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NAM is a Useful Legal Instrument for Effective Governance - SGoF

Surveyor General of the Federation (SGoF), Surv. Abudulganiyu Adeyemi Adebomehin has described the Nigeria Administrative Map (NAM) as a useful legal instrument for the Federal Government in ensuring effective governance and management of the country.

The SGoF gave the description at a meeting with representatives of Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission (RMAFC) at the Survey House in Abuja. The RMAFC team was led by the Director of Allocation, Abdul Baba Mohammed.

Surv. Adebomehin said the NAM not only described the entire territorial area of a country and everything therein but provides locations of available resources and other materials.

According to the SGoF, NAM provides data that would help in the effective mobilization and allocation of resources, and build mutual understanding among the people for the corporate existence of the Nigerian State.

He therefore enjoined Nigerians to see NAM as an instrument of peace-building and resolution of unconstructive conflict urging members of the public to stop using maps of without the Seal of the SGoF. He said many maps being produced without the approval of the Office of the Surveyor General of the Office (OSGoF) were misleading and have much ineffectual information that could induce dysfunctional conflict among states and communities.

He also encouraged stakeholders to always confirm the reliability of their geospatial data with the OSGoF when in doubt in order to avoid waste of resources in their project planning and implementation.

Earlier, the RMAFC Director of Allocation, Abdul Baba Mohammed who commended the OSGoF towards the provision of requisite geospatial data said as end-user, RMAFC would always consult with the OSGoF in the discharge of its functions in order to work with timely and reliable data.

Mohammed noted that the tasks of RMAFC remains sensitive and that the commission would therefore work with the geospatial data being generated by OSGoF, the apex-mapping office of the Federal Government of Nigeria in order to ensure equitable mobilization and distribution of our common wealth.

Some of the senior officials that accompanied the Director of Allocation of RMAFC were a deputy director, Hamis Isiak Moh'd; Dauda Mustapha and Okon Ante, both assistant directors; and Vivien Ashiedu, a Chief Revenue Officer.

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