



**JUSTIFICATION FOR THE CONFERRAL OF THE
MERITORIOUS LEGACY LAUREATE OF PUBLIC SERVICE
(MLLPS) – CIVIC AND HUMANITARIAN SERVICE
DIVISION UPON HAAKYAV PETER TOMBU**

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I. Preamble: The Standard of the Meritorious Legacy Laureate of Public Service

The Meritorious Legacy Laureate of Public Service (MLLPS), within the Civic and Humanitarian Service Division, is conferred upon individuals whose contributions reflect sustained service, recognised merit, and measurable impact in advancing human welfare, civic responsibility, and community development within a state.

This Division recognises acts of direct social intervention, humanitarian responsiveness, and citizen-centered engagement that strengthen social support systems and promote inclusive development.

The Institute's evaluation framework is guided by its core principles:

- **Truth first** – documentation grounded in observable and verifiable patterns of action;
- **Guardians of memory** – preservation of contributions with enduring social value;
- **Justice through legacy** – recognition of influence often expressed outside formal institutions;
- **History for growth** – identification of models of public engagement capable of shaping societal orientation.

The conferral of MLLPS (Civic and Humanitarian Service Division) upon Hakyaaav Tombu Peter rests on documented patterns of philanthropy, youth empowerment, and sustained humanitarian intervention within Benue State.

II. Emergence as a Civic and Humanitarian Actor

Within the evolving social landscape of Benue State, Hakyaaav Tombu Peter has distinguished himself as a civic-minded actor whose interventions directly address human need. As Chief Executive Officer of Harrypee Group of Companies, he has combined entrepreneurial capacity with humanitarian commitment, creating a model in which private success is actively translated into public benefit.

His approach reflects a form of civic engagement rooted in accessibility, immediacy, and responsiveness—extending support to individuals and communities through direct interaction rather than institutional mediation.

Humanitarian service, in this context, is expressed through proximity to the people and responsiveness to their realities.

III. Sustained Humanitarian Intervention and Social Support

The documented record of Hakyaaav Tombu Peter's activities reveals consistent humanitarian engagement across critical areas of need, including:

- Payment of hospital bills for individuals requiring urgent medical attention;
- Sponsorship of school fees to support educational continuity;
- Financial assistance to widows and vulnerable persons;
- Provision of startup capital to enable small-scale enterprise and livelihood development;
- Direct monetary support ranging from hundreds of thousands of naira to numerous beneficiaries, including grants of up to one million naira.

These interventions demonstrate a sustained pattern of direct assistance, addressing immediate human needs while creating opportunities for long-term economic participation.

Sustained humanitarian action transforms individual relief into community impact.

IV. Youth Empowerment as Civic Responsibility

A central feature of his engagement is the empowerment of young people through financial support, mentorship, and advocacy for self-reliance. His initiatives have brought together hundreds of youths, providing both inspiration and practical support for entrepreneurial pursuits.

By promoting independence from patronage systems and encouraging productive engagement, he contributes to the development of responsible citizenship and civic consciousness among the youth population.

Civic service is strengthened when it empowers individuals to become contributors rather than dependents.

V. Scale of Impact and Community Reach

Hakyaav Tombu Peter's interventions have reached a broad cross-section of society, cutting across health, education, welfare, and economic empowerment. His distributed model of engagement ensures that support is extended across multiple communities and demographic groups within Benue State.

The cumulative effect of repeated interventions across numerous beneficiaries reflects a scale of impact consistent with statewide relevance.

Impact, when sustained and widely distributed, becomes a defining feature of public service.

VI. Contribution to Social Cohesion and Inclusion

Through continuous acts of giving and engagement, he has contributed to strengthening informal social support systems. His accessibility fosters a sense of inclusion among individuals who may otherwise remain outside formal structures of assistance.

By addressing immediate needs and reinforcing communal bonds, his activities support social cohesion and collective resilience.

Humanitarian service restores not only livelihoods but also dignity and belonging.

VII. Institutional Character and Public Value

The documented record of Hakyav Tombu Peter’s activities reveals identifiable patterns:

- Sustained financial and material support addressing diverse social needs;
- Direct humanitarian intervention in health, education, and welfare;
- Promotion of youth empowerment and economic independence;
- Integration of private enterprise with public-oriented service;
- Development of a responsive, community-centered engagement model.

These elements define a form of civic leadership grounded in service, accessibility, and continuity.

VIII. Alignment with IHS-BiRD & L Core Values

Truth First: The justification is based on observable and documented humanitarian actions.

Guardians of Memory: Civic and humanitarian contributions of this nature are often under-documented despite their tangible impact.

Justice Through Legacy: Recognition extends to individuals whose work directly improves lives outside formal institutional systems.

History for Growth: His model presents a contemporary example of participatory and people-centered humanitarian service.

IX. Conclusion: A Record of Sustained Civic and Humanitarian Service

The conferral of the Meritorious Legacy Laureate of Public Service (Civic and Humanitarian Service Division) upon Hakyav Tombu Peter is justified on the basis of sustained and impactful contributions to human welfare and community development within Benue State, including:

- Payment of hospital bills for multiple individuals, providing critical healthcare support;
- Sponsorship of school fees, ensuring continued access to education;
- Financial assistance to widows and vulnerable persons, strengthening social welfare;

- Provision of startup capital, including grants of up to one million naira, enabling economic participation and enterprise development;
- Distribution of significant financial support to numerous beneficiaries across communities;
- Organisation of youth-focused initiatives involving hundreds of participants, promoting self-reliance and leadership;
- Contribution to community cohesion through continuous and accessible humanitarian engagement.

These contributions reflect sustained service, recognised merit, and measurable civic impact within the state.

They represent not isolated acts, but a continuous pattern of humanitarian intervention grounded in responsiveness and social responsibility.

The MLLPS (Civic and Humanitarian Service Division) recognises individuals whose actions strengthen society through direct service, inclusive engagement, and commitment to human welfare. The documented record demonstrates that Hakyav Tombu Peter has contributed meaningfully to the improvement of lives and the strengthening of community support systems within Benue State.

It is therefore the considered judgment of the Institute for Historical Studies, Biographical Research, Documentation and Legacy that his record satisfies the threshold for the conferment of the **Meritorious Legacy Laureate of Public Service (MLLPS), Civic and Humanitarian Service Division**.