

strength as you continue to lead our community with grace and dignity.

We pray for peace, progress, and prosperity throughout your time on the throne, and may your leadership bring forth abundant blessings to Imesi Ekiti.

Long live Kabiyesi Onimesi! With warm regards, Jagunmolu and Yeye-Jagunmolu Imesi Ekiti



& CHIEF (MRS) CAPRICEAGUNBIADE

Jagunmolu and Yeye-Jagunmolu Imesi Ekiti





THE OLORUNDA FAMILY AND THE ENTIRE PEOPLE OF OLORUNDA-IMESI-EKITI

rejoice with

HIS ROYAL MAJESTY, OBA OLATUNJI OLATUNDE OLA-

IBIYEMI, the 2nd, the Onimesi of Imesi Ekiti, and the entire people of Imesi

on the Occasion of the celebration of 2025 Odun Ade festival.

Long live Kabiyesi, long live, the people of Olorunda and Imesi Ekiti.



from Yeyelaje Moore-Okusaga Mopelola Abiodun the new Yeyelaje of Imesi-Ekiti, to Kabiyesi Oba Olatunji Olatunde, the Onimesi of Imesi-Ekiti,

on the occasion of the Annual Odun Ade Festival.

I express my gratitude for my installation and reaffirms my commitment to contributing to the development of Imesi-Ekiti.







HIS EXCELLENCY BIODUN ABAYOMI OYEBANJI

Executive Governor, Ekiti State



His Royal Majesty
OBA FESTUS OLATUNJI OLATUNDE,
ONIMESI OF IMESI-EKITI

(HOST OBA)







OLORI ADEBIMPE FOLUKE OLATUNDE

Olori Onimesi of Imesi-Ekiti



HRM OBA (BARR.) BABATUNDE ADEBAYO JEMILEHIN, ONISE OF ODO ORO-EKTI

Royal Father/ Chairman of the Day







OFFICIAL SPEECH BY HIS ROYAL MAJESTY, OBA FESTUS OLATUNJI OLATUNDE, OLAIBIYEMI II, THE ONIMESI OF IMESI EKITI, ON THE OCCASION OF THE 2025 ODUN ADE FESTIVAL

OPENING SALUTATIONS

Kabiyesi o!

Your Excellencies,

My Brother Royal Fathers, Obas from the six great Imesis, Our Illustrious Sons and Daughters at home and in the diaspora, Distinguished Guests, Chiefs, Elders, Women,

Youth, and Friends of Imesi-I greet you all in the name of peace, progress,

and tradition.

A FESTIVAL OF UNITY AND HISTORY

Today, history smiles upon us once again. This year's Odun Ade Festival is not an ordinary celebration — it is a festival of unity, reconciliation, and rediscovery.

Once again, all the six Imesis, bound by shared ancestry but separated by the Yoruba wars of old, have come together as one united family. Our gathering today is proof that though history may divide, destiny unites. Imesi Ojugbaye body wishes to appeal that henceforth, our words and actions MUST place emphasis on our shared ancestry and progenitor rather than the divisive history of seniority.

I salute my royal brothers, the esteemed Obas of the Six Imesis, whose presence here gladdens our hearts and reaffirms the eternal bond of kinship among our peoples.

(Names and titles of other Imesis Obas should be inserted here by Kayegbo)

REVIVAL OF ANCIENT TRADITIONS

This year's Odun Ade is doubly blessed for it marks the resuscitation of our age-long Imesi fishing expedition, the Idewo, and the reactivation of the ljigbo hunters' expedition both once-proud pillars of our heritage.

Through Idewo, our fishermen and women reconnect with the waters that have sustained generations.

Through Ijigbo, our brave hunters renew their age-old covenant with the forest, returning with their game for the Onimesi to feast upon and mark the festival's sacred rites.

These acts are not mere ceremonies; they are living testimonies of unity, authority, and acceptance

signs that the bond between the throne and the people remains strong and unbroken.

It is my hope that these revivals will, in the



The Mayegun of Imesi-Ekiti Chairman Anniversary Committee



attractions

bringing visitors, researchers, and admirers of Yoruba culture to Imesi,

and turning our town into a beacon of cultural pride and economic opportunity.

APPRECIATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I extend deep gratitude to all Imesi sons and daughters

those dwelling within our land and those far away in the diaspora

for your enduring love, loyalty, and contributions to our growth.

To our non-resident natives and friends of Imesi,

your goodwill strengthens our resolve and expands our vision.

May your kindness never go unrewarded.

To our chiefs, traditional leaders, artisans, farmers, hunters, women, and youth, you are the heartbeat of this kingdom. Your daily labour and faith uphold the dignity of the crown.

A Call to Continued Progress

years ahead, grow into full-fledged tourism. As we celebrate, let us remember that tradition and progress are not enemies.

> Let us continue to uphold the honour of our ancestors

> while embracing innovation and development for the good of Imesi.

Our collective duty is to build a future worthy of our heritage

a future of peace, unity, and prosperity for generations yet unborn.

CLOSING BENEDICTION

As the drums sound and the hunters' horns echo, as the waters of Idewo shimmer with life, and as our people dance in joy and pride, I pray that Imesi shall continue to flourish.

May the blessings of Odun Ade bring abundance to every household. May unity prevail among our people. May the crown of Imesi never lose its glory.

Long live the Onimesi of Imesi Ekiti! Long live the United Imesis! Long live Ekiti State! Long live the Federal Republic of Nigeria



THE SIX IMESIS AND OBAS

(Not Arranged in Hierarchy Please)



His Royal Majesty **OBA ENOCH ADEMOLA AKINYEMI (JP)** The Owa ooye of Imesi-Ile



His Royal Majesty RASHEED ADESANYA, Olisa of Ijebu-Ode



His Royal Majesty **OBA FESTUS OLATUNJI OLATUNDE, ONIMESI OF IMESI-EKITI** (HOST OBA)



His Royal Majesty OBA MICHAEL GBADE ADEDEJI (CON, JP) The Owa Ooye of Okemesi-Ekiti



His Royal Majesty **OBA LUKEMAN ADELEKE KUOYE, GPID** Olu of Imasayi-Yewa



BALOGUN OLUMUYIWA ODUWOLE, CHAIRMAN, REGENCY COUNCIL, OKUN OWA



PRINCE PETER KOLA BAMIGBADE Coordinator of the Six Imesis





THE ENTIRE FEDERATION OF IMESI EKITI STUDENTS' UNION (FISU).

write through her central executive extending our warmest congratulations to HRM. Olatunji Olatunde, Olaibiyemi II, Onimesi Of Imesi Ekiti, on the occasion of the Odun Ade 2025 celebration.

We celebrate your enduring legacy of upholding our culture and traditions through the inclusion of young people in the town's cultural band, which has led to several participation in cultural celebration such as the just concluded EKIFEST 2025 among others.

We appreciate your dedication, wisdom, and commitment to the development of our community. May your reign continue to bring peace, unity, and prosperity to Imesi Ekiti and beyond.

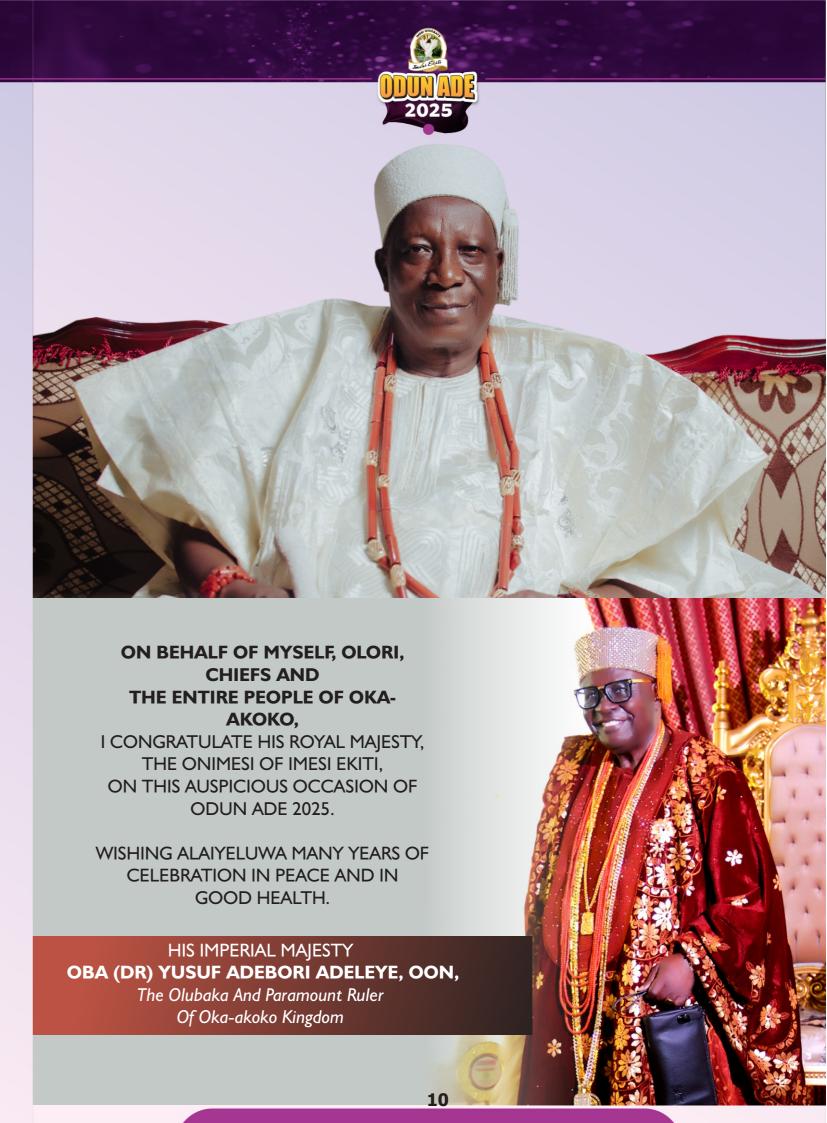
We also celebrate your leadership, and we're honored to have you on the throne. May your reign be long and fruitful.

Congratulations,

HRM. Olatunji Festus Olatunde, Olaibiyemi II.

From all of us at the FEDERATION OF IMESI-EKITI STUDENTS' UNION (FISU),

Comr. Oloruntoba Emmanuel Ibukun led administration.







FELICITATION! FELICITATION!! FELICITATION!!!

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE ENTIRE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF

SAFAD INSURANCE BROKERS LIMITED



HEREBY REJOICE WITH OUR KABIESI **OBA. FESTUS OLATUNJI OLATUNDE**(OLA-IBIYEMI II)
THE ONIMESI OF IMESI- EKITI

ON THIS AUSPICIOUS OCCASION OF CELEBRATION OF
ODUN ADE 2025 FESTIVAL OF UNITY AND CULTURAL EXPOSITION
WISHING OUR KABIESI AND THE ENTIRE IMESI-EKITI COMMUNITY HAPPY
CELEBRATIONS AND MANY MORE YEARS OF PEACE, PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENTS

(FOR ALL YOUR INSURANCE NEEDS, CONTACT US FOR EXCELLENT AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)

BALOGUN AJIBADE ADELANA (JP)
MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO

ELDER (CHIEF) BOLU FAMIYESIN

EJEMO OF IMESI EKITI

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

7TH TO 12TH NOV 2025

DAY ONE: 7TH NOV 2025

(I) B/ JUMAT SERVICE

@ Central Mosque Imesi **Time:** 1:45 pm to 3:00pm

(2) ARRIVAL OF GBAMO FROM TRADITIONAL FISHING EXPEDITION (IDEWO)

Venue: Onimesi Front new Palace Hall, Aafin

Time: 5:30pm

DAY TWO: 7TH NOV 2025 OJA AJE FESTIVAL

Time: 6:30am to 6pm **Venue:** Oja Oba Imesi

DAY THREE: 9TH NOV 2025
(I) THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Venue: CAC Church, Imesi Ekiti

Time: 8:00am

(2) ARRIVAL OF HUNTERS FROM IJIGBO ODE

Time: 3:00pm

Venue: Onimesi Palace, new front hall Imesi



ODWADE 2025

DAY FOUR: 10TH NOV 2025

Time: 7am to 10am

Venue: Obas Palace, Oja Oba, all houses in Imesi

Special Control: Ayekire Local Govt, Environmental office

DAY FIVE: 11TH NOV 2025

OMO OWA SPECIAL NIGHT CARNIVAL

Venue: Onimesi Palace ,Imesi Ekiti

Time: 5pm till dawn

DAY SIX: 12TH NOV 2025

(I) TITE ADE (LAYING OF ANTIQUITY CROWNS AND ONIMESI

PARAPHERNALIA OF OFFICE)

Time: 4:00am

(2) ANNIVERSARY SEVEN GUN SALUTE TO ONIMESI

AND OUTING OF EEGUN EDE

Time: 5:00am

Venue: Onimesi palace Pavilion, Imesi Ekiti

ARRIVAL OF CHIEFS, VISIT OF ONIMESI AND CHIEFS TO OKITI OMOLOORE FOR ANNUAL PRAYER,

EGBEGUN, ODE, FESU, LOCAL GOVT CHAIRMAN AND IMESI YOUTHS

For Viewing of Crowns and Traditional Annual Prayers.

A MUST FOR EVERY IMESI SON AND DAUGHTER.

(This will be beamed live via zoom to enable Imesi in diaspora join the prayer session)

(3) IMESIDE ROTATIONAL PROGRAMME

Venue: Onimesi new front palace Hall

Time: 10am to 4pm

IMESIDE DIASPORA FESTIVAL SEGMENT IMESI-EKITI

12TH NOVEMBER, 2025 ONIMESI PALACE SQUARE, IMESI-EKITI.

Grand Finale

- 1) Arrival of Invited Guests
- 2) Arrival of Royal Fathers and Guests of Honour
- 3) Arrival of Special Guests of Honour
- 4) Recognition of Guests
- 5) National Anthems, Imeside Anthems and Imesi Ojugbaye anthem.
- 6) Opening Prayers
- 7) Welcone Address by Chairman, BOT, IDI
- 8) Address by the National Coordinator
- 9) Speech by the Host Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde Olaibiyemi 2nd
- Goodwill messages by the Visiting Imesi Obas Cultural 11)
 Entertainments from Imesis
- 12) Presentation of IMESI:2ND CRADLE OF YORUBA KINGDOMS-PETER KOLA BAMIGBADE
- 13) Homage paying by Host Traditional groups and Quarter by Quarter 14) homage of Imesi-Ekiti to Imesi Obas.
- 15) Goodwill Messages From Invited Obas and Guests
- 16) Awards! Awards!!!
- 17) Speech From Special Guests of Honour and other Invited Guests
- 18) Book Launch and Donations for IDI Projects
- 19) Remark by Great Grand Patron-Oonirisa
- 20) Vote of Thanks
- 21) Closing Prayers
- 22) Entertainment / Refreshments



THE IWARAFAS

His Royal Majesty Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde Olaibiyemi I I the Onimesi of Imesi Ekiti is ably assisted by the Iwarafas who as Kingmakers occupy the highest decision making body that supports Kabiyesi in his day to day administration of Imesi Ekiti.

The Kingmakers are drawn from the six major Quarters that constitute Imesi Ekiti and are as follows:

- I. Ijumu Quarters headed by the Kolaye.
- 2. Ilogbo Quarters headed by the Balogbo.
- 3. Idogun Quarters headed by the Odofin Idogun.
- 4. Oke-Ode Quarters headed by the Emila.
- 5. Isigun Quarters headed by Onisugun.
- 6. Idosere Quarters headed by the Ofoji.



I. IJUMU QUARTERS.

High Chief Emmanuel Rotimi Alonge is the Head of Ijumu Quarters as the Kolaye of Imesi Ekiti. He is traditionally the second in rank to HRM Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde Olaibiyemi II and is considered as first amongst equals among the Iwarafas. He worked all his life in the private sector where he served meritoriously before his installation as the Kolaye of Imesi Ekiti, a position he has used to advance the course of progress and development of Imesi Ekiti. High Chief Emmanuel Rotimi Alonge is married with children.



High Chief......is the Head of Ilogbo Quarters. Ilogbo Quarters under his leadership has contributed immensely to the progress of Imesi Ekiti. High Chief......is married with children.





High Chief Lawrence Ojo is the Odofin Idogun and head of Idogun Quarters. An illustrious son of Imesi Ekiti who has been instrumental in the development of Idogun Quarters and Imesi Ekiti. His commitments to the Imesi Ekiti agenda is unwavering and highly commendable. As an administrator of repute his influence in engendering the enhancement of the lives of sons and daughters of Imesi Ekiti cannot be over emphasized. He is married with children.



4. OKE-ODE QUARTERS

Oke-Ode Quarters is headed by High Chief Solomon Babatunde Adegite, the Emila of Imesi Ekiti. He is an astute administrator who has played critical roles in the efforts aimed at sustaining the greatness of Imesi Ekiti in the course of history. His contributions to the smooth administration of Imesi Ekiti particularly his knowledge of her history and the use of the same to shape the present state and the future of the community is commendable. High Chief Solomon Babatunde Adegite is blessed with many children who along with other members of Oke-Ode Quarters are contributing in no small measure to the progress and development of Imesi Ekiti under his leadership.



5. ISIGUN QUARTERS.

High Chief Nathaniel Dahunsi is the Head of Isigun Quarters as the Onisigun of Isigun Quarters. He is an astute administrator, auditor of great repute and a public servant who served the government meritorious before his installation and has continued to render services to a wide range of agencies and particularly Imesi Ekiti. Under his leadership, Isigun Quarters has experienced tremendous growth which has impacted positively on the growth and development of Imesi Ekiti. Mention must be made of his efforts in shaping the lives of individuals in the community for positive purposes. High Chief Nathaniel Dahunsi exemplifies the epitome of commitment and integrity in matters relating to Imesi Ekiti. He is married with children.





6. IDOSERE QUARTERS.

High Chief Bamidele Abiodun Falana, the Ofoji of Imesi Ekiti is the Head of Idosere Quarters. He is a Legal Practitioner who has contributed immensely to the progress of Imesi Ekiti. Idosere Quarters has always played pivotal and critical roles in the history and traditions of Imesi Ekiti. This critical role has been sustained under his leadership. Along with the people of Idosere Quarters, he has ensured that they contribute to the progress and development of Imesi Ekiti as and when necessary. He is married with children.

The Iwarafas as a body have, with cohesion and common purpose played important roles in assisting HRM Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde Olaibiyemi II and continue to assist Kabiyesi in his quest for an Imesi Ekiti that will regain and is already regaining her prime position among the foremost communities in Ekiti State, Yorubaland in particular and in Nigeria.



THE OGBEKUNRIN/AJABARI

RULING HOUSE OF IMESI EKITI

The Ogbekunrin Ajabari Ruling Family rejoices with His Royal Majesty Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde, Olaibiyemi II, the Onimesi of Imesi Ekiti, on the celebration of the 2025 Odun Ade Festival of Unity and Culture.

We joyfully mark our re-absorption as the third ruling house of Imesi Ekiti after nearly a century of unjust exclusion.

Kabiyesi's relentless pursuit of truth and justice has restored equity and honour to our royal heritage.

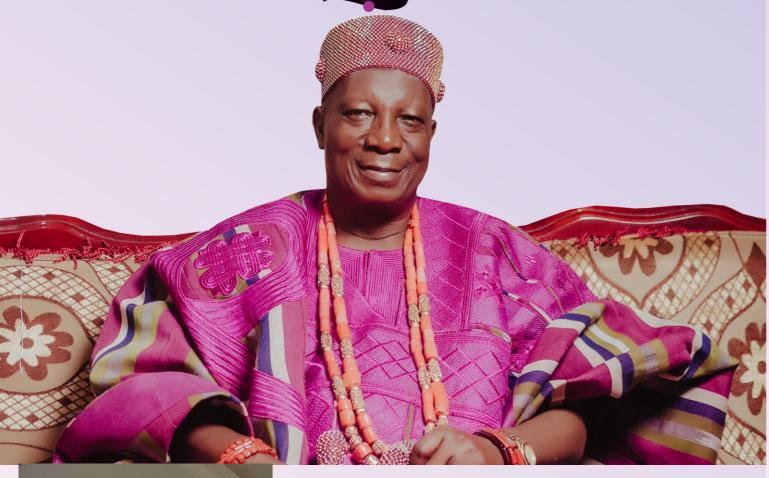
May the reign of Olaibiyemi II continue to bring unity, progress, and divine blessings to all Omo Owa Imesi.



Signed
For and behalf of Ogbekunrin
Ajabari ruling house









on behalf of the the good people of Oke Ayedun Ekiti, congratulates

HRM OBA OLATUNJI OLATUNDE, THE ONIMESI OF IMESI EKITI,

on this year's celebration of the OdunAde Festival

We rejoice with you and your people on the peaceful development of Imesi Ekiti under your reign.

May you celebrate many more of this as you continue to lead your people to the promised land.



The Management and Entire Staff of OFEM Land and Property joyfully felicitate with

His Royal Majesty, Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde (Olaibiyemi II), The Onimesi of Imesi-Ekiti,

on the grand celebration of Odun Ade 2025.

Your Majesty, we extend our heartfelt congratulations and profound appreciation for your unwavering support and fatherly love. Whenever we seek your assistance, you graciously respond without hesitation. You have never let us down, Kabiyesi, and for this, we remain forever grateful.

Personally, I am proud to have married my amiable sweetheart, Princess Folasade Ogunsakin, here in this great town. Your kindness and acceptance have made me feel truly like a son of Imesi.

May your reign continue to bring peace, progress, and prosperity to the good people of Imesi-Ekiti.

May you live long, Kabiyesi, and surpass the glorious years of your forefathers.

Long live the Onimesi of Imesi-Ekiti! Long live Imesi-Ekiti! Long live the Kingdom of Peace and Prosperity!



Sign by
MD GLOBAL RESOURCES NIGERIA LIMITED
OGUNSAKIN O. FEMI





THE FAMILY OF MR. AND MRS. OGUNSAKIN FEMI also congratulates the royal family of Ogbekunrin Ajabari, where my wife, Folasade Olosunde, was born, at Imesi Ekiti, for joining His Royal Majesty, the Onimesi of Imesi, Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde, Olaibiyemi II, in celebrating the 2025 Odun Ade Festival.

We sincerely appreciate all that you have done for us in the Ajabari family, Kabiyesi. During your reign, Imesi has witnessed great development, which has made the entire Ogbekunrin Ajabari family proud of you. We believe your name will forever be remembered in the Ajabari family.

Our family remains loyal to you, Kabiyesi.

Continue your good works in Imesi.

May you live longer than your forefathers, in Jesus' name.



MR. AND MRS. OGUNSAKIN FEMI

HRM OBA JOHN FALOORE ADEGBENRO Olufaki of Ifaki-Ekiti on behalf of the the good people of Ifaki-Ekiti, congratulates HRM OBA OLATUNJI OLATUNDE, THE ONIMESI OF IMESI EKITI, on this year's celebration of the **OdunAde Festival** We rejoice with you and your people on the peaceful development of Imesi Ekiti under your reign. May you celebrate many more of this as you continue to lead your people to the promised land. **Signed:** HRM OBA JOHN FALOORE ADEGBENRO The Olufaki of Ifaki

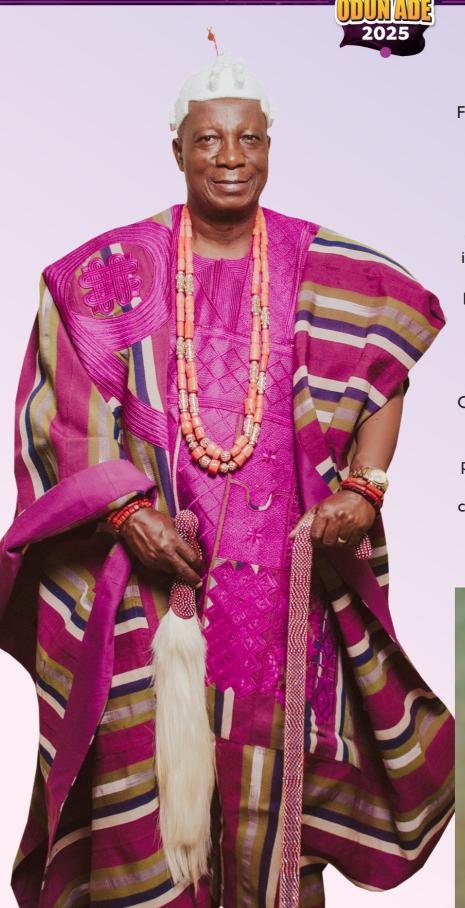




I, Kabiyesi Onijan of Ijan Ekiti, hereby wish to to congratulate the Kabiyesi Onimesi on the celebration of ODUN ADE festival.

E ku odun o.

Kabiyesi Onijan of Ijan Ekiti



Congratulation to Kabiyesi Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde, Olaibiyemi 2nd, the Onimesi of Imesi Ekiti

ON HIS ODUN ADE 2025 CELEBRATION

On behalf of myself, Onirun Chiefin- Council and the entire people of Irun AKoko, I HRM Oba Samuel Bayode Agboola the Onirun of Irun AKoko heartily congratulate HRM Oba Festus Olatunji Olatunde, Olaibiyemi 2nd, the Onimesi of Imesi Ekiti, on the celebration of ODUN ADE taking place today 12th November 2025. Kabiyesi, I pray that God will continue to bless, protect and give you more wisdom, knowledge and understanding to continue to pilot the affairs of Imesin Ekiti to enviable heights in Jesus mighty name Amen



Signed: **HRM OBA SAMUEL BAYODE AGBOOLA,**Akolojuorun II, the Onirun of Irun Akoko









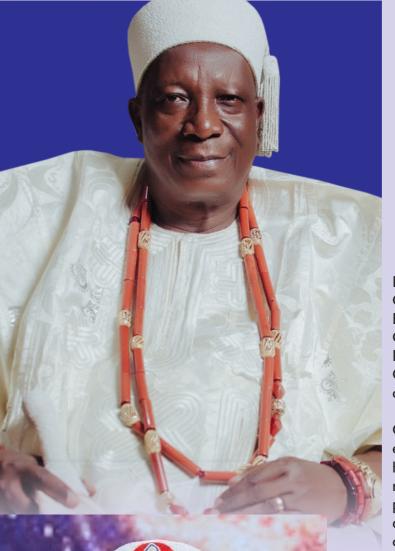
on the

OCCASION OF THE ANNUAL ODUN ADE FESTIVAL

May this celebration bring joy, peace, and prosperity to Imesi-Ekiti and its people."

From His Royal Majesty Oba Samuel Adu Alagbado, Agirilala, the Ogoga of Ikere-Ekiti and Chairman, Ekiti State Council of Traditional Rulers.







Signed, **HRM OBA AYORINDE ILORI-FABORO AJIBOYEDE III,** The Olojudo of Ido Faboro Immediate Past Chairman.

Ekiti State Council of Traditional Rulers

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM HIS ROYAL MAJESTY, **HRM OBA AYORINDE ILORI-FABORO AJIBOYEDE III,** THE OLOJUDO OF IDO FABORO

Immediate Past Chairman, **Ekiti State Council of Traditional Rulers** TO

HIS ROYAL MAJESTY, OBA FESTUS OLATUNJI OLATUNDE, OLAIBIYEMI II, THE ONIMESI OF IMESI-EKITI, ON THE OCCASION OF **ODUN ADE FESTIVAL 2025**

Kabiyesi

Oba Ilori-Faboro, Ajiboyede I I I, The Olojudo of Iddo-Ekiti and immediate past Chairman of the Ekiti State Council of Traditional Rulers, heartily rejoice with Your Majesty, the good people of Imesi-Ekiti, and the entire Onimesi Traditional Council on the auspicious celebration of Odun Ade Festival 2025.

Odun Ade remains one of the most treasured expressions of our royal heritage—an occasion that honours the crown, celebrates continuity, and reaffirms the sacred bond between the throne and the people. Your Majesty has, in your reign, elevated the dignity of this festival through your unwavering commitment to peace, community development, cultural revival, and service to the Ekiti traditional institution.

As a brother Oba and an active, vibrant member of the Ekiti State Council of Traditional Rulers, your leadership, clarity of purpose, and dedication to the progress of your domain continue to inspire many of us within the traditional institution. The remarkable strides recorded in Imesi-Ekiti under your watch-especially in infrastructure, unity, and community mobilisation—serve as a shining example of purposeful kingship.

On this joyous occasion, I pray that Olodumare will continue to strengthen Your Majesty with wisdom, sound health, and divine protection. May the crown you wear with honour and humility continue to radiate blessings, prosperity, and enduring peace upon Imesi-Ekiti.

Long may you reign, Kabiyesi





TO

HIS ROYAL MAJESTY, OBA FESTUS OLATUNJI
OLATUNDE, OLAIBIYEMI II
THE ONIMESI OF IMESI-EKITI
ON THE OCCASION OF ODUN ADE FESTIVAL 2025

Your Royal Majesty,

I, Oba Aderemi Obaleye, JP, the Olojudo of Ido-Ile, join countless well-wishers at home and abroad to felicitate with Your Majesty and the entire Imesi-Ekiti community on the joyous celebration of Odun Ade Festival 2025.

Odun Ade stands as a noble symbol of the enduring glory of the crown, the unity of the people, and the unbroken lineage of our forefathers. Your Majesty has continued to uphold this sacred heritage with honour, dignity, and a deep sense of responsibility befitting a revered custodian of our culture and traditions.

As a brother Kabiyesi and fellow member of the Ekiti traditional institution, I celebrate the exemplary leadership you continue to demonstrate in Imesi-Ekiti—marked by progress, community mobilisation, cultural renaissance, and developmental initiatives that have brought pride to the entire region.

On this auspicious occasion, I pray that Almighty God and the ancestors of our land will continue to grant Your Majesty long life, abundant grace, sound health, and the wisdom to steer the affairs of your kingdom to even greater heights. May the radiance of the crown continue to shine brightly upon your reign and upon all the good people of Imesi-Ekiti.

Long may you reign, Kabiyesi

Odun Ade a dun mo wa l'ara. Igba odun, odun kan ni o!

Signed, His Royal Majesty Oba Aderemi Obaleye, JP Olojudo of Ido-Ile







