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**CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA,
1999 AS AMENDED**

STATE OF EMERGENCY (RIVERS STATE) PROCLAMATION, 2025

[18th Day of March, 2025]

Commence-
ment

WHEREAS, there is a clear and present danger of an imminent breakdown of public order and public safety in Rivers State of Nigeria, which require extraordinary measures to avert such danger ;

WHEREAS, there is a clear and present danger of the looming crisis in Rivers State which, if left unchecked, could degenerate, leading to massive loss of lives and property in the State ;

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures are required to restore good governance, peace, security and order in Rivers State ;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 305 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, BOLA AHMED TINUBU, GCFR, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, hereby make the following proclamation —

Proclamation of a State of Emergency in Rivers State

1. As from the commencement of this Proclamation, a State of Emergency is hereby declared in Rivers State (in the Proclamation referred to as "the State").

Suspension of the Offices of the Governor, his deputy and elected members of the State House of Assembly

2. As from the commencement of this Proclamation, the Offices of the Governor, Deputy Governor and State House of Assembly are here suspended.

Appointment of Administrator

3. The State shall for the duration of the emergency, be administered by Vice Admiral Ibokette Ibas (Rtd), as Administrator, who shall operate on the basis of such Regulations that may, from time to time, be issued by me.

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4. This Proclamation may be cited as the State of Emergency (Rivers State) Proclamation, 2025.

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Made at Abuja this 18th day of March, 2025.

BOLA AHMED TINUBU, GCFR
*President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces
of the Federal Republic of Nigeria*