

## Local News

### [19 firms gain as market appreciates by N79bn](#)

Transactions on the Nigerian Stock Exchange on Wednesday returned to positive route, reversing prior two days' negative sentiment. Click [here](#) to read more.

### [Rising inflation signifies tougher times ahead -LCCI, NECA, ASBON](#)

The Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Nigeria Employers' Consultative Association, and the Association of Small Business Owners of Nigeria have warned that unless the Federal Government take some measures to reposition the economy, tougher times await Nigerians. Click [here](#) to read more.

### [Oil crash may warrant production halt, says NNPC](#)

Nigeria has not stopped producing crude oil but a persistent crash in oil prices may lead to a halt in production, the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation has declared. Click [here](#) to read more.

### [FG April bonds oversubscribed by N215.67bn](#)

The Federal Government's bonds for the month of April worth N60bn offered on Wednesday were over subscribed by N215.67bn, the Debt Management Office disclosed on its website. Click [here](#) to read more.

## Company News

### [WEMA Bank profit grows by 40 per cent](#)

WEMA Bank Plc says its profit before tax rose by 40.83 per cent year on year to N6.76bn in 2019 from N4.80bn in 2018. Click [here](#) to read more.

### [GT posts N50bn profit in Q1](#)

Guaranty Bank Trust (GTBank) Plc has posted a profit after tax of N50.067bn for the first quarter ended March 2020 in contrast to N49.303bn posted in 2019, accounting for a growth of 1.3 per cent. Click [here](#) to read more.

## International News

### [Trump disregards science as chaos overtakes coronavirus response](#)

Alarming new signs are emerging that the Trump administration is shunting science aside in the battle against coronavirus. Click [here](#) to read more.

### [Developing world economies hit hard by coronavirus](#)

The world is experiencing a sharp deterioration in economic performance, due to the continuing coronavirus pandemic. Click [here](#) to read more.

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