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CAN Chairman, Ibeshe Kingdom

Reception follows immediately at the same venue



HIS EXCELLENCY,
**BOLA AHMED
TINUBU** GCFR

PRESIDENT AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, FEDERAL ARMED FORCES,
THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA



HIS EXCELLENCY,
BABAJIDE O.
SANWO-OLU
EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR OF LAGOS STATE



HIS EXCELLENCY,
**DR. KADRI OBAFEMI
HAMZAT**
DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF LAGOS STATE



RT. HONORABLE
MUDASHIRU AJAYI
OBASA

SPEAKER OF THE LAGOS STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY



**HON. TOKUNBO
ABIRU**

DISTINGUISHED SENATOR,
LAGOS EAST SENATORIAL DISTRICT



**HON. BABAJIMI
BENSON**^{MHR}

MEMBER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE



**HON. GBOLAHAN
OGUNLEYE**

MEMBER,
LAGOS STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
IKORODU CONSTITUENCY 1



**HON. ARO MOSHOOD
ABIODUN**

MEMBER,
LAGOS STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
IKORODU CONSTITUENCY 11

Ikorodu Local Government Chairmen



HON. WASIU AYODEJI
ADESINA
HON. CHAIRMAN, IKORODU LOCAL GOVERNMENT



HON. (PRINCE) WASIU ADEKUNLE
AGORO
HON. CHAIRMAN, IMOTA LCDA



HON. MOTUNRAYO GBADEBO
ALOGBA
HON. CHAIRMAN, IJEDE LCDA



HON. OLUSESAN MAYOKUN
DAINI
HON. CHAIRMAN, IGBOGBO/BAYEKU LCDA



HON. ADEOLA ADEBISI
BANJO
HON. CHAIRMAN, IKORODU NORTH LCDA



HON. SULAIMON KAZEEM
OLANREWaju
HON. CHAIRMAN, IKORODU WEST LCDA



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA (ENGR.) KABIR ADEWALE
SHOTOB

ADEGORUSHEN V
THE AYANGBUREN OF IKORODU

Royal Guests of Honour



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA MUDASHIRU AJIBADE BAKARE
AGORO FCA, AMNIM, ACIT
OLUFOWORESETE II,
RANODU OF IMOTA



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA (BARR.) SEMIUDEEN O.
KASALI
EMUGORIADE I
ADEBORUWA OF IGBOGBO KINGDOM



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA (ENGR.) BASHIR AREMU
SOTONWA
OSOMEKU I
SEKUNMADE OF IPAKODO KINGDOM



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA (DR.) AKEEM ADEORİYOMI
OYIBO
OBATERU OF EGBIN KINGDOM



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA DAVID RAJI
BALOGUN
OLUGBADE II
EWEYE OF ISIWU KINGDOM



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA AHMED M. OLAKUNLE OGUNNAIKE
OGUNDERU
ALAGURA OF AGURA KINGDOM



HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA ABDULGANIYU ADEBOYEJO
OMOTAYO
FIDIMOLU OF ELEPE KINGDOM



HIGH CHIEF
ALI
MUSEDIKU
OLISA/REGENT OFF IJEDE





Profile
of
HIS ROYAL MAJESTY
OBA RICHARD ABAYOMI
OGUNSANYA JP
BISORO 1
THE OLUBESHE OF IBESHE LAND

His Royal Majesty Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya was born on the 28th day of February, 1943 into the family of Ogunsanya by his late father, Pa Saka Ogunsanya and late mother, Madam Sefinat Ogunsanya. May their gentle souls continue to rest in perfect peace.

He attended Anglican Primary School, Ikorodu in the year 1957. He lost his father at a very tender age, that made him live with his uncle at Ijebu Ode, where he attended Ijebu Muslim College, Ijebu Ode Ogun State.

Thereafter, he was enlisted into the Nigeria Airforce where he served for about 10 years. While serving in the Airforce, he enrolled in Yaba College of Technology and studied Building Technology.

Upon completion, he worked in several companies like Nissco Limited (a French Company), DB Limited (a German Company). He later floated his own private companies: Ash-Bod Holding and R.A. Abayomi and Sons.

To mention a few, his companies carried the following projects:

- Construction of Guest House of Oriwu Club, Ikorodu
- Construction of Swimming Pool, Road II, Renovation of VC's Guest House, Construction and renovation of Pharmacy building; all in Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife

- Construction and Renovations of block of classrooms in Lagos State Civil Service Model College, Igbogbo
- And many more.

He was called to serve his Community (Ibeshe) as Councillor during the tenure of Mr. Matthew Awolesi (former Chairman Ikorodu Local Government). The position which he held for three consecutive terms with HRM Oba Ajibade Bakare Agoro, the present Ranodu of Imota.

Due to his various contributions to his community, he was called to fill the vacant position of his forefathers, he was installed the Olubeshe of Ibeshe land on the 10th May, 2007 and later, he was upgraded to a 1st Class Oba in Lagos State.

He has been a member of Lagos State Council of Obas and Chiefs since 2007. He is also a member of Lagos State Ijebu Traditional Rulers and Ikorodu Divisional Chieftaincy Committee.

He served in different capacities in Methodist Church Ikorodu and Patron of more than 3 societies. He is also a Life Patron of Ikorodu Harmony Brothers and Ambassadors of Christ Society of Methodist Church Ikoordu.

Kabiyesi is lover of Table Tennis, Football and Draught Game.

Oriki



Omo Maja Aworo
Omo layemi
Omo Apelesi
Omo Ofobu kubu pariwo
Omo Elehinkule adehure
Omo Opopo labu gbonre
Omo Felewa Ogbolojo
Omo Apepe loju Ega
Omo Agbenuran woran
Omo ojoye koye wunije
Ara Idowa
Omo Oba Dagburewe
Omo Eleku meden meden
Imale afeleja



A CITATION OF

CHIEF KAOLI OLATUNJI OLUSANYA

ASIPA OF IKORODU



Today, we gather to honour and celebrate a man whose life has been a testament to unyielding dedication, visionary leadership, and extraordinary service to humanity. It is a day of great significance for the people of Ikorodu, Lagos State, and indeed Nigeria as a whole, as we install Chief Kaoli Olusanya, the Asipa of Ikorodu, into the revered position of the Asiwaju of Ibeshe Kingdom. This gathering is not merely a celebration of the passing of years or the accumulation of titles; it is a moment to reflect on a life of profound impact and enduring legacy. The man we celebrate today is more than the sum of his achievements. He is a beacon of hope, a pillar of community development, and a man whose actions resonate deeply with the ideals of leadership, service, and purpose.

The story of Chief Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya is one of purpose, resilience, and an enduring love for his people. Born and raised in Ikorodu, Lagos. Chief Olusanya's life has been marked by a fierce resolve to rise above challenges and embrace the opportunities life provides. Chief Kaoli is an alumnus of Lagos Secondary Commercial Academy, Fadeyi, Lagos and Ebenezer Grammar School, Ijeda Ilesha where he distinguished himself as a student of promise, developing leadership qualities that would later define his career. As a school prefect, he not only excelled academically but also demonstrated an innate ability to inspire and organize his peers. From there, his educational journey continued at the Federal School of Arts and Science, Onikan Lagos and the University of Ife, Ile-Ife where he studied agriculture.

At Ife, Chief Olusanya balanced rigorous academics with an active social and family life. He was a shining example of a well-rounded student, thriving not just within the confines of the classroom but also in fostering connections and community spirit. Upon graduating, he embarked on the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) programme in Maiduguri, Borno State. There, his experiences deepened his appreciation for the rich diversity of Nigeria and solidified his resolve to contribute meaningfully to national development.

Upon returning, he began his professional career as an agricultural officer, working with the Lagos State Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources. It was here that he gained critical experience in the agriculture sector. As an extension officer at the Imota Farm Settlement in Ikorodu, he brought innovation and energy to his work, helping to transform the settlement into a model of agricultural productivity. His ability to connect with farmers, address their challenges, and implement effective solutions quickly earned him respect and admiration.





Yet, his ambitions stretched far beyond the fields of Imota. His passion for education and mentorship led him to a career in academia at the Lagos State Polytechnic, where he inspired countless students to see agriculture not just as a profession but as a vital tool for societal transformation. Even when faced with institutional challenges, Chief Olusanya remained steadfast, driven by his belief in the power of knowledge to change lives. His desire to deepen his expertise led him to pursue a master's degree in Economics at the University of Ibadan, a pursuit that broadened his understanding of value creation in agriculture.

Not content with the stability of academia, he ventured into private enterprise, establishing a poultry farm in Ibeshe. However, life's journey is rarely a straight path, and his personal and professional life faced its share of trials. The collapse of his farm business brought financial challenges, and marital difficulties. Despite these setbacks, his resilience never wavered. He subsequently built a family rooted in love, unity, and shared purpose, raising eight children and embracing the challenges and joys of life.

Chief Olusanya's foray into politics was a natural progression for a man whose life had been defined by service and leadership. It began with his involvement in the Community Development Associations (CDAs) and the Rotary Club of Ikorodu. These platforms provided him with opportunities to contribute to grassroots development and hone his leadership skills. His first major foray into politics came in 1986, when he contested for councillorship of Itunmaja Ward D and in 1992 when he contested for the Chairmanship of the Ikorodu Local Government under the National Republican Convention (NRC).

Though unsuccessful, this experience offered him valuable lessons in strategy, teamwork, and the importance of engaging directly with the people. In all Chief Olusanya has contested five times and failed, yet he remained steadfast and loyal to his conviction.

Appointed as Commissioner in the Lagos State Civil Service Commission by Sir Michael Otedola, Chief Olusanya demonstrated exemplary leadership in overseeing appointments, promotions, and discipline within various ministries. During this time, a spiritual awakening led him to embrace Christianity, a faith that transformed his perspective and infused his life with renewed purpose. This spiritual transformation inspired him to establish Kith & Kin Educational Schools where he aimed at providing quality education to children from all backgrounds.

Chief Olusanya's return to politics in the late 1990s marked a new chapter in his life. Partnering with Chief Mufutau Ajisebutu, he played a pivotal role in Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu's gubernatorial campaign in 1999. As Commissioner of Agriculture in Tinubu's administration, he spearheaded transformative initiatives that revitalized the agricultural sector in Lagos State. Under his leadership, farm settlements were rehabilitated, the Oko-Oba Abattoir was upgraded, Fish Farm Estate, Odogunyan was established and significant strides were made in poultry, piggery, and crop production. These achievements, despite funding challenges, underscored his commitment to innovation and sustainability. These initiatives not only created jobs and boosted revenue but also positioned Lagos State as a leader in agricultural innovation. His work during this period was a masterclass in the kind of visionary leadership that drives lasting change.

Beyond his role in governance, Chief Olusanya has been a guiding force in the All Progressives Congress (APC), where his wisdom and experience have shaped policies and decisions that continue to benefit Lagos State. As Vice Chairman of the Lagos East Senatorial District of the APC, he demonstrated a collaborative approach to leadership, working tirelessly to address the needs of the people and improve public education infrastructure. His dedication to education led to the establishment of the Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya Educational Foundation (KOOEF) in 2011 and incorporated in 2016 as a Non-Governmental Organisation. This foundation has provided full scholarships to nearly 70 students from low-income households, especially within the Ikorodu division of Lagos State, covering tuition, accommodation, feeding, and educational materials. The impact of KOOEF has been profound, with many beneficiaries now studying medicine, law, and other disciplines at prestigious institutions.

In September 2024, Chief Olusanya furthered his commitment to education with the establishment of Kith & Kin British Academy, an addition to Kith & Kin Educational Schools. He also became a registered member of the National Association for Educational Administration and Planning (NAEAP) and the Commonwealth Council of Educational Administration and Management (CCEAM), earning certification on 12 November 2023.

Chief Olusanya's contributions to culture and tradition are equally remarkable. His installation as the Asipa of Ikorodu in 2001 by the late Oba Salaudeen Adekoya Afolabi Oyefusi CFR (Oguntade I) marked the beginning of his formal role in preserving and promoting the heritage and culture of Ikorodu. He also served as General Secretary, Council of Honorary Titled Chiefs of Ikorodu between 2003 and 2024 and is currently the Vice President of Oriwu Club Ikorodu.

In his personal life, Chief Olusanya is a man of profound faith and unwavering values. His spiritual journey has been a source of strength and inspiration, shaping his approach to life and service. His

marriage to Ruth Olukemi, a partnership rooted in mutual respect and shared purpose, underscores his commitment to family and community. Together, they have built a home defined by love, faith, and a shared vision for the future.

Chief Kaoli Olusanya's life is a mosaic of accomplishments that reflect a deep commitment to service, innovation, and community. From his commendable work in agriculture to his contributions to education and his remarkable leadership in politics, he has consistently demonstrated an ability to turn challenges into opportunities and inspire others to do the same. His ascent to the title of Asiwaju of Ibeshe Kigdom is not just a recognition of his achievements but a celebration of the values he embodies: integrity, resilience, and an unwavering commitment to progress.

As we install him into this esteemed position, we honor not just the man but the ideals he represents. Chief Kaoli Olusanya is more than a leader; he is a symbol of what is possible when purpose meets determination. His life is a testament to the power of vision, the importance of community, and the enduring impact of a life well-lived.

Ladies and gentlemen, it is with great pride and reverence that we commend for celebration and emulation a man whose legacy will echo through the ages: Chief Kaoli Olusanya, the Asipa of Ikorodu, now the Asiwaju of Ibeshe Kingdom. May his reign as Asiwaju bring continued progress, prosperity, and unity to our beloved Ikorodu Division, Lagos State and Nigeria in general.





His Royal Majesty

Alaigbolade Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya JP.

(BISORO 1)

OLUBESHE OF IBESHELAND

Member Lagos State Council of Oba's and Chiefs

All Correspondent to the Oba's Palace

October 18th, 2024

Asipa Kaofi Olusanya

Dear Hon. Asipa,

CONFIRMATION OF CHIEFTAINCY TITLE

Greetings from the Royal Castle of Peace and the Olubeshes-in-Council also the entire people of Ibeshe Kingdom.

At an emergency meeting of the Olubeshes-in-Council held on Friday, 27th September, 2024 we write to inform you of the demise of Chief Mutairu Adio Salisu (Ogo-Oluwa) 22years ago, as the Asiwaju of Ibeshe Kingdom we the Olubeshes-in-Council came to a conclusion that in your personal recognition of your goodwill and various humanitarian services, especially financially and moral contributions to the whole Ikroodu Kingdom, we in Ibeshe are blessed to have someone like you staying in our domain even the whole CDA's have been praising the fatherly role you render towards the development of Ibeshe Kingdom especially on the road project and ongoing maintenance of the road, your great achievement cannot be mentioned on a piece of paper; only God can bless and crown your effort.

At the meeting, we came to a conclusion that we should present you and your wife a chieftaincy title in Ibeshe Kingdom as the "ASIWAJU" and "YEYE ASIWAJU" of Ibeshe Kingdom, Ikroodu, Lagos.

On behalf of myself, my family, Olubeshes-in-Council and indeed the entire Ibeshe people, we rejoice and congratulate you and your family for being so highly recognized and honoured.

Finally, you are requested to forward your letter of acceptance to Kabiyesi; the Olubeshes of Ibeshe Kingdom so as to enable the Olubeshes-in-Council to take further necessary action on the subject matter.

Yours in service of our community,

Hrm Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya Jp
Bisoro 1,
Olubeshes of Ibeshe Kingdom



**HIS ROYAL MAJESTY ALAIYELUWA
OBA KABIRU ADEWALE SHOTOBI
(ADEGORUSHEN V)
THE AYANGBURE OF IKORODU**

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Tel: 08033461188 E-mail: kshotob@gmail.com



WHO THE CAPS FITS:

My dear Asipa Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya, what can we say on this your special day, than to give praises to God Almighty for HIS enduring mercy and divine grace on you and your family for having been considered most qualified among many other eminent personalities in Ibesheland for the exalted position, for which you are being honoured today with a High Class Chieftaincy Titles of ASIWAJU and your darling wife as YEYE ASIWAJU of Ibesheland by my brother Oba and friend, His Royal Majesty, Alaiyeluwa Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya, Olubeshe of Ibesheland in Ikorodu Division.

This very unique offer of the Chieftaincy titles is a testament to your meritorious services to Ibesheland, Ikorodu Kingdom, Lagos State and the Federal Republic of Nigeria, both as a distinguished Public servant in various capacities, a Frontline Politician and Community Leader per excellence.

It is very important to state that, you are an asset to Ikorodu Kingdom particularly, that made your contributions to Ikorodu Community to be of an inestimable value to my reign as the Ayangbure of Ikorodu Kingdom.


Without mincing word, I wish to place on record that, you are a very reliable friend and adviser not only to me personally, but to the Ayangbure-in-Council.

I salute you and our amiable YEYE ASIWAJU on this epoch making occasion, wish you well and pray for more resources to serve Ibesheland in this new capacity, as well as Ikorodu Kingdom and the Division in other capacities at all times.

On behalf of my humble self, my dear Olori your very good friend and confidant, the Royal Family, the Ayangbure in-Council and indeed the good people of Ikorodu Kingdom, I hereby convey to you our heartfelt congratulations and pray for robust Health for you and Yeye always.

OYE AMORI O.

Yours in the Service of our people,


HRM ALAIYELUWA OBA K.A. SHOTOBI
ADEGORUSHEN V
AYANGBUREN OF IKORODU KINGDOM

CHIEF KAOLI OLATUNJI OLUSANYA

A MAN FOR THE PEOPLE

The Chief Learning Officer, CLO, of the Kith and Kin Educational Schools, Owode-Ibeshe, Ikorodu, is a man of many different parts like the proverbial elephant to a group of blind people touching the different parts and coming up with different views on how the elephant looks like. The picture that this giant paints, in my own perspective, is that of a man for the people. To the chief, success is not his where and if others have not succeeded. He is up there and believes that the top place is not his alone; all possible concerted and conscious efforts in all its ramifications must not only be made but be seen to be made to get others on top, too. He is selfless with his establishments which he places at the disposal of all and sundry, the rich and the poor, the haves and have not, young and old, male and female without recourse to creed or favour such that nobody would be left behind, unattended to. This is exemplified in his scholarship awards to brilliant pupils in public primary schools in the vicinity. Even the name of his educational establishment, Kith and Kin, attests to this character of a man whom I tag by the name KAJOLA meaning "let we all succeed together". Any possession of his is not to his personal aggrandizement. His is a service to the people; a service to the community, to humanity and, consequently, a service to God Almighty.

Prof. Ayodeji Olasunkanmi Abari



Tribute

KAOLI OLATUNJI OLUSANYA

THE ASIWAJU OF IBESHE LAND

My Dear Brother-in-Christ

"The heights which great men reached and kept,
Were not attained by a sudden flight;
But they while their companions slept,
Were toiling through in the night"

The quote above succinctly summarises the journey of your life so far. I have known you for over four decades, two of which as a close associate.

As a family man, I congratulate you for building a strong, cohesive and productive family, one example of which is your daughter, Abisola Olusanya, who is now in the sixth year as Lagos State Commissioner for Agriculture and Food System; the Ministry you also occupied with the portfolio of Agriculture and Cooperatives for eight years- 1999 to 2007.

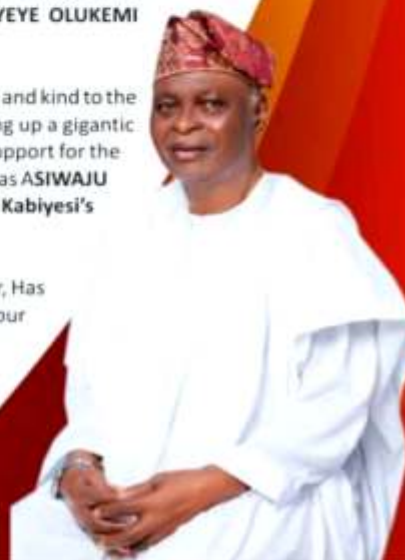
In many fronts, especially politics and community service, you have excelled. A first recognition of this was why **Late Ayangbure of Ikorodu Kingdom, HRM Oba Salaudeen Afolabi Oyefusi** made you the **ASIPA OF IKORODU**. In politics, not only have you served as Commissioner, you also successfully superintended over the affairs of our Party in the Lagos East Senatorial District for four years without blemish.

For your new cap today, you must have consulted widely when the Olubeshe of Ibesheland, HRM Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya, offered to make you the ASIWAJU OF IBESHELAND. I was flabbergasted when I received your message requesting for my blessing. I promptly responded. It is apposite to reproduce in this tribute my response for public consumption as the real tribute for the man who the cap fits - **ASIWAJU KAOLI OLATUNJI OLUSANYA (& YEYE OLUKEMI OLANREWAJU OLUSANYA)**

"My Dear Asipa, whatever Kabiyesi has listed as your contribution in cash and kind to the development of Ibeshe are very well known to me. In addition, by setting up a gigantic educational institution in his domain, you have excelled in meaningful support for the domain of Kabiyesi. You and your wife therefore deserve to be honoured as **ASIWAJU OF IBESHELAND AND YEYE ASIWAJU**. I FULLY SUPPORT AND ENDORSE Kabiyesi's honour for you and your wife. Heartiest congratulations in advance"

Today, December 28, 2024, God Almighty having also blessed the honour, Has brought us together to celebrate with you, your wife (the donees) and our Kabiyesi **(THE BENEVOLENT DONOR)**

Olorunfunmi Basorun
The Asiwaju of Igbogbo Kingdom
December 28, 2024



TRIBUTE TO ASIPA KAOLI OLATUNJI OLUSANYA

***A**sipa Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya is a man of many parts, who has achieved a lot in his short space of life. A man who believes in himself so much so that he has built up a wealth of confidence that has made him achieve a lot in life.*

A graduate of Agriculture, he has been our Commissioner for Agriculture in the Cabinet of the current President of Nigeria when the President was governor of Lagos State. He was also Vice Chairman East Senatorial District in the Executive Committee of Lagos State All Progressive Congress (APC). He is also one of two Vice Chairmen of Ikorodu Division APC Apex Body; a body that has been responsible for the success of the Party in the Division and Lagos State.

He has been recognised with chieftaincy title of Asipa by the Ayangburen of Ikorodu.

What is more striking is his foray into education industry (Kith and Kin Group of Schools) where he has made his mark and success.

Now that he is being honoured with the chieftaincy title of Asiwaju with his wife as Yeye Asiwaju of Ibesheland, I wish him well and success in this position.

It is no surprise that Olubeshe of Ibesheland, Oba Richard Ogunsanya is giving these titles to him and his wife.

God will be with the new Asiwaju and Yeye Asiwaju of our time, Amen.



*Prince Abiodun Ogunleye
Former Deputy Governor of Lagos State*



A CITATION OF

CHIEF MRS. OLUKEMI OLANREWAJU **OLUSANYA** YEYE ASIPA OF IKORODU

Chief Mrs. Olukeni Olanrewaju Olusanya is a visionary and transformational leader who radiates excellence in all her undertakings. A stickler for rules, she applies them with unwavering resolve, letting the chips fall where they may, and exemplifies ethical, decisive, and forward-thinking leadership.

Born on October 3, 1969, in Ibadan, Oyo State, she hails from the culturally rich environment of Ilesha in Osun State. Her empowering passion for education began early and led her to earn an NCE between 1988 and 1991 with excellence. She successfully graduated from the prestigious University of Lagos in 2005. A scholar with insatiable thirst for knowledge, she furthered her studies by obtaining a Diploma in Montessori Education from the United Kingdom in 2009, reflecting her adaptability and commitment to professional growth.

Chief Mrs. Olusanya's exemplary ability to deliver impactful knowledge and her administrative competence were evident early in her career when she served in the Curriculum Department of the Ministry of Education, where her insightful contributions left an indelible mark. Her resilience and diligence shone brightly during her tenure as an educator at Innocent Children Schools, where she demonstrated a supportive, compassionate, and patient approach to student development.

In recognition of her charismatic and inspirational leadership, she was appointed Educational Director of Kith and Kin Educational Schools, a role she holds to date. Her innovative, strategic, and collaborative methods have transformed the institution into a model of excellence, earning her numerous accolades.

Her legacy extends beyond her professional achievements to the countless lives she has touched. Colleagues and mentees describe her as "a woman sent by God as a guardian angel, a mentor, a coach, a fearless carrier of truth, a lover of God and godliness, a firm yet compassionate leader, and an administrator par excellence."

A goldfish has no hiding place, and Chief Mrs. Olusanya's contributions in the secular and spiritual spheres have garnered her widespread recognition. Despite not being a formal academic researcher, her analytical and perceptive innovations in education have positioned her as a sought-after speaker at conferences, training sessions, and events.

Conferment of Chieftaincy Title

Chief Mrs. Olusanya is not only a resourceful and intellectual professional but also a deeply compassionate and charitable individual. Her humility, empathy, and inclusivity have made her relatable to people across all walks of life. As a child of God, her spiritual values guide her actions and have made her a blessing to Ikorodu Kingdom, Osun State, and the nation at large.

Kith and Kin Educational Schools bear the imprint of this extraordinary woman whose forward-thinking and adaptable leadership have inspired generations. She is a resilient force of transformation, an empowering mentor, and a beacon of hope. The God of heaven has prospered her, enabling her to serve her community with sincerity, diplomacy, and unwavering dedication.







ABOUT KOOEF

THE KOOEF HISTORY, OBJECTIVES & MISSION

The Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya Educational Foundation (KOOEF), was the brain child of Chief Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya, the Chief Learning Officer (CLO) of Kith & Kin Education Schools, and was conceived in the year 2011. The foundation was born out of a passion to assist low income and brilliant pupils, especially within the Ikorodu division of Lagos state. The foundation was incorporated in 2016 as a non-governmental organisation.

The objectives of the foundation include among other things:

- /// To help indigent brilliant children/youths realise their dreams and aspirations in life by supporting their educational pursuit
- /// To re-orientate the youth through seminars, symposium and workshop
- /// To mentor young people and help them to develop their personal and professional skills and achieve their goals.
- /// To provide guidance and support to mentees sharing knowledge, experiences and feedback
- /// To help provide educational facilities in areas of dire need.

Since the inception of the foundation in 2011, KOOEF has been granting four (4) full-time scholarship to pupils from public schools in Owode-Ibeshe and some other cases that came to the attention of the Board of Directors, in partnership with Kith and Kin Education Schools, Ikorodu. We have now sponsored over 30 students from primary through secondary education through the Kith and Kin Schools system, and in some cases Nigerian Universities as well.

These children come from low income household, attend dilapidated public schools with poor facilities, but otherwise are individually brilliant and just needed the opportunity. The KOOEF scholarships offer full tuition, hostel accommodation, feeding, uniforms, books, and sponsor other education activities. In other words, the parents and students pay absolutely no expense and only promise to do their very best in the program. That is all the Foundation asks of these families! It is our greatest joy seeing some of our students now studying Medicine or Law at renowned Universities in Nigeria. We have effectively changed the lives of these children forever!

Please join us and be a sponsor to a child today and make a meaningful, life-changing impact for a child. That child might just be that doctor performing the surgery on a loved one or the head of state in the future!

Yours Sincerely

Chief Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya (CLO)



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ABOUT KOOEF & SOME OF OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

YEAR OF ADMISSION: 2012
DATE OF BIRTH: 29TH JUNE, 2001

29.
LAWAL ZAINAB BOLATITO

INTERESTS AND HOBBIES: Singing, Dancing, Playing.
FUTURE AMBITION: Economist.
PHONE NUMBER: 09090613464
SOCIAL MEDIA: FB-Zainab Bolatito.
WHATSAPP: 09090613464
POST HELD: Hostel Prefect(Girl)
ROLE MODEL: My Mum, CLO.
MEMORABLE MOMENT: The day I received prize as best student in Account.
PARTING SHOT: Glory be to Almighty Allah and all thanks to the CLO. To my juniors, the first step is to realize that our life now is the sum total of our decisions of today.

YEAR OF ADMISSION: 2012
DATE OF BIRTH: 1ST JANUARY, 2000

30.
OBIEJE PEACE ONYINYECHI

FUTURE AMBITION: Mass Communicator
INTEREST AND HOBBIES: Swimming, Acting, Watching movies.
SOCIAL MEDIA: FB-Obije Peace
POST HELD: Assistant Hostel Prefect Girl.
PHONE NUMBER: 0907838184
ROLE MODEL:
MEMORABLE MOMENT: Every day in KIOC has been memorable especially the day I win prizes as the best in Literature and Government.
PARTING SHOT: All thanks to God almighty and a big thanks to C.L.O.

YEAR OF ADMISSION: 2012
DATE OF BIRTH: 1ST MAY, 2002

47.
OZUMU ONYEMA PETER

Interest And Hobbies: Playing Football, Watching Football, Listening To Music And Reading.
Future Ambition: A Renowned Surgeon.
Parting Shot: a worthwhile 8-year journey, it has been all the way, a huge thanks to the CLO for giving me such a wonderful privilege. My sincere appreciation goes to all the Teachers, Classmates, Sisters and every member of the KIOC Family who has helped reform my life. Keep calm and love KIOC.
Phone Number: 09071379016
Social Media: FB-ozumu Peter, ig: i.ani_powers.
Memorable Moment: 2018 Interhouse Sport Football Final.
Role Model: Mr. Adedokun (Dr. Ibe), Ben Carson, Michael Oboegbule And My Pastor.
Email: 09071379016@gmail.com
Post Held: Asst. Head Boy.

DATE OF BIRTH: JULY 29TH 1999
YEAR OF ADMISSION: 2012

20.
DAUDA KAYODE

Interest & Hobbies: watching & Playing games, playing football.
FUTURE AMBITION: lawyer (politician)
Social Media: FB: Kayode Dauda, insta: _kayodas,
E-mail: kayodas22@gmail.com
Post Held: Sport prefect Boy
Phone Number: 08080633779
Role Model: Abraham Lincoln, Balotade Raji Fashola.
Memorable Moment: The day I won the prefectship post.
Parting Shot: A really big thanks to CLO for the scholarship he granted me. I will miss my class mates, Enyi, Angela, To all seniors, I pray we see each other in good position in the future. We are leaders, so ready to be a leader.

FATIMATO TOLUNJAHMI DEBORAH
CLO'S AWARD RECIPIENT 2024
MEDICINE
HIBBELL UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
KIA-DAMBOUR



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1st March, 2021

The Chief Learning Officer,
Ruth and Kim International College,
Owode, Ibeke,
Ikorodu,
Lagos State

Dear Sir,

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

It is a pleasure writing to you for the purpose of writing this letter is to express our gratitude for all your kind deeds towards us.

It is indeed a rare privilege being a part of Ruth and Kim. We sincerely appreciate your relentless efforts towards making Ruth and Kim International College a more conducive learning environment.

They say, the journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. We really appreciate the step that you have taken to ensure that less privileged like us are beneficiaries of the kind gestures of you and the ED.

There is a Yoruba adage which says, "Eti ti o si agbale, opelelele" can be translated to "It is a blessing and your Only God knows where we would have been, if not for your passion for education and for rendering assistance to indigent people. On behalf of all the scholarship students, thank you sir. God bless you."

Yours faithfully,

Chalademi Ojokashade *Nyame Lawrence*
for *Chalademi Ojokashade*
Ojokashade Nancy



SALVATION ARMY SCHOOL, IKORODU

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Sholademi Afolashade

Ajani Covenant

Ochonogor Nancy

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Update on Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya Educational Foundation (KOOEF)

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

S/N	SESSION (YEAR OF ADMISSION)	NAME OF STUDENT	PREVIOUS SCHOOL	DAY/ BOARDING	CLASS
1	2010/2011	ADEOLU RERELOLUWA	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	DAY	PRIMARY & SECONDARY
2	2010/2012	OSISANYA DOYIN		BOARDING	SSS 1-3
3	2011/2012	OBIEJE PEACE	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
4	2011/2012	LAWAL ZAINAB	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
5	2011/2012	DAUDA KAYODE	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
6	2011/2012	OSISANYA GBENGA		BOARDING	PRIMARY & SECONDARY
7	2011/2012	OZUMU ONYEMA	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	BOARDING	SECONDARY & UNIVERSITY
8	2011/2012	OLUSANYA RIDWAN	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
9	2011/2012	OLUSANYA TOYIN	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	BOARDING	PRIMARY & SECONDARY
10	2011/2012	OLUSANYA ZAINAB	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
11	2011/2012	OLUSANYA YETUNDE	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
12	2012/2013	SAMUEL ADEMOLA	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL		PRIMARY
13	2012/2013	AJALOGUN LEKAN		BOARDING	SSS 1-3
14	2014/2015	OLAJIMBITI ENIOLA	OGUDU	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
15	2014/2015	AJAYI YETUNDE		DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
16	2014/2015	JOHNSON TOFUNMI	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
17	2014/2015	UKACHI VICTOR	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
18	2014/2015	ADEPOJU OLOLADE		DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
19	2015/2016	ALABI ISRAEL	OGUDU	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
20	2015/2016	TINUBU ISRAEL	OGUDU	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
21	2016/2017	OTEGBEYEABDULBASIT	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
22	2016/2017	OKUNOLA ABDULMALIK	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
23	2016/2017	OBASI AGATHA	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
24	2016/2017	FAKEYE PETER	OGUNSTATE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
25	2016/2017	CHUKWUMA SUNDAY	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
26	2017/2018	SHOLADEMI AFOLASHADE	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
27	2017/2018	OCHONOGOR NANCY	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
28	2017/2018	AJANI COVENANT	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
29	2017/2018	MAKINDE ABISOLA	KITH & KIN MONTESSORRISCHOOL	DAY	CRECHE, GRADE 1
30	2017/2018	ILO YASIR	NASFAT NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	DAY	GRADE 4

31	2018/2019	OMISOLA TOFUNMI	IBELEFUN PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
32	2018/2019	TAIWO VICTORIA	KITH & KIN MONTESSORRI SCHOOL	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
33	2018/2019	OJOR MARY	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
34	2018/2019	FATIMIRO DEBORAH	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
35	2018/2019	ADUROJA OLAYINKA	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
36	2018/2019	OLUWATOBA HANNAH	FEMAT PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
37	2018/2019	OLUSANYA ZIYAAD	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
38	2018/2019	OLUSANYA MAHMUD	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL		NURSERY
39	2018/2019	OLUSANYA BILAL	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL		KG, BASIC 2
40	2019/2020	OLUSANYA FADHILULAI	OLAS PRIVATE SCHOOL, ALHAJI STREET, IKORODU	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
41	2019/2020	OLUSANYA ISSA			BASIC 3-6
42	2019/2020	NWORIE UCHENA	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
43	2019/2020	OYEBISI ABIODUN	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
44	2019/2020	ADESANYA AL-AMIN	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
45	2019/2020	OYEDOKUN IROYINAYO	CANON JAMES PEAR'S ANGLICAN COLLEGE, IWAYA YABA.	BOARDING	JSS 2 – SSS 3
46	2019/2020	OYEDOKUN IMISIOLUWA	MYLORD PRIVATE SCHOOL, OKOTA	BOARDING	BASIC 6, JSS1-SS3
47	2019/2020	OYEDOKUN INIOLUWA	MYLORD PRIVATE SCHOOL, OKOTA	BOARDING	BASIC 6, JSS1-SS3
48	2019/2020	SUNDAY UGOCHUKWU	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
49	2019/2020	OLUSANYA NUSIRAT	SOUTHPRING NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL, LOWCOST IKORODU	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
50	2021/2022	AKINGBEMISOLA MARY	ESTATE NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL, LOWCOST IKORODU	DAY	PRIMARY, JSS 1 – SSS 3
51	2021/2022	ADUNOLA OLUWASEMILORE	WHITE BERRY SCHOOL, AGRIC IKORODU.	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
52	2020/2021	AYODELE-ALAMU TOMILAYO	TOMOBID SCHOOL, AGIDIGBIN, LAGOS	BOARDING	JSS 1 – SSS 3
53	2021/2022	LAWAL MODESIRE	ERINDALE NUR. & PRY. JUMOFK, IKORODU	BOARDING	JSS 2,3 – SSS 1-3
54	2021/2022	ISHOLA ANJOLAOLUWA	KITH & KIN NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL	DAY	JSS 1 – SSS 3
55	2021/2022	AYODELE-ALAMU OLUWAFISAYO	TOMOBID SCHOOL, AGIDIGBIN, LAGOS	DAY	BASIC 5
56	2021/2022	CLEMENT MARVEL	OWODE PRIMARY, IBELEFUN	DAY	PRIMARY 6
57	2021/2022	LAWAL JEREMIAH	SALVATION ARMY SCHOOL, IKORODU	BOARDING	PRIMARY 6
58	2021/2022	PETER GLORIA	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IBESHE	DAY	PRIMARY 6
59	2021/2022	OSHIOMOWO TOBILOBA	SALVATION ARMY SCHOOL, IKORODU	BOARDING	PRIMARY 6
60	2021/2022	IKUEGBAYIGBA FAVOUR	SALVATION ARMY SCHOOL, IKORODU	BOARDING	PRIMARY 6
61	2021/2022	AYENI TIMILEHIN	COMMUNITY PRY. SCH. MOWO-NLA, IKORODU	BOARDING	PRIMARY 6
62	2022/2023	OMOWUNMI ANGEL	METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, IGBOGBO	BOARDING	JSS 2
63	2022/2023	JOSEPH ISRAEL	AYANGBUREN PRY. SCH. IKORODU	BOARDING	JSS 2
64	2024/2025	EGEM ELIZABETH	HEKA AND NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL, IKEJA	BOARDING	JSS 1
65	2024/2025	ODUSANYA AKOLADE	LASUSTECH STAFF NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL, IKEJA	DAY	JSS 1



History of IBESHELAND

Ibeshe is one of the major towns in Ikorodu Local Government Area of Lagos State. The town shares boundaries with Ipakodo in the North, Ebute Iga in the East, Offin in the West and Lagos Lagoon in the South, founded by Adeisan Keme Balogun, one of Oduduwa's descendants' son, who hailed from Ile-Ife.

Okanbi one of the sons of Oduduwa, begot Adewori - The Oba Alaketu of Ketu, who was the grandson of Oduduwa. Adewori who was the Alaketu of Ketu begat Apawosorifa. Apawosorifa who was born in Ketu as a Prince, but left his father's kingdom at Ketu and founded his own town called Iwere in Benin Republic.

Ketu is part of Oduduwa's land in former old Oyo Empire which is also known as Egbado Kingdom.

Apawosorifa, though did not become an Oba in Iwere, but he handed over the emblems of royalty which was given to him by his father to his children amongst whom was Kupoluyi who became the Oba in Iwere.

Apawosorifa begat four children namely, Kupoluyi, Ondunwon, Fagbohun, Aderounmu.

Kupoluyi who was the son of Apawosorifa begat eleven (11) children namely: (1) Adeisan Keme Balogun (2) Olaibi (3) Idowu (4) Fadina (5) Onasile (6) Dopemu (7) Amosu (8) Olaleye (9) Aruwa (10) Ogundele and (11) Ajiborisa

In 1822, during the Egbado and Dahomey Civil War, it was then Ketu Kingdom was carved out and finally belongs to Benin Republic as the Yoruba speaking language community.

When there was an outbreak of war, the mother of Adeisan Keme Balogun fled with her son to

Benin City in Nigeria and when Adeisan Keme Balogun grew up, he asked his mother about his father and he was told that his father Kupoluyi was at Iwere Kingdom.

Adeisan Keme Balogun went to Iwere to ask about his father, who was then the Oba of Iwere, and Kupoluyi recognized his child and was happy with the reunion and told his chiefs that he would honour his child Adeisan Keme Balogun with the chieftaincy to be Balogun.

Adeisan Keme Balogun one of the son's of Kupoluyi, a Prince had to leave his father's kingdom to found his own kingdom, (in the olden days traditional culture, when a son grew up to matured age, he has to travel on a long journey to other kingdoms for his daily bread and survival), before he left his father's kingdom, the Ifa oracle has to be consulted for the success of his journey. The Ifa oracle told Adeisan Keme Balogun to go and settle at the South West Region and his grandfather Apawosorifa was the Oba Alaketu of Ketu that was on the throne then. He gave Adeisan Keme Balogun some of the paraphernalia and royal emblems known as the instrument of Obaship like beaded crown, horsetail, staff of office and native bell called Agogo.

Adeisan Keme Balogun left Iwere, having been blessed and presented with some royal emblems and paraphernalia by his father as a prince, his intention was to find his own kingdom and later settled at house of Oluwen in Iddo, South West Region and he stayed at Iddo with Olofin one of the High Chiefs for many years as a powerful Prince with his supernatural power.

The Olofin informed Adeisan Keme Balogun that one Princess from Benin Kingdom Nigeria was at

Lagos Island married to one High Chief. He now visited Lagos Island to see the Princess, he realized that the Princess was his mother and the Princess begat one of the High Chiefs in Lagos Island Idejo's called Olorogun Adodo, he gave a sound welcome to Adeisan Keme Balogun and then realized themselves as family and brothers.

Adeisan Keme Balogun usually visits Lagos Island from Iddo often and often, and on a particular day at Iddo, Adeisan Keme Balogun inquired and asked people about the thick bush/forest he sighted across the lagoon afar and he was told that nobody has been there before, that there were wild animals there.

Adeisan Keme Balogun opted to go there as a brave hunter, used his supernatural power to reduce the long sea to the shortest journey i.e called in Yoruba Language (Kanakan) then he jumped into the water one day and he reached the point of the thick forest to examine the bush area. He realized that there was a particular tree, common in the forest called "OSE TREE", he settled there hunting, farming, fishing and roasting animals near a huge tree called "OSE TREE" and brought them for sale at Iddo.

Thereafter, Adeisan Keme Balogun built a small hut near the Ose Tree and lived there. When people saw him at Iddo and asked him where he lived, he said at that place of OSE "IBI IGI OSE" hence the name IBESHE.

That after his journey back to Lagos Island, he met a lot of people at the Lagos lagoon shore mourning him due to his jumping into the lagoon and when they saw him returned alive they all went back to Chief Olorogun Adodo his brother, he told him that he should have asked for a canoe instead of jumping into THE LAGOON. Adeisan Keme Balogun replied Chief Olorogun Adodo that he should not exercise any fear that he is the one that travels in the lagoon without canoe. That is why they call Ibeshe people "Omo EIYE AFAIMOKODALE in their oriki.

Adeisan Keme Balogun finally settled and later founded a village for himself around the "OSE TREE" and farming, hunting and fishing

extensively for his living and with time the village became known and referred to as "IBESHE" wherein he began to extend his stay.

Adeisan Keme Balogun was the first settler and founder of Ibeshe Kingdom and the first white cap chief. He settled on that expanse of land extended to Oke-Awori, Oke-Ota, Oshorun Orupodi, Ilemere, Igbo Oji Woro and other areas all known as Balogun Family Land, Ibeshe via Ikorodu, Lagos State and Adeisan Keme Balogun now finally settled at Ibeshe Balogun Kingdom.

After the settlement of Adeisan Keme Balogun into the Kingdom of Ibeshe, he begat five (5) children namely: (1) Bisoro (2) Kooko (3) Oyemala (4) Ajose-Abore and (5) Faro, fortunately Faro who happens to be one of the wives of Adeisan Keme Balogun, the immediate past Oba, Late Oba Ayokuleyin Adewamiri Olaide the former Olubeshe of Ibeshe was one of the descendants from Faro Royal Family House.

Adeisan Keme Balogun brought some traditional shrines to Ibeshe like Awo Opa, Oshugbo, Eluku, Ojiworo, Igunnuko and Ogun.

All these shrines are now in Ibeshe with their priests. There are also traditional Chieftaincy titles like Lisa, Aro, Odofin, Oliwo, Otunba, Olokun, Apena, Iyalode, Olorogun, Onisemo, Osolomade, Opeluwa, Asipa, Araba, Alase, Abore, etc. He later married the first daughter of Onisemo Edu of Lagos who had children for him, Bisoro and Kooko.

The five Royal Ruling Family House in Ibeshe Kingdom are mentioned below as follows:

Bisoro Royal/Ruling Family House
Kooko Royal/Ruling Family House
Oyemala Royal/Ruling Family House
Ajose Abore Royal/Ruling Family House
Faro Royal/Ruling Family House

Adeisan Keme Balogun allocated and gave out some portion/area of land to his children, Bisoro, Kooko, Oyemala, Ajose Abore and Faro to build their huts for shelter in different locations at Ibeshe Balogun town and he said they are now

part and parcel of Ibeshe Family from the time immemorial with native law and custom of Ibeshe Kingdom, without any hindrance from any quarters or families in any of Ibeshe Land Kingdom.

Before the death of Adeisan Keme Balogun he said it affirmatively and he confirmed it with authority given to him and to his direct children Bisoro, Kooko, Oyemala, Ajoye Abore and Faro that they are one individual and indigenous town, which cannot be challenged or quantified by any other unrecognized family from any quarters in and outside Ibeshe or any Yorubaland and till the present day, this family are still existing in Ibeshe Kingdom as one family.

After the death of Adeisan Keme Balogun the large expanse of landed property in Ibeshe Balogun jurisdiction and other place of benefit were shared accordingly amongst his immediate descendants family: Bisoro, Kooko, Oyemala, Ajoye Abore and Faro.

After the demise of Adeisan Keme Balogun, Bisoro begat Abisawo and Abisawo begat Dosunmu, and Dosunmu begat Atiku and Atiku begat Sefinatu Ogunsanya who begat the present Olubeshe of Ibeshe Kingdom Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya (JP).

After the death of Bisoro, in 1918, the regime of Baale waded in and the first Baale of Ibeshe Balogun was Dada Ajoye Oluwo Arunko, followed by Lawani Bamgbose and after him Atiku Dosunmu, Fasasi Oduntan and lastly Ayokuleyin Adewamiri Olaide who later elevated to the stool of Obaship throne as Olu of Ibeshe.

During the reign of Fasasi Oduntan, the people of Ibeshe who were the descendants of Adeisan Keme Balogun became dissatisfied with Baaleship regime and there was a re-thinking by the people hence they re-installed Fasasi Oduntan as an Oba with beaded crown in 1956. They later made an application to the then Western Region Government. When Fasasi Oduntan was installed as an Oba in 1956, other neighbouring Obas in Ikorodu Division came to rejoice with him. Fasasi Oduntan was on the throne between 1956 to 1975.

After the successful judgment of the standing tribunal of enquiry that was set up by Lagos State Government to look into the disputed chieftaincy matters in Ibeshe Land Kingdom, and through the successful tribunal of enquiry judgment, Ibeshe was elevated from Baaleship stool to Oba called Olu of Ibeshe. Late Oba Ayokuleyin Adewamiri Olaide was given the staff of office by His Excellency Col. Olagunsoye Oyinlola, the then Military Governor of Lagos State as the new Olubeshe of Ibeshe Kingdom on Thursday, 13th June 1996, at Ibeshe Town.

The ruling and the present Oba of Ibeshe Kingdom as the paramount traditional ruler of Ibeshe Kingdom is HRM, Alayeluwa Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya (JP). The Olubeshe of Ibeshe Kingdom as a successor to the immediate past Oba was given the staff of office in 25th May, 2007 by the regime of His Excellency, Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu, then governor of Lagos State, that was official represented by the Honourable Commissioner for Agric and Cooperative Lagos State, Hon (Chief) Kaoli Olatunji Olusanya, The Asipa of Ikorodu Kingdom, Lagos State and the permanent secretary, Lagos State Ministry of Chieftaincy Affairs and Local Government Matters Mr. Abass.

Presently, there are more than ten villages with their respective Baales under Ibeshe. We have Oke-Ota, Oke Awori, Oluwoye, Isashi, Osorun, Owode, Molatori Orupodi, Ilemere, Oba Olaide Estate, Blessing Estate and other villages/communities.

We have big companies like Nichemtex, gas stations, many public/private primary and secondary schools. The recently commissioned four lanes road with interlocking and streetlight constructed former Lagos State Governor, Mr. Babatunde Raji Fashola (SAN) and Ferry Services being constructed presently.

The present government has also acquired 100 acres of land, opposite Nichemtex Industry, for millennium scheme with schools, market and other modern amenities to be constructed.



A SECTION OF IBESHE TOWN



THE NAMES OF OLUBESHE IN COUNCIL OBA, CHIEFS AND THEIR CHIEFTAINCY TITLES AND ROYAL FAMILY HOUSES

1. **HRM Alaiyeluwa Oba Richard Abayomi Ogunsanya** (JP) Bisoro (1)
The Olubeshe of Ibeshe Kingdom,
Ibeshe, Ikorodu Lagos State
2. **Chief Jamiu Olasunkanmi Oseni**
The Olise of Ibeshe Kingdom,
Ibeshe, Ikorodu, Lagos State
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