

## **News Daily on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

### **NNDPHC expands TCN's substations Guardian p. 20**

According to the report, the Niger Delta Power Holding Company (NDPHC), has deployed about 36 330KV and 132KV substations of the Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) across the country. The Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of NDPHC, Chiedu Ugbo, who made the disclosure at the launch of the Solar Home System (SHS) projects in Abuja also revealed that the company has constructed 1,653km of 330KV Double Circuit Lines; ten 330KV substations, seven 132KV substations, six 150MVA of 330/132KV transformation capacity, 2,800MVA of 132/33KV transformation capacity; and provided over 25,000 Complete Self-Protection (CSP) transformers. Mr. Ugbo, further said that this is expected to retain over 30 percent of power, which is being lost due to poor transmission network. According to him, the company has concluded plans to commission 20,000 units of Solar Home System (SHS) and 1,073 solar powered boreholes across the communities in northern Nigeria

### **Lagos targets generation of 3,000MW by 2022 The Punch p.6**

According to the paper, the Lagos State Governor, Mr. Akinwunmi Ambode, has unveiled a comprehensive energy security programme for the state, noting that it would lead to the generation of 3,000 megawatts (MW) by 2022

### **Ambode pledges uninterrupted power supply Guardian p.7**

### **Lagos to generate 3,000MW in 3 years -Ambode Daily Sun p. 12**

The Governor disclosed this on Wednesday, 15th February 2017, stating that the plan to generate 3,000 MW megawatts in phases would be achieved through embedded power initiative which was recommended by the State Embedded Power Technical Committee. He said the state intends to distribute power off- grid within Lagos State through the network of Eko and Ikeja distribution companies and would support the upgrading of their distribution infrastructure and installation of smart prepaid meters in areas where embedded power is deployed.

### **Power generation hits 4,102MW as gas supply improves Vanguard p. 19**

The paper stated that the Transmission Company of Nigeria, TCN, has reported that power generation rose from 3,528 megawatts (MW) to 4,043MW between Feb.1 and Feb.15. TCN published this information through its website and explained that the 515MW increase in generation as at Feb.15 was due to slight increase in gas supply to some power generating companies (GenCos). An official of the Egbin Power Station in Lagos, who pleaded anonymity, hinted that gas supply to the station had increased slightly in the last seven days, adding that the power station which has capacity to generate 1,320MW now generates 420MW as against former generation of 160MW.

### **Power outage: Ogun residents storm IBEDC office with lanterns Punch p.4**

According to the report, the residents of Ijako-Ishaka, Sango, in the Ado/Odo Ota Local Government Area of Ogun State, stormed the office of the Ibadan Electricity Distribution Company to protest poor power supply to the community. The paper disclosed that some of the protesters held lanterns and complained that they had endured two years of power outage in the neighborhood which had crippled commercial activities in the community. They also lamented that they hardly get 24 hours of power supply in a month, but had to pay between N4, 000 and

N7, 000 bills monthly. The protesters came with placards displaying inscriptions such as, 'Say no to irregular power and overbilling', 'Restore our electricity in Ijako-Ishaka,' 'We can't continue like this, serve us better or get flushed out' as the residents marched to the IBEDC office in Joju Sango, to register their discomfort.

**Uyo residents accuse govt, PHEDC of insensitivity over 15 years blackout Vanguard p. 13**

According to the paper, aggrieved residents of Abak Road and Nsentip Street In Uyo Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State, have lamented that they have suffered power outage for about 15 years. Some of the residents who spoke to newsmen in the area accused the state government and officials of the Port Harcourt Electricity Distribution Company, PHEDC, of being insensitive to their plight. They also lamented that the efforts to draw attention of Government and relevant authorities and the management of PHEDC to the situation had not yielded result.

**Inadequate gas supply cuts electricity output by 3,000MW Guardian P. 19**

According to the report, the Federal Government has said that the Nigerian electricity sector recorded a shortfall of 3,000 megawatts (MW) due to inadequate gas supply to power plants.

**Fashola: 6,000MW achievable with gas supply The Nation P.13**

Meanwhile the Minister of Power, Works and Housing, Babatunde Fashola, expressed optimism that functional pipelines would boost electricity output to 6,000MW. At the 12th Monthly Power Sector and Stakeholders meeting in Ibadan, hosted by Ibadan Electricity Distribution Company (IBEDC) on Monday, Fashola stated that sabotage of gas assets and pipelines has decommissioned power plants and their ability to provide up to 3,000 MW of power. He also added that the sabotage of gas to power plants has also created a debt problem and a shortfall in cash recovery