



Ejagham Tradition



QUARTERLY REPORT

EJAGHAM TRADITION CENTRE

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ORGANISATIONAL DIRECTION

OUR MISSION

“To Host, Promote, Harness and Update Ejagham Traditional Practices (ETP) and Ejagham Cultural Expressions (ECE) in order to Safeguard and Preserve Ejagham Tradition as a true Legacy of Ejagham People.”

OUR VISION

To be a one-stop-shop for information and data about, relating to and concerning Ejagham Traditional Practices (ETP) and Ejagham Cultural Expressions (ECE)

OUR OBJECTIVES

- *Safeguard and preserve the cultural heritage of Ejagham people.*
- *Protect the secret and sacred cultural heritage of Ejagham people.*
- *Encourage Research and Development (R&D) on Ejagham tradition.*
- *Ensure that the non-secret and non-sacred knowledge of Ejagham Traditional Practices (ETP) and Ejagham Cultural Expressions (ECE) are globally available and easily accessible.*
- *Explore the Socio-economic potential of Ejagham tradition for the empowerment of Ejagham People and Local Communities (EPLC).*

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our Strategy

It is a fact that several aspects of Ejagham tradition have suffered **Erosion, Dilution, Adulteration, Misinterpretation**, and in some cases **Extinction** (EDAME). Most people would agree with me on this reality. We may differ on the reason why this has been allowed to manifest. My opinion is simply that we have not done enough to protect and preserve our heritage. In a world where the vices of the 21st century such as modernisation, urbanisation, migration, especially of young people and technology waits for no one or tribe, only deliberate and structured organisation would provide the desired result in efforts to protect and preserve our heritage. We at EjT are of the opinion that a sustainable, resilient and effective strategy is to Document, Digitalise and Disseminate our traditional practices and cultural expressions, what we fondly call *Triple-D* strategy.

Document

One of the things we can vividly relate to Ejagham, in spite of its age, is Nsibidi. It would appear to me that the reason we all

appreciate Nsibidi today is because our forebears documented it. Hence, we can, search it, point to it, refer to it etc.

It leads me to conclude that long time ago our forebears recognised the need to Document our heritage so that future generations can identify with it. Somehow, we have not been able to match their ingenuity by documenting our heritage. No wonder therefore that EDAME has dealt our heritage a big blow. This is not because I said so, it is a fact that there is no repository where documented ETP and ECE can be easily sourced. If we must reverse the impact of EDAME on our heritage, we must document our ETP and ECE. Therefore one of the pillars of our strategy is to Document our heritage.

Digitalise

Arguably, it would be fair to state that somehow technology left Ejagham behind. In other words, Ejagham people have been playing catch-up with technological trend. Whichever way it is viewed, the impact of the situation on Ejagham heritage is the subject of concern. We would all agree that whatever happened in the past has a message for the future. The message of our joint neglect to move apace with technology in the past is for us to take advantage of technology and avoid a repeat. Clearly, the impact on our heritage has been devastating but duelling on it will not change a thing; taking action will. That is why, we at EjT believe that to move apace with the vices of 21st century, one of the pillars of our strategy must be to Digitalise our traditional practices and cultural expressions.

Business as usual will not bridge the enormous gap that our collective lack of pace with technology has caused. We must therefore collectively take deliberate actions to not only digitise but Digitalise all aspects of ETP and ECE and safe future Ejagham generations and friends from the rough-and-



Engr. Chris Anom CEng, CMarEng, FIMarEST, FRINA

tumble of understanding Ejagham heritage. Simply put, Digitalisation of ETP and ECE is to ensure that we constantly adapt, in order to deliver exciting experience of ETP and ECE to Ejagham People and Local Communities (EPLC), creating value-producing opportunities in the process.

Disseminate

Every culture has the potential to impact and improve the social and economic standard of the immediate community. If the value of that culture is held to a high esteem, it will disseminate beyond the immediate community. The Mgbe institution, one of the creations and ingenuity of our forbears, met that standard and was disseminated well beyond Ejagham land.

The 21st century and its vices are different

from the days of our forbears. In order for the rich Ejagham cultural heritage to help shape the future, we must have a structured means to facilitate and disseminate Ejagham traditional practices and cultural expressions. Therefore, to Disseminate is one of the pillars of EJT's mission strategy.

Our strategy to Document, Digitalise and Disseminate ETP and ECE ensures that we have all three ingredients needed in Ejagham heritage fire triangle to keep the flame of Ejagham heritage burning well into the future.

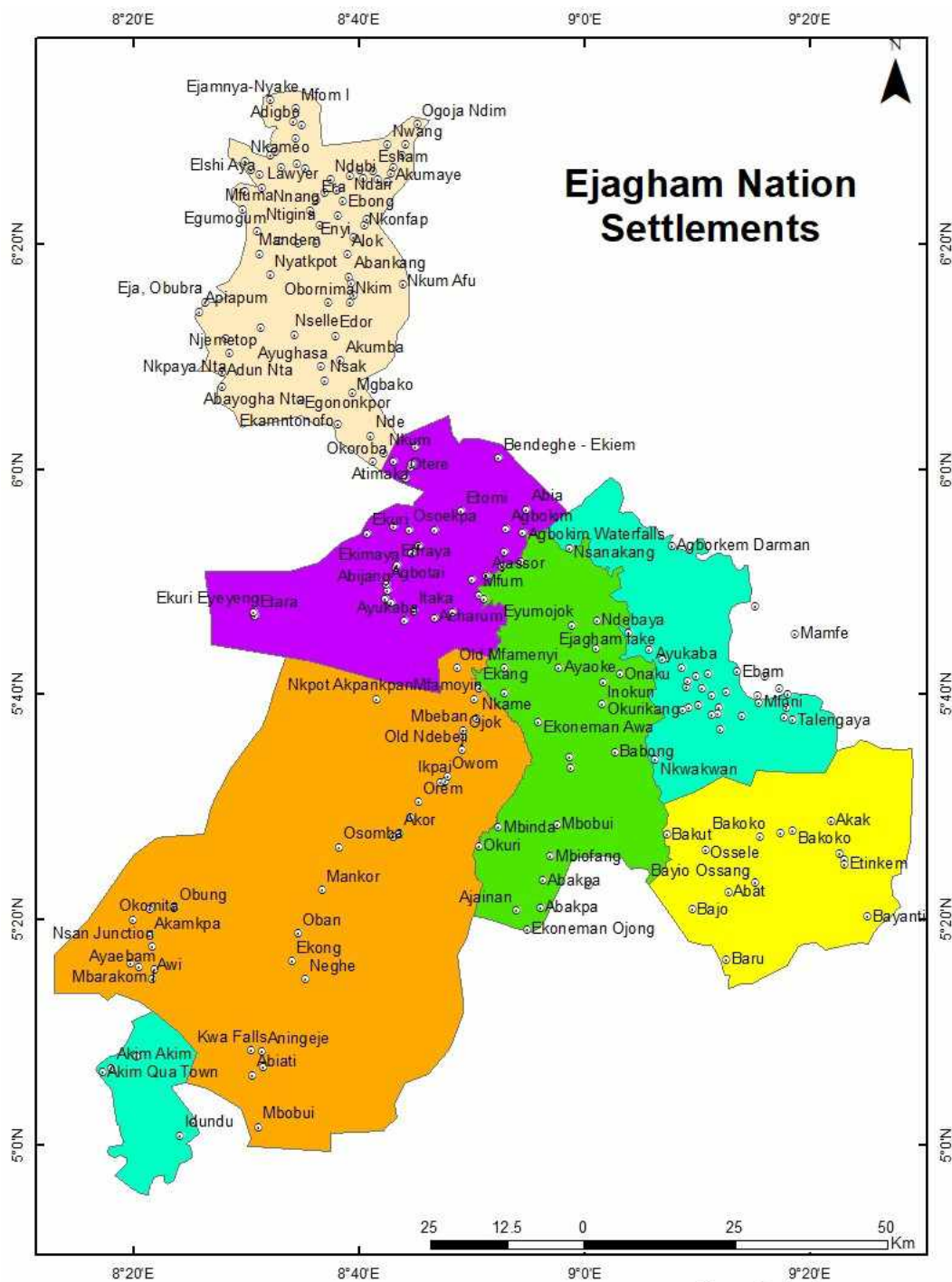
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EJAGHAM NATION COMPOSITION



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Ejagham Nation Communities

Above map shows Communities in Ejagham nation. It certainly does not show all the communities as the map has not been fully developed yet. Some details may be missing. Maps are continuously updated as we obtain new information. At the moment, this is work in progress. Experts in this discipline are welcome to assist in developing detailed Ejagham nation

maps. Current map shows Ejagham clusters in Nigeria and Cameroon, however, a wider Ejagham history reveals its Eastern and Southern African connections, with strong cultural marks in Latin America and the Caribbean, by the influence of the infamous Transatlantic Slave trade.

EJAGHAM LANGUAGE CODIFICATION

With the knowledge that language is the identifier of a people, EjT has made Ejagham Language Codification its flagship project. To refresh your memory, the project is aimed at selecting, developing, and prescribing a standard variety of written and oral Ejagham language for usage by Ejagham People and Local Communities (EPLC). This standard variety would be used for teaching and learning in schools and colleges across Ejagham nation and beyond. This project has been widely received by the traditional rulers' councils of all Ejagham clusters in Nigeria and Cameroon.

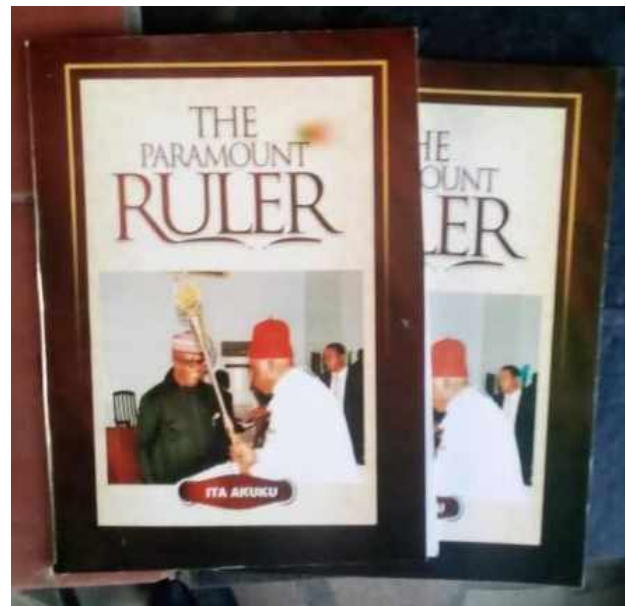
The project is progressing through the various stages. The project team develop an Ejagham language Wordlist and distributed same to all clusters. The project is currently at the stage where the team is collating Wordlist and voice-over recordings from all clusters. Below is a summary of progress in this respect.

Ejagham Dialects Wordlist and Voice-over Recording

As reported in the last quarter report, the Wordlist and associated Voice-over recording for all three clusters in Ejagham Cameroon and Akamkpa Ejagham cluster in Nigeria has been received by Ejagham Language Codification Committee (ELCC). As you would appreciate, the key principles of productivity are space, mind and time, Ejagham Cameroon (CE) applied all three and the result speaks for itself. ELCC and indeed the management of EjT appreciate the exemplary commitment of Ejagham Cameroon.

We are pleased to mention that of the four

variations of Bakor Ejagham dialects: Nkem, Ekajuk, Ofutop and Nselle, ELCC have received the Wordlist and Voice-over recording for Nkem. Our efforts to gather data for Ejagham Language Codification through the Wordlist and Voice-over was marked by even our senior citizens giving it their all in this effort. Thanks to Ugban (Mr.) Ita Akuku from Bakor Ejagham who travelled all the way from Ogoja to Calabar to answer this clarion call to write this chapter of Ejagham history. Mr. Ita Akuku completed the Wordlist and Voice-over for Nkem dialect of Bakor Ejagham and handed both over to ELCC in Calabar. The icing on the cake



The Paramount Ruler by Ita Akuku

was the donation of two copies of Mr. Ita Akuku's book to EjT as his appreciation for the initiative to standardise Ejagham language. Nta Ben Ntui received the book on behalf of ELCC. The book titled *The Paramount Ruler* is a biography of an Ejagham Paramount Ruler - the Paramount ruler of Ogoja Local Government Area in Cross River State, Nigeria.

The Wordlist for Ekajuk has been received and the Voice-over recording is in the works. Efforts are being intensified by Vice President Bakor Ejagham Ugban (Mr.) Ibu Monkomo to ensure that the outstanding

Wordlist and Voice-over recordings are completed and delivered to ELCC.



Ugban (Mr.) Ita Akuku present his book to Nta Ben Ntui

Progress has also been made with Etung Ejagham cluster. The Wordlist and Voice-over recording for Southern Etung has been received by ELCC. The Wordlist and Voice-over recording were completed by Mrs. Grace Ara Ntui, the Chief Financial Officer of EjT. We still await the Wordlist and Voice-over recording for Northern Etung. Nta Ben Ntui, the Contracts & Procurement Executive of EjT, is following up to ensure delivery. He is also following up to ensure the delivery of the Wordlist and Voice-over recording by Qua Ejagham cluster.

The leadership of ELCC has advised that while awaiting delivery of all the Wordlist and Voice-over recording to ELCC, they will commence work on the next stage of the project with the materials received so far. The next stage of the project is to engage the necessary language experts to process the various Wordlists and Voice-over recordings.

DEVELOPMENT OF EJAGHAM LANGUAGE TRANSLATION TOOL

Goal of the Project: This project is an integral part of Ejagham Language Codification project deliverables. It aims to restore the Ejagham language to a place of prominence and relevance as we move into the 21st century by translating classic and modern works of literature from English to Ejagham. It is reported that one of the main reasons why languages die is when “speakers seek to learn a more-popular language to gain social and economic advantages”. Ejagham language is fast becoming an endangered language. The Linguistic Society of America defines an endangered language as “one that is likely to become extinct in the near future.”

Our Objectives: We are confident that project can contribute to slowing down the decline of the Ejagham language by making it socially and economically relevant. This language can become socially relevant when science, the arts and humanities can be learned and read in Ejagham. It then becomes meaningful to learn and to teach the language to Ejagham People and Local Communities and people elsewhere around the globe.

What has been accomplished?

Dataset acquisition: We have acquired a base dataset of Ejagham texts. The dataset is a collection of the entire bible in Ejagham. The datasets were made available thanks to the efforts of Leadership of EjT, who reached out to Dr John Watters. We are grateful to Dr John Watters for his excellent scholarship that has made sure an invaluable treasure is available for this task. History will afford him a place of concourse among the Ejagham people.

We have also identified the English translation of the bible that we will use to create the mapping of words/phrases from English to Ejagham to build a dictionary model.

What needs to be done?

Model building and training: We are currently working with a team of researchers to build the language-translation machine learning model. The work is still in the first stages of the modelling pipeline. At this stage, we are still iterating on the dataset to finalize the tidy format the dataset will take before promotion into the training algorithm.

Special Appeal

Financial backing to pay for Cloud Compute GPUs to accelerate the model training. The model is a large-scale translation model trained on specialized cloud computing machines running on Graphics Processing Units (GPUs). We anticipate that we will need a starting budget of about US \$10,000 to run the algorithms for building the model. We are currently working on the generous support from the Google Developer Expert program which was made available at the instance of the Project Lead, Nta Ekaba Bisong. Whatever you can do would go a long way, every little matters. Donations are welcome in any currency.

EJAGHAM JOURNAL AND BOOK (EJB)

But for a few, Ejagham stories have been told mainly by foreigners and neighbours who have dwelled with us, in some cases very briefly. We thank them for their help in telling the Ejagham

story. EJB project was initiated as a means of ensuring that Ejagham Traditional Practices (ETP) and Ejagham Cultural Expressions (ECE) are documented affirmatively.

As you are aware, “*Call for Papers*” was placed with submission dateline of July 2021. In the past year, COVID-19 has affected most aspects of human endeavour. Our endeavour to collate materials and publish Ejagham Journal and Book is not an exception. In recognition of this, EJB Editorial Board considered it appropriate to extend the submission dateline. The Call for Papers has been extended till October 2021.

Given COVID-19 and other challenges, we are pleased to mention that submission are coming in gradually. So far, 12 papers have been submitted to EJB Editorial Board. Clearly, we can do better, so we call all Ejagham sons and daughters, home and in diaspora to endeavour to make their submission on any aspect of ETP and ECE. Dare to be one of those helping to Document, Digitalise and Disseminate Ejagham heritage to a global audience.

EJT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT Ejagham Cameroon

Commitment to EJT's mission is like a commitment to faith and we all know that nothing comes in the way of your faith. Ejagham Cameroon have demonstrated this level of commitment to promoting Ejagham heritage, despite the hostilities that is prevalent in Ejagham Cameroon. Once again, the management of EJT appreciate this commitment but even more so, future generation of Ejagham will surely be very proud of these efforts to ensure they have a reason to say “Proudly Ejagham”.

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CALL FOR PAPERS

Authors are cordially invited to submit their original papers for publication in the maiden edition of **Ejagham Journal: An International Journal of Science, Social Sciences, and Humanities**, and a Book series on **Ejagham Tradition and Practices**. The publications seek to complement the mission and vision of our Organisation by providing excellence in Documenting, Digitalising, and Disseminating Ejagham traditional practices and cultural expressions. We are kindly requesting you to please give it wider publicity by circulating this call.

Scope of the Journal and the Book

The Journal and the Book are both multidisciplinary in nature, and they cover broad topics in the following areas:

1. Oral Tradition and Literature
2. The Arts
3. Science and Technology
4. Culture and Language
5. Nature and the Universe
6. Social Practices
7. Tourists Attraction

Submission of Manuscripts

Manuscripts should be submitted to the Editorial Board for a blind peer-review. It must be in clear, unambiguous and concise English language or any Ejagham dialect. Manuscripts should be formatted in the following order:

1. Title page (A) Title of manuscript (B) Author's name and affiliated institution or Ejagham Community (C) Mobile number and email address.
2. Abstracts (for journal papers): Should not exceed 200 words, indented, with 5 keywords.
3. Main Text: Should not exceed 15 pages, including references.
4. Citations: Should be as recommended by author's area of research, i.e. APA, MLA, etc.
5. Declaration: Authors must ensure that their work is original and not published or under review for publication elsewhere.
6. File type: Manuscripts should be submitted in MS Word compatible format, e.g. DOC or RTF (not PDF), double-spaced with font size 12 in Times New Roman.

N/B

1. **Ejagham Journal: An International Journal of Science, Social Sciences, and Humanities**, is for academic researches on Ejagham.
2. Publication of both Journal and Book shall be annually.
3. **Ejagham Tradition and Practices**, is designed to accommodate all kinds of literature on Ejagham Traditional Practices (ETP) and Ejagham Cultural Expressions (ECE). Here, contributors are simply expected to document whatever they know about Ejagham's past and present, especially as it pertains to their immediate Ejagham community of residence and/or origin. This book shall accommodate essays, narratives, poems, folklores, myths/legends, values, beliefs, festivities, etc. This is an open space where non-academic writers can become authors on Ejagham as well.

Submission Deadline
From the date of Call for manuscripts to 31st October 2021

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Sessekou Hon. Dr. Agbornduku Eret (left) during engagement with Ejagham Njemaya

After receiving 1000 copies of “Proudly Ejagham” sticker donated by Prof. Alice Eta Asim (Qua Ejagham), Vice President Ejagham Cameroon swiftly engaged in community engagement as soon as he returned to Cameroon. The pictures below show his engagement with Ejagham Njemaya cluster of Ejagham Cameroon.

Ejagham Nigeria

Ms. Etta Benjamin Asong

We have always stated that every little contribution to promoting Ejagham Heritage matters; and indeed it does. We would like recognise one little effort. Ms. Etta Benjamin Asong made a personal and singular effort to take EJT community engagement to her community, Mbobui in Akamkpa cluster.



Ms. Etta Benjamin Asong addressing Mbobui Community Chiefs and Leaders.

The community Chiefs and some youths knew about EJT and its mission for the first time from Ms. Etta Benjamin Asong’s effort. Ms. Asong who is a student of Cross River University of Technology (CRUTECH), Nigeria is an example of how we can individually impact our communities in our efforts to raise the profile Ejagham heritage and indeed Ejagham.

Kindly pause for a moment and imagine what it would be if Ms. Asong's example was replicated (in any format) by our members in all the communities in Ejagham nation. Remember, we all *excited* about the idea of promoting Ejagham heritage so we can claim our rightful place in the global community of cultures. However, the only thing that brings about an actual change to the status-quo is the action we take. Ms. Asong took action, and we are very grateful. Every little effort matters.

Community Engagement Team

Building on the sensitisation campaign which was started by Vice President Ejagham Cameroon Sessekou Hon. Dr. Agbornduku Eret during his previous visit to Nigeria, Fr. Dr. Felix Eja Ojong kept the wheel turning.

Leading the team, Fr. Dr. Felix Ojong commenced EJT community engagement efforts by visiting communities in Akamkpa Ejagham cluster. The team was made up of Nta Ben Ntui, Ms. Etta Benjamin Asong, Nta Ayamba Akorokpor and Fr. Dr. Felix Ojong.

The purpose of the engagement campaign was to introduce EJT’s mission, vision and objectives as well as highlight ongoing key activities of the organisation such as Ejagham language codification and Ejagham Journal and Book to the various communities. The team also took the opportunity to request the appointment of EJT Liaison Officer (LO) from each of the communities. LOs are the link between EJT and the communities. During the visit, the team handed out EJT flyers, Call for Papers and “Proudly Ejagham” stickers to each of the Chiefs and others present. The communities visited in this wave of the community engagement campaign include: Mbarakom, Ayaebam, Akamkpa, Nsan, Obung, Old Netim and Oban.

It is difficult to assess the success of engagement like this one. It is so because the mission is one that appeals to every Ejagham person. Actually, we are yet to meet one who is not warm to the idea. However, experience has shown that it is difficult to match rhetoric with commitment. In any case, these

rhetorics have their motivational dimensions. It was amazing that everyone who spoke, made comments in support of the EJT's mission. Below are some of the comments from the communities.

Mbarakom

Given our experience, it was not surprising that everyone who spoke at Mbarakom, made comments in support of our course.

They stated that Ejagham people have been backward for long, and this move by EJT is highly welcomed and they will give their support, to the best of their ability to ensure the success of the various projects.



EJT Team at Mbarakom with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Mbarakom Community

Ayaebam

Interestingly, one of the Ayaebam Chiefs in his remark expressed appreciation to EJT, stating that this effort would encourage collaboration among Ejagham people.



EJT Team at Ayaebm with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Ayaebam Community

The Chief explained that Bakor in Ogoja Local Government of Cross River State, Nigeria, are Ejagham people but a lot of young people do not know that, even though the word itself (Bakor) is an Ejagham word that means “come and take,” He hoped that EJT would bring about this type of awareness and much more.

Akamkpa

The Chiefs in Akamkpa decried the fact that although Ejagham is the largest cultural group and the riches in natural resources in Cross River State, Ejagham has not matched its potential mainly because of silo relationship among Ejagham nation. One of the Chiefs recalled the famous saying by Ndua (Late) Chief Michael Ekpenyong of Nsan community “Ejagham adui nji” - Arise Ejagham! The Chief expressed profound appreciation for EJT's efforts to position Ejagham among the global community of cultures.



EJT Team at Akamkpa with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Akamkpa Community

Nsan

Responding, the village head of Nsan HRH Ntufam Ignatius Okon Ndifon, recalled that a similar mission had started decades ago when he was still a youth, but not much was achieved. He expressed his happiness that such a unifying platform of the Ejagham nations in the world is ongoing. He spent so much time praying to the Almighty Father, for the progress and sustainability of the mission of EJT, calling on the ancestors of Nsan to support the mission of preserving the Ejagham language and its culture for future generations.



EJT Team at Nsan with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Nsan Community



EJT Team at Old Netim with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Old Netim Community

Obung

The village Head said that he was happy that this EJT movement is happening during his reign as he, shall ensure the success of EJT projects in his community, so as to boast about it as one of his major achievement as a leader of his community. To this, two liaison officers instead of one were appointed to aid the



EJT Team at Obung with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Obung Community

speed of the work.

Old Netim

The village head of Old Netim, Ntufam Augustine N. Orok responded with happiness that there is an Ejagham Organisation with this legitimate mission, vision and objectives. He assured that the entire Old Netim Community shall put in their full support to the success of these projects.

Ntufam Orok further said that, on the Community meeting day, on Tuesday, he shall call for the Assembly of every member of the community to hear, and ensure that everyone who has a story, history and article submits same to EJB for publication. He said Ejagham nation is large, and it is time for us to tell our story to the global audience.

Oban

In Oban Community, Tuesday is set aside as meeting day for the Ntufam's Council, to deliberate and resolve issues brought before the Council.

It was on this note that we set out on Tuesday the



EJT Team at Oban with the Chiefs and Community Leaders of Oban Community

1st of June 2021 to introduce EJT and its projects to the Ntufam's Council and the Ejagham people in Oban Community. EJT was prioritised and was heard first.

The following Liaison Officers (LO) were appointed by the communities.

S/N	COMMUNITY	NAME OF LIAISON OFFICER
1	Akamkpa	Ntufam Solomon Ntui
		Nta Alex EJOR
2	Mbarakom	Fidelis Ekpe Akordekpin
3	Ayaebam	Ntufam Inok Etim
4	Nsan	Ntufam Emma Ntui Osim
5	Obung	Nta Peter John Ntui
		Nta Paulinus Okpa Mbey
6	Old Netim	Nta Linus Mbey
		Nta Fidelis Ojong
7	Oban	Nta Raymond A. Etim

EJAGHAM STUDENTS

We already know that the very existence of EJT is to Safeguard and Preserve Ejagham Heritage for future Ejagham generations. We also know that young people always say “... **we are the future**” and rightly so. A large chunk of EJT members are young people most of whom are student. It is therefore no wonder that EJT identified Student as a stakeholder in the EJT Stakeholders Galaxy. It is also no wonder, therefore, that the people who are the future have stepped to be counted in EJT’ s efforts to Safeguard and Preserve their heritage.

Led by Nta Emmanuel Awor of University of Calabar (UNICAL), Cross River State, Nigeria, seven students from four higher institutions in Calabar met to determine how Ejagham students can be a meaningful Stakeholder in the mission to Document, Digitalise and Disseminate Ejagham traditional practices and cultural expressions. The students were drawn from University of Calabar, School of Health Information, Cross River State University of Technology and Cross River State College of Health Technology all in Ejagham metropolitan city of Calabar in Cross Rivers State, Nigeria.



L-R: Nta Collins Ntui, Nta Edet Samuel, Ms. Martha Dominic, Ms. Lillian Anom, Nta Emmanuel Awor, Ms. Egbe Nelly and Nta Ejama Greatness.

Efforts in meeting Ejagham Students goal to support EJT continued with discussions about the formation of “EJT Students” at the National Association of Akamkpa Students general congress held at the University of Calabar on the 4th of June, 2021. During the congress, Nta Emmanuel Awor had the privilege to speak to students from Akamkpa Ejagham cluster, about the mission, vision and objectives of EJT.



A cross section of Akamkpa Ejagham students being addressed by Nta Emmanuel Awor at Akamkpa Ejagham Students General Congress held 4th Jun 2021 in Calabar

The goal of Ejagham Students is to create a global Ejagham students' platform for the promotion of Ejagham Heritage, unite and encourage collaboration among students of Ejagham Heritage in Nigeria, Cameroon and in the

diaspora, and to develop modalities for Documentation, Digitalisation and Dissemination of Ejagham traditional practices and cultural expressions. Thanks to Nta Emmanuel Awor for taking the lead to rallying Ejagham young ‘leopards’ around their heritage.

OUR CHALLENGES

Funding

We are all aware that now there is no membership dues in EjT. Some members are calling for membership dues in the believe that this will create a sense of belonging among members and accountability by the leadership. This is indeed a suggestion that is under consideration. In the meantime, the organisation is funded by individual donations. Unfortunately, the donations are not generous enough to enable projects key progress at desired pace. We are using this opportunity to appeal to all members to donate and support the organisation efforts. Members and well-meaning Ejagham sons and daughters in Nigeria can donate directly to organisation account below.

Kindly donate to:

Account no.: 2035883685

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Bank name: FIRST BANK NIGERIA

Member and indeed well-meaning Ejagham sons and daughters in Ejagham Cameroon and in diaspora can visit our website at www.ejaghamtradion.org and go to the Donate page where you can make your donations. EjT is in critical need of financial resources to run, sustain, and execute its projects, programmes, and activities. We are actively seeking individual and corporate sponsorship of EjT programs.

Motivational Deficit

Our mission requires significant motivation among Ejagham people to intellectualise Ejagham Traditional Practices (ETP) and Ejagham Cultural Expressions (ECE). The sure and sustainable approach is to give our ETP and ECE Triple-D treatment i.e. Document, Digitalise & Disseminate them. Can we individually and collectively change this deficit into a surplus, yes we can, if you play your role.



Ekpa Aneakae Ejagham



EJT Milestones

Glossary of Terms

Acronym

Meaning

MT	Management Team
EMT	Extended Management Team
ETP	Ejagham Traditional Practices
ECE	Ejagham Cultural Expressions
EJT	Ejagham Tradition
QE	Qua Ejagham
AE	Akamkpa Ejagham
EE	Etung Ejagham
BE	Bakor Ejagham
Triple-D	Document, Digitalis and Disseminate
EC	Ejagham Cameroon
OE	Obang Ejagham
NgE	Ngunaya Ejagham
NjE	Njemaya Ejagham
CPE	Contracts & Procurement Executive
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
LO	Liaison Officer
ALO	Assistant Liaison Officer
ToR	Terms of Reference
ELCC	Ejagham Language Codification Committee

EPLC	Ejagham People and Local Communities
PET	President, Ejagham Tradition
VP-QE	Vice President Qua Ejagham
VP-AE	Vice President Akamkpa Ejagham
VP-EE	Vice President Etung Ejagham
VP-BE	Vice President Bakor Ejagham
VP-EC	Vice President Ejagham Cameroon
SERE	Secretary & External Relations Executive
GC	General Counsel
EJB	Ejagham Journal and Book
CBP	Corporate Business Plan
MPR	Monthly Performance Report
ECFC	EJT Cultural Festivals Committee
CMS	Corporate Management System
KPI	Key Performance Indicator



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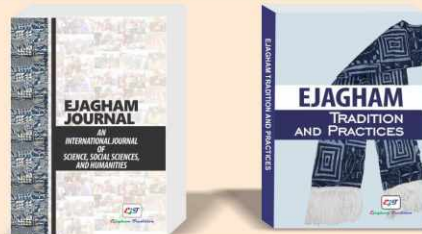
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