



IDEMILI SOUTH RISING

From Grassroots To Greatness

Manifesto



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GOVERNING PHILOSOPHY

"Government that works at the speed of the people"

INTRODUCTION

What Idemili South Should Expect from Me.

Idemili South deserves leadership that understands its streets, its markets, its schools, its farmlands, and its people, not from reports on a desk, but from lived experience. I come into this race as someone who has worked within the system and at the grassroots where policies meet reality.

As Councillor representing Nnobi Ward 2, I did not treat the office as ceremonial. In Ngo Nnobi, we demonstrated that even within limited local government space, focused leadership can deliver visible progress. We mobilized our people around practical community projects. We strengthened engagement between citizens and government. We pushed for infrastructural attention where it was needed most. We championed initiatives that improved sanitation, supported schools, encouraged youth participation, and enhanced local coordination. Development in Ngo Nnobi was organized and people-driven. That same disciplined, community-first approach is what I bring to the entire Idemili South Local Government.

What should you expect from me?

- You should expect leadership that listens before it acts, and then acts decisively.
- You should expect a Mayor who understands the statutory responsibilities of the local government and will use every legal instrument available to deliver measurable impact.
- You should expect structured governance, not improvisation.
- You should expect continuity where progress is already visible, especially building on the solid foundation laid by the past administration.
- You should expect innovation where there are gaps.
- Most importantly, you should expect results you can see.

Idemili South is too strategic, commercially vibrant, culturally rich, and socially dynamic, to operate below its potential. Our internal roads must function. Our primary health centres must work. Our schools must inspire confidence. Our markets must thrive in safety and order. Our youths must find opportunity within our borders rather than look elsewhere in frustration.

In Ngo Nnobi, we proved that when leadership is intentional, communities respond. Imagine what we can accomplish when that same energy and accountability are scaled across Nnobi, Ojoto, Oba, Awka-Etiti, Alor, and every other town in Idemili South.

This manifesto is not built on abstract aspirations. It is built on demonstrated

capacity. It is rooted in experience. It is guided by law. It aligns with the broader developmental direction of Mr Governor's Solution Agenda while remaining deeply responsive to the unique realities of our LGA.

- Idemili South should expect discipline in governance.
- They should expect transparency.
- They should expect measurable milestones within 24 months.
- They should expect a leadership style anchored in service.

I have served at the grassroots. I understand the terrain. I understand the people. And I am ready to widen the scope of representation so that the progress we have nurtured in Ngo becomes the standard across the entire Idemili South. This is not about occupying an office. It is about building a local government that works, efficiently and sustainably.



AREAS OF FOCUS

1. EDUCATION: "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND IN IDEMILI SOUTH"



The reality on ground is that many primary schools still require structural upgrades, sanitation improvement, teacher support, and digital exposure.

- During my tenure in office, we will target the renovation of 12 public primary schools across Idemili South to ensure each ward gets attention in this area. From roofing, providing desks, facilitating toilets, water supply, school uniforms, kits, etc.
- Deploy solar-powered ICT corners in at least 3 strategic schools.
- Establish a Local Education Monitoring Desk to track attendance, infrastructure gaps, and teacher shortages.
- Launch an annual Mayor's Academic Excellence Award and beneficial programmes for best-performing pupils and teachers.

With this, we are targeting a 30% improvement in pupils' performance and basic school facility standards within 2 years. Also an increase in motivation for teachers and pupils alike in alignment with Governor's human capital development drive.

2. HEALTH: PRIMARY HEALTHCARE THAT ACTUALLY WORKS



Some of our primary health centers suffer from inconsistent equipment, staffing gaps, lack of staff accommodation, power supply issues, and emergency response delays.

- We target to upgrade 3 Primary Health Centers with solar backup, staff quarters, and essential maternal equipment.
- Also supplement the Local Maternal & Child Health Support Program that has been implemented by our Solution Governor, Prof. Charles Soludo.
- Drive the policy to ensure Drug Availability Guarantees in our PHC and health facilities.
- We will establish a Quarterly Free Medical Outreach Program across wards and implement PHC accountability dashboards in collaboration with state health authorities.

The target is to have a 45% improvement in PHC functionality ratings within 24 months.

3. INFRASTRUCTURE: PRACTICAL, IMPACTFUL DEVELOPMENT



Internal roads, drainage, markets, and sanitation remain pressing concerns in Idemili South.

- We aim to rehabilitate at least 12km of priority internal roads (in partnership with state and community efforts) in the 12 wards of Idemili South.
- We will launch a Drainage Clearance Taskforce in partnership with Operation Clean and Healthy Anambra (OCHA) Brigade that will work before/during every rainy season.
- Upgrade 2 major markets with solar powered streetlights, waste systems, and sanitation blocks.
- Install solar streetlights in several high-risk road/areas in Idemili South.
- Establish a mini-sports complex/sports arena that will drive sporting activities in Idemili South.

This is targeted to reduce flood complaints and improve environmental sanitation in Idemili South. It will also increase participation and talent discovery.

4. SECURITY: COMMUNITYROOTED SAFETY SYSTEM



Ibrahim Mansur/TheCable

Security threats require structured coordination between communities and state architecture

- We aim to strengthen collaboration with local vigilante groups and security agencies in line with the Anambra State Homeland Security Law 2025, which established the "Agunechemba" security outfit and authorized "Operation Udo Ga-Achi" to combat violent crime.
- We will deploy massive solar street lighting in crime-prone zones and establish a Community Intelligence & Rapid Reporting Framework.
- Massively support youth engagement initiatives to reduce vulnerability to crime.

5. AGRICULTURE: "IDEMILI SOUTH AGRIC TO WEALTH REVOLUTION"



The Idemili South Agric to Wealth Revolution will reposition agriculture from scattered individual efforts into a coordinated local economic sector driven by productivity and innovation.

- We will establish the Idemili South Youth Farm Estate Program where young people will receive land access, practical farming exposure, and structured support for crop and agro-processing ventures.
- We will identify and allocate designated agricultural plots for registered cooperative societies interested in organized farming ventures and provide facilitation support for cooperatives in accessing agricultural financing and equipment.
- We will organize quarterly farmer training programs covering modern crop techniques, pest management, storage and post-harvest handling, and agro-processing and value addition. Partner with agricultural experts and extension officers to provide practical guidance to local farmers.
- Actively key into Anambra State agricultural initiatives to ensure farmers in Idemili South benefit from improved seeds and seedlings, fertilizer distribution, farm tools and mechanization support, and tree crop development programs.
- Introduce a yearly Idemili South Agricultural Festival to celebrate farmers and encourage productivity. The event will feature awards for best harvests, youth farm innovation prizes, agricultural exhibitions, and incentives for high-performing farmers. Through the Idemili South Agric to Wealth Revolution, agriculture will evolve from subsistence survival activity into a structured local economic driver. Youths will find opportunity in farming, cooperative societies will gain productive land access, and farmers will receive the knowledge and inputs needed to improve yields and income.

6. HUMAN CAPITAL & YOUTH EMPOWERMENT



Young people require structured pathways into skills and enterprise.

- In Idemili South, we aim to train 500 youths and women in digital skills, agro- processing, production, and vocational trades.
- We will create and equip a Technology and Skills Innovation Hub in Idemili South to drive the training of youths in various productive skills.
- Launch the Idemili South Cooperative Growth Initiative and organize annual business clinics for market traders and artisans.
- Establish annual IDSLGA unity games where sports scholarships, talent discovery, and various other incentives will be deployed. Partner with sports enthusiasts and organizations in renovating sports fields in schools to drive more active participation.

With this, not less than 500 micro-enterprises will be supported or formalized in 2 years in alignment His Excellency Prof. Soludo's productivity-driven economic framework. Early talent discovery and support.

7. GOVERNANCE & TRANSPARENCY A NEW STANDARD



Under the Anambra Local Government Administration Law 2024, the Mayor must ensure fiscal responsibility and administrative efficiency.

- We aim to publish Quarterly Performance Reports and introduce a Mayor's Community Accountability Forum every year.

DIFFERENTIATING FACTOR

Hon. Ilogbenu Oluchukwu John is not coming to experiment. He is coming with a proven grassroots experience and measurable development track record, with a clear understanding of state-local synergy. This administration will respect the achievements of the incumbent Mayor and consolidate ongoing projects while accelerating execution.

FIRST 100 DAYS PLAN

1. Infrastructure audit.
2. PHC functionality review.
3. Revenue mapping.
4. School condition assessment.
5. Security stakeholder summit.

CONCLUSION

Idemili South will not be governed by slogans. It will be governed by data, discipline, and delivery.

This is a 24-month mission to prove that local government can work and work brilliantly, and it's my agreement with Ndi Idemili South.

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