

DAWN OF A NEW DON – OPEIFA FOR NIGERIA RAILWAY CORPORATION

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The news of the appointment of Dr. Kayode Opeifa as MD, Nigeria Railway Corporation (NRC) is beginning to settle with us as we welcome the Don of transportation to his new assignment. The felicitation, however, will not end in a hurry as the notable professional is one with a huge bag of experience to revolutionise the rail subsector and bring lasting succour to the mode. The more the achievements, the more the felicitation.

Dr. Opeifa was Transport Commissioner and Special Adviser under Governor Babatunde Raji Fashola in Lagos State. Thereafter, he was appointed Executive Secretary for transportation FCT, Abuja, by former President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, where he deployed his experience to the Abuja City Metro line and improved the efficiency of the transportation sector of the FCT in general. The Metro line project gained considerable speed under his headship.

He was a member of the Board of Directors of the NRC under the erstwhile MD of the Corporation, his predecessor, Engr. Fidete Okhiria, FCILT. He is therefore not new to the NRC and its relations. Indeed, with the change of baton, a new dawn has been birthed for the

Nigeria Railway Corporation as another man who the cap fits has been called to wear it. Known as the tirelessly dedicated comrade, Opeifa is enriched with vast experience in transport management. His being an insider is an added advantage that will aid his administration of the NRC.

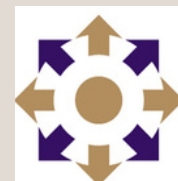
He must bear it in mind that those who know him and his pedigree will look forward to great leaps from him.

He must pull his bootstraps to impact the NRC positively, using his professional competence to enhance its efficiency through contemporary infrastructure, innovative initiatives as well as astute administration and management to make the rail a preferred transport mode for passengers and both dry and wet cargo in Nigeria.

We wish him success and expect him to increase on the good work of his predecessor because the rail transport is certainly the saviour of our nation, if practically tracked.

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