

**A TECHNICAL REPORT ON STUDENT INDUSTRIAL WORK
EXPERIENCE SCHEME (SIWES)**

HELD AT

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IDOFIAN KWARA STATE**

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DEDICATION

The report is dedicated to the almighty God and my parent **Mr. & Mrs. Abdulrasaq**. This report shows the significant and importance of my major assignments which I was assigned to News department which are saddled with the responsibility of gathering and reporting of certain information concerning an issue or event in which it will be edit and disseminate as News to the audience of the Harmony FM. Our primary activities involved monitoring news.

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I also acknowledge the effort of my supervisor at harmony FM Ilorin, Mr Ajileye, He always been with me beginning of this four month program to the end, He put me through many things, encourage me to be bold and vocal, He let me know all qualities of a good communicator. Sir, only God can repay you for this kind gesture.

PREFACE

The Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) was introduced into the nation's tertiary education curricular because of the belief that there is value in putting into practice what has been learned beforehand. There was also the belief that SIWES would help students to acquire an understanding of the society and meet to interaction with different people outside their institution.

It is in this light that the Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme for Polytechnics in Nigeria as stated in the National Board for Technical Education Syllabus aims to produce citizenry conscious of its role in a wider world, proud of its antecedent and prepared for effective leadership role in diversified or society, thereby, ensuring a positive contribution on interaction, greatness and trying or becoming effective in their field of studies or field of specialization.

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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 DEFINITION OF SIWES

The Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) of the Nigeria Polytechnic and colleges of technologies is an arrangement in which practical is integrated with theory.

It is also established by the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) in 1974 to bridge the gap between theory and practical. The programme has a nice focus on the development of industrial students in the world of work. Also how theory and practical are social skills -and insight in the world of work to create awareness and prospect are the challenges the programme tries to tackle to cope with the development process of the student.

1.2 AIMS AND OBJECTIVE OF SIWES

- The reality of employing student is o fit in industrial and commercial development.
- To broadens the skill of student most especially on the practical aspect.
- To give an industrial experience.
- To make student have vision of what particular section they want to belong and area of specialization.

1.3 HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF THE ORGANIZATION (HARMONY FM 103.5)

As a station under Radio Nigeria, HarmonyFM 103.5 is located in Idofian, Kwara State. The station is one of the Radio Nigeria's FM stations and was established in 2009. HarmonyFM has the mandate to uplift the people and unite the Nation through balanced and unbiased reportage.

Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria, North Central Zone is a creation of the Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria in 2014, in line with the Federal

Government of Nigeria's directive that FRCN is to operate National Stations and FM Stations in the 36 States and Abuja for the purposes of variety and better coverage, adequate information dissemination for the corporation and sustenance of democracy in Nigeria.

The Objective of establishing the North Central Zone is to inform, educate and entertain the people of the zone and beyond in English and other approved local Languages, through Programming by FM Stations established by the Zone, Namely: Harvest FM Makurdi, Benue State, Prime FM Lokoja, Kogi State, Harmony FM Idofian, Kwara State, Highland FM Jos, Plateau State and Precious FM Nasarawa State.

The North Central Zonal Headquarters is located in Lafia, Nasarawa State Capital with Staff strength of six hundred and twenty (620). i.e North Central Headquarters 67, Prime FM Lokoja 127, Harvest FM 82, Harmony FM 100, Highland FM 136 and precious FM Lafia 108, out of which 17 are casual or non-professional staff.

The North Central Zone of FRCN, welcome and avail clients the opportunity to use the platforms of our existing programmes of any of the FM Stations in the Zone to create awareness and sell their products and services.

The Station provides a level playing field to all by giving equal access to individuals and organisations to air their views.

Through objective reports and quality programmes, the Station has shown professionalism and promoted togetherness amongst the people of Kwara State, contributed to knowledge and advanced societal development.

The Present General Manager GM is Alhaji Abdulwahab Akoshile

1.4 AIMS AND OBJECTIVE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Harmony FM Ilorin 103.5 is a Afrikaans radio station broadcasting from Ilorin, Nigeria. Harmony FM Ilorin 103.5 provides Music, Talk and Variety programs.

According to edict the duty of the corporation is to:- disseminate knowledge and encourage interest in the state and give guidance to the public upon any matter of public interest to carry out all the function common to a newspaper organization i.e newspaper, promotion, encouragement and stimulating in the study of journalism. The cardinal functions of Harmony FM to educate, entertain and inform people of what is happening around them.

- To compatibles or otherwise the composition of music and literature of all kinds.
- To maintain denotes for the distribution of books and literature periodical.
- To other could cane for the business of spreading information and education in the state itself.
- To heap enlighten the public and to act as a race of information between the people and the government.
- To assist in create an at morpheme of peace and brother hard affection among the people of Kwara, other state and Nigeria at have, to live in peace and cheviot their resources in most effectual manner.
- To give publicly to the arts and culture of the people.

CHAPTER TWO

2.1 MAJOR ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

The major activities of the organization is based on informing people on what is going on in the society also to educate them on how to behave morally in the society and to entertain people to their maximum satisfaction and to back all the functions the mass communication department is the back bone of the organization cannot function effectively.

Some of these activities also include the following:

- To maintain denotes for the distribution of books and literature periodicals.
- No other can come for the business of spreading and education in the state better than the state itself.
- To help enlighten the public and to act as avenue of information between the public and the government.
- To assist in creating an atmosphere of peace and brotherhood affection among the people of Kwara State and other State in Nigeria at large, to live in peace and develop their resources in most effective manner.
- To give publicity to the art and culture of the people.

2.2 VISION STATEMENT

The vision statement for Harmony FM is to uplift the people and unite the Nation through balanced and unbiased reportage.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to improve our way of life in a manner that nurtures our humanity, encourages compassion toward one another and duly rewards our collective.

2.3 DEPARTMENTS IN HARMONY FM (103.5) IDOFIAN KWARA STATE

The Administrative Department

The News And Current Affair Department

The Account Department

The Engineering Department

The Programs Department

The Marketing Department

The Audit Department,

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT: This is a department that is in charge of keeping proper records of the staffs of the organization, supervises the running of the affairs and maintenance of discipline in the entire station.

NEWS AND CURRENT AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT: It is the department that is in charge of news production and current affairs in various languages for the station.

ACCOUNT DEPARTMENT: It is in charge of keeping the financial details and transactions of the station for both the money coming in and out.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT: It is a department that is in charge of engines and all electronic equipment in the television station. It has various unit such as outside broadcasting, maintenance, V.T.R, transmitter, power plant. It is the heart of the station.

PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT: This is the department that is in charge of the programme production, it has various units such as production, presentation and film.

MARKETING DEPARTMENT: is a department that handles the marketing strategies of the station.

RESEARCH AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT: They are to discover and have proper planning on the events that the station is willing to do.

AUDIT DEPARTMENT: This is department verifies and ensure that all transaction of the station are accurate.

CHAPTER THREE

3.1 EXPERIENCE GAINED IN HARMONY FM 103.5

My Experience at Harmony FM 103.5 (HARMONY FM) is a great one and am opportuned to put all what I experience into action even though there is no much time. I gained my experience major Department under the supervision of Mr Olusegun Ajileye.

One of my major experiences in Harmony FM is that am able witness how reporters gathered news from several event and social issues in which it will be broadcast by the news presenter at a certain time for the audience. I observed and gained experience about writing news, the more you write the more the level of writing improved, that is continuous exercise in writing news, stories, articles, features etc. enhance better knowledge. With this kind of observation, am able to have the experience of sourcing for news on different sites both online and physical newspapers.

I am able to have the experience on how news is written in a Line up order and not only to write news make a newsworthy but editing of news is major work to make a newsworthy. I have the experience of editing news with the aid of editing tools such as laptop, software applications and so on.

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While on this internship, I gained some experience on how a console works and how it is being operated in the MCR (Master Control Room).

I also have the experience on how others equipment in the master control room work such transmitter and others. Surprisingly, the soo called transmitter as one of

the major instrument in a radio station which is a device that produces radio waves radiating from an antenna, Am able to witness it physically.

Most importantly, through this internship I acquired encompassing knowledge on different strategies involved in broadcasting, and how essential it is for a good professional broadcaster to understand his/her topics under discuss so as to give it effective delivery/judgment.

In overall, it was a great learning experience; and an indication that I am on the right course of learning [i.e Mass Communication).

CHAPTER FOUR

4.1 WORK ACTUALLY CARRIED OUT

The paramount importance of industrial training experience scheme is to gain additional knowledge to what a person has been taught and learnt in class before. It gives the students chance to put in practice their beforehand knowledge. I also participated in knowing the in depth operation of audio console in a radio media organization and how it's been operated. Due to how much time spent in the media organization, am able to have an experience of translating English scripts to Yoruba

Also, I monitor different programs both on radio and immediate news on social media and internet, write news stories from different beats as well as editing of any new story.

Moreso, transcription of news was also one of the major things I do and also we learn about the instrument used in catering of news such as midget, tape recorder e.t.c.

Furthermore, I worked on features desk, writing of features, articles e.t.c are part of what I do.

4.2 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The students industrial work experience scheme (SIWES) is a training fund (ITF) in 1973 to bridge the gap between theory and practical oriented among students of engineering, technology, social science and medical science on Nigeria higher institution of learning.

It provides for the job practical experience for students as they are expose to work method and machinery that may not be Available in their institution.

At inception in 1974, the scheme started with 748 from 11 institution and 104 eligible course by 2008. 210 student participate in the course from 219 institution over the 112 eligible course. However the rapid growth and exposition of SIWES has occurred against the backdrop of successive economic crisis which have affected the smooth operation and administration of the scheme. Most industries are operating below in storage capacity while other are completely shutdown in Nigeria. This has impacted negatively on the scheme as higher institution of learning find it increasingly difficult to secure placement for students industries where they could acquire the much practical experience.

CHAPTER FIVE

5.1 CHALLENGES FACED

The major challenge I faced during the four months program is that of transportation both scarcity of vehicles and financially. I always have a tough morning before getting a cab and later that of charges.

There was competition among we SIWES students, everyone wants to be the best and thus, you fight and reconcile be between one another.

Transportation, the organization did not have a transportation means to take around whenever there is an event somewhere so we are always sent out to go and cover the event with our own money and bring back stories without any compensation is another challenge I faced at Harmony media organization.

As a journalist to be these challenges didn't make me weak but rather gave me more strength to work hard so that I can become a full ledged journalist in the nearest future.

5.2 CONCLUSION

The Federal Government's efforts at improving the nation's technical know-how and increasing the efficiency of middle level manpower are not restricted to the industries alone. Efforts were made to involve institutions of higher learning and hence the birth of. Based on the findings of my experience at Harmony FM, it is evident that skills development and utilization cannot be achieved in isolation, rather, the relevant stakeholders must be committed to the course and be fully involved, which means students and teachers form institutions of higher learning, corporate industries and commercial bodies, and Federal Government must be involved.

This cooperative machinery between industrial and institutions of higher learning will produce effective results under the supervision and control of the Industrial Training Fund (ITF).

The SIWES Programme was an interesting one in the organization because what I was taught as theoretical part in school I was able put it into practical aspect. Things I don't know were being explained and shown to me. The program however prepare me for the task and discipline that I might likely meet in future.

5.3 RECOMMENDATION

As a student who has under gone the industrial training, I hereby recommend that government should continue funding this program both financially and morally.

I also recommend that if there is any way in which the government can improve the program in order to benefit the student better and also to increase the technical and practical knowledge of the student so as to enhance the academic performance of student in the country as a whole.

It would be a great benefit if the SIWES coordinator of each institute invest in the program in our higher institution, it would be a solid foundation for all upcoming engineers and to other students in their field of study in our higher institution.