



CAPACITY

BUILDING FOR THE

PROJECT AQUILA

Mr. Saheed Lasisi at a training programme for IT Unit of stakeholders on 'Project Aquila'

The Board recently implemented training programmes for staff and some stakeholders to build the necessary competencies and skills needed for Project Aquila.

The training team made up of a training consultant, Otunba Toyin Abass of Logistic Consult, Ogbonnaya Okogeri (IT Unit) and Arinze Uhuo (Operations) started with training the new IT support staff in Abuja on Thursday the 10th and Friday 11th of March, 2011. The programme was geared to preparing the IT support staff to play this most crucial support role from the zonal offices.

The team thereafter moved to Lagos the following week of 14th to 18th March, 2011 where all staff was trained on both the use of project Aquila operating software for depot operations and the RFID device (Radio Frequency Identification).

Stakeholders from Petroleum Marketing Companies and Petroleum Storage Depots (including depots of the PPMC) were also trained and prepared for their roles in the smooth take-off and success of Project Aquila with its mutually beneficial potentials.

This exercise was repeated in Kaduna for staff and stakeholders in the Kaduna and Gombe zones of the Board from the 21st to 25th of March, 2011 and in Enugu for staff and stakeholders in Enugu and Port Harcourt zones from the 28th to the 31st of March, 2011.

Then from the 6th to 8th of April, 2011 the training team prepared all Head Office staff in Abuja as done in the above locations. The team then proceeded to Lagos to prepare the staff of the ATC

company that will handle the tagging of trucks on Monday the 11th of April, 2011 and thereafter to Ibadan to prepare other stakeholders on the 13th of April, 2011.

A total of two hundred and twenty-one (221) staff, over one hundred (100) stakeholders and sixty-six (66) ATC staff took part in these capacity building programmes that were conducted with appropriate and necessary tools (laptops for hands-on practical's and RFID devices for field simulations).

The Boards is now confident that both staff stakeholders are adequately prepared and ready to make Project Aquila soar continuously. The Board has also put in place a war-room team to support the take-off of the Project in addition to follow-up programmes in computer appreciation. ■

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Guests at the Event