

## THE 1<sup>ST</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (LAGOS, 1973)

In spite of the initial sustained opposition, mostly by critics who felt the Federal Government under Gen. Yakubu Gowon was misplacing priorities arising from the huge capital outlay that will go into the festival, coupled with the fact that it was coming just few months after the country had hosted the All-Africa Games, whereupon millions of naira had been spent, the first festival was held in Lagos from July 20<sup>th</sup> to August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1973 with all the 12 component states, devastated by the internecine war of 1967-70, may not be ready for the maiden edition were put to rest. East Central States, Rivers State and South Eastern States, which were at the epicentre of the 30-months hostilities, took part. Other states that featured included Benue/Plateau, Kano, Kwara, Mid-Western, North Eastern, Western and Lagos.

Mid-Western State (now Edo and Delta State) emerged overall champions. This victory was oiled by three factors:

- a. The unprecedented motivation given to the athletes by the Governor of the State, Brigadier S.O.O. Ogbemudia (Rtd.)
- b. The superlative performances of the athletes in all the sports
- c. The total colonization of the swimming events by the state, resulting in huge medal haul.

**MEDAL TABLE (NSF LAGOS, 1973)**

<b>STATE</b>	<b>GOLD</b>	<b>SILVER</b>	<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
MID-WESTEN	68	58	52	1 <sup>ST</sup>
LAGOS	52	32	30	2 <sup>ND</sup>
EAST CENTRAL	21	37	20	3 <sup>RD</sup>
WESTERN	16	22	26	4 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	7	10	24	5 <sup>TH</sup>
NORTH EASTERN	7	3	10	6 <sup>TH</sup>
NORTH CENTRAL	5	3	6	7 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	4	2	8	8 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE-PLATEAU	3	5	12	9 <sup>TH</sup>
SOUTH EASTERN	3	6	7	10 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	2	2	9	11 <sup>TH</sup>
NORTH WESTERN	1	1	1	12 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>205</b>	

## THE 2<sup>ND</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (LAGOS, 1975)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the festival was also held in Lagos. Unexpectedly, it was characterized by noticeable poor performance by almost all the state that participated. Understandably, this was due partly to the inability of most states to have faced a multi-sports competition as that before and partly too because of so many flaws on the part of planners and organizers of the festival.

The festival was preceded by a country wide tour of the festival torch in the Olympian spirit.

The opening ceremony of the festival earlier fixed for Saturday, August 2, 1975 had to be shifted to Monday, August 4, 1975 following a Military coup-d'état in which the Government of Yakubu Gowon was toppled on July 29, 1975. Notwithstanding, the state of uncertainty, the new regime of General Murtala Mohammed went ahead with the festival. However, the Head of State was ably represented by his Chief of Naval Staff, Commodore Mike Adelanwa at the opening ceremony.

Expectedly, a scanty crowd attended the opening ceremony because of palpable fear of insecurity occasioned by the coup. At any rate, about 7,000 competitors and over 1,000 officials attended the games. Generally, enthusiasm and morale of all participants was high.

MEDAL TABLE (NSF LAGOS, 1975)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
MID-WESTERN	68	69	48	1 <sup>ST</sup>
LAGOS	68	47	54	2 <sup>ND</sup>
EAST CENTRAL	17	28	45	3 <sup>RD</sup>
RIVERS	9	13	13	4 <sup>TH</sup>
NORTH-CENTRAL	7	3	13	5 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUUE/PLATEAU	5	7	11	6 <sup>TH</sup>
NORTH EASTERN	4	2	7	7 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	3	3	15	8 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	3	6	9	9 <sup>TH</sup>
SOUTH-EASTERN	2	2	8	10 <sup>TH</sup>
NORTH WESTERN	1	-	4	11 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>261</b>	

### THE 3<sup>RD</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (KADUNA, 1977)

After two editions held in Lagos, the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition was relocated to Kaduna on the premise that the rotational policy will enable other states to develop their sporting facilities along modern lines and also engender a sense of belonging and self actualization. The major venue for the festival was Ahmadu Bello Stadium Kaduna, though some of the events were held at venues outside the Stadium. The festival was held between July 22 and 31, 1977. It should be noted that Kaduna State was created barely a year before the festival i.e. (Tuesday 3, 1976) out of the old North Central State. Unlike in the previous occasions, this festival was attended by 19 States, following the restructuring of the states.

The new Head of State, General Olusegun Obasanjo declared the Festival opened.

The novelty of hosting the festival outside Lagos the first time was characterized by numerous planning and logistics problems. For example, there are problems of inadequate accommodation whereupon there were more beds than mattresses, very few toilets, adequate transport uncoordinated efforts, and a host of others.

The non-availability of sufficient vehicles to – officials and athletes to and from competition and training venues for instance, created frustration among the various teams, problems could be understood as the after --- the restructuring, in which case some behind schedule, thus creating document problems for the local organizers.

The win-at-all cost syndrome reared its ugly face at this festival as many states fielded over-aged athletes in a strictly age-limit competitions. **Large-scale organized cheating** was trailed, protested and this adversely affected the schedule some events.

True to its pre-festival rating, Bendel, cast away the highest number of gold medals with 19 state being the least, as she won no medal.

### MEDAL TABLE (NSF LAGOS, 1973)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
BENDEL	76	49	35	1 <sup>ST</sup>
LAGOS	31	23	37	2 <sup>ND</sup>
OYO	21	27	27	3 <sup>RD</sup>
ANAMBRA	12	21	17	4 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	11	23	27	5 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	9	13	22	6 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	7	6	14	7 <sup>TH</sup>
GONGOLA	4	5	5	8 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	4	4	11	9 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	4	3	2	10 <sup>TH</sup>
PLATEAU	3	6	11	11 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	3	4	2	12 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	3	-	3	13 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	2	5	16	14 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	1	2	3	15 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	-	3	5	16 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	-	2	5	17 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	-	-	-	18 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>266</b>	

#### THE 4<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (IBADAN 1979)

Ibadan the Oyo State capital took its turn in hosting the fourth National Sports Festival. Ibadan thus became the second venue after Kaduna to host the competition outside Lagos.

It is of note that 1976 happens to be the same year the Government of General Olusegun Obasanjo scheduled to transit governance from military to a civil rule in a general election. The schedule of programmes for the transition to climaxed on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, 1979 when the newly elected civilian government will assume office. Expected critics were of the opinion that the transition programme was of more public importance than the games but instead of jettisoning the idea, the games was held, whereby the Federal Military Government merely shifted the date forward, to early 1979.

Liberty Stadium was the major venue, the host state, Oyo however had to grapple with a myriad of problems. Catering for the contingents from the 19 States was one problem the hosts could manage. Beside, the logistics and funds necessary for hosting thousands of competitors, officials and spectators were grossly inadequate.

Lagos State snatched the leadership position from medal landlords, Bendel State for the first time, in the history of the competition.

MEDAL TABLE (NSF IBADAN, 1979)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
LAGOS	52	17	46	1 <sup>ST</sup>
BENDEL	49	56	52	2 <sup>ND</sup>
RIVERS	28	26	16	3 <sup>RD</sup>
OYO	22	21	45	4 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	17	32	35	5 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	12	11	19	6 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	11	15	25	7 <sup>TH</sup>
PLATEAU	10	19	16	8 <sup>TH</sup>
GONGOLA	9	8	10	9 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	9	5	9	10 <sup>TH</sup>
ANAMBRA	8	11	17	11 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	5	7	10	12 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	4	3	6	13 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	3	3	8	14 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	3	3	5	15 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	1	5	4	16 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	1	2	3	17 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	1	1	3	18 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	1	-	1	19 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>330</b>	

THE 5<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (BENIN, 1981)

Bendel State, with an impeccable run in the four previous festivals, finally won the right to host the Fifth National Sports Festival in 1981.

Flaunting an intimidating sporting credential and world-class facilities, Bendel State hosted Nigeria at the Ogbe Stadium, Benin City. Other minor venues, like the University of Benin Sports Centre were used for the competition. Unlike previous festivals, the 1981 edition witnessed fierce competition for medals with Bendel State topping the medals table with Borno State, Gongola and Sokoto. Bendel State became the first to host and win in the history of the National Sport Festival.

MEDAL TABLE (NSF BENIN, 1981)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
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BENDEL	52	40	50	1 <sup>ST</sup>
LAGOS	39	27	33	2 <sup>ND</sup>
OYO	25	28	29	3 <sup>RD</sup>
OGUN	25	22	25	4 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	25	22	25	5 <sup>TH</sup>
PLATEAU	18	17	16	6 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	17	19	21	7 <sup>TH</sup>
ANAMBRA	13	25	38	8 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	13	12	11	9 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	8	9	8	10 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	6	7	13	11 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	4	8	7	12 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	4	4	13	13 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	3	5	9	14 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	3	2	10	15 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	1	6	5	16 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	-	-	-	17 <sup>TH</sup>
GONGOLA	-	-	-	18 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	-	-	-	19 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>300</b>	

### THE 6<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (ILORIN, 1985)

Through a combination of factors which inexorably included lack of funds and an unclear political atmosphere, no festival was held in 1983. Four years lapsed before Kwara State was awarded the Hosting rights of the Sixth National Sports Festivals. It afforded the State, the opportunity of completing and test running the modern facilities at its new stadium complex.

For the second time in the history of the festival, a state came top at the expense of Bendel State the traditional leaders of the medals table. The Festival witnessed the emergence of Bauchi State as the third-place winner; a feat attributed the migration of athletes from Bendel State who are seeking for greener pastures. Sokoto State was hitherto weak on the medals table moved digits up from their previous placing.

### MEDAL TABLE (NSF LAGOS, 1973)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
OYO	7	12	13	1 <sup>ST</sup>
ANAMBRA	6	10	9	2 <sup>ND</sup>
PLATEAU	6	8	5	3 <sup>RD</sup>
NIGER	6	6	10	4 <sup>TH</sup>

KWARA	5	4	5	5 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	4	3	4	6 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	4	-	7	7 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	3	1	5	8 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	3	1	1	9 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	2	4	3	10 <sup>TH</sup>
GONGOLA	2	3	4	11 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	2	2	2	12 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	2	1	6	13 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	1	3	3	14 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	1	-	6	15 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>140</b>	

### THE 7<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (PORT HARCOURT, 1988)

Like the games of 1983, the Sports Festival scheduled for 1987 was skipped for a plethora of reasons ranging from lack of funds to last-minute volte-face by some State that had earlier signalled their intention to host. Rather than hosting a Festival that will flop in facets, the authorities decided to reschedule it for the following year. Rivers State was granted the hosting right for the Festival. The games were held at the Liberation Stadium, Port Harcourt and other designated sporting facilities in the State capital.

Bendel State regained position, while Bauchi, Niger and Sokoto maintained their meteoric rise on the medals table. Some logistics problems arose for the organiser due to the creation of new States on August 27, 1987 bringing the total number of the States to 21, for the first time; also, the Federal Capital Territory (Abuja) took part in the Festival with its own contingent and official colours. For their efforts, they did not win any hue of a medal.

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
BENDEL	41	20	29	1 <sup>ST</sup>
LAGOS	37	35	29	2 <sup>ND</sup>
PLATEAU	12	11	16	3 <sup>RD</sup>
BAUCHI	11	8	10	4 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	10	9	18	5 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	8	6	7	6 <sup>TH</sup>
ANAMBRA	7	18	10	7 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	6	7	11	8 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	6	4	4	9 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	5	14	19	10 <sup>TH</sup>
AKWA IBOM	5	-	4	11 <sup>TH</sup>

CROSS RIVER	4	3	2	12 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	3	3	3	13 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	2	6	9	14 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	2	3	3	15 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	1	8	9	16 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	1	6	9	17 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	1	1	3	18 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	-	2	-	19 <sup>TH</sup>
GONGOLA	-	1	3	20 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	-	1	1	21 <sup>ST</sup>
FCT (ABUJA)	-	-	-	22 <sup>ND</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>188</b>	

### THE 9<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (BAUCHI, 1991)

When the 9<sup>th</sup> National Sports Festival was awarded to Bauchi State for hosting, the State Government immediately swung into action. A blueprint was drawn up for constructing a new sporting facilities and revamping existing ones. Over N100m was spent on this and other logistics like accommodation, publicity feeding of athletes and officials etc.

Six thousand athletes participated in the Festival with 200 journalists representing the print and electronic media. For the first time in the history of the Festival, competition in the various sports was done on Zonal basis. The States were zoned into seven groups comprising of three States each. For example, Zone 1 comprised of Oyo, Ogun and Lagos, while Zone 2 was made up of Bendel, Ondo and Rivers States. (See zoning paring at the foot table).

On April 9, 1991, Major General Joshua Dogonyaro declared the games opened on behalf of the then President General Ibrahim Babaginda. He charged athletes to be discipline and uphold the spirit of sportsmanship, while ensuring healthy competition throughout the Festival to the glory of sports and Nigeria. In the spirit of the season, he released some pigeons, symbolizing peace.

The 1991 Festival in Bauchi State was not without memory to keep, perhaps for the first time, Bauchi experienced mayhem characterised by wanton destruction of lives and properties by some religious fanatics. Precisely, on April 21, 1991, barely 24 hours after the competition had started, a wave of religious riot hit Bauchi metropolis. Many churches, vehicles and other personal properties were burnt, in some cases, around the main venue of the

Festival the Tafawa Balewa Stadium Complex. On April 23, 1991, the Military Governor of the State, Colonel Abu Ali, imposed a dusk-to-dawn curfew on the troubled areas and deployed armed soldiers to all venues of competition.

The sports festival was disrupted from Tuesday April 23 to Wednesday April 24 1991. Competition only resumed after reassurances of safety from the State Government.

As part of the catalogue of the unusual happenings at the Sports Festival, two athletes, Abba Mustapha (Zone 4) and Emeka Osuji (Zone 3) were stripped of the gold medals they won in their various events on the grounds of having participated in three previous Sports Festivals. Mustapha, who lit the Festival flame on the opening day, had won the 100m meters men hurdles.

#### THE OVER-ALL MEDAL TABLE (NSF BAUCHI, 1991)

ZONE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
POSITION				
2	70	61	59	1 <sup>ST</sup>
1	51	39	65	2 <sup>ND</sup>
6	46	36	45	3 <sup>RD</sup>
4	24	28	38	4 <sup>TH</sup>
5	23	26	40	5 <sup>TH</sup>
3	20	33	37	6 <sup>TH</sup>
7	13	14	30	7 <sup>TH</sup>

THE STATES WERE GROUPED INTO ZONES AS FOLLOWS:

ZONE	STATE	HEADQUARTERS
1.	LAGOS, OYO, OGUN	IBADAN
2.	BENDEL, ONDO, RIVERS	BENIN
3.	ANAMBRA, IMO, CRS, A/IBOM	ENUGU
4.	BAUCHI, GONGOLA, BORNO	BAUCHI
5.	BENUE, PLATEAU, ABUJA	JOS
6.	KADUNA, KANO, KATSINA	KADUNA
7.	NIGER, KWARA, SOKOTO	MINNA

THE 10<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (BENUE, 1996)

In the true spirit of the National Sports Festival, the hosting right granted Benue State enable it to update her sports infrastructural and consequently boosts her tourism potentials. The Festival tagged 'Benue 96', five years after its first hosting right was withdrawn and awarded to Bauchi State. During the opening ceremony, an accidental gas explosion caused a stir. The timely intervention of security officials and assuaged the anxiety and fears of athletes, officials and spectators.

A funny thing happened at the opening ceremony. Only one athlete represented Cross River State during the march-past, which was held in nine venues in Markurdi witnessed a record of 65 pressmen covering the events. The football event was dogged by a series of walk-over as many States did not enter for the event for one reason or the other. Edo State was walked-over by Lagos State because it could not finance a team to the Festival. A feature of the festival was the role played by the disable in their various contingents. Many States won as Taraba's only gold medal was won by a disable athlete in the Tennis event. Throughout the duration of the Festival, the State Government allowed the workers watch the games as from 2pm. At the closing ceremony on April 20, 1996, General Oladipo Diya, the Chief of General Staff, announced a golden handshake of N1m to Lagos, N700,000 to Edo and N500,000 to Plateau States for coming first, second and third respectively.

MEDAL TABLE (NSF BENUE, 1996)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
LAGOS	66	46	45	1 <sup>ST</sup>

EDO	28	25	29	2 <sup>ND</sup>
PLATEAU	25	14	15	3 <sup>RD</sup>
DELTA	22	17	40	4 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	21	27	37	5 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	15	10	13	6 <sup>TH</sup>
ABIA	13	8	6	7 <sup>TH</sup>
ENUGU	12	13	9	8 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	10	13	17	9 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	9	9	14	10 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	9	6	1	11 <sup>TH</sup>
KOGI	8	11	4	12 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	7	12	4	13 <sup>TH</sup>
FCT ABUJA	6	4	8	14 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	5	9	3	15 <sup>TH</sup>
OSUN	5	7	7	16 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	5	6	19	17 <sup>TH</sup>
ANAMBRA	5	-	6	18 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	4	6	7	19 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	2	12	12	20 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	2	8	20	21 <sup>ST</sup>
CROSS RIVER	2	10	4	22 <sup>ND</sup>
AKWA IBOM	2	-	4	23 <sup>RD</sup>
JIGAWA	1	5	6	24 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	1	4	3	25 <sup>TH</sup>
TARABA	1	3	9	26 <sup>TH</sup>
ADAMAWA	1	1	5	27 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	1	1	3	28 <sup>TH</sup>
YOBE	-	4	-	29 <sup>TH</sup>
KEBBI	-	2	1	30 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	-	1	6	31 <sup>ST</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>363</b>	

### THE 11<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (IMO, 1998)

The hosting of the 11<sup>th</sup> National Sports Festival by Imo State witnessed a series of postponements. In one of the postponements, a directive from Air Commodore Emeka Omeruah (Rtd.) who was then the Minister of Sports on May 18<sup>th</sup>, scuttled the May 25<sup>th</sup> to June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1998 dates of opening and closing formalities. This was the third postponement.

The reason given for this action was the failure of the contractors to lay the tartan track at the Dan Anyiam Stadium on time for the Festival.

New dates of December 13, 1998 to December, 1998 were however upheld.

To forestall all possible loopholes, an eight-man committee was set up by Colonel Tanko Zubairi, Military Administrator of the State to oversee successful hosting of the Sports Festival.

The Imo State Government spent over N300m putting in place needed sports infrastructures equipment.

The closing ceremony was extended by a-enable some states complete their outstanding events. At this edition, Edo State had its worst outing, placing a dismal 10<sup>th</sup> position. This performance was attributed to the prevailing official policy of the then administration to relegate sports to the back burner. The policy triggered a sustained migration of the athletes to States like Kano (which placed second) and others. Sokoto State was fined N2m for not participating without any valid reason.

Tina Akowe of Lagos State set a new Festival record in the women's Shot-Put event by throwing a distance of 15.43m to erase the former one of 14.70m set by Ann Otutu of Lagos State during the 8<sup>th</sup> National Sports festival in Lagos, 1989.

Of global significant was the new world record set by Edith Nzurike of Imo State in the women's disabled (Special Sports) Discuss events. She threw a distance of 28.48m to erase the former one of 26.32m.

**MEDAL TABLE (NSF IMO, 1998)**

<b>STATE</b>	<b>GOLD</b>	<b>SILVER</b>	<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
LAGOS	85	62	63	1 <sup>ST</sup>
KANO	30	25	25	2 <sup>ND</sup>
DELTA	19	28	45	3 <sup>RD</sup>
PLATEAU	19	23	18	4 <sup>TH</sup>
BAYELSA	19	13	13	5 <sup>TH</sup>
ENUGU	13	15	16	6 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	17	13	41	7 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	15	12	9	8 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	13	21	20	9 <sup>TH</sup>
EDO	13	9	12	10 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	11	7	9	11 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	11	5	11	12 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	9	5	20	13 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	8	14	15	14 <sup>TH</sup>
FCT (ABUJA)	8	12	8	15 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	8	6	12	16 <sup>TH</sup>

NASARAWA	8	5	11	17 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	7	12	12	18 <sup>TH</sup>
ABIA	7	11	11	19 <sup>TH</sup>
OSUN	7	2	14	20 <sup>TH</sup>
KOGI	7	2	8	21 <sup>ST</sup>
JIGAWA	5	15	16	22 <sup>ND</sup>
BORNO	5	4	8	23 <sup>RD</sup>
EBONYI	5	1	6	24 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	4	7	13	25 <sup>TH</sup>
EKITI	4	5	5	26 <sup>TH</sup>
ANAMBRA	4	3	7	27 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	4	3	7	28 <sup>TH</sup>
A/IBOM	3	11	8	29 <sup>TH</sup>
ADAMAWA	3	6	4	30 <sup>TH</sup>
TARABA	3	2	3	31 <sup>ST</sup>
BENUE	2	11	11	32 <sup>ND</sup>
YOBE	1	4	5	33 <sup>RD</sup>
GOMBE	1	1	2	34 <sup>TH</sup>
KEBBI	-	3	1	35 <sup>TH</sup>
ZAMFARA	-	-	-	36 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>487</b>	

### THE 12<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (NSF BAUCHI, 2000)

Bauchi State was granted the hosting rights as a last-minute replacement for Kano State the original host of the 12<sup>th</sup> National Sports Festival. Many States were sceptical about the safety of their athletes and officials after the sad experience of the 1991 religious riot which coincided with the Sports Festival then.

Osun, Kano, Taraba, and Niger State did not participate for one reason or the other. The Bauchi games lasted for Wednesday, Saturday, November, 25<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

The highlight of the Festival was when Bol Saikhena set aside Rufina Uba's 11 years of record off 11.54 seconds in the women's 100 metres, usual there was an unusual side to the Festival Zamfara officials alleged partially when Bol Nestor of Delta State beat Isiaka Yusuf 4:1 boxing bout and caused mayhem on the..... and Delta State officials at the ring side.

This scuffle, which occurred on November 2 led to the stoppage of other bouts until were cooled.

### MEDAL TABLE (NSF BAUCHI, 2000)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
DELTA	64	51	52	1 <sup>ST</sup>
LAGOS	51	55	42	2 <sup>ND</sup>
PLATEAU	41	37	32	3 <sup>RD</sup>
EDO	28	42	30	4 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	24	8	12	5 <sup>TH</sup>
BAYELSA	23	25	26	6 <sup>TH</sup>
ENUGU	22	14	12	7 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	18	19	24	8 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	17	19	28	9 <sup>TH</sup>
ABIA	15	17	14	10 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	15	147	17	11 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	13	12	25	12 <sup>TH</sup>
JIGAWA	13	7	20	13 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	10	11	18	14 <sup>TH</sup>
A/IBOM	9	9	10	15 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	8	14	22	16 <sup>TH</sup>
EKITI	8	6	11	17 <sup>TH</sup>
YOBE	8	4	3	18 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	8	3	16	19 <sup>TH</sup>
FCT, ABUJA	7	13	19	20 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	5	11	12	21 <sup>ST</sup>
KWARA	5	4	7	22 <sup>ND</sup>
ANAMBRA	4	8	18	23 <sup>RD</sup>
KOGI	4	6	17	24 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	3	5	12	25 <sup>TH</sup>
ADAMAWA	3	5	10	26 <sup>TH</sup>
ZAMFARA	3	2	7	27 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	2	6	5	28 <sup>TH</sup>
EBONYI	2	1	3	29 <sup>TH</sup>
NASARAWA	1	5	8	30 <sup>TH</sup>
GOMBE	1	2	6	31 <sup>ST</sup>
KEBBI	-	3	7	32 <sup>ND</sup>
SOKOTO	-	4	4	33 <sup>RD</sup>
KANO	-	-	-	DID NOT PARTICIPATE
NIGER	-	-	-	DID NOT PARTICIPATE
OSUN	-	-	-	DID NOT PARTICIPATE
TARABA	-	-	-	DID NOT PARTICIPATE
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>				

13<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL MEDAL TABLE (NSF EDO, 2002)

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	POSITION
EDO	179	107	88	1 <sup>ST</sup>
DELTA	91	55	80	2 <sup>ND</sup>
LAGOS	36	62	86	3 <sup>RD</sup>
PLATEAU	22	27	34	4 <sup>TH</sup>
BAYELSA	19	23	27	5 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	16	24	16	6 <sup>TH</sup>
AKWA IBOM	14	13	25	7 <sup>TH</sup>
ENUGU	14	2	12	8 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	8	13	23	9 <sup>TH</sup>
JIGAWA	8	7	9	10 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	7	22	17	11 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	7	9	11	12 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	7	8	30	13 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	6	22	27	14 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	6	6	9	15 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	6	3	2	16 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS RIVER	5	5	14	17 <sup>TH</sup>
FCT ABUJA	5	5	9	18 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	5	2	6	19 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	4	9	6	20 <sup>TH</sup>
NASARAWA	3	12	21	21 <sup>ST</sup>
BENUE	3	2	4	22 <sup>ND</sup>
KADUNA	2	10	10	23 <sup>RD</sup>
ANAMBRA	2	8	8	24 <sup>TH</sup>
YOBE	2	5	6	25 <sup>TH</sup>
EKITI	2	3	7	26 <sup>TH</sup>
EBONYI	1	3	6	27 <sup>TH</sup>
OSUN	1	2	4	28 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	1	2	3	29 <sup>TH</sup>
ADAMAWA	1	1	6	30 <sup>TH</sup>
SOKOTO	1	-	2	31 <sup>ST</sup>
KOGI	-	4	7	32 <sup>ND</sup>
TARABA	-	2	6	33 <sup>RD</sup>
GOMBE	-	2	3	34 <sup>TH</sup>
ZAMFARA	-	2	-	35 <sup>TH</sup>
KEBBI	-	-	2	36 <sup>TH</sup>
ABIA	-	-	-	ABSENT
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>				

This table is based on certified results submitted as at the end of the Festival.

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Technical Committee 13<sup>th</sup> National Sports Festival EDO 2002. 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2002

**Note:** Hockey (Men) Outstanding.

## THE 14<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL (ABUJA 2004) MEDALS TABLES

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL	POSITION
DELTA	103	80	77	260	1 <sup>ST</sup>
EDO	96	70	76	242	2 <sup>ND</sup>
LAGOS	37	43	43	123	3 <sup>RD</sup>
PLATEAU	18	18	26	62	4 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	17	21	33	71	5 <sup>TH</sup>
ABIA	17	8	11	36	6 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	16	25	26	67	7 <sup>TH</sup>
FCT	15	18	32	65	8 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	15	12	22	49	9 <sup>TH</sup>
BAYELSA	14	19	38	71	10 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	12	14	20	46	11 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	12	12	33	57	12 <sup>TH</sup>
AKWA-IBOM	10	9	6	25	13 <sup>TH</sup>
ENUGU	9	11	19	39	14 <sup>TH</sup>
OGUN	9	8	28	45	15 <sup>TH</sup>
NASARAWA	9	7	7	23	16 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	8	6	11	25	17 <sup>TH</sup>
KOGI	6	3	10	19	18 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	4	4	5	13	19 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	3	13	14	30	20 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	3	6	12	21	21 <sup>ST</sup>
CROSS-RIVER	3	5	8	16	22 <sup>ND</sup>
KADUNA	3	5	4	12	23 <sup>RD</sup>
EKITI	3	4	7	14	24 <sup>TH</sup>
OSUN	3	3	5	11	25 <sup>TH</sup>
NIGER	2	5	6	13	26 <sup>TH</sup>
EBONYI	2	4	5	11	27 <sup>TH</sup>
ADAMAWA	2	3	11	16	28 <sup>TH</sup>
KEBBI	2	1	4	7	29 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	2	1	2	5	30 <sup>TH</sup>
ANAMBRA	1	5	8	14	31 <sup>ST</sup>
YOBE	1	3	6	10	32 <sup>ND</sup>
GOMBE	1	3	6	10	33 <sup>RD</sup>
SOKOTO	1	1	1	3	34 <sup>TH</sup>
TARABA	-	2	2	4	35 <sup>TH</sup>
JIGAWA	-	-	-	0	36 <sup>TH</sup>
ZAMFARA	-	-	-	0	37 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>1535</b>	

# REPORT OF THE 15<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL MEDAL TABLE, 2006

## 3.5 FINAL MEDAL TABLE

STATE	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE		POSITION
DELTA	82	60	97	239	1 <sup>ST</sup>
EDO	78	57	76	211	2 <sup>ND</sup>
OGUN	70	72	87	229	3 <sup>RD</sup>
BAYELSA	23	16	24	63	4 <sup>TH</sup>
OYO	21	20	24	65	5 <sup>TH</sup>
RIVERS	21	11	28	60	6 <sup>TH</sup>
LAGOS	18	27	35	80	7 <sup>TH</sup>
IMO	17	30	27	74	8 <sup>TH</sup>
ABIA	17	8	26	51	9 <sup>TH</sup>
PLATEAU	15	14	26	55	10 <sup>TH</sup>
ONDO	14	33	30	77	11 <sup>TH</sup>
AKWA-IBOM	13	11	5	29	12 <sup>TH</sup>
CROSS-RIVER	12	6	12	30	13 <sup>TH</sup>
FCT	9	11	27	47	14 <sup>TH</sup>
KOGI	9	10	11	30	15 <sup>TH</sup>
KANO	9	7	5	21	16 <sup>TH</sup>
BAUCHI	8	10	8	26	17 <sup>TH</sup>
NASARAWA	7	9	22	38	18 <sup>TH</sup>
ENUGU	7	8	10	25	19 <sup>TH</sup>
KWARA	5	9	7	21	20 <sup>TH</sup>
KADUNA	5	3	8	16	21 <sup>ST</sup>
KEBBI	4	7	1	12	22 <sup>ND</sup>
ANAMBRA	4	5	6	15	23 <sup>RD</sup>
YOBE	3	5	4	12	24 <sup>TH</sup>
ADAMAWA	3	4	5	12	25 <sup>TH</sup>
KATSINA	3	-	-	3	26 <sup>TH</sup>
BORNO	2	8	3	13	27 <sup>TH</sup>
ZAMFARA	2	3	3	8	28 <sup>TH</sup>
EKITI	2	2	6	10	29 <sup>TH</sup>
JIGAWA	2	2	2	6	30 <sup>TH</sup>
OSUN	1	11	11	23	31 <sup>ST</sup>
EBONYI	1	2	6	9	32 <sup>ND</sup>
SOKOTO	1	2	2	5	33 <sup>RD</sup>
NIGER	1	1	6	8	34 <sup>TH</sup>
BENUE	-	5	14	19	35 <sup>TH</sup>
GOMBE	-	1	6	7	36 <sup>TH</sup>
TARABA	-	1	5	6	37 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>TOTAL NO. OF MEDALS AT STAKE</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>675</b>	1655	