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WEEKLY DIGEST

DID YOU KNOW -

Samsung is 38 years older than Apple?

It's hard to fathom, but the tech giant behind your sleek Galaxy smartphone began in 1938 as a modest trading company in Daegu, South Korea. Founder Lee Byung-chul initially focused on exporting local groceries, dried seafood, and Samsung-branded noodles.

Talk about a weird product roadmap - imagine the board meeting where they pivoted from "we need more dried squid" to "let's build a semiconductor!"

Over the decades, Samsung diversified heavily into textiles, insurance, and retail, only entering the electronics market in the late 1960s. By the time Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak finally birthed Apple in a California garage in 1976, Samsung was already a sprawling, 38-year-old corporate empire.



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INSIGHT OF THE WEEK

Samsung's bizarre journey proves that a company's origins don't dictate its destiny. Long-term survival requires radical adaptability and the willingness to completely reinvent your business when new eras arrive.

Local Industry Updates

Nigeria reviews 26-year telecom policy as networks face mounting pressure.

The **Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC)** has officially launched a major review of Nigeria's **26-year-old National Telecommunications Policy** to address massive infrastructure damage, worsening network outages, and soaring data costs. Announcing the transition to the **National Telecommunications Policy 2026** at a Lagos workshop, government officials emphasized that the current framework, set in the year 2000 is completely outdated for today's digital economy.

Why the Policy is Under Review

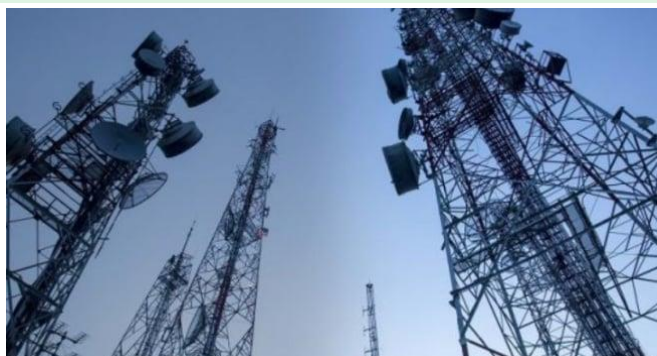
The overhaul comes as Nigeria's major telecom operators face unprecedented operational and economic strain:

Infrastructure Destruction: Nigeria recorded a staggering **19,384 fibre-optic cable cuts** in 2025 alone, driven by road construction and widespread vandalism.

Severe Financial Losses: Major telcos are bleeding money due to high diesel maintenance costs and foreign exchange pressures, with **MTN Nigeria** reporting massive losses.

Capacity Overload: Densely populated cities like Lagos and Abuja are suffering from rampant dropped calls and slow data because existing network capacity cannot support skyrocketing subscriber traffic.

Consumer Outrage: Subscribers are highly frustrated by rapid data depletion, poor connectivity, and rising digital fraud.



5 Key Reforms Expected in the 2026 Framework

The Nigerian Communications Commission is introducing 15 major modifications. The core pillars of the new policy include:

Reform Area	Proposed Action & Strategy
Tariff Transparency	Eliminating hidden fees and enforcing clear, user-friendly disclosure of subscriber data bundles.
Asset Protection	Introducing strict legal protections to classify telecom facilities as Critical National Infrastructure.
Ecosystem Expansion	Reforming guidelines to regulate 5G, artificial intelligence, satellite broadband, and cloud systems.
Financial/Cyber Security	Partnering with the Central Bank of Nigeria to halt money flows tied to online fraud and SIM card scams.
Tax & Cost Harmonization	Resolving bureaucratic bottlenecks, state-level right-of-way fees, and heavy multiple taxation.

This policy shift marks a transition from simply trying to acquire new mobile voice subscribers to stabilizing a mature, data-driven digital ecosystem.

Nigeria and China Partner on Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) Infrastructure.

The **Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) Society Nigeria** has signed a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **China Intelligent Transportation Systems Association** to integrate advanced smart mobility technologies into Nigeria's struggling road networks. Signed by ITS Nigeria Co-Founder Debo Shopade and China ITS President Wang Yunpeng in Xiamen, China, the agreement was finalized during the **2026 China International ITS Industry Expo**. The partnership marks a shift away from simply building more roads toward using artificial intelligence and data-driven infrastructure to permanently solve severe gridlock.

Driving Factors Behind the Deal

Nigerian transport authorities are turning to Chinese technological expertise to mitigate critical urban operational crises:

Severe Traffic Gridlock: Densely populated hubs like Lagos and Abuja are suffering massive financial losses due to daily commute times trapping workers for hours.

Rapid Urbanization: Exploding city populations have vastly outpaced traditional, static traffic light setups and manual traffic tracking.

High Road Safety Risks: Growing vehicle densities and poor corridor coordination have caused an unsustainable surge in commercial vehicle crashes.



Core Pillars of the Smart Infrastructure Framework

The MoU signed at the Xiamen International Conference Centre establishes a direct tech pipeline focused on four core technical deployment tracks:

Track	Implementation Strategy & Features
AI Traffic Control	Deploying network-connected cameras and real-time sensors to dynamically adjust intersection signal timings based on real traffic volumes.
Digital Highway Tracking	Implementing smart tolling systems and high-speed automated incident detection to flag accidents within minutes.
Knowledge Exchange	Facilitating specialized training programs between Nigerian public engineering bodies and top Chinese transport tech providers.
Transit	Using large-scale data analytics to

Planning Optimization redesign public bus corridors and streamline commuter traffic density.

For everyday Nigerian commuters, successful execution means transitioning from rigid traffic systems to an interconnected digital network that slashes hours wasted in daily gridlock.

Nigeria launches Meta-backed AI chatbot for government information access.

The Federal Government of Nigeria has partnered with Meta to officially launch **GovGuide Nigeria**, an artificial intelligence-powered, multilingual chatbot designed to provide citizens with seamless access to public services and official information. Unveiled by the Minister of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy, Dr. Bosun Tijani, during the launch of Meta’s Economic Impact Report in Nigeria, the platform aims to eliminate bureaucratic and language barriers for everyday citizens.

How the GovGuide Chatbot Works

The system acts as a conversational bridge between the public and complex state structures:

Massive Agency Coverage: The chatbot provides simplified information compiled across **more than 35 federal ministries and over 60 government agencies.**

Multilingual Interface: To support low-literacy and underserved communities, the assistant processes both **voice and text** requests in four languages: **English, Hausa, Igbo, and Yoruba.**

Universal Channels: Instead of requiring advanced hardware, citizens can chat directly with the tool through **WhatsApp and standard web browsers.**



The Coalition Behind the Tech

According to reports by [The Cable Nigeria](#), GovGuide was built through an international public-private ecosystem:

Contributor	Specific Role in the Initiative
Meta	Provided the foundational, open-source Llama Large Language Models (LLMs) powering the platform.
Publica AI	Served as the local Nigerian engineering firm that developed and customized the application.
NCAIR	The National Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics managed public sector compliance and implementation.
Language Contributors	Hundreds of native speakers who trained the model's speech recognition and machine translation systems.

This launch marks a significant milestone in Nigeria's digital public infrastructure, shifting state transparency away from static documents toward conversational, automated feedback.

Global Industry Updates

Kasi Cloud Commisions West Africa's First AI-Ready Hyperscale Data Center.

Digital infrastructure company [Kasi Cloud Datacenters](#) has officially commissioned **West Africa's first hyperscale, AI-ready data centre campus** in Lagos, Nigeria. Flagged off in May 2026 by Lagos State Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu and Finance Minister Taiwo Oyedele, the \$250 million facility known as **LOS1** is engineered to support high-density accelerated computing, artificial intelligence workloads, and enterprise cloud systems.

Driving Factors and Regional Impact

The launch serves as a major turning point for technological sovereignty across West Africa:

Reclaiming Local Capital: Nigerian enterprises currently spend an estimated **\$850 million annually on foreign cloud infrastructure**. This domestic alternative keeps those digital revenues within the local economy.

National Policy Alignment: The facility directly fulfills the legal mandates of Nigeria's **National Cloud Policy 2025**. This framework requires sensitive government and financial sector data to be hosted locally rather than under foreign legal jurisdictions.

Ultra-Low Latency: Built to deliver sub-50ms latency for domestic workloads, the hub ensures real-time processing speed required for cutting-edge AI and fintech services.

Technical Specifications of the Lekki Campus

According to technical details published by [Developing Telecoms](#), the campus leverages strategic physical geography to bypass regional network constraints:

Massive Scaling Potential: Developed on a four-hectare site in the Maiyegun area of Lekki, the campus is architected to scale to a massive **100 megawatts (MW) of critical IT capacity** upon full development.

Subsea Interconnection: The facility sits immediately adjacent to **six subsea cable landing stations**, directly linking local servers to high-capacity global trunks like Google's Equiano and Meta's 2Africa.



Unlike existing data centers in Nigeria that typically cap out below 25MW, this native infrastructure allows local startups and financial institutions to train complex AI models domestically without reliance on expensive overseas platforms.

Anthropic Surpasses OpenAI in Business Customers.

Anthropic has officially surpassed OpenAI in corporate adoption among U.S. businesses for the first time. According to the May 2026 AI Index released by corporate fintech firm Ramp which tracks transactional credit card and expense data across over 50,000 companies **34.4% of businesses now pay for Anthropic's Claude services**, edging past OpenAI's **32.3%**.

The Corporate Market Flipping

This development marks a massive reversal in enterprise artificial intelligence dominance:

Staggering Growth: Anthropic jumped from a mere 9% business adoption rate to the mid-30s in just over a single year, effectively quadrupled its paying user footprint.

OpenAI's Plateau: While OpenAI still holds a major lead in total global consumer volume and raw revenue, its enterprise customer growth has flattened, suffering a noticeable 2.9% drop in corporate spending share in April 2026 alone.

High-Value Sectors: Anthropic's Claude suite has taken a definitive lead in high-adoption corporate fields, including finance, technical engineering, legal operations, and professional services.



Why Enterprises Are Moving to Claude

Corporate purchasing decisions have visibly shifted away from pure brand recognition toward specialized workflows and safety:

The Coding Surge: A significant catalyst for the early 2026 migration was the rapid corporate deployment of Claude Code for software engineering and automated development tasks.

Enterprise Context Windows: Businesses handling massive documents, data legal filings, and financial records prefer Claude's large context window and technical precision.

IBM Joins "Project Glasswing" with Anthropic to Shield Software Infrastructure.

IBM has officially joined Project Glasswing, a \$100 million Anthropic-led cybersecurity coalition alongside AWS, Apple, Google, Microsoft, NVIDIA, and CrowdStrike. The defensive initiative leverages a restricted frontier model, **Claude Mythos Preview**, to secure global software infrastructure against machine-speed AI threats. In its first month, the consortium used the model to uncover over 10,000 critical software vulnerabilities, shifting the primary industry bottleneck from bug discovery to patching speed.

IBM is integrating this technology across three areas: actively hunting zero-day flaws in open-source ecosystems, generating real-time code fixes directly within developer IDEs via **Secure Coder**, and unifying risk visibility inside **IBM Concert**. The collaboration aims to transition enterprise infrastructure from passive, post-attack monitoring to autonomous, proactive defense.



Top gainers in stock market as at Saturday, 23th May, 2026.

(Source: tradingview.com)

Symbol	Chg %	Price	Vol
AE ALEX Aluminium Extrusion Indust...	+10.00%	9.90 NGN	609.52 K
D DAARCOMM DAAR Communications ...	+10.00%	2.09 NGN	3.11 M
IB RTBRISCOE RT Briscoe Plc	+9.93%	14.06 NGN	1.55 M
LEARNAFRCA Learn Africa PLC	+9.79%	12.90 NGN	1.59 M
★ REDSTAREX Red Star Express PLC	+9.56%	34.95 NGN	8.47 M

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