

Preparing For Harmatan: The Essentials

The dry season is slowly creeping back in, it is important that we keep our bodies and health in check against the harsh conditions of the harmattan season.

1. Face Caps

Due of the scorching harmattan sun at mid-day, face caps are a perfect shield from having your face burned.

2. Comfortable Clothing

Harmattan mornings may be chilly but the heat turns up at mid-day so it is important that you wear breathable, comfortable cotton clothing that keeps the cold away in the morning and adjust to the heat at noon.

3. Sunglasses

Since the dry season brings a lot of dust and dirt, sunglasses are the perfect deflections against dirt and dust in your eye.

4. Lip Balm

Lip Balm is a major essential during Harmattan because chapped lips aren't healthy or attractive.

5. Fruits and Vegetables

Your skin is prone to lacking lustre during the dry season and its natural shine cannot be gotten from your body lotion alone so it is crucial that you load up on fruits and vegetable to restore and maintain your skin's natural glow.

6. Stay Hydrated

More than ever, your body needs water to help build immunity against common dry season sicknesses like the common flu so always have a bottle of water close by.

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National Identity Management Commission Calls on the Public to Enrol For Their NIN

The Director General, National Identity Management Commission (NIMC), Engr. Aliyu A. Aziz has called on the General Public to enroll for their National Identification Number (NIN) as it is a mandatory requirement for every Nigerian Citizen and Legal Resident.

Engr. Aziz made this known during an interview with NAN recently at the Commission's headquarters in Abuja, where he reiterated the NIMC Act 23 of 2007 section 5 (F) that mandates the Commission to assign the unique National Identification Number (NIN) to all Nigerian Citizens and Legal Residents.

Reiterating the importance of Identity, the DG/CEO said, "Identity is one of the key points under the United Nations Development Goals, whereby each country is expected to ensure that they identify their citizens and legal residents within a particular period.

"The world is going digital and Nigeria cannot be left behind, the Commission is focused on populating the National

Identity Database (NIDB) by issuing all Nigerians and Legal residents the NIN. The NIN ties all the biometric and demographic records of an individual in the NIDB and it does not expire, it is only rested when the individual dies" Engr. Aziz said.

He also cleared misconceptions about the identification token issued by NIMC, stating that the NIN slip, which Nigerians identify as temporary is not temporary, because the NIN appears on the document, It is a valid means of identification that is generally accepted and easily verifiable.

Currently, some Government agencies have started enforcing the mandatory use of NIN for service provision. Agencies like the Nigerian Immigration Services (NIS), Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Pension Commission (PENCOM), Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) etc., have currently made the NIN a prerequisite for accessing their services.

"The NIN is used to obtain the International Passport, registration for examinations like the UTME/DE, open bank accounts, affirm identity, Pencom registration, Sim cards registration, and to access government welfare packages, to mention a few" he said.

The DG/CEO also appealed to Parents and Guardians to leverage on the mid-term break to enroll their children and wards as enrolment of minors between the ages of 0 to 15 is ongoing. The NIN of minors will be tied to that of a Parent or Guardian.

Engr. Aziz further reiterated that the enrolment process is Free and all acts of extortion should be reported to the Commission via its website or Customer Care lines and social media handles which can also be found on the website; www.nimc.gov.ng

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NIMC BAGS THE DIGITAL HEROES AWARD

The National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) received the Champion of Digital Identity award at the 2019 Digital Heroes Award in Lagos recently, which was received by Jamila Ahmad, Principal Manager Corporate Communications on behalf of the Commission.

The event which was put together by Digivation Network, a foremost ICT broadcast medium, is designed to celebrate and recognize Individuals, Organizations, Institutions and Initiatives that have advanced the Nigerian/African digital space in the past 20 years and a new initiative that is considered iconic in the ICT ecosystem within this period. This recognition cuts across



L-R ; Lagos Regional Coordinator, Kayode Adegoké, Principal Manager Corporate Communications, Jamila Ahmed, Lagos East Coordinator, Funmi Opeanwo, and Lagos West Regional Coordinator Olamide Aremu at the 2019 Digital Heroes Award in Lagos, recently.

academia, governance, innovation, creative industry and more.

Other recipients of the prestigious award are the Executive Governor, Nasarawa State; the Honorable Minister of Communications, Dr. Isa Ali Pantami; the Nigerian Communications Commission, (NCC); the National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA); the Chief Executive Officer, Galaxy Backbone, Dr. Evans Woherem; former Chairman, House Committee on ICT, Engr. Ibrahim Gusau and many others.

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