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# ROAD SAFETY ENFORCEMENT IN NIGERIA: THE IMPORTANCE OF KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE TO EFFECTIVE ROAD SAFETY ENFORCEMENT IN AFRICA

# Summary



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# Introduction

#### Consequent upon the:

- Chaotic, dangerous and unpredictable traffic situation, un-regularized motoring and traffic environment, none uniformed motor vehicle administration, rising rate of road traffic crashes, minimal and in most times nonexistent public awareness and governmental involvement in Road Safety, growing incidence of poor drivers, vehicle licensing and inadequate capacity improvement;
- The of FRSC as a Lead Agency in Road Safety Administration and Traffic Management was conceived / enacted vide Decree 45 of 1988 to address these anomalies in the land transportation sector in Nigeria.
- The primary function of the Corps include among others: Preventing and minimizing RTCs through enforcement, educating members of the public on the proper use of the highways and providing prompt attention and care to victims of Road Traffic Crashes.

#### **Innovations**

In its 33 years of existence, the Corps has evolved the following innovations in its operations.

- Involvement of youths, children non-governmental organizations and civil society organization among others through partnership.
- The development of the Nigeria Road Safety Strategy document (Phase 1: 2014 -2018) and Phase II:
   2021-2030)
- Establishment of Nigeria Road Assessment Programme (n-RAP)
- Recognition of Nigeria as one of the Centres of Excellence for Road Safety Studies in Africa by the African Development Bank (AfDB).
- Establishment of a Signage Plant to assist in road infrastructural development in the country.
- Establishment of National Community Post Crash Care Initiative (NCPCCI) across critical corridors to assist in rescue operations.

#### **Plans towards Future Innovations**

#### This includes:

- The Upgrade of FRSC Academy to a degree awarding institutions on Road Safety related fields.
- Full digitalization of operations using IT platforms including the use of drone for traffic monitoring.
- Full implementation of Advisory council at both State and Local levels as enshrined in the NRSS document.

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