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ENDING BANDITRY REMAINS KEY PRIORITY OF MY ADMINISTRATION - BUHARI - DAILY TRUST PG.3

President Muhammadu Buhari has reassured Nigerians that ending banditry remains a key priority of his administration. Buhari said that he would do whatever it takes to ensure the country's security system confronts these public enemies with merciless determination, a statement by Senior Special Assistant on Media and Publicity, Malam Garba Shehu, quoted him as saying yesterday.

BUHARI HAPPY WITH ASSET RECOVERY SUCCESSES - MALAMI - DAILY TRUST PG.7

The Attorney General of the Federation (AGF) and Minister of Justice, Abubakar Malami (SAN) has disclosed President Muhammadu Buhari is satisfied with the achievements recorded in the recovery of assets in the in the country. Malami made the disclosure at a 2018 Award-giving ceremony by the Ministry of Justice in Abuja, according to a statement Sunday by the minister's spokesman, Salihu Othman Isah. He said the ministry had recorded successes in the "anti-corruption drive, defence of the Federal Government and its agencies in multitude of cases which has saved the Federal Government from becoming liable for damages running into billions, Justice Sector reform initiatives, promoting compliance with the Administration of Criminal Justice Act, Prison decongestion and Assets recovery."

11 KILLED, 43 INJURED IN MAIDUGURI TWIN BOMB BLAST - DAILY TRUST PG.4, SUN PG.5

Eleven people were yesterday confirmed dead and 43 others injured in a twin bomb blast on the outskirts of Maiduguri, Borno State Capital. At the blast scene, Daily Trust gathered from witnesses that two teenage girls suspected to be Boko Haram suicide bombers, had walked through a street of Muna, five kilometres away from the metropolis.

KIDNAPPING POSES THREAT TO FOOD SECURITY, BUSINESSES - DAILY TRUST PG.1&5, PUNCH PG.2

The upsurge in kidnapping, especially in the north-west, is threatening agricultural activities with both big and small farmers forced to abandon their farms, *Daily Trust* investigations have shown. Other local businesses are also threatened as traders feel unsafe to travel for fear of being kidnapped.

FG GIVES FOREIGNERS 48 HOURS TO LEAVE ZAMFARA - SUN PG.4, PUNCH PG.2

As part of efforts to rout banditry, the Federal Government has issued foreign mining operators in Zamfara State a 48-hour ultimatum to leave. It announced the suspension of mining activities and warned that any operative that proceeded with mining activities would have their licenses revoked. Acting Inspector-General of Police, Mohammed Adamu disclosed this when he addressed State House Correspondents after a closed door meeting with service chiefs and other security helmsmen of other agencies.

MALAMI, AMAECHI PLOTTING CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS IN RIVERS – PDP - DAILY TRUST PG.14, PUNCH PG.22, SUN PG.40

The PDP has alleged that the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of the Federation (AGF), Abubakar Malami (SAN) and the Minister of Transport, Rotimi Amaechi, were engaging in acts capable of causing constitutional crisis in Rivers State. The party alleged that Malami, Amaechi and other APC bigwigs were prevailing on the Acting Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Tanko Mohammed, to reverse the judgement which stopped the APC from fielding candidates for the 2019 general elections.

ACCOUNT FOR MONEY SPENT ON EDUCATION, SERAP TELLS OKOWA - PUNCH PG.44

An advocacy group, Socio-Economic Rights and Accountability Project, has asked the Governor of Delta State, Ifeanyi Okowa, to provide it with detailed information on how much his administration has spent on primary education in the state since 2015. In a statement on Sunday by its Deputy Director, Kolawole Oluwadare, SERAP said its request was informed by the case of Success Adegor, who was sent home from school for being unable to pay.

INSECURITY: EX-APC SPOKESMAN WANTS BUHARI TO ACCOUNT FOR \$1BN - PUNCH PG.10

A former Deputy National Publicity Secretary of the All Progressives Congress, Timi Frank, on Sunday challenged President Muhammadu Buhari to account for the \$1bn he allegedly withdrew from the Excess Crude Account to fight insecurity. He said the call became necessary in view of the increasing spate of killings, banditry and kidnapping across the country. Frank made the call in a statement made available to journalists in Abuja.

RMAFC TO PROBE BANKS OVER N33BN STAMP DUTY COLLECTIONS - SUN PG.2

The Revenue Mobilisation Allocation and Fiscal Commission (RMAFC), is set to probe commercial banks over stamp duty collections which have accumulated to over N33 billion. In a statement at the weekend, spokesperson of the Commission, Mr. Ibrahim Mohammed, said the exercise which would commence soon will involve a forensic investigation of the funds that have so far been collected as stamp duty by 22 Deposit Money Banks (DMB) from 2000 to 2018.

FG SAYS POLLS DELAYED NHIS FRAUD PROBE REPORT, CDHR DISAGREES - PUNCH PG.12

The Assistant Director of Information, Office of the Secretary to the Government of the Federation, Olusegun Adetola, has named the just-concluded general elections as the reason the government has yet to make public the outcome of the probe initiated into an alleged fraud of N919m in the National Health Insurance Scheme. President Muhammadu Buhari had late last year sent the Executive Secretary, NHIS, Prof Usman Yusuf, on administrative leave, while he set up a probe panel on November 2, 2018, to investigate the alleged fraud of N919m under Yusuf's watch.