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## FME APPLAUDS OGUN STATE'S DONATION OF TAKE-OFF SITE FOR FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES, ABEOKUTA

The Federal Ministry of Education extends heartfelt appreciation to the Executive Governor of Ogun State, His Excellency Prince Dapo Abiodun, CON, for the formal donation of the Model College, Onijagagan, as the temporary take-off site for the newly established Federal University of Health Sciences, Abeokuta.

This generous gesture reflects the Governor's deep commitment to education and exemplifies strong partnership and visionary leadership. The Honourable Minister of Education, Dr. Maruf Olatunji Alausa, described the move as a timely and strategic intervention that will eliminate infrastructural delays and fast-track the launch of the university's academic programmes.

Dr. Alausa emphasized that the donation addresses a critical infrastructure gap, especially since the university had only secured limited funding for preliminary work such as perimeter fencing. He noted that Ogun State's support ensures a smoother and quicker commencement of operations, providing a solid foundation for delivering high-quality, specialized education in the health sciences.

The Minister further highlighted that this intervention aligns seamlessly with President Bola Ahmed Tinubu's Renewed Hope Agenda and the Ministry's Nigeria Education Sector Renewal Initiative (NESRI). NESRI prioritizes key areas including STEMM education, reducing out-of-school children, enhancing TVET, promoting girl-child education, advancing digitisation and data use, and strengthening quality assurance.

On behalf of the Federal Ministry of Education, Dr. Alausa once again extends deep gratitude to Governor Dapo Abiodun and the people of Ogun State for this bold contribution. It stands as a powerful example of how state-level initiative can complement federal efforts to drive sustainable national development.

We are confident that this noble act will deliver lasting dividends—nurturing a healthier, better-educated generation equipped to build a resilient and prosperous Nigeria.

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