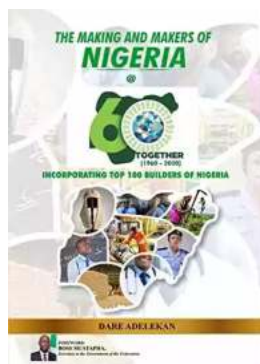


# The Making And Makers Of Nigeria At 60

Nigeria, the giant of Africa, celebrates its 60th independence anniversary this year. It has been a remarkable journey filled with triumphs and challenges that have shaped this great nation. From the struggles for independence to various political and economic transitions, Nigeria has passed through the hands of courageous men and women who have contributed to its growth and development.

On October 1st, 1960, Nigeria gained independence from British colonial rule. This historic event marked the beginning of a new era for Nigerians and the country as a whole. The journey towards self-governance was not an easy one, as it required immense sacrifice, determination, and resilience.

The makers of Nigeria at 60 are the individuals who laid the foundation for the nation's progress. These are the freedom fighters, nationalists, and leaders who fought for Nigeria's independence and subsequent development. They include great figures like Nnamdi Azikiwe, Obafemi Awolowo, and Ahmadu Bello, who played vital roles in shaping Nigeria's political landscape.



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Nnamdi Azikiwe was one of Nigeria's foremost nationalists and the first President of Nigeria. Affectionately known as "Zik," he promoted the idea of Pan-Africanism and advocated for Nigeria's independence. Zik was a charismatic and influential leader who inspired many Nigerians to fight for their rights and self-governance.

Another prominent figure in the making of Nigeria is Obafemi Awolowo, often referred to as the "Sage." Awolowo was a nationalist, statesman, and one of Nigeria's most iconic politicians. He played a crucial role in the struggle for independence, advocating for federalism and regional autonomy. His contributions to education and economic policies are still acknowledged today.

Ahmadu Bello, known as the "Sardauna of Sokoto," was an influential leader in Northern Nigeria. He was a key figure in Nigeria's independence movement and a strong advocate for regionalism. Ahmadu Bello championed the cause of the Northern region and worked diligently to improve the lives of its people.

These great men and many others fought together to secure Nigeria's freedom and shaped its political structure. However, their efforts alone were not enough to ensure Nigeria's success. The making of Nigeria at 60 also involves the collective efforts of ordinary Nigerians who contribute to the nation's growth and development.

Ordinary Nigerians often referred to as "makers," play a vital role in shaping Nigeria at 60. They are the entrepreneurs, professionals, artisans, and hardworking citizens who keep the economy running and contribute to the country's progress in various sectors. From the bustling markets of Lagos to the agricultural communities in the rural areas, Nigeria's makers are the backbone of economic growth.

Entrepreneurs and business owners in Nigeria face several challenges, yet they persevere and drive innovation. Their determination and resilience contribute to the country's economy by creating jobs and driving productivity. Nigerian entrepreneurs have demonstrated their ingenuity in various sectors, including technology, agriculture, fashion, and entertainment.

Professionals, both within and outside the country, also play a significant role in the making of Nigeria at 60. Nigerian doctors, engineers, scientists, and academics excel in their fields, both in Nigeria and abroad. They contribute to the nation's intellectual capital, research, and development, pushing the boundaries of innovation.

Artisans in Nigeria preserve traditional craftsmanship while infusing modern techniques. They create beautiful handmade products that showcase the rich cultural heritage of Nigeria. From intricate carvings to vibrant textiles, Nigerian artisans are the custodians of traditional skills that have been passed down through generations.

Hardworking citizens across different sectors play their part in building Nigeria at 60. From teachers educating the next generation, police officers ensuring law and order, to farmers feeding the nation, their contributions are invaluable.

However, the journey towards Nigeria at 60 has not been without challenges. The country has faced its fair share of struggles, including political instability, corruption, poverty, and security concerns. These challenges have hindered Nigeria's progress and impacted the lives of its citizens.

Corruption, in particular, has been a pervasive issue in Nigeria. It has hindered economic growth, discouraged foreign investments, and eroded public trust.

Nigeria has taken steps to combat corruption, but more efforts are needed to ensure a corruption-free society.

Poverty and inequality remain significant challenges in Nigeria. Despite being rich in natural resources, a significant portion of the population still lives in poverty. Addressing poverty and improving social welfare are essential for Nigeria to achieve sustainable development and ensure a better future for its citizens.

Security concerns also pose a threat to Nigeria's progress. The country faces various security challenges, including terrorism, insurgency, and communal conflicts. These issues not only affect the safety and well-being of Nigerians but also hamper economic activities and investments.

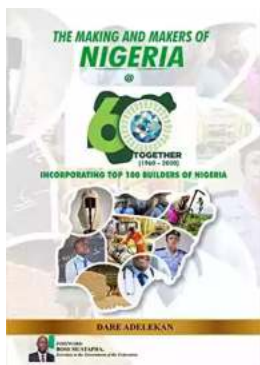
As Nigeria celebrates its 60th independence anniversary, it is essential to reflect on the past while looking towards the future. The making of Nigeria at 60 highlights the collective efforts of its makers, both past and present, who have shaped the nation's identity and progress.

Despite the challenges, Nigerians remain resilient, resourceful, and hopeful for a better Nigeria. The country possesses enormous potential to become a global powerhouse, with its diverse culture, talented individuals, and abundant resources.

Nigeria at 60 presents an opportunity to build on the achievements of the past and address the challenges in order to forge a brighter future. It requires the commitment and dedication of its leaders, makers, and citizens to work together towards sustainable development, unity, and progress.

As Nigerians reflect on their history and celebrate the 60th anniversary, it is imperative to acknowledge and appreciate the making and makers of Nigeria.

From the freedom fighters and nationalists who fought for independence to the entrepreneurs, professionals, and hardworking citizens who contribute daily, Nigeria's milestones are a testament to the determination and resilience of its people.



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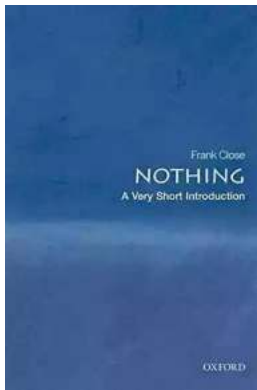
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There are many reasons of writing this book, THE MAKING AND MAKERS OF NIGERIA @ 60, but most importantly is to chronologically educate and inform Nigerians especially the youths who were denied to learn the history of Nigeria, about the happenings before the discovery of Nigeria through the amalgamation of North and South protectorates in 1914, the formation of political parties before the Independence, after Independence and The Military Rules in Nigeria. The book is published by a revered firm of Public and Government Relation Advisors, Probe Communication Ltd.

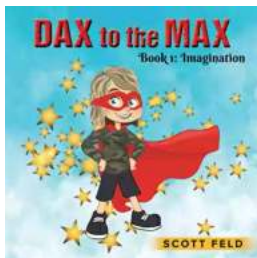
Nigeria is a very complex country; our problem did not start yesterday, it started about 1894. Between 1894 and 1914, a number of dispatches were sent to London which led to the amalgamation of 1914. In those dispatches, Lugard said a number of things which are the root causes of yesterday's and today's problems in Nigeria. The British needed the railway from North to the coast in the interest of British business. Amalgamation of the South (not of the people) became of crucial

importance to British interest. He said the North was poor and they had no resources to run the protectorate of the North. That they had no access to the sea, that the South had resources and they had educated people. But what the British Amalgamated was the Administration of the North and South. That is one of the root causes of the problem of Nigeria and Nigerians.



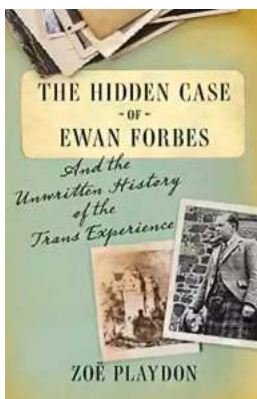
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