

*Published below are the names of all contestants for The Presidency, the Senate and the Office of the Governor on the platform of the All Progressives Congress, (APC) and the People's Democratic Party, (PDP) in the 2019 General Elections. The reason for publishing the names is to deliberately popularise the contestants by making their names available on the virtual space and, therefore, more easily accessible and verifiable. It is also about nationalising contestants information as well as making their names part of permanent record accessible by the people rather than exclusively big bureaucracies. All these considerations make this list to have a different meaning from the bureaucratic reckoning with the names as would be the case at the party headquarters or at the Independent National Electoral Commission, (INEC). The assumption is that if the contestants know that the people know them individually and beyond their local areas and distinctly from the institutional identity of the spaces they will be occupying, they will be more sensitive to the questions of due diligence and probity.*

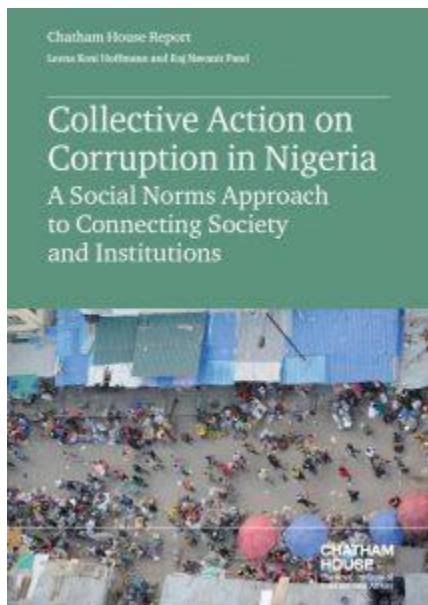


*Lack of probity in the management of public resources in Nigeria is, for a leading transnational advocacy voice such as MacArthur Foundation, the greatest threat to stability in the country. With support from it, (MacArthur Foundation) administered by the Centre for Information Technology and Development, (CITAD), a cohort of influencers is onto mainstreaming probity consciousness across the society. This list is, therefore, not about exposing, naming or shaming any persons or parties or political players in an entry point such as this but centralising the agency factor in the politics of probity and accountability as antithesis of corruption.*

*It is very interesting how this the age-old structure-agency debate came up very powerfully just before this list was published in the sharp exchanges between the two leading presidential candidates in the country: Alhaji Atiku Abubakar of the People's Democratic Party, (PDP) and President Muhammadu Buhari of the All Progressives Congress, (APC). President Buhari had said on December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 that it is the system rather than his person that explains the slow pace of the anti-corruption war to the point where his regime is being called 'Baba Go Slow'.*

*But, for Atiku Abubakar, the trouble with the anti-corruption war in the past four years is the Buhari political personality, not the Nigerian system. While acknowledging that there are problems with the system, he nevertheless points at corruption allegations the president could have dealt with decisively but for the nature of his person. He contrasts that with the administration in which he was Vice-President, citing cases where that administration dealt with clear cases of corruption.*

*The president replied, insisting on the correctness of his position, arguing that Atiku would be in jail by now if it were not for the ineffectual pace of the Nigerian system. To that argument, former Vice-President responded by listing the transformation of hitherto poor relations of the president who are now fabulously wealthy because of privileged connection to power.*



*What is of interest to this particular documentation in that debate between the two presidential candidates on December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 is how it brings the agency issue to the table on mainstreaming corruption in Nigeria. Although most social scientists today subscribe to the position that agency and structure are co-constitutive of reality, few disagree that the human agency can provoke phenomenal change in spite of structures. This is the point why even before the debate between the two candidates, this first of a series privileged popular awareness the agency of those who would be exercising the most power over public resources from 2019 – 2023. As named earlier, the most concentrated spaces of public resources in Nigeria are certainly The Presidency, The Senate and the Office of the Governor. The Senate and not the House of Representatives is included here because, although both chambers decide the budget, it is, nevertheless the Senate which confirms all those who administer the budget. This ranges from ministers to board members, ambassadors and sundry such offices. There is thus the need to know who exactly these people are heading for these spaces in the aftermath of the February 2019 elections.*

*So, this phase of 'Contestants on Corruption' has three messages. The first is, as electors, the people, are the last screening post. Two, it is more effective to concentrate attention on where public*

*resources are concentrated than just rail blindly against corruption and three, it is tactically useful to know those who would be exercising this allocative authority for the 2019 – 2023 term of office.*

*The list has been restricted to the All Progressives Congress (APC) and the People's Democratic Party, (PDP) because these are the leading parties in Nigeria by current strength. As there is no guarantee that only these two parties would win all the positions in the coming election, it means that this list would be continuously updated to reflect the electoral outcome after the February elections.*

*Finally, it is worth recalling at this point that this documentation is part of an overarching project which privileges turning to media reporting of corruption to establish what have been said on, about, for and against corruption in contemporary Nigeria. What have been so said is considered strategic to the idea of mainstreaming anti-corruption and pro-accountability consciousness because it gives Nigerians an idea of the corruption sensibility of the political leaders who would be elected in 2019 and would preside over the spaces where allocative power over public resources will be concentrated in Nigeria from 2019 – 2023.*

### **A Short Note on How This Was Compiled**

*A team of carefully selected resource persons followed the party primaries in the APC and the PDP and took notes of emerging names. Then they combed the newspapers and the social media to cross check what they had. A preliminary list emerged. A panel of veterans in the coverage of the two political parties as well as academics sat over the preliminary list, especially in the states where the primaries had degenerated into irreconcilable differences. In addition to their own insight into the dynamics playing out in such states, there were telephone contacts with established sources in specific states who corroborated or corrected the existing list.*

*In spite of such checks, there is no guarantee that this list is hundred percent correct or up to date. Some are still in court while INEC has barred some states completely because they didn't follow guidelines. In yet some other states, it is the judgment of the court that barred one party or certain candidate from parading him or herself as the senatorial candidate. The decision to go ahead and publish this was taken when a panellist said at a point that in some of the states, even INEC is not that sure who the candidates are. He was referring to Ogun State, for example, where the case has just moved to the Supreme Court. But neither is the situation in states such as Adamawa, Benue or Kwara any less different in terms of pending court actions. This might as well still be one of the most up to date list of contestants in the three spaces of power we are, understandably, concerned. The list will, therefore, continue to be updated from this moment till after the election when winners emerge.*

## **Presidency:**

1. All Progressives Congress, (APC) – Gen. Muhammadu Buhari
2. People's Democratic Party, (PDP) – Alhaji Atiku Abubakar

## **3. The Senate**

#### 4. Abia State

<b>APC</b> Abia North: Dr Orji Uzo Kalu Abia Central: Sen. Nkechi Nwaogu Abia South: Sir Marc Wabara	<b>PDP</b> Abia North: Sen. Mao Ohuabunwan Abia Central: Sen. Enyinnaya Abaribe Abia South: Sen. Theodore Orji
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#### 5. Adamawa State

<b>APC</b> Adamawa North: Binta Garba Adamawa Central: Aishatu Ahmed (Binani) Adamawa South: Alhaji Mohammed Mo' Idi Allaah	<b>PDP</b> Adamawa North: Mohammed Abubakar Wamkai Adamawa Central: Hanging litigation Adamawa South: Rev Binos Yaro
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#### 6. Akwa Ibom State

<b>APC</b> A'lbom North: Godswill Akpabio A'lbom Central: Etim Bassey A'lbom South: Obong Inibehe Okorie	<b>PDP</b> A'lbom North: Dr Chris Ekpeyong A'lbom Central: Albert Bassey Akpan A'lbom South: Mrs Akon Ayokenyi
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#### 7. Anambra State

<b>APC</b> Anambra North: Mrs Margaret Okadigbo Anambra Central: Sen. Uche Ekwenife	<b>PDP</b> Anambra North: Sen. Stella Oduah Anambra Central: Mr Charles Odunukwe Anambra South: Chris Ubah
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Anambra South: Sen. Andy Uba

#### 8. Bauchi State

##### **APC**

Bauchi North: Adamu Bulkachuwa

Bauchi Central: , Halliru Dauda Jika

Bauchi South: Lawal Yahaya Gumau

##### **PDP**

Bauchi North: Suleiman Nazeef Gamawa

Bauchi Central: Hamma Misau

Bauchi South: Garba Dahiru

#### 9. Bayelsa State

##### **APC**

Bayelsa East: Biobarakuma Degi-Eremienyo

Bayelsa Central: Chief Festus Daumiebi

Bayelsa West: Capt. Mathew Karimo

##### **PDP**

Bayelsa East: Mrs Blessing Izagara

Bayelsa Central: Hon. Douye Diri

Bayelsa West: Mr Lawrence Ewrudjiakpo

#### 10. Benue State

##### **APC:**

Benue North: Hon. Olubebe Mimi Azape

Benue West: Senator George Akume

Benue South: Chief Stephen Lawani

##### **PDP**

Benue North: Hon. Gabriel Suswam

Benue West: Hon. Oker Jev

Benue South: Hon. Abba Moro

#### Borno State

##### **APC:**

##### **PDP**

Borno North: Being determined in court

Borno North: Habu Kyari

Borno Central: Kassim Shettima

Borno South: Ali Ndume

Borno Central: Abba Aji

Borno South: Kudia Satumari

### **Cross Rivers State**

#### **APC:**

Cross Rivers North: Mr Wably Nyiam

Cross Rivers Central: Senator Victor Ndoma Egba SAN

Cross Rivers South: Sen. Bassey Otu

#### **PDP**

Cross Rivers North: Rose Okoh

Cross Rivers Central: Dr Sandy Onor

Cross Rivers South: Sen. Gershom Bassey

### **Delta State**

#### **APC:**

Delta North: Mrs Doris Ubor

Delta Central: Sen. Ovie Omo-Agege

Delta South: Dr Emmanuel Uduaghan

#### **PDP**

Delta North: Sen. Peter Nwaoboshi

Delta Central: Hon. Evelyn Oboro

Delta South: Sen. James Manager

### **Ebonyi State**

#### **APC:**

Ebonyi North: Mr Mathias Adum

Ebonyi West: Inconclusive primaries

Ebonyi South: Inconclusive primaries

#### **PDP**

Ebonyi North: Dr. Sam Egwu

Ebonyi Central: Sen. Sunny Ogbuorji

Ebonyi South: Mr Michael Nnachi

### **Edo State**

**APC**

Edo North: Francis Alimekhane

Edo Central: Hon John Inegbedione

Edo South: Hon. Patrick Obahiagbon

**PDP**

Edo North: Hon. Abubakar Momoh

Edo Central: Sen. Clifford Ordia

Edo South: Sen. Mathew Uroghide

**Ekiti State****APC**

Ekiti North: Olubunmi Adetumbi

Ekiti Central: Opeyemi Bamidele

Ekiti South: Dayo Adeyeye

**PDP**

Ekiti North: Sen. Duto Faseyi

Ekiti Central: Barr Ayo Adewale

Ekiti South: Mrs Biodun Olujimi

**Enugu State****APC**

Enugu North: Hon. Eugene Odoh

Enugu East: Mr Lawrence Eze

Enugu West: Mrs Juliet Nwagwu

**PDP**

Enugu North: Sen. Chukuma Utazi

Enugu East: Dr Chimaroke Nnamani

Enugu West: Sen. Ike Ekweremadu

**Gombe State****APC**

Gombe North: Alh Saidu Alkali

Gombe Central: Alh Moh'd Danjuma Goje

Gombe South: Col. B. K. Amos rtd

**PDP**

Gombe North: Ibrahim Dankwambo

Gombe Central: Nasiru Abubakar Nono

Gombe South: Hajia Binta Bello

**Imo State**

**APC**

Imo North: Benjamin Owajumogu

Imo Central: Rochas Okorocho

Imo South: Hon. Emma Ojinere

**PDP**

Imo North: Hon Patrick Ndubueze

Imo Central: Hon Jones Onyereri

Imo South: Ezenwa Onyebuchi

**Jigawa State****APC**

Jigawa North: Danladi Sankara

Jigawa Central: Sabo Nakudu

Jigawa South: Ibrahim Hassan Hadeija

**PDP**

Jigawa North: Nasiru Roni

Jigawa Central: Mustapha Sule Lamido

Jigawa South: Ubale Shitu

**Kaduna State****APC**

Kaduna North: Suleiman Kwaru

Kaduna Central: Uba Sani

Kaduna South: Yusuf Barnabas Bala (Bantex)

**PDP**

Kaduna North: Suleiman Hunkuyi

Kaduna Central: Lawan Adamu, (Mr. LA)

Kaduna South: Danjuma Laah

**Kano State****APC**

Kano North: Jibrin Barau

Kano Central: Ibrahim Shekarau

**PDP**

Kano North: Ahmed Garba Bichi

Kano Central: Aliyu Sani MadakiGini

Kano South: Abdullahi Sani Rogo



Kano South: Senator Kabiru Gaya

### **Katsina State**

#### **APC**

Katsina North: Ahmed Babba Kaita

Katsina Central: Kabir Abdullahi Barkiya

Katsina South: Bello Mandiya

#### **PDP**

Katsina North: Hamisu Gambo

Katsina Central: Usman Mani Nasarawa

Katsina South: Shehu Inuwa Imam

### **Kebbi State**

#### **APC**

Kebbi North: Dr Yahaya Abdullahi

Kebbi Central: Adamu Aliero

Kebbi South: Bala Ibn Na-Allah

#### **PDP**

Kebbi North: Bello Suru

Kebbi Central: Abubakar Shehu Mohammed (

Kebbi South: Benjamin Dikki

### **Kogi State**

#### **APC**

Kogi East: Jibrin Isah Echocho

Kogi Central: Yakubu Oseni

Kogi West: Smart Adeyemi

#### **PDP**

Kogi East: Attai Aidoko

Kogi Central: Ahmed Ogembe

Kogi West: Dino Melaye

### **Kwara State**

#### **APC**

Kwara North: Saliu Mustapha

#### **PDP**

Kwara North: Hon. Zakari Mohammed

<p>Kwara Central: Unclear</p> <p>Kwara South: Unclear</p>	<p>Kwara Central: Sen. Bukola Saraki</p> <p>Kwara South: Sen. Rafiu Ibrahim</p>
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**Lagos State**

<p><b>APC</b></p> <p>Lagos East: Hon. Adebayo Oshinowo</p> <p>Lagos Central: Senator Oluremi Tinubu</p> <p>Lagos West: Olamilekan Adeola</p>	<p><b>PDP</b></p> <p>Lagos East: Mrs Abiodun Oyewusi</p> <p>Lagos Central: Mr Adesunbo Onitiri</p> <p>Lagos West: Gbadebo Rhodes-Vivour</p>
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**Nasarawa State**

<p><b>APC</b></p> <p>Nasarawa North: Hon. Godiya Akwashiki</p> <p>Nasarawa West: Sen. Abdullahi Adamu</p> <p>Nasarawa South: Tanko Al-Makura</p>	<p><b>PDP</b></p> <p>Nasarawa North: Mr Michael Abdul</p> <p>Nasarawa West: Aliyu Tafida</p> <p>Nasarawa South: Sen. Sulieman Adokwe</p>
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**Niger State**

<p><b>APC</b></p> <p>Niger North: Zakari Jikantoro</p> <p>Niger East: Sani Musa</p> <p>Niger South: Muhammed Bima</p>	<p><b>PDP</b></p> <p>Niger North: Alhaji Sani Cuba</p> <p>Niger East: Ishyaku Ibrahim, (SAN)</p> <p>Niger South: Hon. Shehu Baba Agiae</p>
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**Ogun State**

<p><b>APC</b></p>	<p><b>PDP</b></p>
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Ogun East: Ramoni Olalekan Mustapha	Ogun North:
Ogun Central: Ibikunle Amosun	Ogun Central:
Ogun West: Tolu Odebiyi	Ogun South:

### Ondo State

<b>APC:</b>	<b>PDP</b>
Ondo North: Robert Ajayi Boroffice	Ondo North: Olusegun Alonge
Ondo Central: Omotayo Donald	Ondo Central: Nicholas Tofowomo
Ondo South: Barr Morayo Lebi	Ondo South: Yele Omogunwa

### Osun State

<b>APC</b>	<b>PDP</b>
Osun East: Dr Ajibola Basiru	Osun East: Chief Francis Adenigba Fadahunsi
Osun Central: Hon. Ajibola Famurewa	Osun Central: Alhaji Ganiyu Olaoluwa
Osun West: Dr. Adelere Oriolowo	Osun West: Chief Lere Oyewumi

### Oyo State

<b>APC:</b>	<b>PDP</b>
Oyo North: Fatai Buhari	Oyo North: Hon. Milikat Akande-Adeola
Oyo Central: Sen. Teslim Folarin	Oyo Central: Chief Bisi Ilaka
	Oyo South: Chief Bayo Lawal

Oyo South: Abiola Ajimobi

### **Plateau State**

#### **APC**

Plateau North: Rufus Bature

Plateau Central: David Pardang

Plateau South: Ignatius Longjan

#### **PDP**

Plateau North: I D Gyang

Plateau Central: Dimka Hezekiah

Plateau South: Barrister Peter Nyam Gai

### **Rivers State**

#### **APC**

By the verdict of the Supreme Court, APC has been barred from filing any candidate for all elective positions

#### **PDP**

Rivers South-East: Hon. Barry Mpigi

Rivers East: Sen. George Thompson Sekibo

Rivers South-West: Hon. Betty Apiafi

### **Sokoto State**

#### **APC**

Sokoto North: Magatakarda Wamakko

Sokoto Central: Gobir Ibrahim

Sokoto South: Ibrahim Abdullahi

#### **PDP**

Sokoto North: Being decided in court

Sokoto Central: Rt. Hon. Maidaji Gada

Sokoto South: Senator Abdullahi Danbaba Danbuwa

### **Taraba State:**

#### **APC**

Taraba North: Ahmed Yusuf

#### **PDP**

Taraba North: Shuiabu Lau

Taraba Central: Dahiru Bako

Taraba Central: Yusuf A Yusuf Taraba South: Gen Ishaya Bauka (rtd)	Taraba South: Emmanuel Bawcha
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### Yobe State

<p><b>APC</b></p> <p>Yobe North: Dr. Ahmed Ibrahim Lawan</p> <p>Yobe Central: Ibrahim Gaidam</p> <p>Yobe South: Ibrahim Bomo</p>	<p><b>PDP</b></p> <p>Yobe North: Sharif Abdullahi</p> <p>Yobe Central: Abba Gana Kaka</p> <p>Yobe South: Senator Hassan Dambu</p>
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### Zamfara State

<p><b>APC</b></p> <p>The party has been barred by INEC from presenting any candidates for all the 2019 elections including the Senatorial polls for its inability to abide by the rules and regulations, specifically, conducting its primaries for elective positions within the stipulated time frame.</p>	<p><b>PDP</b></p> <p>Zamfara North: Alhaji Sahabi Yau Kaura</p> <p>Zamfara Central: Alhaji Hassan Nasiha</p> <p>Zamfara South: Alhaji Abu Makau Damri</p>
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## Governorship Contestants

### Abia State

<b>APC</b> – Okechukwu Ogah	<b>PDP</b> – Okezie Ikpeazu
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### Adamawa State

<b>APC</b> – Gov. Jibrilla Bindo	<b>PDP</b> – Ahmadu Fintiri
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### Akwa Ibom State

**APC** – Nsima Ekere

**PDP** – Gov. Udom Emmanuel

**Anambra State:** Election not due here yet

**Bauchi State**

**APC** – Gov Mohammed Abubakar

**PDP** – Bala Muhammed

**Bayelsa State:** Election not due here yet

**Benue State**

**APC** – Barr Emmanuel Jime

**PDP** – Gov Samuel Ortom

**Borno State**

**APC** – Prof. Babagana Umara-Zulum

**PDP** – Muhammed Imam

**Cross Rivers State**

**APC** – Sen. John Owan Enoh

**PDP** – Prof. Ben Ayade

**Delta State**

**APC** – Great Ogboru

**PDP** – Gov. Ifeanyi Okowa

**Ebonyi State**

**APC** – Sen. Sunny Ogboji

**PDP** – Gov David Umahi

**Edo State:** Election not due here yet

**Ekiti State:** Election not due here yet

**Enugu State**

**APC** – Sen. Ayogu Eze

**PDP** – Hon. Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi

**Gombe State**

**APC** – Inuwa Yahaya

**PDP** – Bayero Nafada

**Imo State**

**APC** – Hon. Emeka Ihedioha

**PDP** – Sen. Hope Uzodinma

**Jigawa State**

**APC** – Gov. Badaru Abubakar

**PDP** – Aminu Ringim

**Kaduna State**

**APC** – Gov. Nasiru Ahmed El-Rufai

**PDP** – Isa Ashiru

**Kano State**

**APC** – Dr Abdullahi Umar Ganduje

**PDP** – Abba Kabiru Yusuf

**Katsina State**

**APC** – Gov. Aminu Masari

**PDP** – Sen. Lado Danmarke

**Kebbi State**

**APC** – Gov. Atiku Bagudu

**PDP** – Isa Galaudu

**Kogi State:** Election not due yet

**Kwara State**

**APC** – Abdulrahman Abdurazaq

**PDP** – Razak Atunwa

**Lagos State**

**APC** – Babajide Sanwo-Olu

**PDP** – Jimi Agbaje

**Nasarawa State**

**APC** – Alhaji Ahmed Yusuf

**PDP:** Hon. David Ombugado

**Niger State**

**APC** – Abubakar Sani Bello

**PDP** – Umar Nasko

**Ogun State**

**APC** – Dapo Abiodun

**PDP** – Ladi Adebute

**Ondo State:** Election not due here yet

**Osun State:** Election not due here yet

**Oyo State**

**APC** – Adebayo Adelabu

**PDP** – Seyi Makinde

**Plateau State**

**APC** – Barr. Simon Lalong

**PDP** – Sen. Jeremiah Useni

**Rivers State**

**APC** – Tonye Cole

**PDP** – Nyesome Wike

**Sokoto State**



**APC** – Ahmad Aliyu

**PDP** – Aminu Tambuwal

**Taraba State**

**APC** – Sani Abubakar Danladi

**PDP** – Gov. Darius Ishaku

**Yobe State**

**APC** – Maimala Buni

**PDP** – Umar Iliya Damagun

**Zamfara State**

**APC** – No candidate

**PDP** – Mutawellen Maradun