



Speech by Dr Adesola Adeduntan, CEO, First Bank of Nigeria Limited at the Launch of FirstBank COVID-19 Treatment and Isolation Centre, Shaki, Oyo State on Wednesday, 9 September 2020

Protocol:

- On behalf of the Board, Management and Staff of First Bank of Nigeria Limited, I welcome you all to the launch of the Shaki COVID-19 Treatment and Isolation Centre.
- Tough times, they say, don't last but tough people do. We are glad to be able to forge ahead in spite of the threat of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- I am, therefore, proud that our Bank is a frontline partner in the extensive measures that the Federal Government-led Public and Private Sector partnership has taken to treat the sick and to stop the spread of the Coronavirus menace in our nation.
- We cannot thank our medical practitioners enough (the very caring and untiring doctors, nurses and other health practitioners), as well as other professionals working at the frontlines in this war against the COVID-19 pandemic. You are our heroes and we are forever grateful.
- Today, FirstBank is partnering with the Federal Government to provide this much-needed support for the nation, in addition to many other centres we have established across the country.
- We have provided medical items for the treatment of COVID-19 patients, to aid the work of our health practitioners.
- As always, we will remain steadfast, showing up for all Nigerians.
- Despite the pandemic, we are working tirelessly to ensure that your banking transactions continue seamlessly on our alternative channels; COVID-19 will not slow us down.
- I urge all Nigerians to strictly obey the Government directives and to also observe all established safety, health and well-being protocols as together we stamp out the Corona virus from Nigeria.

- At FirstBank we are holding up our side; and now more than ever we will uphold our promise to you to be here for you and put You First.
- Together, we will overcome this too.
- Please keep safe and keep Nigeria safe as we flatten the curve permanently.

Thank you.

Dr Adesola Adeduntan
Chief Executive Officer
First Bank of Nigeria Limited