

Abiye has reduced maternal, child deaths in Ondo —Mimiko

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The Ondo State governor, Dr Olusegun Mimiko, on Monday, disclosed that the Abiye Safe Motherhood project had reduced maternal deaths by 15 per cent and child deaths by 26 per cent within three years.



Governor Olusegun Mimiko

Mimiko said with the continuation of the trend, facility data would show that Ondo State would have achieved MDG four and five mandating such reduction rates by 33 and 75 per cent respectively by 2015.

The governor spoke at the inauguration of the second phase of the Mother and Child Hospital and 50 tricycles.

The state was rated by the Nigeria Demographic and Health Survey in 2008 as having the worst maternal and child health statistics in South Western Nigeria.

Abiye project has the benchmark for maternal and child health for the whole of Africa and the developing world.

Already, the World Bank has proclaimed that

The governor disclosed that the state was investing in the assemblage of Ambulance-on-Tricycles to be deployed in phases to every community in the state.