

# WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN

**WEEK IN FOCUS:**  
SATURDAY, 14 MARCH – FRIDAY, 20 MARCH 2026

## EXECUTIVE SNAPSHOT

### What Changed This Week

- The NCC TIRMS compliance deadline triggered nationwide risk of SIM deactivation for non-compliant corporate lines (Mar. 20).
- The Federal Government implemented Executive Order 09 restructuring oil and gas revenue remittances to the Federation Account (Mar. 14–20).
- Authorities designated 17 individuals and entities as terrorism financiers, mandating immediate asset freezes (Mar. 14–20).
- Critical bridge inspections on Highway 4 and Lagos–Ibadan corridor caused major logistics delays and transit disruptions (Mar. 17).
- Terminal 2 at a major international hub experienced processing delays exceeding four hours, impacting passenger flow (Mar. 17).
- Security forces intensified anti-crime operations with expanded cordons and stop-and-search activity in Northern District zones (Mar. 14–20).
- Legislators issued warnings of imminent fuel scarcity and price volatility linked to Middle East instability (Mar. 14–20).

Risk Scoring Key	Critical Risk	High Risk	Moderate Risk	Low Risk
	<span style="color: red;">■</span>	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>

### Incident & Trend Snapshot

Indicator	Status
Notable Security Incidents	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>
Primary Hotspots	Northern Industrial Zones, Lagos, Abuja
Kidnapping & Violent Crime	Stable
Infrastructure Disruption Risk	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>
Mobility Impact	North-Central: <span style="color: orange;">■</span> North-West: <span style="color: orange;">■</span> North-East: <span style="color: yellow;">■</span> South-West: <span style="color: orange;">■</span> South-East: <span style="color: yellow;">■</span> South-South: <span style="color: yellow;">■</span>
Overall Impact Level	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>

### SGS Risk Scoring

Risk Domain	Status
Mobility	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>
Physical Security	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>
Regulatory / Compliance	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>
Infrastructure	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>
Political	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>

## SECURITY & RISK LANDSCAPE UPDATE

Risk Rating: ■

### Physical Security & Public Safety

#### Key Developments

- Urban centers remained generally stable with a marginal rise in opportunistic theft and localized unrest in industrial zones (Mar. 14–20).
- Security forces expanded cordons and anti-crime patrol operations across Northern District corridors, increasing enforcement visibility (Mar. 14–20).
- An attempted unauthorized entry at a regional energy substation highlighted emerging infrastructure security vulnerabilities (Mar. 14–20).
- Cyber-physical compromise was recorded in logistics tracking systems, signaling evolving hybrid threat exposure (Mar. 14–20).

#### Corporate / Infrastructure Signals

- Bridge inspections on Highway 4 caused periodic movement shutdowns, affecting logistics and workforce mobility (Mar. 17).
- Terminal congestion at International Terminal 2 led to extended passenger processing delays (Mar. 17).
- Expanded security checkpoints and stop-and-search operations increased friction across logistics corridors (Mar. 14–20).

### Mobility & Travel Risk

#### Travel Disruptions

- Major arterial routes including Highway 4 experienced movement stalls due to infrastructure inspections and checkpoint activity (Mar. 17).
- Airport processing delays exceeded four hours at Terminal 2, affecting executive travel timelines (Mar. 17).
- Security presence increased across Central Business District zones ahead of a regional economic summit, raising transit delays (Mar. 14–20).

#### Regional Travel Risk Profiles

- Northern corridors experienced high friction due to security operations and checkpoint density (Mar. 14–20).
- Urban centers including Lagos and Abuja faced congestion from infrastructure controls and regulatory activity concentration (Mar. 14–20).

# POLITICAL, REGULATORY & MACRO SIGNALS

Risk Rating:

## Political & Governance Signals

- President Tinubu commenced a state visit to the United Kingdom securing a £747M port refurbishment agreement (Mar. 17).
- Executive Order 09 took effect, redirecting oil and gas revenues directly to the Federation Account (Mar. 14–20).
- Opposition dynamics intensified as the ADC platform gained traction with defections from major parties (Mar. 14–20).
- Legal challenges to the Electoral Act 2026 amendments introduced new legislative uncertainty (Mar. 14–20).
- The Federal Government designated 17 terrorism financiers including Simon Ekpa, triggering asset freezes (Mar. 14–20).

## Regulatory & Compliance Watch

- The NCC enforced the March 20 TIRMS deadline, exposing companies to immediate SIM deactivation risk (Mar. 20).
- The SEC launched a 2026 strategy including blockchain-based operations and digital registration systems (Mar. 14–20).
- The CBN increased supervisory pressure on 30 recapitalized banks, raising compliance expectations (Mar. 14–20).
- State-level tax harmonization policies introduced operational risk of double taxation for non-compliant firms (Mar. 14–20).
- Aviation regulators enforced stricter lithium battery screening protocols, increasing boarding times (Mar. 14–20).

# SECTOR-SPECIFIC RISK MONITOR

Risk Rating:

## Energy Sector

- Legislative warnings highlighted imminent fuel scarcity and price volatility linked to global supply disruptions (Mar. 14–20).
- Supply chain exposure increased due to geopolitical instability affecting fuel availability (Mar. 14–20).

**Outlook:** Potential labour actions and distribution disruptions may emerge if supply constraints persist.

## Oil & Gas / Extractive Sector

- Compliance pressure escalated with the NCC TIRMS enforcement deadline targeting SIM registration and deactivation protocols (Mar. 20).
- Telecom and fintech firms recorded high consumer complaint volumes, signaling regulatory enforcement focus (Mar. 14–20).

**Outlook:** Organizations failing compliance audits risk immediate communication disruption and operational downtime.

# INCIDENT & TREND DASHBOARD

Date	Incident Type	Location	Description
March 17	Infrastructure Disruption	Hwy 4 / Lagos-Ibadan	Bridge inspections caused movement shutdowns and delays.
March 17	Mobility Disruption	International Terminal 2	Passenger processing delays exceeded four hours.
March 14-20	Security Operations	Northern District	Expanded security cordons and stop-and-search enforcement.
March 14-20	Cyber/Operational Risk	National	Logistics tracking system compromise recorded.
March 14-20	Public Safety	Energy Infrastructure	Attempted unauthorized entry at regional substation.
March 20	Regulatory Risk	National	NCC TIRMS enforcement created SIM deactivation exposure.

# WEEK OUTLOOK

Risk Rating:

## Key Triggers

- Court rulings on the Electoral Act amendments may drive localized protests and demonstrations
- Potential labour actions may emerge within the energy sector amid fuel supply concerns
- Ongoing NCC compliance enforcement will sustain operational pressure on telecom-dependent organizations.

## Weather Outlook (23-27, March 2026)

- Harmattan haze will reduce flight visibility across Abuja and Kano corridors
- Northern regions will experience temperatures exceeding 40°C, increasing heat stress risk
- Southern coastal zones including Lagos and Port Harcourt may experience heavy rainfall and flash flooding.

# INSIGHT & SERVICE ALIGNMENT

- This week reflects a convergence of regulatory tightening, infrastructure disruption, and security enforcement activity, creating sustained operational friction despite relative physical security stability.

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