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NGOs, journalists dialogue on water and climate change

THE Bread of Life Development Foundation (BLF), a non-government organisation (NGO), in partnership with the Water and Sanitation Media Network, comprising journalists reporting the water and sanitation sector in Nigeria, will, today, hold the first dialogue relating with water management and climate change.

According to a release signed by Ms Bellarose Okojie of the BLF, the aim of the dialogue was to highlight water resources management issues in the context of climate change, with the hope of empowering stakeholders to engage in national and international negotiations to ensure that water issue was placed on the climate agenda.

The event, which would be attended by environmental journalists, water resources and sanitation, as well as climate change experts, would hold at the Seminar Room, Archbishop Vining Memorial Church Cathedral, Oba Akinjobi Street, (after Police College), GRA, Ikeja, Lagos, by 10.00 a.m.

By Dapo Falade

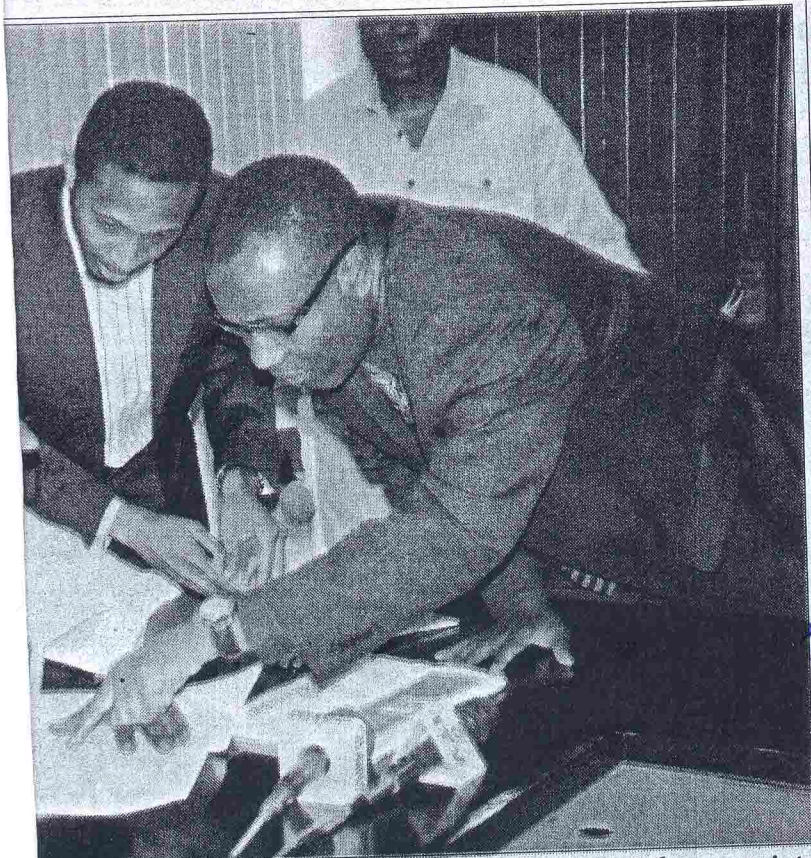
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Lost item

A wallet belonging to Mr Tajudeen Adekunle Raji of the African Newspapers of Nigeria (ANN) Plc, publishers of *Tribune* titles, got missing on Molete/Idi-Arere road in Ibadan, Oyo State, on Monday, January 31, 2011. The wallet, at the time it got missing, contained the *Tribune* identity card and other valuable documents. If found, please return it to the *Tribune* House, Imalefalafia Street, Oke-Ado, Ibadan.

Burial

THE final burial ceremony of Mr Oludotun Obadina will begin with an open outreach at his residence, 1, Sangogbade Estate, opposite *Broadcasting Corporation of Oyo State*



Oshiomhole (left), signing the 2011 budget of the state into law, are, from left, the Commissioner for Budget and Planning, State House of Assembly, Honourable Bright Omokhodion.

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and bring the culprits to book, the God of our fathers, the God of our monarchs will rise and fight his war and the culprits shall be brought to book."

He said his government was determined to fight crime in all ramifications, adding that the current trend, where, at the slightest provocation, people carried arms against one another in

other parts of the country, should not be allowed to take its root in Akwa Ibom.

Akpabio said the government would reward anybody who volunteered useful information that would lead to the arrest of the murderers, while assuring the chiefs that the government would look at circumstances surrounding the murder.

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ing the budget, said "the challenge for the executive branch, for which you have oversight function, is to ensure that both the spirit and letter of this budget are truly translated."

He assured the people of the state that the administration would remain careful in ensuring that it eliminated wastages in the system, so as to put resources where they would have impact on a greater number of people in the state.

"I want to assure the good people of Edo State that this budget is essentially designed to ensure that we complete the

projects that we have started and, where possible, we initiate new ones. With this instrument in place, I have no doubt in my mind that a number of projects would be completed," he said.

He commended the speaker and members of the state House of Assembly for the timely passage of the bill.

According to the governor, "since my assumption of office, this is the first time that we are concluding and signing the budget into law within the first month of the year. It has not happened before."

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