CISLAC MOURNS BILKISU YUSUF

It is with deep sadness that the Board, Management and Staff of Civil Society Legislative Advocacy Centre (CISLAC) mourn the death of a reputable Nigerian anti-corruption crusader, human right and gender activist, and the first northern female editor, Hajiya Bilkisu Yusuf, who died on Thursday in Saudi Arabia.

We recognize and appreciate the remarkable contributions and infallible efforts of Hajiya Yusuf, advancing advocacy for the betterment of common citizens as well as the growth and development of humanity.

As a founding and Advisory Council member of CISLAC, Hajiya Bilkisu was a reliable personality providing tremendous support towards CISLAC’s pursuit of transparency, accountability and good governance through legislative and policy advocacy at all levels.

Similarly, her priceless contribution towards the establishment and sustainability of such prominent human right organizations and associations such as Transparency International (TI) Nigeria, Federation of Muslim Women Association of Nigeria (FOMWAN), Accountability for Maternal Newborn and Child Health in Nigeria (AMHiN), Advocacy Nigeria, Zero-Corruption Coalition (ZCC), Women in Nigeria among others, would forever leave in our memory.

Without doubt Hajiya Yusuf would be remembered for her years of passionate and tireless pursuit of inclusiveness, self-sufficiency and personal dignity for women in all ramifications.

She heroically put behind her various hurdles surrounding women inclusiveness in our society by independently demanding justice, fairness and equity for women at all levels, living behind exemplary legacy worthy of emulation by women in present and upcoming generations.

Her death is a loss not only to the people of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, but also the continent of Africa and the world as a whole and CISLAC commiserates with all.
Signed

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