

# Ondo Lawmaker Commends Mimiko for Intervening in LP Crisis

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The lawmaker representing Ile-Oluji/ Oke-Igbo in the Ondo State House of Assembly, Folagbade Gbemibade has commended Governor Olusegun Mimiko over his role in resolving crisis that engulfed the leadership of Labour Party (LP) in the council area.

Gbemibade said the action of the governor on the matter so far has again, demonstrated the leadership qualities and the caring attitude of the governor, stressing that the fatherly role played by Mimiko has made the LP stronger and more popular not only in Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo, but across the 18 council areas of the state.

While assuring the governor of his unflinching support and total commitment to the success of the Mimiko-led administration in the state, the lawmaker further pledged his loyalty to the party as a committed party member. He denied having any plan whether now or in the near future to dump the LP on which platform he was elected as representative of his people on April 21, 2011.

On the recent crisis within the fold of the LP in the council area, the youthful legislator distanced the governor or any group associated with him from the crisis, stressing that those that were involved took the action on their own and not in connection with the popular “Iroko Vanguard”, a youth organisation with the objective of impacting positively on the youths across the state.

His words; “Mr. Governor has not either directly or indirectly involved in crisis in any part of the state, especially within the fold of our party, Labour Party. He has as a matter of policy, directed that no faction must be allowed in any of the exco in the 18 council areas of the state, which the party has complied with but putting the house in proper order and direction. “What is happening in Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo council area is a normal occurrence in any leading political party and we’re only calling on Mr. Governor to help us out of the whole issue so that our party can come out of it strongly and better for it.”

Gbemibade stated further; “The two communities in the council area has to live in harmony as good neighbours and shun the activities of of some leaders from both communities causing incessant fuelling of crisis between the two major towns that made up Ile-Oluji/Oke-Igbo council area of Ondo State.”