT.

It helps the general public to identify their property easily. It helps emergency providers identify the street easily and quickly. It also serves as a guide to tourists who are coming into the country for the first time.





Installation of Solar Power Light in Parks & Green Areas

The installation of 377 and 93 double solar light were completed and put in use in 2012 to improve security in the neighbourhood and aesthetics.



Maintenance and Functionality of Streetlights in Fully Developed Districts and Interchanges

Street lights are part of the Engineering and infrastructural service since inception of infrastructure in the territory.

From 2012 to 2015, the functionality of the street lights increased to 90% with installed capacity of 32,293 fittings and 29,534 poles as a result of direct maintenance by the staff of the department. The functionality of street light helps in enhancing the beauty of the city and helps to check criminal activities at night.

Maintenance of Drainages in the FCC

Maintenance of drainages in the city is part of activities to maintain the functionality of the infrastructure after completion of the drainage projects in the territory. This is to enhance life span of the drainages and reduce the menace of flood during rains. Between 1999 – 2011 the functionality of drainages was 52% with length of 98.8km, in 2011 to 2015 the functionality of drainages increased to 90% with a length of 160.6 km covered. It reduces the menace of flood during rains, enhances free flow of vehicles and reduces accidents during rains.

Patching of Pot Holes in the FCC

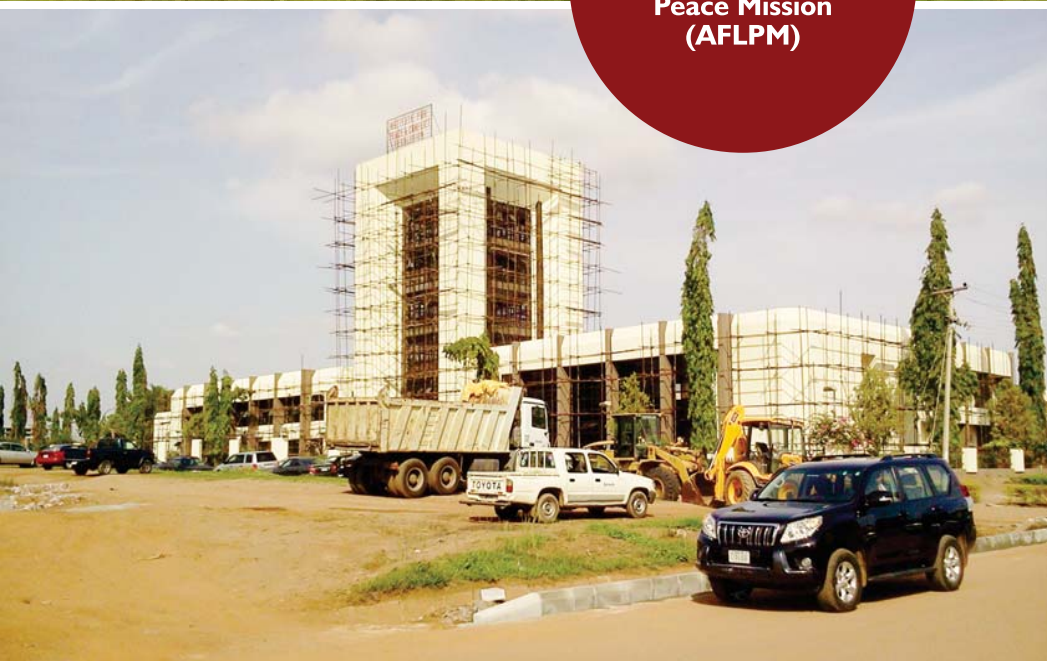
Maintenance of pot holes in the city is part of the maintenance activities being carried out to sustain the functionalities of the roads infrastructure in the territory.

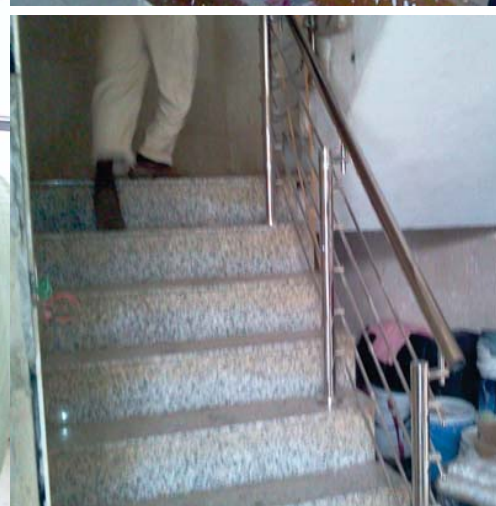
Between 1999 – 2011, the patching of potholes was achieved by 60% with an area cover of 2,269.57m², while in 2011 to 2015, patching of potholes increases to 80% with an area of 3,033.81m² covered.

This prolongs the life span of road pavement thereby reduces maintenance cost of the roads and vehicle, enhances free flow of vehicles and reduces accidents.



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**Remodeling of the
Interim Secretariat
of African First Ladies
Peace Mission
(AFLPM)**







Furnishing



Some Committees Architect Reuben Okoya served on while in the Abuja Metropolitan Management Council - AMMC

**Chairman, Steering Committee on the FCT
Public Buildings, Safety Scheme.**

Vice Chairman, FCT Task Force on City Clean up

**Chairman, Committee on Mass Housing
Scheme, FCT.**

Chairman, Committee on Security Requirement
for Public/Private, Institutions in FCT.

**Chairman, Ministerial Technical Committee on
the reDesign of Phase V, Area of FCT Mass
Housing Committee.**

Chairman, Steering Committee on the
implementation of the FCT Public Safety
Scheme.

**Chairman, FCT Ministerial Committee on the
resolution of overlap between a portion of
Nigerian Navy/Military Land FCC Buffer Zone 4,
Green Area near Pendam, Asokoro Annex FCT.**

Professional Practice

2015 – 2019

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After his successful tour of duty at the AMMC in Abuja, Architect Reuben Okoya returned to private practice.

With years of experience as the CEO of Architectronix Limited, Architect Reuben Okoya is prudent in ensuring adequate provision of resources and valuable guidance to staff at all levels

in addition to developing and supporting the organisations structure by delegating the right task to the right people to optimise performance.

Also, Architect Reuben Okoya has proven skills, ability and acumen to be very successful and effective in:

- Formulating and successfully implementing policies, plans and strategies that reflect the Architectronix's longer-term objectives and priorities in providing seamless service deliveries.
- Ensuring that the operating objectives and standards of performance are not only understood but owned by the management and other employees.
- Putting in place adequate operational planning and financial control systems as well as closely monitoring the results against plans and budgets in addition to taking remedial action where necessary and informing the management team of significant changes.
- Developing and maintaining an effective executive team.
- Managing resources efficiently and effectively to achieve the company's objectives
- Taking a leadership role in establishing Architectronix's culture and values and ensuring that there is a fit



between the company's strategy, structure and culture.

- Developing and implementing a risk management plan
- Ensuring that there is an effective succession plan in place

As the Principal Architect, Architect Reuben Okoya has vast knowledge and in-depth understanding of design contents and the contexts in which they were created, ensuring that the final results is functional and attractive. His involvement in various design, construction and project management affords him the acumen to visualize the overall project before its actual completion.

He has excellent communication skills which is displayed in his ability to deliver clear messages to workers, professionals and clients across multiple projects through oral and written presentations to ensure goals are properly achieved. Architect Reuben Okoya also possesses excellent analytical skill, hence he is constantly up to speed with project details, materials, progress. As the Principal Architect, His responsibilities include but not limited to

- Developing and nurturing clients and professional relationships by working with various clients to determine their goals and ultimately ensuring the delivery of the final schematics and construction documents.
- Preparing and presenting design proposals to clients in addition to advising clients on the practicality of their project.
- Liaising with clients and ensuring efficient management of projects for Federal Government, State Government and private clients.



ARCHITECT REUBEN OKOYA IS PRUDENT IN ENSURING ADEQUATE PROVISION OF RESOURCES AND VALUABLE GUIDANCE TO STAFF AT ALL LEVELS

- Making decisions relating to managing the business with regards to work environment, projects to focus on, resolving disagreements and disputes between staff, contractors, clients, etc
- Attending regular meetings with clients, contractors and other specialists as well as chair Management Team and Project Team meetings.
- Managing team of multi-disciplinary professionals including architects, engineers, quantity surveyors, builders, administrative personnel, etc and external consultants. Motivate, develop and lead members of various Teams within the organisation
- Delegate work and provide oversight of group work plans.
- Making regular project site visits to evaluate work progress and ensure project deliverables are met on time and within budget.
- Dealing with problems that might arise during construction and proffer feasible cost effective solutions.



PHILANTHROPY



**NO ACT OF KINDNESS,
NO MATTER HOW SMALL,
IS EVER WASTED.”**

- Aesop



A B O U T

REUBEN OKOYA “ROK” FOUNDATION

'ROK' is the acronym taken from the name 'REUBEN OKOYA'.

As a life-style, Architect Reuben Okoya has always given to the less-privileged in the society. In his benevolence, hundreds of people (individuals and families) across the nation have received cash and material donations since 2003.

Having the passion to reach out to a greater number of people, who are in dire need for assistance, he founded **Reuben Okoya (ROK) Foundation** in the year 2015.

Reuben Okoya (ROK) Foundation is a non-governmental and non-profit organization that focuses on meeting the various needs of the people in Nigeria beginning with Bayelsa State.

Reuben Okoya (ROK) Foundation strives to ensure a better quality of life for the people by organizing valuable outreach programmes that positively impact and contribute to their economic well-being.

The aims and objectives of **Reuben Okoya (ROK) Foundation** include:

To assist in the education of the less-privileged pupils, children and adults.

To promote sports by sponsoring competitions among Youth at various levels.

To promote academic activities that stir up the innate creativity in the youths.

To cater for the general welfare of the less-privileged, destitutes and the vulnerable in the society.

To equip the youth and women through training and skills acquisition programmes.



ACADEMICS

Since its inception, Reuben Okoya (ROK) Foundation has been sponsoring and promoting activities and programmes that enable pupils in Primary and students in Secondary Schools in Bayelsa State to achieve academic excellence.



Presentation of trophies to winners of the Bayelsa Great Debate organized by ROK Foundation



...The Philanthropist (Ebiaye Miebo)



Mr. Nengi Joseph Ilagha addressing the audience at the Bayelsa Sit-Out with Literary Minds supported by ROK Foundation



Annette David-West, the Executive Director/Founder of 1402 Book Lounge and Organizer of the Sit-Out with Literary Minds delivering her address to open the event.



Cross section of Students and other dignitaries at the Sit-Out with Literary Minds event





OUTREACH

Architect Reuben Okoya donated relief materials and food items to victims of the 2012 flood which almost enveloped the landscape of Bayelsa State and the South-South geopolitical zone.

Architect Reuben Okoya again, made cash donations to the September 2018 Flood Victims in three Senatorial Districts in Bayelsa State.

This gesture was in sync with the vision of the Reuben Okoya (ROK) Foundation, one of which is to assist the less-privileged in every manner that is possible.

This year's outreach is one amongst several that were done on individual basis.

Cash donations to Flood Victims in the IDP Camps at:

Bayelsa East

- Ogbia

Bayelsa Central

- Kaima
- Amassoma
- Gbarantoru
- Igbogene

Bayelsa West

- Toru-Orua

PHILANTHROPY



Top, bottom left & right:
Architect Reuben Okoya made cash donations at Igbogene IDP Camp.

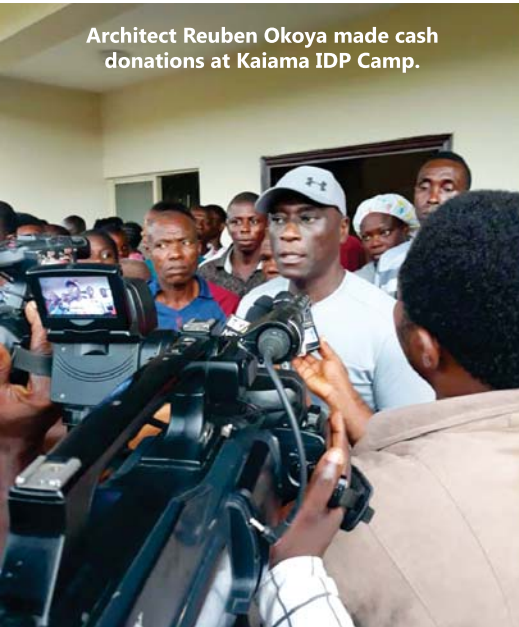


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(Top): Cash donations made to 2018 to flood victims at Gbarantoru IDP Camp

Architect Reuben Okoya made cash donations at Kaiama IDP Camp.



Architect Reuben Okoya made cash donations at Ogbia IDP Camp.



Top, bottom left & right: Architect Reuben Okoya made cash donations at Ogbia IDP Camp.





YOUTHS AND SPORTS

ROK Foundation is the sponsor
of Bayelsa Kiddies Cup and
Bayelsa Queens Football Club



Presentation of giant Trophy to Bayelsa State Football Association for the State League.



Medals and Trophies for Bayelsa Kids Cup
donated by Architect Reuben Okoya



Bayelsa State League Champions Cup donated
by Architect Reuben Okoya



Top & bottom: Presentation of Football Jerseys, Footballs and other kits to the Management of Bayelsa Queens F.C. by Architect Reuben Okoya



Top & bottom: Kids Cup Champions displaying Gold Medals and their trophies donated Architect Reuben Okoya





Group Photograph of the Bayelsa Queens F.C. with Architect Reuben Okoya



Group Photograph of the victorious Bayelsa Queens F.C. with Architect Reuben Okoya



Chairman of Bayelsa Queens F.C. Mr. Ebiki Timitimi presenting the Female League Trophy to Architect Reuben Okoya.



Architect Reuben Okoya receives Nigeria's Female League Champions Bayelsa Queens as they present the trophy to him as their sponsor



Bayelsa Queens F.C. players in celebration mood.



IN THE CORRIDORS



**KNOWLEDGE BRINGS
POWER, BUT CHARACTER
COMMANDS RESPECT”**

- Chinese Proverb



Architect Reuben Okoya with His Excellency, Rt. Hon. Henry Seriake Dickson, Governor of Bayelsa State.



Architect Reuben Okoya (2nd Left) with Chief Olusegun Obasanjo (former President), at the commissioning of projects in Bayelsa State, during the tenure of Late Chief Diepreye Alamieyeseigha and Dr. Goodluck Jonathan (former Deputy Governor of Bayelsa State).



Chief Olusegun Obasanjo (middle) flanked by Dr. Goodluck Jonathan (former Governor of Bayelsa State) and Architect Reuben Okoya (former Commissioner for Special Projects) after commissioning a project in Bayelsa State.



Architect Reuben Okoya with Chief Olusegun Obasanjo (former President), at the commissioning of projects in Bayelsa State, during the tenure of Dr. Goodluck Jonathan as Governor of Bayelsa State.



Architect Reuben Okoya with former Head of State, Gen. Abdulsalami Abubakar (rtd.)



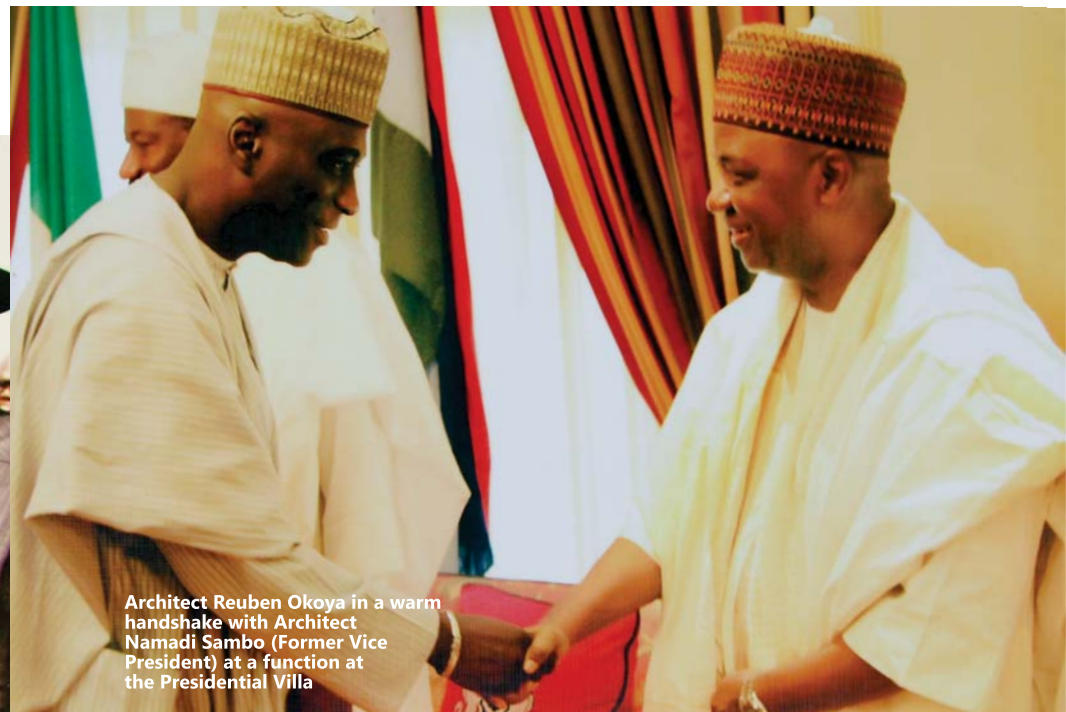
Architect Reuben Okoya in a warm handshake with former Head of State, Gen. Ibrahim Babangida (rtd.)



Former Vice President, Alhaji Atiku Abubakar (with microphone) making a point as he got cheers from Architect Reuben Okoya, Late Chief Diepreye Alamieyeseigha (then Governor of Bayelsa State) and Dr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan (then Deputy Governor of Bayelsa State).



Architect Reuben Okoya in a warm handshake with Dr. Goodluck Jonathan (Former President of Nigeria).



Architect Reuben Okoya in a warm handshake with Architect Namadi Sambo (Former Vice President) at a function at the Presidential Villa



Architect Reuben Okoya in a warm handshake with Sen. Bala Mohammed, Former FCT Minister (2011-2015) on the day of the inauguration of FCT Secretaries (15th August, 2011)

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

December, 2014

Member/Secretary,
PDP National Working
Committee (NWC) Gubernatorial
Primary Election, Bauchi State.

May, 2015

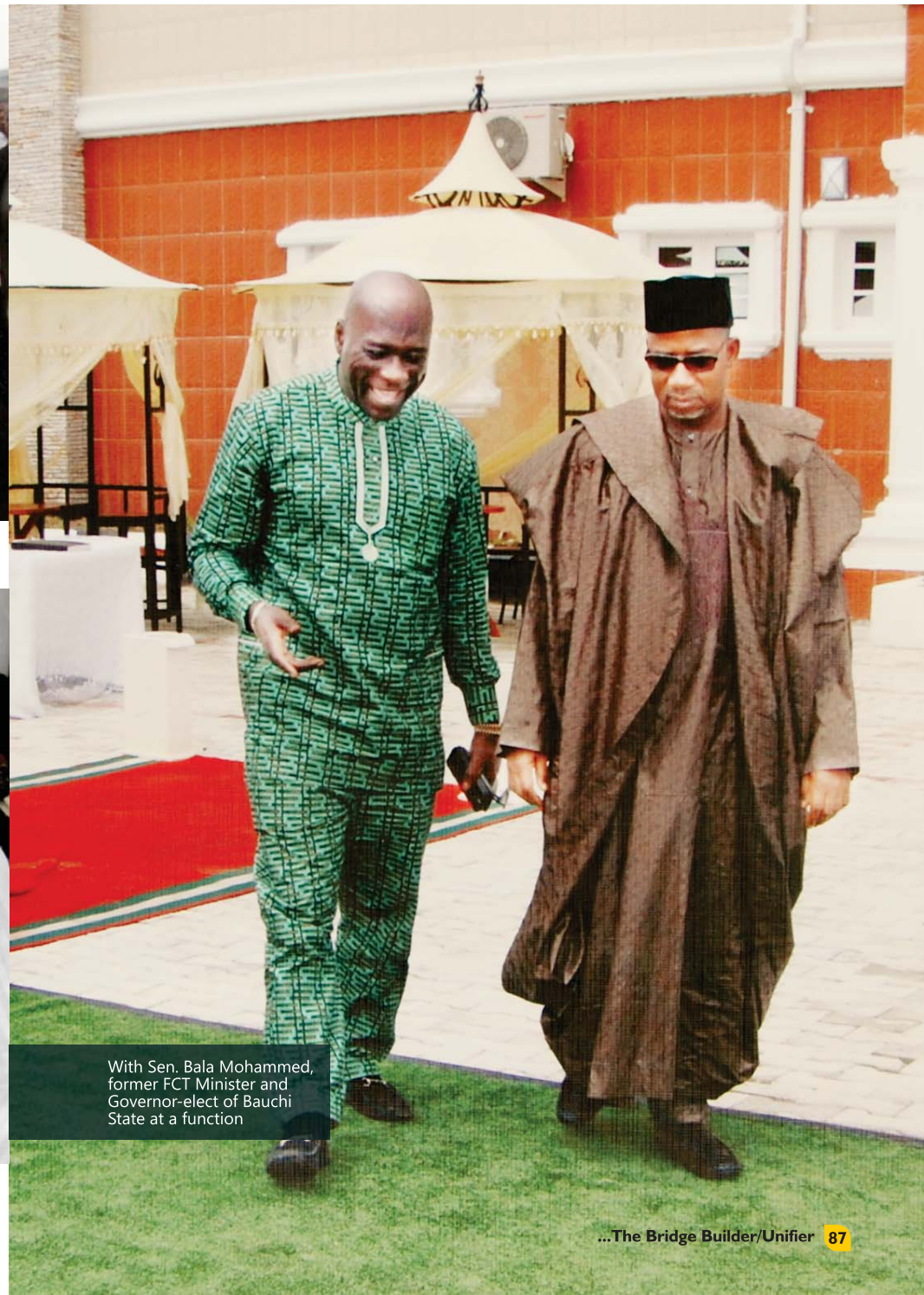
Member,
Venue & Entertainment
Sub-Committee Presidential
Inauguration Planning
Committee (PIPC).



Architect Reuben Okoya with H.E. Chief Timipre Sylva (former Governor of Bayelsa State) flanked by H.E. Celestine Omehia (Former Governor of Rivers State) and H.E. Peremobowei Ebebi (former Deputy Governor of Bayelsa State) at the commissioning of a project in Bayelsa State.



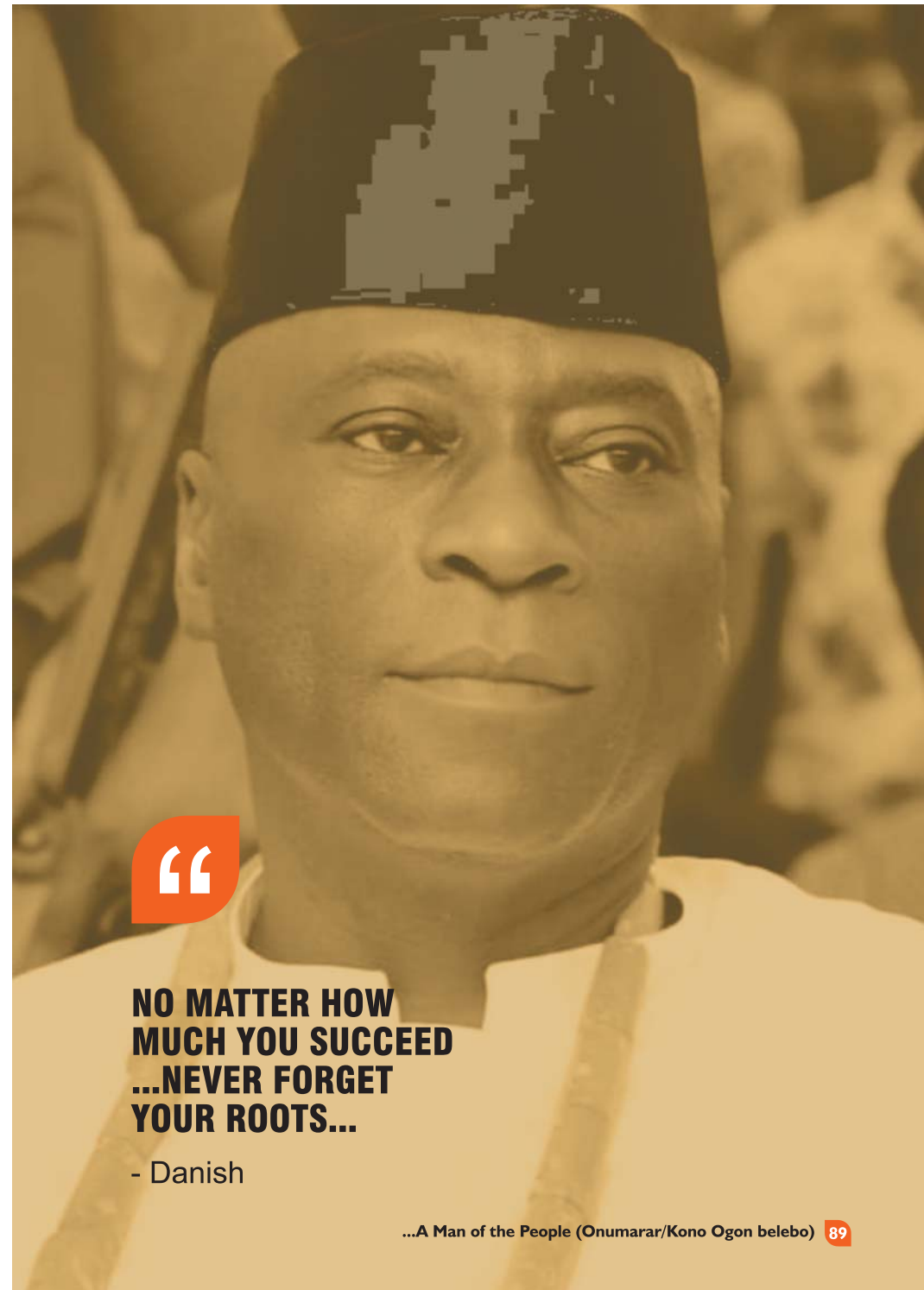
Architect Reuben Okoya in a warm handshake with Chief E.K. Clark at a function



With Sen. Bala Mohammed, former FCT Minister and Governor-elect of Bauchi State at a function



**OUR CULTURE
...OUR PEOPLE**



**NO MATTER HOW
MUCH YOU SUCCEED
...NEVER FORGET
YOUR ROOTS...**

- Danish

**OKOLODE NEW YAM FESTIVAL
AT GBARANTORU-EKPETIAMA**



Architect Reuben Okoya
at Gbarantoru-Ekpetiama



Top & bottom:
HRM King Bubaraye Dakolo
and other dignitaries walking
to the venue of the festival.



Architect Reuben Okoya addressing the press



Right, Bottom left & right:
Dignitaries at the palace of the
Ibenenawei of Ekpetiama Clan.



**OBUNEM EPIE
NEW YAM FESTIVAL 2018**



Architect Reuben Okoya with some dignitaries at Obunem Epie festival



Cultural dance display by various group of women and Yam presentation to the Clan Head



Architect Reuben Okoya arriving the venue



Deputy Gov. of Bayelsa State, Rear Admiral Gboribiogha John Jonah (rtd.) and King Mallam Sasime standing for the national anthem



Cultural dance display by various group of women and yam presentation to the Clan Head

King Sasime exchanging pleasantries with some chiefs

UGE-ADIAFA NEW YAM FESTIVAL, OGBOGORO



Cultural dance display by various group of women and Yam presentation to the Clan Head



HRM King Igodo of Atissa Clan at the venue in Ogbogoro



Architect Reuben Okoya and Hon. Emmanuel Parkinson at the venue



Architect Reuben Okoya addressing Pressmen at Uge-Adiafa New Yam festival, Ogbogoro



Deputy Governor of Bayelsa State Rear Admiral Gboribioha John Jonah (Rtd) making his speech on behalf of Bayelsa State Government



Architect Reuben Okoya arriving the venue



