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A recap of the Agency's activities in the month of

February

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Feb 4th 2026



NITDA hosted Singapore's High Commissioner to forge a strategic partnership in AI and the digital economy. Representing DG Kashifu Inuwa, Engr. Salisu Kaka highlighted Nigeria's evolution from tech consumer to architect through the National AI Strategy and Digital Literacy for All initiative.

Both nations prioritized robust regulatory frameworks to drive innovation in blockchain and digital assets. This synergy explores Nigeria's participation in the Singapore Cooperation Programme, fusing international expertise with local potential to lead the global digital race.

Feb 7th 2026



NITDA and the ITU are collaborating to accelerate Nigeria's digital transformation through universal, affordable connectivity. The ITU commended Nigeria's G5-level regulatory maturity and pledged technical support, cybersecurity tools, and backing for digital transformation centers.

The partnership prioritizes digital literacy, school connectivity, and harmonized regulatory frameworks. By leveraging institutional synergies, NITDA aims to build a secure, inclusive digital economy that empowers Nigerians through innovation and entrepreneurship.

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NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi commended the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) for its resilient growth at its 35th anniversary. He pledged support for CAC's AI-driven transformation, noting that integrating artificial intelligence is essential for modern organizational progress and efficiency.

This collaboration aims to simplify business registration and management while strengthening cybersecurity. By deploying ethical AI tools, NITDA will empower CAC staff to innovate, ensuring the Commission remains a resilient leader in Nigeria's digital landscape.

Feb 10th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi honored NYSC corps members driving the Digital Literacy for All initiative. He praised these grassroots champions for bringing tech skills to vulnerable communities, reducing digital risks and expanding economic opportunities across Nigeria.

To empower these leaders, Inuwa presented laptops and prizes, reinforcing President Tinubu's vision for an inclusive digital economy. This NITDA-NYSC partnership ensures all Nigerians, regardless of background, can meaningfully participate in the nation's innovative and diversified future.

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NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi rewarded dedicated civil servants with laptops for their commitment to the Digital Literacy for All (DL4ALL) initiative. This strategic visit highlighted NITDA's goal of achieving 95% digital literacy by 2030, with over 54,000 employees already enrolled.

The program, aligned with the Renewed Hope Agenda, equips public servants with essential skills to enhance productivity and institutional efficiency. Mrs. Didi Esther Walson-Jack commended the partnership, noting its critical role in building a competent, technology-driven civil service for Nigeria's future.

Feb 10th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi received SSDC Managing Director, Ms. Usoro Akpabio, reaffirming a commitment to partnership for the South-South region's digital development. This collaboration aligns with NITDA's goal of 95% digital literacy by 2030, emphasizing that technology is a critical enabler across all economic sectors, including agriculture and governance.

The partnership focuses on strengthening cybersecurity, fostering innovation, and revitalizing ICT infrastructure to create jobs. By sharing implementation frameworks, both agencies aim to deliver inclusive, people-centered digital transformation. Inuwa stressed that "no institution can succeed in isolation," pledging full support to ensure the South-South region thrives in the global digital economy.

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NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi engaged TrustSTAMP to explore digital trust and ecosystem partnerships. TrustSTAMP presented its privacy-preserving biometric tokenization technology, which secures identity without storing raw data. This solution, already used in Nigeria for SIM swap prevention, supports financial inclusion and fraud reduction even in low-connectivity environments.

Inuwa emphasized that this aligns with NITDA's cybersecurity and digital trust pillars. While seeking integration with national systems like NIMC, he reaffirmed NITDA's commitment to an enabling policy environment rather than specific vendors. Both parties agreed to further technical discussions to foster a secure, investment-friendly digital infrastructure.

Feb 11th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi, represented by Dr. Aristotle Onumo, hosted Wigwe University's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Marwan Al-Ateidi, to foster academia-government collaboration. The meeting highlighted alignment in AI, robotics, and smart agriculture. Dr. Onumo showcased NITDA's National Centre for AI and Robotics and the NAVSA initiative as key pillars for this partnership.

Professor Al-Ateidi shared the vision for Wigwe University to become "the university of Africa." Both institutions committed to concrete actions to accelerate innovation and youth empowerment. This synergy aims to elevate Nigeria's research ranking and drive national development through virtualized education and strategic technology research.

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The National Assembly Committee on ICT and Cybersecurity, led by Hon. Adedeji Stanley Olajide, conducted an oversight visit to NITDA to ensure transparency and effective digital governance. DG Kashifu Inuwa briefed the lawmakers on strategic priorities and operational bottlenecks, seeking legislative support to address regulatory and capacity challenges.

The lawmakers pledged their full support, promising legislative backing to strengthen NITDA's capacity and accelerate Nigeria's digital economy. This collaboration aligns with President Tinubu's Renewed Hope Agenda, aiming to foster a secure, accountable, and thriving digital ecosystem for all Nigerians.

Feb 13th 2026



NITDA is advancing the National Sovereign Cloud Initiative (NSCI) to ensure Nigeria's digital sovereignty, national security, and economic resilience. At a recent stakeholder workshop, DG Kashifu Inuwa emphasized shifting from fragmented systems to a secure, nationally governed cloud ecosystem. This initiative positions Nigeria as a premier African data hub by fostering strategic partnerships with hyperscalers and incentivizing local private-sector investment.

The NSCI introduces three critical frameworks: National Cloud-First Guidelines, Technical Guidelines, and an Investment Strategy. Aligned with President Tinubu's Renewed Hope Agenda, these instruments transition Nigeria from mere cloud adoption to a structured governance model. This ensures the nation retains strategic value from its digital infrastructure while remaining globally competitive and investment-ready.

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NITDA and the House of Representatives Spouses Association (HORSA) launched a two-day workshop to bridge the digital skills gap and drive inclusion. Themed "Empowering Women for the Digital Future," the initiative focuses on leadership, online safety, and mental wellbeing.

DG Kashifu Inuwa highlighted that the program aligns with President Tinubu's Renewed Hope Agenda, ensuring participants are equipped to thrive and lead in an increasingly innovative and diversified digital economy.

Feb 17th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa, represented by Dr. Aristotle Onumo, flagged off the CIVTECH Programme in Cross River State to train 2,000 civil servants in digital skills.

The initiative aims to transition public service from "bureaucracy to digital excellence," aligning government service delivery with the speed and transparency of the private sector.

By adopting modern automated tools, Cross River State positions itself as a leader in digital governance and high-performance innovation.

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NITDA participated in the 6th Lagos Tech Fest, contributing to high-level discussions on scaling Nigeria's digital economy through responsible AI governance. Represented by Victoria Fabunmi (National Coordinator, ONDI), the Agency emphasized co-creating regulations with the private sector to ensure AI acts as an innovation enabler.

The roundtable highlighted initiatives like 3MTT and N-ATLAS, focusing on indigenous talent and a risk-based sovereign AI approach. By prioritizing local data infrastructure and cybersecurity, NITDA reaffirmed its commitment to building a trusted, collaborative framework for Nigeria's digital transformation.

Feb 19th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi hosted UBEC Executive Secretary, Dr. Aisha Garba, to strategize on accelerating digital literacy within Nigeria's basic education system. The collaboration aims to move beyond teacher training, utilizing AI and data analytics to track student impact.

By leveraging over 1,500 digital learning centers, the partnership seeks to meet the national target of 95% digital literacy by 2030, ensuring students nationwide have access to essential digital tools and sustainable education.

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NITDA is strengthening its engagement with Cross River State to accelerate digital innovation and governance. Dr. Aristotle Onumo met with Secretary to the State Government, Prof. Anthony Owan Enoh, to explore modernizing public service and expanding infrastructure.

The partnership focuses on mass digital literacy and providing access to underserved communities. Prof. Enoh reaffirmed the state's readiness to align with national digital policies, positioning Cross River to thrive in the global digital economy through sustainable, technology-driven growth.

Feb 20th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi addressed the InnovateAI Conference, emphasizing Nigeria's transition from an AI consumer to a builder of indigenous systems. Under the National AI Strategy, he highlighted the need to retrain global models with local datasets to eliminate biases against African languages and cultures.

By prioritizing ethical governance and local infrastructure, NITDA aims to create inclusive AI that reflects national values and drives economic transformation through strategic global and local partnerships.

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NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi and NPHCDA CEO Dr. Muyi Aina held a strategic meeting to digitize Nigeria's primary healthcare system.
Aligned with SRAP 2.0 and the Renewed Hope Agenda, the collaboration focuses on using emerging technologies to enhance service delivery and health outcomes.

By integrating data-driven decision-making into the healthcare value chain, both agencies aim to improve transparency, efficiency, and accountability, positioning technology as a core pillar for nationwide healthcare access.

Feb 25th 2026



NITDA participated in the 2026 Enugu Tech Festival (ETF 2026), themed "Coal to Code: Energy in New Form," supporting Governor Peter Mbah's vision to transform Enugu into a digital hub.

Representing DG Kashifu Inuwa, Dr. Aristotle Onumo emphasized that Nigeria must shift from technology consumption to creation. To drive this, NITDA donated 50 laptops to Digital Skills Acceleration Competition (DSAC) beneficiaries, empowering them in high-demand fields like AI, Cybersecurity, and IoT.

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NITDA concluded a three-day Digital Literacy Training for the Federal Character Commission (FCC) as part of its Digital Literacy for All (DL4All) initiative. Representing DG Kashifu Inuwa, Dr. Ahmed Tambuwal emphasized that empowering public servants with practical skills is essential for efficient governance.

To ensure sustainability, NITDA donated 35 laptops to the Commission, aligning with the Renewed Hope Agenda to create a digitally capable workforce that drives inclusive national development.

Feb 25th 2026



NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi, represented by Dr. Ayodeji Eniola, addressed the Ondo Investment Summit, framing digital development as a social and economic equalizer. He emphasized that prosperity must be driven by intentional investments in infrastructure, skills, innovation, and governance. A core focus remains the target of 95% digital literacy by 2030, transforming Nigerians from technology consumers into creators.

The address highlighted key frameworks like the Nigeria Startup Act and SRAP 2.0, alongside platforms like Digital Nigeria and GITEX Nigeria, to connect local talent with global markets. Inuwa urged Ondo State to position itself as a premier digital hub by investing in innovation centers and broadband, stressing that embracing the digital economy is a strategic necessity for long-term regional prosperity.

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NITDA DG Kashifu Inuwa Abdullahi, CCIE, hosted Google's Director of Government Affairs, Charles Murito, to finalize frameworks for the National Sovereign Cloud Initiative (NSCI). The discussion centered on balancing innovation with data sovereignty, particularly through the evolved Cloud First Guidelines.

A key milestone in this partnership is the shift toward a Data Classification Framework. This system ensures that while public data remains flexible, Level 4 (Classified) data must be hosted exclusively in Nigeria. Google welcomed this inclusive regulatory approach, confirming its commitment to partnering with local data centers to establish hyperscale facilities that drive down costs and improve national data resilience.

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NITDA and Nkenne AI have partnered to advance AI-driven language translation, aiming to solidify Nigeria's status as a premier continental AI hub. Representing DG Kashifu Inuwa, Dr. Bunmi Ajala (Director of NCAIR) emphasized that this collaboration supports the national goal of 70% digital literacy by 2027 and the integration of AI into public service delivery.

The partnership focuses on building localized AI models for healthcare, fintech, and governance while leveraging high-performance infrastructure like GPUs and the GovNet initiative. By bridging linguistic gaps, NITDA and Nkenne AI are fostering an inclusive startup ecosystem and ensuring that Nigeria's digital transformation remains culturally and linguistically relevant.