

**DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ONLINE BUS TICKETING SYSTEM**  
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## **DEDICATION**

This Project work is dedicated to ALLAH (S.W.T).

## **ABSTRACT**

Traditionally, bus ticket purchase has been over the counter in bus terminals, however, today it has evolved with the rapid expansion of e-commerce. This project addresses the study and development of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal that enable customers (passengers) and the staff to make an online bus ticket sale/purchase, ticket cancel, ticket postponement, driver rating, generating of reports and etc. which also act as an operation tool for bus ticketing companies to operate their organization effectively. This research critically assess and study the reason behind the evolution and the current e-ticketing systems. This research project also addresses the problems faced by customers and bus drivers especially on illegal bus operations, long wait to purchase a bus ticket, unsafe environment and many more. The project studies some issues on implementation and also recommendations on how Online Bus Ticketing System web portal can take place effectively. This project also recommends a Decision Support System to deal with the customer's requirement whereby it provides reliable choices to a customer to make decision. This project includes the development of a prototype Online Bus Ticketing System web portal to support the research objective. This web portal will assist in future development that would support a fully integrated system that links staff of the bus company to customers, staff to staff, staff to other mode of transport providers, staff to businesses and staff to government agencies. PHP, CSS, HTML, JavaScript, Ajax, jQuery, MYSQL database and WampServer are the programming tools used in development of this research project.

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## CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

A ticket is defined as “a piece of paper or card giving the holder the right to admission to a place or event or to travel on public transport” (Oxford, 2005).

Generally, a bus ticketing system consists of all the activities involved in producing a ticket, which includes, producing tickets, booking ticket, selling tickets, rejection of the tickets, total tickets produced for a trip, total tickets sold and income gained through the ticket selling.

A bus ticketing system can let customer to know the information about the bus schedule and ticket. Nowadays, online are very common issues to every one so that checking information using online can save allot of time to the customer, so that customer no need to go to the counter to ask of bus and schedule.

Bus ticketing system is a complex system that is difficult to be managed by human, so as a result software system can be used instead of human, which will help to avoid a big percent of mistakes.

Online Bus ticketing system make process of scheduling trips more easier and prevent conflicting in time, also it help customers to book their tickets from their homes and checks the pricing system of the routes, the price of ticket may increase or decrease depending on the season, availability, time of booking, and also depending on the class that customer select and all these factors will be calculated automatically and instantly.

Online ticketing system is a system that assist not only the passengers but also the bus staff position as an efficient service provider, gaining competitive advantages and also lead to superior control over the reservation process and operation, compared to conventional manual processing. The main feature in this online e-ticketing system is to cater destinations between inter cities within

Nigeria. With this system, the passenger can perform an online bus booking at his or her own free time and will consecutively reduce the human traffic in Nigeria.

Besides the above given reason of curbing the traffic flow and reducing the human and negative environment congestion in Sokoto State Transport Authority Bus Terminal, Therefore a customer has a choice to rate/rank a driver base on his performance and behavior during the cost of journey, the element of providing options to a customer to rate a driver is very important and should be implemented in the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. This element is relatively important based on the number of unsatisfactory experiences by customers and accidents occurred due to the negligence of the bus driver (Audrey, 2006).

To achieve this element the usage of a Decision Support System (DSS) and Management Information System (MIS) as a tool to develop a system that will finally benefits the user to maximize their rights to make decision based on merit and also the bus company to meet their organization financial objective.

## **1.2 Company Background**

Sokoto State Central Motor Park, Young Shall Grow motor Park and Sokoto State transport Authority are the most significant public transport (bus) terminal in Sokoto state. SOKOTO STATE TRANSPORT AUTHORITY (SSTA) was re- established by state government after the received another set of buses (FUMTA) federal urban mass transit agencies enters into a contract with Sokoto State Government for the maintenance of the supply of the spare parts and the state government to the making of installment payment of the buses and spare parts. In 1994 the transport authority move to its permanent headquarters, the organization like most other public parastatals, has been experiencing problems of MIS-management and slow development, the organization is headed by the general manager who is a chief executive and supported by members

of management staff. The Sokoto State Transport Authority is under the supervision of the state ministry of works, Housing and Transport.

### **1.3 Statement of the Problem**

The existing bus ticketing system for Sokoto state transport authority is manual and so much during the weekend or any given public holidays, the number of commuters' increases by doubles. The main activity that is taking place in Sokoto State Bus Terminal is over the counter bus ticket sales. With the increasing number of human traffic of 800+ passengers per day with 66+ buses to different routes in the Nigeria. In Sokoto State Transport Authority, purchasing a bus ticket has been an uphill task if a passenger has planned their detailed traveling itinerary. As the result of the survey conducted, due to the intense number of human traffic increase in purchasing a bus ticket is not merely a five or ten minute's task, but in fact, it can take up to 20 minutes or half of an hour especially during the peak season. Some factors that trigger the development of a new system are:

- 1) **Time consuming:** The manual system is very time consuming, stressful and more prone to errors in purchasing a ticket, storing of data, and accessing of data.
- 2) **Insecurity of data:** This means lack of security of data or information. In the manual method, records are kept in the office and several people may have opportunity to check all the files because all the files are kept in an appropriate way, this will lead to losses of data and even theft of the records that are valuable.
- 3) **Data Inconsistency and Redundancy:** In the manual method of keeping records for processing and manipulation, man has in course of time, devised certain tools which include paper, biro and pencil which he used in recording of data or information and using these manual tools makes him to have duplicate copy of stored data, with this redundancy



of data and human errors may be encountered and also many papers are wasted and consume many space for storing the record.

- 4) **Delay in Accessing Data:** In the manual method of keeping records, accessing data or information become very tedious, because all the files that contained information are not well arranged the way that can be accessed in an appropriate and accurate manner, this will lead to losses of stored information.
- 5) **Ineffective Retrieval of Data:** Considering the manual method of keeping records, retrieving on information become very tedious, all files that contained the records are kept in sales office, therefore retrieving are done by checking the files one after the other, this will consume time, misplacement of data or information and wasting of energy. With this many errors will be encountered. And it took time for the staff in the company to know all transactions.
- 6) **Lack of data Integrity:** Using manual method of keeping records, all information's stored are not prevented from people who do not have access to it, and making sure that those who should have access to it can get in a way that are expected to be for feature use.
- 7) **Ineffective Transfer of Data:** In a manual method of storing records, transferring of data or information that are stored in a files is done by people who carry records from one office to the other, using this manual method many records are lost and will consume time.

#### 1.4 Aim and Objectives

The aim of this project is to develop an online bus ticketing system for the **Sokoto state transport authority** to satisfy a facility of all transaction online with effectiveness to achieve the below objectives:

- a) To investigate and analyze the problems on the existing e-ticketing systems provided by individual bus operators.
- b) To identify the relevant features of various components, methods needed for the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal and to assist bus operators operations and marketing decision through timely decision making via Management Information System through the deployment of Online Bus Ticketing System web portal and the phasing out of manual ticketing system.
- c) To enable passenger to check the availability of the bus ticket, check the time of departure and arrival for every Transnational's bus online through the system.
- d) To provide a passenger with a web-based bus ticket functions that enable passenger to reserve/book bus ticket through the online system and no need to queue up in the counter.
- e) To enable a customer to cancel/postpone a booked ticket and also rate a driver after travelling with the company bus.
- f) To ease the bus ticket payment online using Credit Card (e.g. Master Card, Visa Card, Interswitch and Verve card) or bank payment by presenting a bank payment teller during the process of registration.
- g) To minimize the number of staff at the ticket box and the counter.

## **1.5 Scope of the Project**

This research work focuses on two parties, i.e. Staff and the customers. The system administrator may be specialize member of the company staff who administer staff to this system, the administrator is able to add, edit delete staff. The staff are management board members whose are cashiers, managers and bus operators. The functions of staff is to retrieve information, verify payments, travelling issues, view rates of driver, allocating driver to bus, suspending/releasing

drivers, manage route, manage bus seats, manage news, generate reports and etc. This back-end activities will help the company to evaluate its current position and to plan its company's operations on how and what action to be taken in order to stay ahead in this competitive business world.

The customer will be able to utilize this Online Bus Ticketing System web portal to perform their transaction of purchasing bus tickets at their own hassle free time, postpone/cancel ticket booked, and rate a driver as a decision support system.

## **1.6 Significance of the Research**

This research survey identifies the need of developing and promoting a comprehensive Online Bus Ticketing System web portal of various bus operators in Nigeria. This study explores views from the bus ticketing company's as the service providers and the customers as the system users upon the adoption of this system.

The bus ticketing company's, the survey conducted identifies the responds received from the passengers on the current available system in the market, the cost-effectiveness of developing and maintaining this system and the usage of reports from the system.

In this business competitive era, Information Communication Technology (ICT) is placed on a platform by many organizations as their key indicator for success. Online data handling has been a major tool to provide better customer service. By adapting ICT as a tool to provide the bus operator's management, it will not only improve operations efficiency, gaining competitive advantages, delivering higher-quality services, but it will also lead an organization to superior control over the booking process which will allow the customers to choose their services from other competitors.

On the other hand, the survey conducted on the system users identifies the awareness of the current system and the willingness to transform from practicing the conventional (manual) method of over the counter for purchasing of bus tickets to the modern method of purchasing through a web portal.

## **1.7 Research Motivation**

The motivations for this research project came from needs to provide an efficient and fast full way of how bus ticketing companies handle their ticket transactions. Even though the Sokoto State Transport Authority uses manual process of ticketing system. There is always the need for the Company to explore a means through which records can be manage which enable passenger to check availability of bus ticket, book bus ticket, and pay bus ticket online.

With these in mind, there is need to design and implement an online Ticketing system, for the Sokoto State Transport Authority in order to solve some of the problems concerning with manual ticketing system as mentioned above.

From experience, I as a customer that has been travelling through Sokoto State Transport authority, an observation has been made on how the carry out their operation on esteem manual ticketing system which need to upgrade. With my knowledge and experience that I had in **software programming, database design, system analysis** and etc. are what willingly motivate me to developed this system as my research work to overcome the problems of existing system.

## **1.8 Definitions of Terms**

**Bus:** A large motor vehicle carrying passengers on a fixed route.

**Ticket:** A piece paper or card holder that gives right to admission to a place or event or travel on public transport.

**Reservation:** The action of reserving/booking or arranging for use of a particular person.

**Cancellation:** The act of deciding that (a planned event) will not take place.

**Postponement:** An act of arranging for (something) to take place at a time later than that first scheduled.

**System:** A complex whole; a set of things working together as a mechanism or interconnecting network.

**Data:** Facts and statistics used for reference or analysis.

**Record:** A piece of evidence about the past, especially a written or other permanent account.

**Information:** Facts or knowledge provided or learned.

**Travel:** To be on a journey, often for pleasure or business, and with luggage; to go from one place to another.

**Rate:** To assign or to be assigned a particular rank or level.

## **1.8 Project Organization**

The purpose of this research document is to give an overview of major phases involved throughout the development of the dissertation. Basically, the research document is divided into 5 chapters.

*Chapter 1* covers the Introduction of the research. This chapter covers the overview of the research including problem statements, objectives, scope and significance of the research.

*Chapter 2* covers literature review. This chapter concentrates on the overall aspect about Online Bus Ticketing System. This chapter begins with the introduction of e-ticketing, understanding the online ticketing applications, understanding the role of e-commerce, the security and privacy issues, and the payment methods of online ticketing. The incorporation of Decision Support System and Management Information System are also highlighted in this chapter for better understanding in the development of the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal.

*Chapter 3* covers on the research methodology that is used in completing the dissertation and the analysis of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal after obtaining information from the interview and observation. This includes the analysis on the bus passengers awareness on the current services provided to them by the current individual bus e-ticketing systems. The bus operators ranking is explained further in this chapter. This includes the calculation derived for each criterion that will determine the ranking. This chapter also includes a proposed framework on implementation of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal

*Chapter 4* covers the design and development of the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. The structure charts, context data flow diagram, entity relationship diagram and data dictionary is also shown in this chapter. This chapter also includes the implementation of the suggested features gathered from the survey and the technical aspects of the development.

*Chapter 5* covers the conclusion, project outcomes, future work of the research and project limitations of the system.

## CHAPTER TWO: LITRETURE REVIEW

### 2.1 Introduction

This chapter discus the facts and finding on electronic ticketing or e-ticketing system and review of related literature to the system.

### 2.2 Management Information System

A Management Information System, or MIS, is a computer-based system that optimizes the collection, transfer, and presentation of information throughout an organization by using an integrated structure of databases and information flow (Long & Long, 2004). MIS combines the theoretical work of computer science, management science, and operations research with a practical orientation toward developing system solutions to real-world problems and managing information technology resources (Kenneth & Laudon, 2004).

MIS is also seen as a system collecting and analyzing data and producing reports. It purpose is to help managers to solve structured problems. But it should also fulfill a number of other purposes (Adriana, 2003):

1. It should provide a basis to analyze warning signals that can originate both externally and internally; this is the main function of data base;
2. It should automate routine operations thus avoiding human work in the processing tasks;
3. It should assist management in making routine decisions;
4. It should provide the information necessary to make non-routine decisions;
5. It should serve as a strategic weapon to gain competitive advantages.

There are numerous definitions of MIS, for the purpose of this research, MIS can be defined as a system providing bus operator management with accurate and timely information necessary to facilitate the decision-making process and enable the bus operator's planning, control, and

operational functions to be carried out effectively. By doing so, MIS will increase competitiveness between bus operators, reducing cost and improving processing speed.

### **2.3 E-Commerce**

E-Commerce stands for Electronic Commerce. E-Commerce is often thought as simply as buying and selling using the internet. It involves more than mediated financial transactions between organizations and customers (Chaffey, 2004).

E-commerce is the sharing of business information, maintaining business relationships, and conducting business transactions by means of telecommunications networks. In today's business environment, where the operational boundaries between firms have become fluid, it is often both pragmatically and analytically unfruitful to separate inter-organizational and intra-organizational business processes. Therefore, E-commerce includes the sell-buy relationships and transactions between companies, as well as the corporate processes that support the commerce within individual companies (Zwass, 1996).

Rapid developments in information technology and telecommunications have set the pace for an electronic revolution leading to the emergence of E-commerce. Although the use of Internet as a channel for shopping has been around for quite some time now, it has not caught on with the Nigerian masses just as yet. Teething problems with security and privacy is hindering the potential growth of this medium as a preferred channel of shopping (Yuliharsi, 2005).



## **2.4 Business to Consumer (B2c)**

The term E-Commerce refers to all online transactions, while B2C stands for "business-to customer" applies to any business or organization that sells its products or services to customers over the Internet for their own use. When most people think of B2C e-commerce, they think of Amazon.com, the online bookseller that launched its web site in 1995 and quickly took on America's major retailers. However, in addition to online retailers, B2C has grown to include services such as online banking, travel services, online auctions, health information and real estate sites (Patton, 2005).

In Nigeria, the growth of Business-to-Customer (B2C) e-commerce is still at its early stage. Computer ownership is 8 people per 100 populations in 2001 and is expected to increase to 15 by the end of 2002 and hit 30 by 2005, whereas the worldwide standard of computer ownership is 40. At the same time, the Internet user's population in Nigeria is estimated at close to forty five million which is 8 in the world ranking, representing 26.5% of the total population (Miniwatts, 2012).

Nigeria is still lacking behind in almost all aspects of the Internet. Like most African countries, Nigeria is working hard to catch up with the developed world's economies, and the Internet presence become urgent issues. This country is still struggling to develop its Internet infrastructure and building its knowledge economy, for example developing communications networks, enabling Internet access to all, and setting up a legal framework for using the Internet. Most significantly, the primary focus is to promote Internet usage among Nigeria to improve the country's competitiveness

## **2.4 Decision Support System**

Decision Support System or DSS is an information system that can be used to help decision-makers make better decisions. Decision-making involves activities such as collecting relevant information from the environment, modeling the problem domain and generating alternative solutions, employing a decision strategy to choose between alternatives, testing and justifying the decision, and effecting the necessary changes in the environment to implement the decision. DSS have been developed to support human users across all of these activities (Sproule, 2002).

DSS feature must be included in the development of an Online Bus Ticketing web portal to provide customers with a service to allow them to insert their desired traveling location and dates into the system which in turn displays the data based on the criteria chosen. This Online Bus Ticketing web portal will then be a system that not only allows customers to book and purchase bus tickets online, but also give a deciding power to customers for rating the drivers they travelled with.

## **2.6 Security**

Security is defined as the protection of data against accidental or intentional disclosure to unauthorized persons, or unauthorized modifications or destruction (Udo, 2001). Security concern has become one of the main reasons for not transacting online because as soon as a user accesses the Internet, anyone from anywhere around the world has access to the information being sent. The risk of data theft, theft of service, and corruption of data, and viruses becomes a reality. The lack of security, reliability and accountability make the Internet online transaction too risky for many users (Ramayah, 2003).

Devising the Internet security policy can be complex because a rational policy requires an organization to access the value of information. The policy must apply to information stored in computers as well as to information traveling through a network. The internet security policy is complex as primary complexity arises because of the internet security cannot separate from the security policy for the computer policy for computer systems attached to the internet. In particular, defining a policy for data that travels through the internet does not guarantee that data will be secure (Douglas, 2001).

For this research, the Internet security that should be taken into consideration is the unauthorized access. Unauthorized access can defined as the use and access of information without getting the permission from the administrator. This problem is often viewed as the hacker or the employee gaining access to the information and resources from the organization through the internet. A hacker is a person who tries to enter into the computer system or network illegally and then access the information or resources before logging out. Hackers have extensive knowledge of the workings of the Internet and can exploit security vulnerabilities to gain access to systems. The hacker can improvise and try different approaches to breach a system's security, but hacking is inefficient because hackers typically focus on one system at a time. Instead, they often prefer to focus on the attack vectors that can reach the masses more efficiently (Tubin, 2005).

## **2.7 Payment**

The most important part of selling online is accepting payments from users for a single transaction for a purchase of an item from a Web site or for a series of transaction for the payment of membership fees or installment payments via your Web site. Online payment processing offers users the convenience of submitting their credit card or other form of payment on your Web site (Verisign, 2005).

The implementation of chip technology now, offers new forms of payment choices and higher security to the public. In 2004, an important step has been taken by the Bankcard by replacing the magnetic stripe Automated Teller Machine (ATM) cards towards migrating to Europay MasterCard VISA (EMV) compliant credit cards. A further development has been also introduced, in Nigeria which is the **VoguePay**. VoguePay International is owned and managed by Afrisoft Interactive Ventures Limited, Lagos, Nigeria and Mayday & Couplotters Investment Limited, United Kingdom. VoguePay is a unique online payment processor whose vision is to offer buyers and sellers a secure and easy-to-use means of transacting business online, It allows site owners to receive payment for their goods and services on their website without any setup fee, It distinguishes itself from other online payment processors with its array of features that are guided by its core values: Security, User Friendliness and Reliability.

The ATM machines of the participating banks and terminals at retail outlets are being upgraded to facilitate MEPS Cash transactions. There are various modes of payment through the internet, namely: Cards, Online Banking Services, Electronic Money, E- Wallet, E- Billing, and Mobile Payments.

Online system allows customers to plug into a host of banking services from a personal computer by connecting with the bank's computers over telephone lines. The convenience can be compelling. Not only is travel time reduced, but ATM machines, telephone banking or banking by mail are often unnecessary.

## **2.8 Portal**

A portal is a Web site or other service that provides an initial point of entry to the Web or to internal company data (Kenneth, 2004). Another description for a portal is a “gateway” to the

Internet, it is also known as Web site that provide some basic information and services (Lim, E., 2004) and, more importantly, provide access to selected sites in the Internet through links and to many other sites through search engines (Zahir, 2001).

Portals are important because they are the prime real estate of the Internet. Portal varies in scope and the services they offer, so there are many terms evolved to describe the different types of portals (Whitten, 2002). For this research, the type of portal that will be best used for an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal will be horizontal or functional portal where it has the characteristics of a range of services; search engines, directories, personal information management.

Portals are special business models which are full with Web information resources that help individual or organization to locate information more efficiently. Web services are best used in portals because of the portal technology ability to combine different applications and services and present them into an easy and single interface.

## **2.9 Ticketing System**

A ticket is defined as “a piece of paper or card giving the holder the right to admission to a place or event or to travel on public transport” (Oxford, 2005). Generally, a bus ticketing system consists of all the activities involved in producing a ticket, which includes, producing tickets, booking ticket, selling tickets, rejection of the tickets, total tickets produced for a trip and total tickets sold and income gained through the ticket selling. There are two types of bus ticketing system, manual and computerized.

### **2.9.1 Review on the Existing Manual Bus Ticketing System**

Most of the ticketing systems in Nigeria are conducted manually. Before tickets are sold to customers, trip to particular destination has to be scheduled which is fixed by the management

of each bus operators. The management will also assign a bus driver for each of these scheduled trips. Once the schedule is finalized, the management issues standard tickets which has the ticket serial number. The destination and price are printed on the ticket for particular trip.

There is several bus operators offers call and book system to its customers. Customer calls up the bus company and gives their particulars like name, address and identification numbers and stating their destination. The counter will manually reserve the ticket for the customers, which means the ticket sales counter clerk will put the ticket aside. The customer has to come personally to the ticket counter one day before the actual trip to collect the reserved ticket. Failing to do so, the ticket will then be released to other passenger.

The ticket sales counter clerk has to manually calculate the total amount of the ticket sold and send the daily report to the management. Matters become complicated when several branches conduct the ticketing-selling task for the same bus at the same time. The ambiguities let the management face operation and accounting problems.



Figure 2.1: Sokoto transport authority ticket

## 2.9.2 Review on Some Existing Computerized Bus Ticketing System

The management of each bus operators sets the bus trip schedule. Based on this schedule, ticket will be generated for a particular trip according to the seat available in each bus. For example, there may be a trip to Jos in the schedule list. The counter clerk from every station is

entitled to check the ticket availability from the database when customers come to the ticket sales counter. Upon availability, the sales clerk will print out the ticket with details such as destination, date and time of departure, date of purchase, ticket price, and bus registration number. The ticket is considered sold once it is printed out. The booking facilities are also available to the public, not only authorized agents are allowed to book tickets

At the end of the day, the ticket sales counter clerk will check out the summary reports, which contains information like how many trips of the day, how many passengers aboard the buses and the sales amount collected for the day. This report will be handed to officers on duty for verification and later it will be sent to the management for future analysis and updates.

### 2.9.3 Comparison between manual and computerized ticketing system

The table below shows the comparison between manual and computerized ticketing system

<i>Characteristics</i>	<i>Manual</i>	<i>Computerized</i>
<i>System organization</i>	Standard ticket are used	Printed tickets are used
<i>Ticket availability</i>	Less efficient in identifying ticket availability	Clear view on the seat availability
<i>Daily report generation</i>	Manual calculations of the total sales and manual report are prepared	Uses computerized system to generate various report
<i>Further analysis</i>	Manual prediction and analysis	The report is free from human errors and prompt to make more accurate analysis

Table 2.1 Comparison summary between manual and computerized Ticketing System

### 2.10 Review on the existing online ticketing system

#### ABC transport

ABC Transport (1993) developed a system for distinguished travelers who would otherwise use air service. The operations within and outside Nigeria are carried out in ultra-modern

terminals, with comfortable lounges in various cities like Lagos (Jibowu & Amuwo-Odofin), Aba, Owerri, Port-Harcourt, Abuja, Enugu, Onitsha, Umuahia, Jos, Mbaise, Bolade, and Accra (Ghana).

Figure 2.2 is the screen shots of website homepage. (ABC transport, 1993).



Figure 2.2: ABC Transport home page.

### Advantages of using abctransport.com

1. Online checking for bus fare and schedule for the specified route.
2. Quick payment system can't get easier
3. It is faster to book your ABC Transport tickets online
4. Reliable and convenient method of payment.
5. You can book your ABC Transport Tickets directly from your mobile phone.



6. E- Ticket is given with a printing option.
7. Offer students more for a lesser price.
8. Every passenger who makes eleven trips with ABC Transport within a given year, is entitled to a free ticket on his/her twelfth trip and issued with the company's Gold Card with lots of privileges.
9. Travel tips for customer as a guides

#### **Disadvantages of using abctransport.com**

1. Availability of seats can only be checked for the given particular day. Users are able to only check the specific day for their trip when proceeding to the reservation and purchasing process.
2. No cancellation facility is available after the reservation process.
3. Too many steps to be followed for a bus ticket reservation and purchasing. Users may be confused to go through all these steps.
4. Seat selection is unavailable.

#### **Oya.com.ng**

Oya (2010) developed a system that aims at making travel by bus easier and fun across Nigeria. This system help travellers pre-book and buy bus tickets before the day of travel. Customer can also call an agent to reserve seat based on the choice of cutomer, and also this system provide customer with several payment options based on the choice the one most comfortable for a customer. Customer can also pre-book and pay on the travel day, so far as customer are there at the park in time enough before the bus is filled up.friends about us. Figure 2.3 is the screen shoot of the oya website homepage.

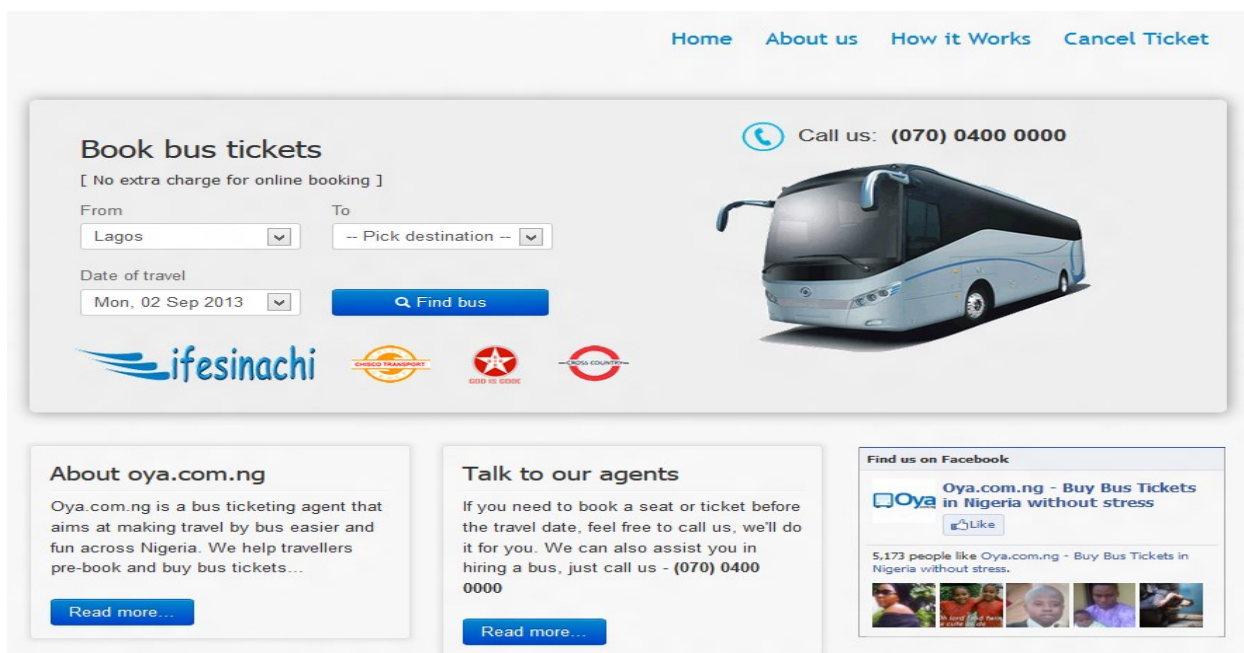


Figure 2.3: Oya homepage

### Advantages of using oya.com.ng

1. User friendly because the steps to purchase a ticket are simple and direct.
2. Customer can call to reserve a choice seat and a bus to travel with.
3. The users can check the schedule for the specified route.
4. Payment method is reliable online.
5. Customer can also pre-book and pay on the travel day.
6. Customer can enjoy discount benefits on second book of ticket.
7. Sms alert for booked ticket.

### Disadvantages of using oya.com.ng

1. Seat map and seat preference are not available.
2. Inconvenient for first time users because their account needs to have available balance before a ticket can be purchased.
3. Online reservation and cancellation of bus ticket is not available.

4. Help and FAQ section is not available in this web site.
5. Seat status information is unavailable.
6. Seat selection is unavailable.
7. Printing out of ticket is unavailable.
8. Online cancellation bus ticket is not available in this web site.

### **2.10.1 Comparison between existing bus ticketing System**

This section discusses on comparison between two online ticketing systems in Nigeria i.e. Oya Transport and ABC Transport, the ticketing system of abc transport is the best one because it includes most of the features as a user- friendly and informative ticketing system. Whereas the ticketing system of the oya provides the least functionality.

As one of the research objectives is to have a ranking system for the bus drivers, there is none was found on this element in any of the existing e-ticketing system. With this, an introduction of a star ranking system for bus drivers in the development of the new system.

The summary of the general features of each of the compared online ticketing system has shown at Table 2.2.

Characteristics of online ticketing system	Webpage design	Loading and response	User interactivity	Online registration	Online	Online cancelation	Online postponement	Online payment	Print out reservation	Company information	User instruction	Routes location map	Seat map	ranking	Other website linkage	Sms/ email alert	Fare rates	Seat status
ABC transport	attractive	quick	high	√	√	×	×	√	√	√	√	×	×	×	×	√	√	×
Oya transport	attractive	quick	moderate	√	√	√	×	√	×	√	√	×	×	×	×	√	√	×

Table 2.2: Summary of oya.com.ng and abctransport.com

## 2.11 Development Tools

**1. HTML:** which is stand for Hypertext Markup Language is the main markup language for creating web pages and other information that can be displayed in a web browser.

HTML elements form the building blocks of all websites. HTML allows images and objects to be embedded and can be used to create interactive forms. It provides a means to create structured documents by denoting structural semantics for text such as headings, paragraphs, lists, links, quotes and other items. It can embed scripts written in languages such as JavaScript which affect the behavior of HTML web pages.

**2. PHP:** is a server-side scripting language designed for web development but also used as a general-purpose programming language. While PHP originally stood for Personal Home Page, it now stands for PHP: Hypertext Preprocessor, a recursive backronym.

PHP code is interpreted by a web server with a PHP processor module, which generates the resulting web page: PHP commands can be embedded directly into an HTML source document

rather than calling an external file to process data. It has also evolved to include a command-line interface capability and can be used in standalone graphical applications.

**3. MySQL:** "My S-Q-L", officially, but also called "My Sequel" is the world's second most widely used open-source relational database management system (RDBMS). The SQL phrase stands for Structured Query Language.

MySQL is a popular choice of database for use in web applications, and is a central component of the widely used LAMP open source web application software stack (and other 'AMP' stacks). LAMP is an acronym for "Linux, Apache, MySQL, Perl/PHP/Python." Free-software-open source projects that require a full-featured database management system often use MySQL.

**4. Wampserver:** The acronym wamp refers to first letters of the four components of a solution stack, composed entirely of free and open-source software, suitable for building high-availability heavy-duty dynamic web sites, and capable of serving tens of thousands of requests simultaneously. The meaning of the wamp acronym depends on which specific components are used as part of the actual bundle:

5. Windows, the operating system
6. Apache HTTP Server, the web server
7. MySQL, MariaDB or MongoDB, the database management system
8. PHP, Perl, or Python, the scripting languages (respectively programming languages) used for dynamic web pages and web development.

The exact combination of the software included in a WAMP stack is prone to variation, for example Apache web server can be replaced by some other web server software. Though the original authors of these programs did not design them to work as a component of the WAMP

stack, the development philosophy and tool sets are shared and were developed in close conjunction, so they work and scale very well together.

**5. JavaScript (JS):** Is a dynamic computer programming language. It is most commonly used as part of web browsers, whose implementations allow client-side scripts to interact with the user, control the browser, communicate asynchronously, and alter the document content that is displayed. It is also being used in server-side programming, game development and the creation of desktop and mobile applications.

**6. Cascading Style Sheets (CSS):** is a style sheet language used for describing the look and formatting of a document written in a markup language. While most often used to style web pages and interfaces written in HTML and XHTML, the language can be applied to any kind of XML document, including plain XML, SVG and XUL. CSS is a cornerstone specification of the web and almost all web pages use CSS style sheets to describe their presentation.

CSS is designed primarily to enable the separation of document content from document presentation, including elements such as the layout, colors, and fonts. This separation can improve content accessibility, provide more flexibility and control in the specification of presentation characteristics, enable multiple pages to share formatting, and reduce complexity and repetition in the structural content (such as by allowing for table less web design).

**7. JQuery:** is a free and open source that is used by web developers to navigate through HTML documents, handle events, perform animations and add Ajax interactions to the web pages.

**8. Ajax:** is an acronym for Asynchronous JavaScript and XML) is a group of interrelated web development techniques used on the client-side to create asynchronous web applications. With Ajax, web applications can send data to, and retrieve data from, a server asynchronously (in the background) without interfering with the display and behavior of the existing page.

**9. Pacestar uml diagrammer:** is a software that helps you generate UML 2.0 diagrams quickly and easily. Develop, document, and communicate your designs in a systematic yet flexible AND commonly understood notation. Create activity diagrams, class and object diagrams, communication diagrams, use case diagrams, sequence diagrams, state charts, package diagrams, and component diagrams, deployment diagrams, composite structure diagrams, interaction overview diagrams, and even traditional flowcharts.

**10. Edraw max:** it is an all-in-one diagram software that makes it simple to create professional-looking flowcharts, organizational charts, network diagrams, business presentations, building plans, mind maps, science illustration, fashion designs, UML diagrams, workflows, program structures, web design diagrams, electrical engineering diagrams, directional maps, database diagrams and more.

**11. MySQL workbench:** is a unified visual tool for database architects, developers, and DBAs that enables a DBA, developer, or data architect to visually design, model, generate, and manage databases. It includes everything a data modeler needs for creating complex ER models, forward and reverse engineering, and also delivers key features for performing difficult change management and documentation tasks that normally require much time and effort.

**12. Snipping tool:** Is a component of Microsoft windows system utility software tool used to screen shots any content e.g. rectangular areas, a free-form area, or the entire screen in windows operating system, snips can then be annotated using a mouse or a tablet, stored as image file(PNG, GIF, or JPEG file). Snipping tool allows a basic image editing of the snapshot, with different colored pens, an eraser and a highlighter.

**13. Active Query Builder:** Is a full featured set of tools to manage metadata, it works with SQL queries, and assist in retrieval of data from database. It is use in easy building of complex SQL

queries with unions and sub queries, it provides a highly customizable and convenient interface for end-users to understand database schema and to work with queries in efficient ways.

**14. Sublime text:** Is a sophisticated text editor, for code, markup and prose. It has beautiful user interface, extra ordinary features and amazing performance. It has the function of: go to anything, multiple selections, command palette, distraction free mode, instant project switch, plugin API and cross platform.



## CHAPTER THREE: SYSTEM ANALYSIS

### 3.1 Introduction

System Analysis is a phase which is conducted before the development of the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. System Analysis shows the requirement or a description of the needs and desires for an information system. A requirement may describe functions, features, and constraints. Thus, system requirement defines the services provided by the system and prescribes constraints for its operation (Whitten, 2002). There are two types of requirement, functional requirement and non-functional requirement. Both these requirements will be discussed later in the chapter, but before that It is important to fulfill the planning for the implementation phase. This can only be done if proper methodology is selected. Methodology is important to make sure all project life cycle activities are being carried out without any shortcuts. Methodology helps the system developers to take one step at a time towards accomplishing the full system.

### 3.2 Research Methodology

The methodology that might be useful is the project life cycle and prototype. The project life cycle methodology and prototyping is a methodology that allows users to review all phases until the users are satisfied with the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. The figure 3.1 shows the waterfall model methodology.

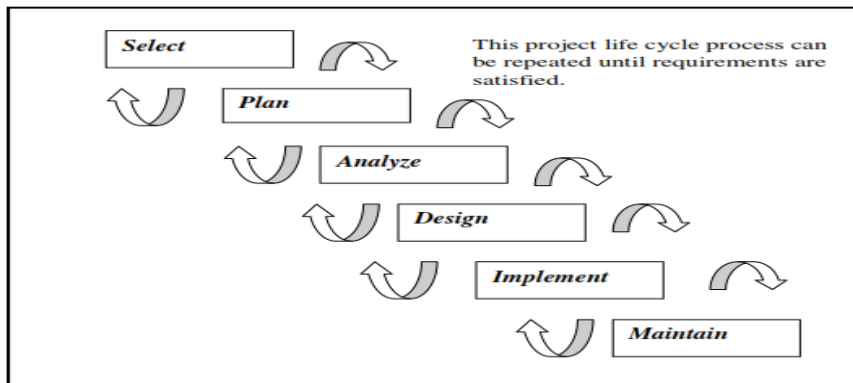


Figure 3.1: waterfall model

Waterfall model with Prototyping is used as a model of Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. Waterfall model consists of stages that are cascading from one to another. One development stage should be completed before the next begins. The Waterfall model presents a very high-level view of activities taken place during development, and it suggests to developers the sequence of events they should expect to encounter (Pfleeger, 2001).

The **Selection** phase is where an Online Bus Ticketing System application should be selected based upon passengers and bus operator priorities. After conducting a complete research on the application that is selected, the next is on identifying the problems.

**Planning** is an important phase where an Online Bus Ticketing System plan is drafted out and changes are made so that a plan can be followed without any more changes during the final phase. The plan is done so that there is progression or action taken on the applications selected. The existing ticketing system within Nigeria and other countries also have been analyzed. The plan is then followed strictly so that the system can be put into operation.

The next phase after the planning phase is on **Analyzing** the current and new procedures of the system. Analysis is important to gather information from the existing e-ticketing system. Feasibility study is conducted to find out whether it is beneficial to carry out the new system. Studying the existing e-ticketing system and the procedures involved is what the feasibility study is concerned with.

After the analysis phase, the next step is to **Design** the system based on the requirements selected in the analysis phase. Design can be constructed easily by having a prototype system. Prototype system is either a workable or non-workable system that has the screen design with the important features included. So the customers and bus operators will test the prototype system to see whether they are satisfied with the requirements.

Based on the feedback obtained from the user the necessary changes are made. The next step is the **Implementation** phase where the process of changeover takes place where the existing e-ticketing system is converted into an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal.

The last phase is the **Maintenance** phase for modification and enhancement purposes. It is important that continuous assessment is carried out for better services in the future.

### **3.3 Fact Finding Method**

The fact-finding methods that have been selected for this research project consists of, observation and interview. Once information is gathered a prototype is developed as to support the findings. Development of the prototype web portal of Online Bus Ticketing System is developed to support the objectives of the research. The following will be the research methodologies discussed in detail.

#### **3.3.1 Observation**

Observation is the first method used to gather information regarding the development of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. For this project, Sokoto State Transport Authority (SSTA) was visited to observe the buying habits of passengers and also observe the selling of tickets by the bus operators. From the observation, it is found that the human traffic is extremely high and there are too much of chaos.

#### **3.3.2 Interview**

Interview is the second method used to gather some information regarding an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. Interviews were conducted with the bus operator's personnel and with the public to find facts, verify facts, clarify facts, generate enthusiasm, and identify ideas and opinions. A set of interview questions was prepared to ask the interviewee to respond to a series

of questions. The interview is divided into open and closed-ended questions so that sufficient information can be gathered.

### 3.3.3 Interview Questions and Results

An interview has been conducted on October 15, 2013, December 21, 2013 and February 6, 2014 for operational Manager at Sokoto State Transport Authority bus station, namely **mal. Ahmed Rufa,i**. The main objective of this interview is to understand the bus operators operations in the ticketing unit and to analyze the acceptance, potential and opportunities in implementing the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. The interview questions were prepared, is based on open-ended and closed-ended questions. Below is the summary of the interview.

### 3.3.4 Interview with the Operational Manager:

The interviewee, Mal. Ahmad Rufa,i who is the Operational Manager of Sokoto Transport Authority was interviewed at 11.30 am on October 15, 2013, and at 4.30 pm on December 21, 2013 and at last 10.00 am on February 6, 2014 for about one hour each. Below is the summary of answers from both of the interviewees.

#### Question 1:

*How does your company conduct the bus ticket selling, booking and purchasing process?*

*Could you please explain in details?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
We Conducts the booking and purchasing process manually.
Top management will fix the trip schedule and issues standard tickets with ticket serial number.

#### Question 2:

*Will there be any report or statistic generated daily?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
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The counter clerk has to manually calculate the total amount of the ticket sold and send the daily report to the management.
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**Question 3:**

*How is the bus schedule planned?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
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Fixed by the top management.
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Extra trips will be provided to the customer on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and during the peak season.
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**Question 4:**

*Are your staff computer literate and are they using computers to do their daily duties?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
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Some Staff have some basic for computer like use the MS Office.
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Staff especially the counter clerk does not conduct their daily duties using computer.
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**Question 5:**

*Does your company have an Online Bus Ticketing System? If yes, how is the respond? From the public and why you think the respond is such?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
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No, do not have an Online Bus Ticketing System at the moment.
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**Question 6:**

*If there is a single system combining all the bus operator's activities, do you think it will benefit the public?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
Yes, it will benefit the public if there is a single system combining all the bus operator's activities.

**Question 7:**

*If your company does not have an existing Online Bus Ticketing System, what are the functions you expect from an Online Bus Ticketing System?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
Functions like seat availability, schedule and fare rates, reservation and purchasing of bus tickets and company promotions.

**Question 8:**

*Do you think Online Bus Ticketing System is reliable in handling the purchasing of bus ticket online and thus reducing the human congestion in Sokoto State or Nigeria in General?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
Not sure as this new in Nigeria in General.

**Question 9:**

*What type of payment methods will you prefer in an Online Bus Ticketing System?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
E-payment which using the e-banking because this method is simple and direct.

**Question 10:**

*Do you think by having a collaborated Online Bus Ticketing System web portal will ease the ticket reservation process in the operation unit?*

<b>The operational Manager Answers:</b>
Yes, it will somehow ease the ticket reservation process in the operation unit.

It can be concluded that the public and bus operators are ready to move forward for the utilization of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. It is just not merely enough to implement efficient online sales and purchase of bus tickets, but, other important issues that are related to Decision Support System and Management Information System that will benefit both customers and bus operators must also be taken into consideration.

**3.3.5 Interview Analysis**

The justification of chosen method is that the data collected by interview is correct and authentic compared with the result obtained from the observation with regard to the current method use in ticket purchasing, ticket booking and information management. The formal interview made with the Operational Manager were to determine the area of difficulties in the process of their manual booking system, management information system in the company, to extracts their opinion regarding the current system and what need to be improved and also to identify the requirement of the new system. *The following are the findings:*

1. The do not have an Online Bus Ticketing System at the moment.
2. Booking and purchasing ticket are done manually.
3. The counter clerk has to manually calculate the total amount of the ticket sold and send the daily report to the management.
4. Staff especially the counter clerk does not conduct their daily duties using computer.

5. Functions like seat availability, schedule and fare rates, reservation and purchasing of bus tickets, company promotions, and FAQ sections.
6. E-payment which using the e-banking because this method is simple and direct.

The data collected pointed out that the information required to reach

### **3.3.6 Analysis of the Existing System's procedure**

The manual mode of ticket booking, ticket purchasing, information dissemination and dispersion of files in the company is through phone calls, direct contact or through traditional messengers that are attached to offices of high rank staff. This mode of information transfer has been in existence since the inception of creation of Sokoto State Transport Authority in Sokoto State. The process goes as follows:

1. Each bus driver and his conductor are attached to particular bus
2. Each cashier is attached to particular route for financial management
3. The cashiers are attached to high rank financials officers. The financials officers are then attached to General manager
4. Each messenger is attached to the office of a high rank staff of the institution.
5. The messenger (who is also a staff) is called or summoned upon to deliver the file, load, and objects to its destination.
6. The messenger uses its digression to find ways to gets the files dispatched or information to its destination.
7. Customers are gathered in queue for booking or purchasing ticket either through phone calls or by direct contact.
8. Customers visited company notice board every day to see latest information.



### Data flow diagram of the existing System

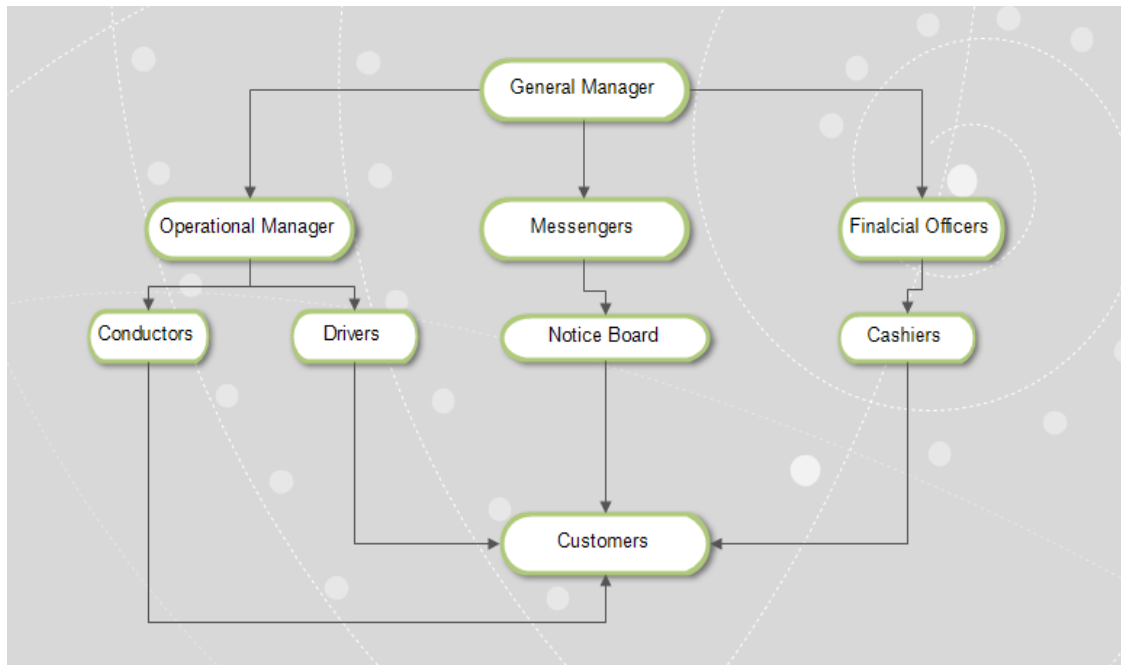


Figure 3.2: Data flow of the existing system

### Limitations of the Existing System

The data gathered deduced that, most of the interviewee results agree that many problems are encountered with the current system these include insecurity, redundancy, inconsistency, delay in data accessing, ineffective retrieval of data and its often inefficient in time and cost etc., and off course there is need to overcome these problems.

### 3.4 Description of the Proposed System

In efforts to improve the existing bus e-ticketing systems in Nigeria, observation on the problems and opportunities from the existing e-ticketing sites both in Nigeria and overseas had been conducted. With that, it is recommended an integrated system of solutions that attempts to

rectify many of the existing problems in the current bus e-ticketing and propose an innovative way to enhance the services provided in the bus e-ticketing system.

Therefore, the goal of the proposed Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is to provide a revolutionary way to interact effectively in a one stop venue. Furthermore, with this system, customers will be able to obtain a wider choice of bus tickets since they can reach a wider range of bus operators and a decision system to rate a driver base on behavior during the journey.

In short, with the proposed system, bus operators can now involve in making bus ticketing purchase transactions convenient, cost effective and finally can do away with the manual/conventional methods of selling bus tickets. Therefore, the proposed system will be superior and function as a catalyst in the competitive business environment regardless of the geographic barricades among the bus operators.

### **3.5 Intended Users**

The system has the public (as Customers), super system Administrator, Cashiers, Managers bus operators are identified as the main users of the system. This is because this system can only be successful when there are customer to purchase and bus operators to sell their services.

### **3.6 Analysis of the Proposed System Functions**

The system function can be divided into two sections, the Staff section and the Customer section. In the staff section, there will be four actors which are: administrator, cashier, manager and operator. The system allow Administrator to edit/register staff (cashier, operator, manager and driver), a cashier manages all payment activities and operator handles bus, routes, driver allocation to bus, and travelling activities, while manager control the decision support system from customers of driver rating, manage customers, generate report, view user logs and activity logs.

In the Customer section, the customer will be able to view the home page to search on the bus details for the desired destination based on the preferred search detail which are route, date to travel and number of passengers. After booking ticket and it happens to be available, then the system will allow the customer to continue with the booking processes, seat view, customer registration details, payment activity and printing out of the booked ticket provided if the customer is a registered. There will also be a booking cancellation feature for a customer to cancel a booked ticket, postponed booked ticket, rate a driver or reset his password after login. In this module the customer will also be provided information such as latest news, travelling tips about the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal.

### **3.7 Functional Requirement**

Functional requirement is a function or feature that must be included in an information system to satisfy the business needs and user acceptance (Whitten, 2002). Staff and Customers will use this proposed Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. A clear and detail functional system requirements for this system are the Staff section and Customer section are described as following.

#### **3.7.1 Staff**

The staff can access some of the functions in this system, which include company staff management module, bus information module, purchasing, cancellation/postponement module, and the reports module. Each Staff has to perform their activities. The functional requirements for the staff section is divided in to three functions which are: (a) Administrator (b) Manager (c) Operator (d) Cashier.

##### **a) Administrator**

Administrator is a super person that has the overall control of company staff which includes:

- Add, edit or delete staff(operator, manager, cashier and driver)

### **b) Manager**

Manager is a company staff which manages company activities and has the ability to perform the following functions:

1. *Manage Customers*: Manager can view, edit, delete and search all the customer that register with the company.
2. *Activity Logs*: Manager can view all the activities perform by in the system.
3. *User's logs*: Manager can view all the activities perform by the staff and customers.
4. *Manage News*: Manager can post or delete news/events by topic name and date and publish to homepage for customers view.
5. *Generate report*: Manager can generate report by using a particular date or range base on paid, unpaid, travelled, not travelled, cancels or postpones for the company and also print it.
6. *Suspend/Release Driver*: Bus driver ranking system are viewed and analyzed to take decision of action on particular deriver using 5 stars: very-poor, poor, good, very-good and excellent. For each of the ranking stars are calculated using the formula below:

$$\frac{\text{Number of polls obtained by bus driver}}{\text{Total polls received}} \times 100$$

### **c) Cashier.**

Cashier is a finance department person that accept payments from customers.

7. *Payment status*: Cashier can assign a customer payment status paid or not payment whether he/she pay using teller or using cash, so that a customer can travel after been verified.

#### **d) Operator**

Operator is an operational department person that manages, bus route and customer travelling status.

8. *Assign Customer travelling status*: Those customers that have been verified by the Cashier are ready for travelling, here the Operator assign those travelled if the travelled or not travelled if they didn't travelled after been paid.
9. *Seat inventory*: Here the Operator can delete and search the tickets been booked.
10. *Route*: Here The Operator can edit, delete or add route to each bus allocated to the company.
11. *Allocate drive to bus*: Operator can allocate a particular driver to a bus when released by manager.
12. *Broadcast message*: Here the company operator can send a broadcast message to customers by using particular trip base on travel status on reported lost or found items.

#### **3.7.3 Customers**

The customers can access some of the functions in this system, which includes the main page module, registration module, bus schedule and details module, booking module, payment module, ticket module, postponement and cancellation module. The functional requirements for the customers section are as following:

##### **1. Ticket booking:**

A customer perform the following activities:

- a. Check the ticket availability by selecting route, date and number of passengers to travel which a system will use to validate to see if a driver is allocated to that bus of that route selected and also the date is available. Seats available are to be incrementing from previous

booking with the same date and route. After checking availability, now a customer can proceed to registration page and supply all requirement needed.

- b. After successful registration with validations from the system, a customer proceed to payment page and can pay online or skip this step if wish to pay manually.
- c. Then lastly, a message will be sent via the mobile number a customer provided. Or a customer print a ticket.

## **2. Postpone ticket booked:**

Once a customers booked a ticket, then they can login to postpone the ticket booked, but only if the date of travel not past.

## **3. Cancel ticket booked:**

Once a customers booked a ticket then they can to login to cancel the ticket booked, but only if the date of travel not past.

## **4. Reset password:**

Once a customers booked a ticket then they login to reset their password but only if the current password is provided.

## **5. Rate/Rank a driver:**

Once a customer booked a ticket then they login to rate their bus driver, but only if they travelled and the choice are to be selected only once which are: very poor, poor, good, very good or excellent.

### **3.8 Use Case Diagram**

A use case diagram at its simplest is a representation of a user's interaction with a system and depicting the specification of a use case (Gemino & Parker, 2009). Use case analysis is a major technique used to find out the functional requirements of a software system. Use case, an important

concept in use case analysis, represents an objective user wants to achieve with a system. It can be in text form, or be visualized in a use case diagram. A use case is an objective user(s) wants to achieve with a system. Use cases are named with verb or verb + noun phrase. It is usually short yet descriptive enough to describe a user objective. You are encouraged to use concrete and specific verbs and nouns to avoid ambiguity. The diagram represent the usecase diagram for online ticketing system for Sokoto State Transport Authority.





### 3.8.1 Use Case Description

The table 3.1 below shows the general form of use case description.

Table 3.1 use case description.

Actor Action	Use case Name	System Response
Customer select route, date of departure and number seats need to book and click book ticket now.	Book ticket	System checks the date, seat and time slotted are available, if the details are available the system will then proceed to next phase else prompt error message.
Customers register their ticket by providing details.	Register ticket	the system check all the necessary required field are provided, if the details are provided as needed it then proceed to next phase else prompt an error message.
Customers pays online on his wish or skip to next phase	Online pay	The online payment server return true to the system if the payment is success, else return false and proceed to next phase.
Customer Print a ticket	Print ticket	The system print a ticket using a printer.
Customer Login	Login	The system validate the login details of customer and access level, if success, the system proceed to customer panel else display an error message.
Customer Re- book a ticket	Re- book ticket	System checks the date, seat and time slotted are available, if the details are available the system will then proceed to next phase else prompt error message.
Customer Postpone a ticket	Postpone ticket	The system postpone a ticket to customer if the ticket is paid and travel date does not past.
Customer Cancel a ticket	Cancel ticket	The system cancel a ticket for customer once he/she booked a ticket.
Customer rate a driver	Driver rate	The system rate a driver for a customer on a particular bus and route travelled only once.

Customer change his password	Change password	The system change a password for a customer if the current password is provided.
Administrator login	Login	The system validate the login details of admin and access level, if success, the system proceed to admin panel else display an error message.
Administrator Manage Operator	Manage Operator	The system allow system admin to add edit and delete driver.
Administrator Manage Cashier	Manage Cashier	The system add edit and delete driver.
Administrator Manage Manager	Manage Manager	The system add, edit and delete manager.
Administrator Manage Driver	Manage Driver	The system add, edit and delete driver.
Manager login	Login	The system validate the login details of manager and access level, if success, the system proceed to manager panel else display an error message.
Manager view users logs	View user's logs.	The system displays a manager user's logs.
Manager view activity logs.	View activity logs.	The system displays a manager activity logs
Manager view driver rates	View driver rates	The system displays a manager the rates of selected driver.
Manager release a driver	Release driver	The system released a selected driver.
Manager suspend a driver	Suspend driver	The system suspend a selected driver.
Manager Generate report	Generate report	The system displays a manager a report using paid, unpaid, travelled, not travelled, cancel ticket, or postponed ticket by using date range.
Manager manage news	Manage news	The system allows a manager to add, edit or delete news.
Manager manage customer	Manage customer	The system allows a manager to edit or delete a customer.
Cashier login	Login	The system validate the login details of cashier and access level, if success, the

		system proceed to cashier panel else display an error message.
Cashier verify payment	Verify payment	The system assign a verified ticket booked paid or unpaid.
Operator login	Login	The system validate the login details of operator and access level, if success, the system proceed to operator panel else display an error message.
Operator cancel a ticket	Cancel ticket	The system cancels a ticket for a selected ticked.
Operator manage route	Manage route	The system edit, add or delete a route.
Operator verify travelling	Verify travel	The system assign a particular ticket travelled or not travelled.
Operator allocate driver to bus	Allocate driver bus	The system allocate driver to particular bus of particular route.
Operator send a message	Send message	The system send a broadcast message to selected route, date and travelled status.
Operator, customer, manager, cashier, and administrator logout	Logout	The system logout a user from the user's panel to homepage.

Table 3.1: use case description

### 3.9 Activity Diagram

Activity diagrams are graphical representations of workflows of stepwise activities and actions with support of choice, iteration and concurrency (Rumbaugh & Jacobson, 1999). In unified modelling language, activity diagrams are intended to model both computational and organizational processes (i.e. workflows). Activity diagrams show the overall flow of control.

Activity diagrams are constructed from a limited number of shapes, connected with arrows. The most important shapes type: rounded rectangles represent actions; diamonds represent decisions; bars represent the start (split) or end (join) of concurrent activities; a black circle

represents the start (initial state) of the workflow; an encircled black circle represents the end (final state). Arrows run from the start towards the end and represent the order in which activities happen.

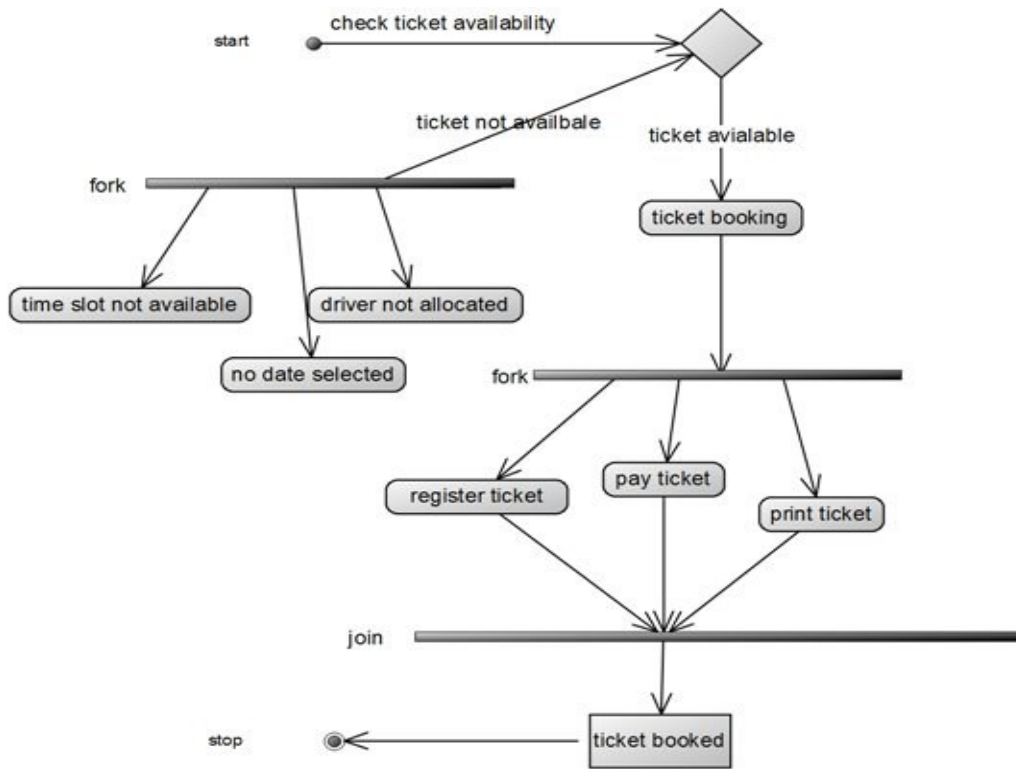


Figure 3.4: Activity diagram for ticket booking

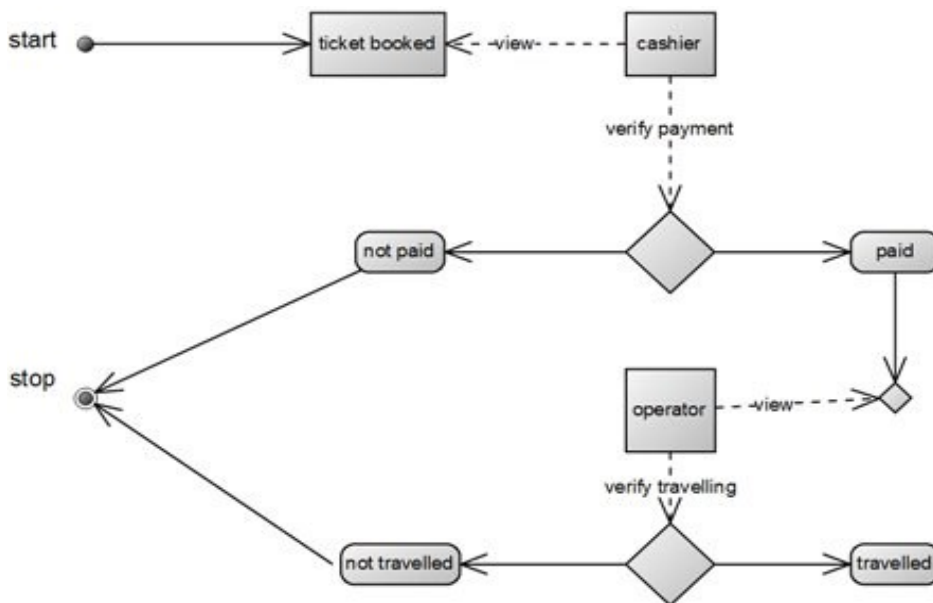


Figure 3.5: Activity diagram for booked ticket

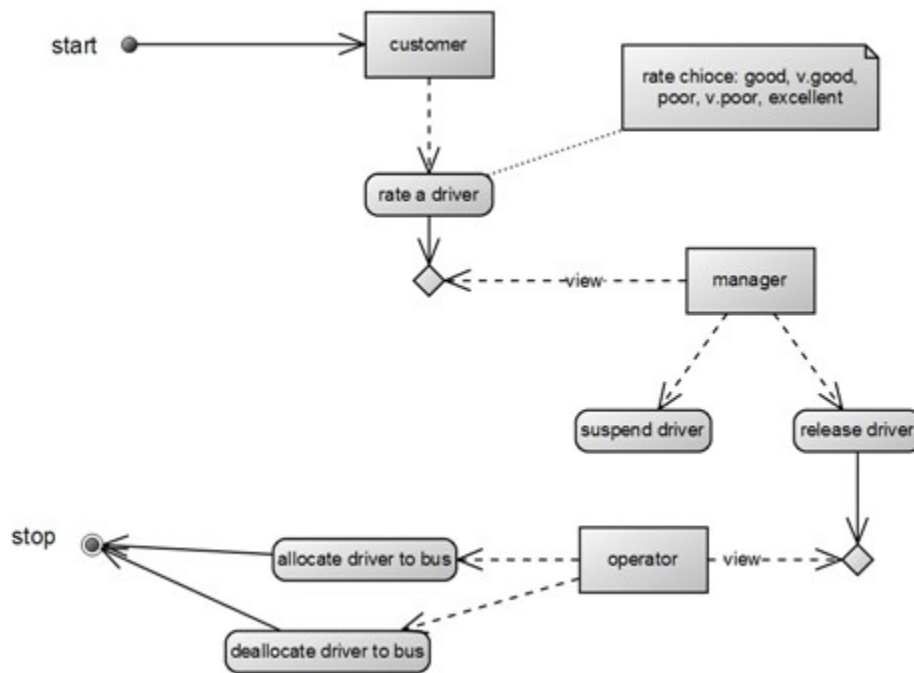


Figure 3.6: Activity diagram for driver rating

### 3.10 Class Diagram

Class diagram in the unified modelling language (UML) is a type of static structure diagram that describes the structure of a system by showing the systems classes, their attributes, operations (or methods) and relationships among objects (Sparks & Geoffrey, 2011).

The class diagram is the main building block of object oriented modelling. It is used for general conceptual modelling translating the models into programming code. Class diagram can also be used for data modelling. The classes in a class diagram represent both the main objects, interactions in the application and the classes to be programmed. Classes are represented with a boxes which contain three parts:

1. The top part contains the name of the classes. It is printed in bold, centered and the first later capitalized.

- The middle part contains the attributes of the class. They are left aligned and the first later is lower case.
- The bottom parts gives the methods or operations the class can take or undertake. They are also aligned and the first later is lower case

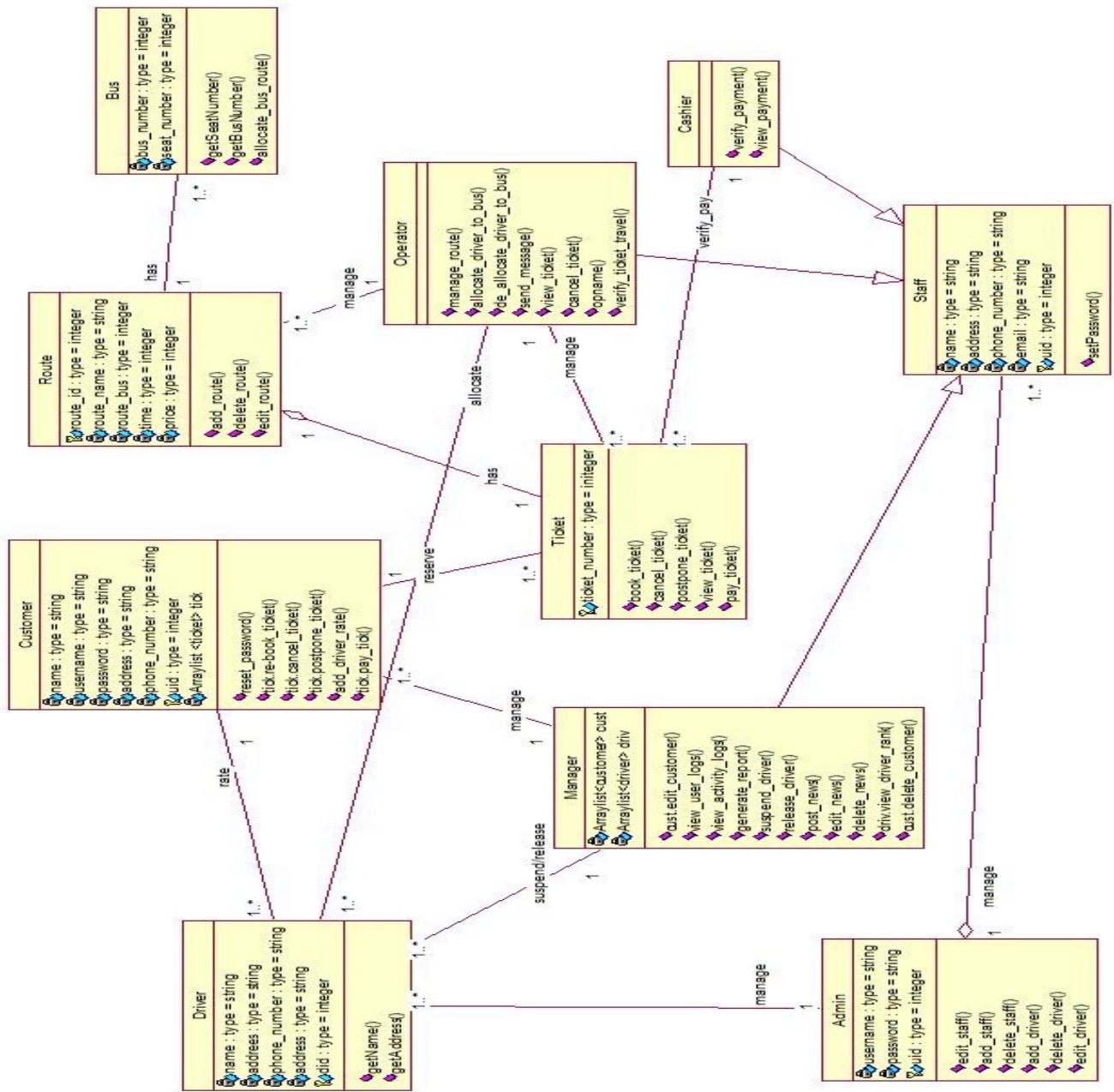


Figure 3.7: class diagram for online ticketing system

### **3.11 Non- Functional Requirement**

Non-functional requirement is a description of the features, characteristics, and attributes of the system as well as any constraints that may limit the boundaries of the proposed solution (Whitten, 2002). Such constraints usually narrow down the selection of programming language, operating system platform or implementation techniques.

The Online Bus Ticketing System web portal must ensure certain web application qualities such as ease of use, user-friendliness, correctness, functionality, reliability, response time, security, robustness as well as maintainability. The following lists the non-functional requirement of the system.

- a) Ease of use**
- b) Maintainability**
- c) Reliability**
- d) Robustness**
- e) Response time/speed**
- f) Security**
- g) User friendly**
- h) Functionality**
- i) Correctness**

## **CHAPTER FOUR: SYSTEM DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND TESTING**

### **4.1 Introduction**

This chapter is on system design which is completed before the development of the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. System design is defined as those tasks that focus on the specification of the detailed computer-based solution (Whitten, 2002). The purpose of the design phase is to transform the system requirements statement from the requirements analysis phase into design specifications for construction.

### **4.2 System Functional Design**

#### **4.2.1 Structure Design**

The Structure Design of Online Bus Ticketing System web portal shows a bird's eye view of the entire system. Generally the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal allows easy accessibility to obtain information. Customer can browse the web portal to obtain various types of information such as bus schedule information, latest news, feedback and tips updates. On the other hand the Staff would be able to assess the system to update the portal on bus schedule information, latest news, feedback and report generation and Administrator for managing staff. A structure diagram has been created for the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. The main system of the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is divided into 2 major sections, Customer section and staff section as shown in Figure 4.1.



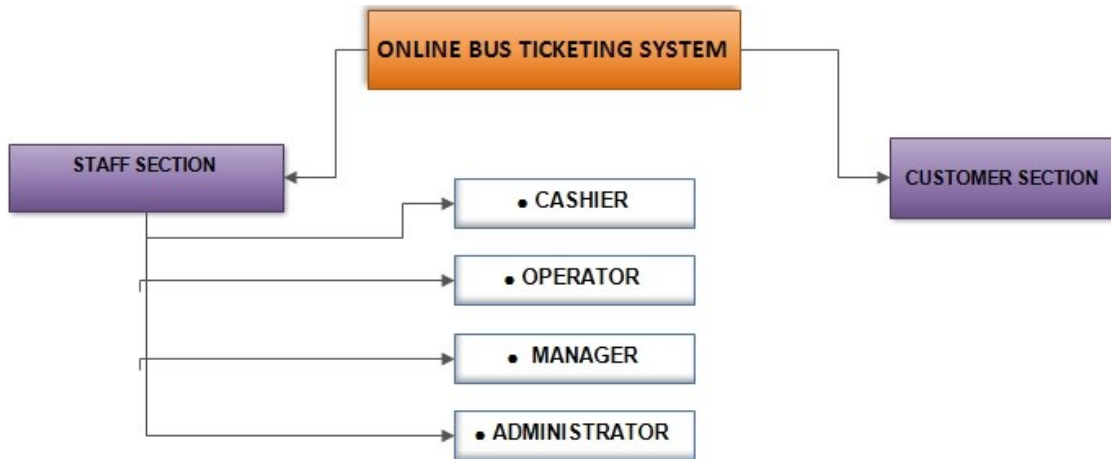


Figure 4.1: structural chart for SSTA.

#### 4.2.1.1 Structure Chart for Staff Section

For the Staff section, there are modules which are further divided into sub-modules. The modules are system administrator, company manager, company operator and a company cashier.

The structure chart for staff section is shown in Figure 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, and 4.5.

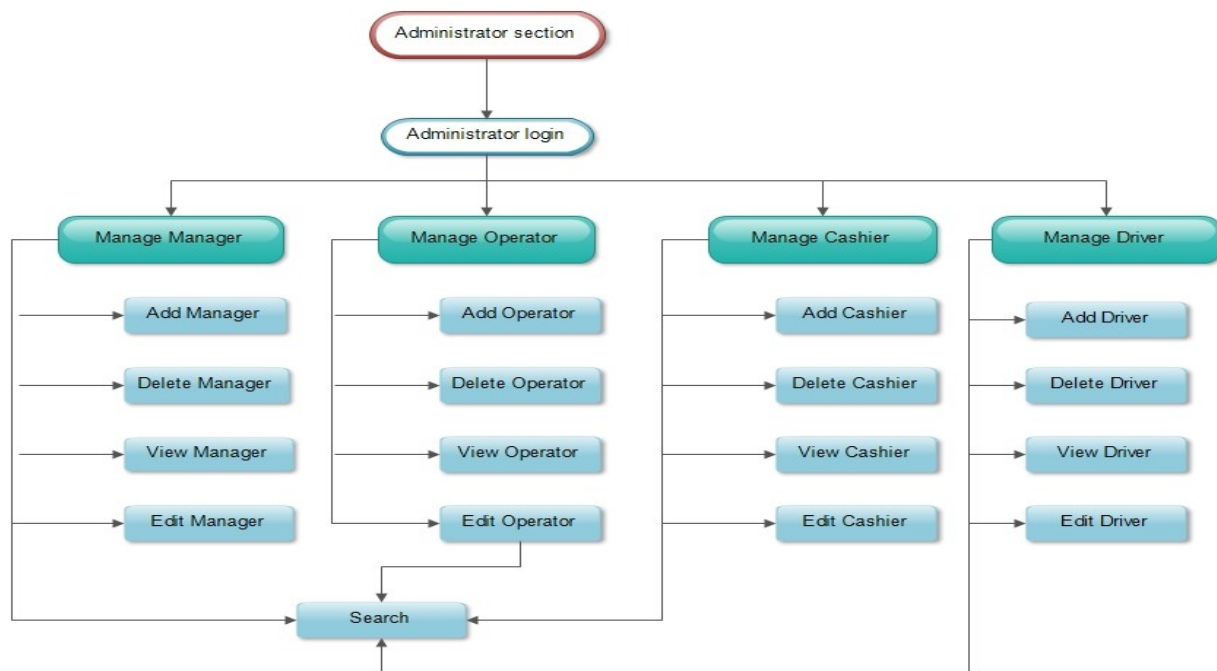


Figure 4.2: Administrator structure chart

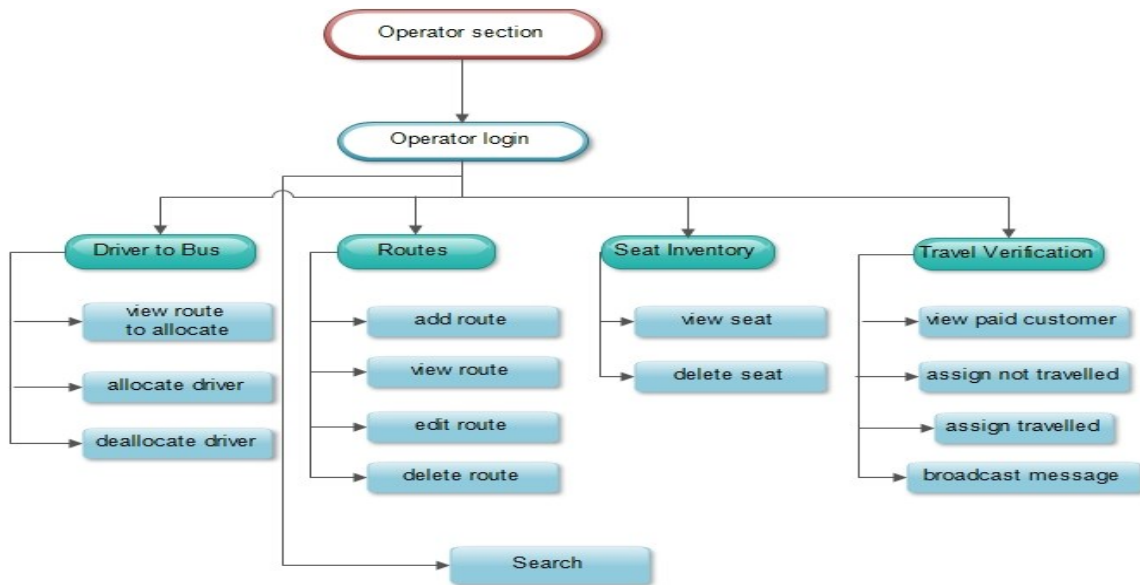


Figure 4.3: Operator section chart.

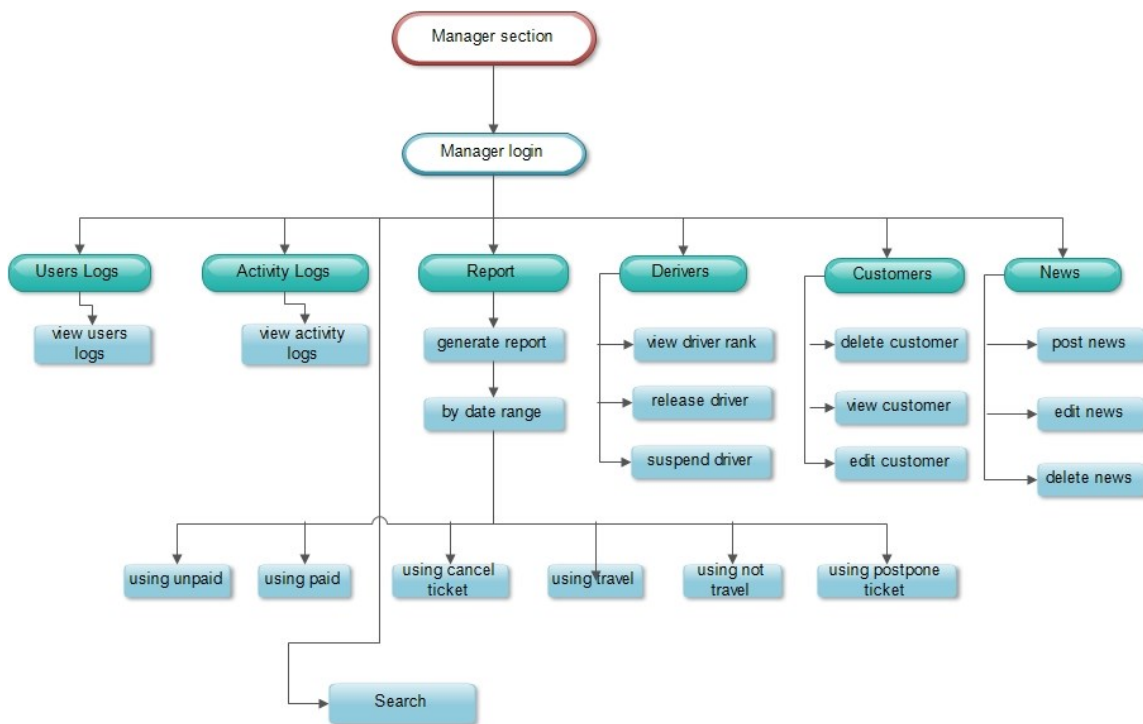


Figure 4.4: Manager Section chart.

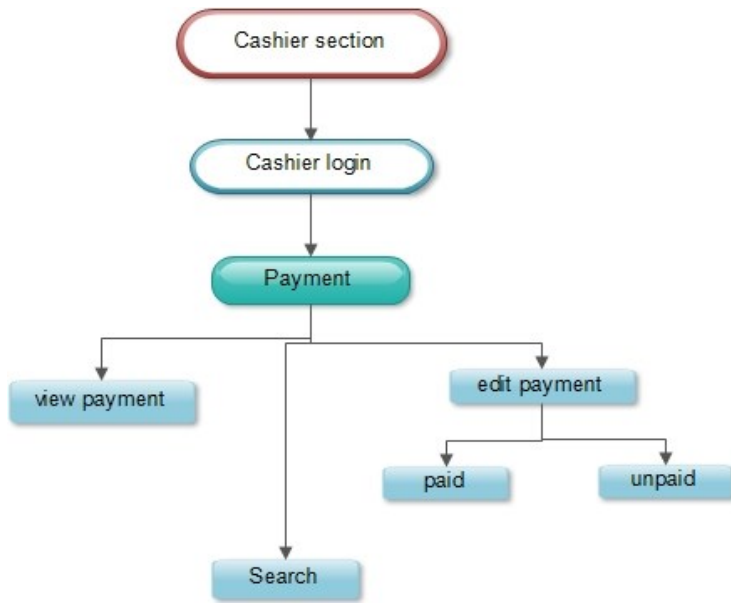


Figure 4.5: Cashier section chart.

#### 4.2.1.2 Structure Chart for Customer Section

For the Customer section, there are 10. The modules are. The structure chart for Customer section is shown in Figure 5.6

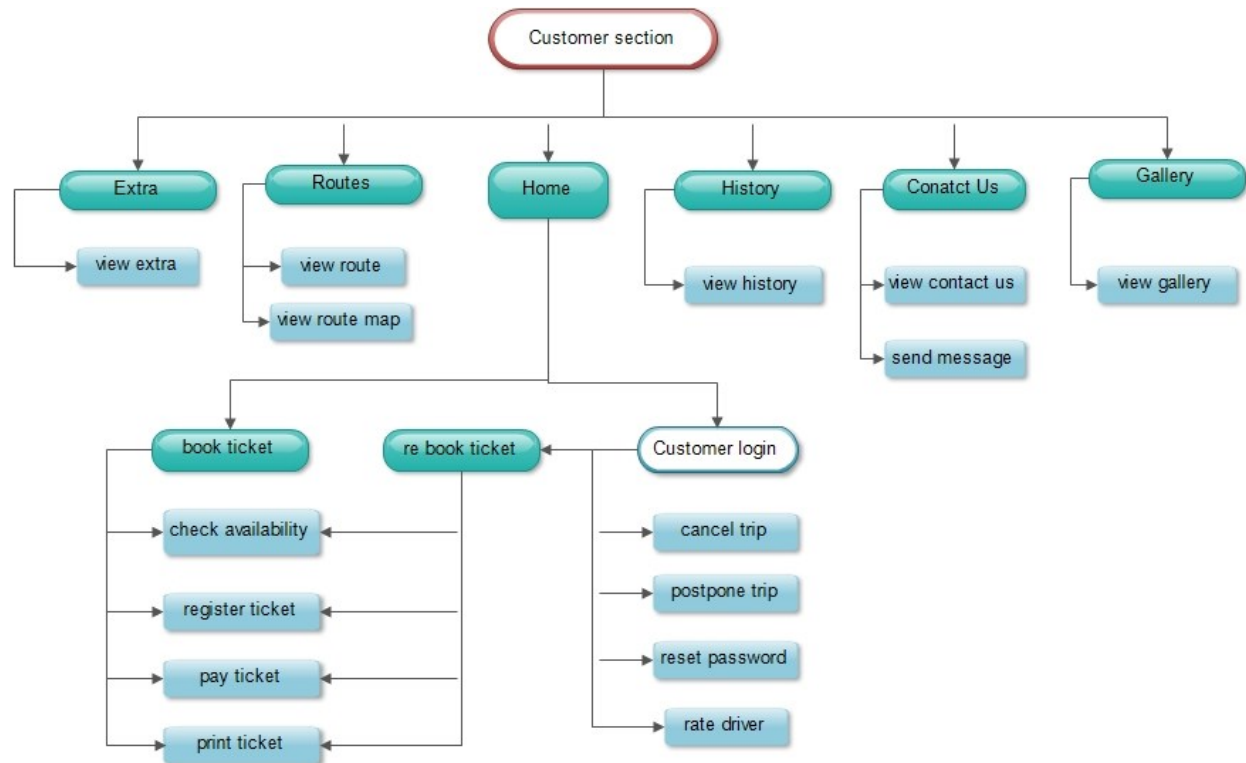


Figure 4.6: Customer chart section.

### 4.3 Data Flow Diagram

A data flow diagram (DFD) is a graphical representation of the “flow” of a data through an information system, modelling its process aspects. A DFD is often used as a preliminary step to create an overview of the system, which can later be elaborated (John, 2000).

Data flow diagram help in identifying helps in identifying business process. It is a technique benefit particularly before we go through business process re- engineering. A data flow diagram looks at how data flows through the system, it concerns things like how data comes from and go to as well as where it will be stored. But information like process timing (e.g. whether the processes happen in sequence or in parallel), usually begin with drawing a context diagram, a simple representation of the whole system. To elaborate further from that, we drill down to level 1 diagram with additional information about the major functions of the system. Progression to level 3, 4 and so on is possible but anything beyond level 3 is not very common. Please bear in

mind that the level of detail asked for depends on your process change plan. Below is a context data flow diagram of online ticketing system.

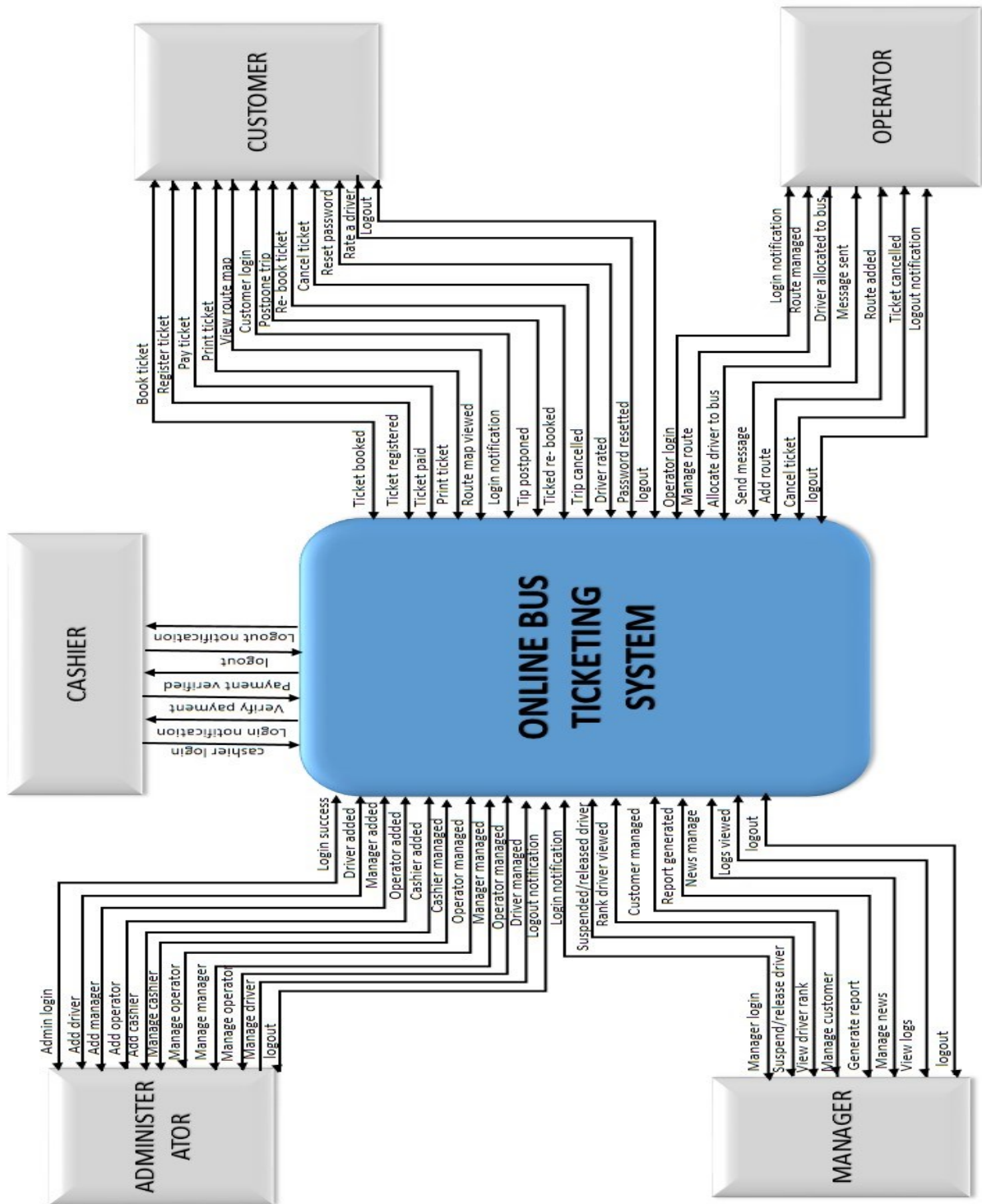


Figure 4.7: Context data flow diagram.

#### **4.4 Database Design**

The process of database design is divided into different parts. It consists of a series of steps. They are Conceptual Database Design(ER diagram), Logical Database Design (Tables, Normalization etc.), Physical Database Design (Table indexing, Clustering, etc.)

##### **4.4.1 Conceptual Database Design**

The requirement analysis is modeled in this conceptual design. The ER Model is used at the conceptual design stage of the database design. The ER diagram is used to represent this conceptual design. ER diagram consists of Entities, Attributes and Relationships. The table below shows the ER diagram of bus ticketing system.





#### 4.4.2 Logical Database Design

Once the relationships and dependencies are identified the data can be arranged into logical structures and is mapped into database management system tables. Normalization is performed to make the relations in appropriate normal forms.

#### NORMALIZATION

##### 3<sup>rd</sup> normal form

**ACTIVITY LOG** (ACTIVITY LOG ID, \*UID, USERNAME, DATE, ACTION)

**CUSTOMER BIO** (UID, FNAME, LNAME, ONAME, GENDER, COUNTRY, STATE, LG, TOWN, CONTACT, EMAIL, ADDRESS, KINNAME, KINCONTACT, KINADDRESS)

**DRIVER BIO** (DID, F\_NAME, L\_NAME, CONTACT, ADDRESS, DSTATUS)

**DRIVER BUS** (ID, \*DID, ROUTE, \*ROUTE\_ID, ASTATUS)

**DRIVER RATE** (ID, \*UID, \*DID, \*ROUTE\_ID, VERY\_POOR, POOR, GOOD, VERY\_GOOD, EXCELLENT, RSTATUS)

**NEWS** (ID, \*UID, TOPIC, EVENT, DATE)

**ROUTE** (ID, ROUTE, PRICE, NUMSEATS, ROUTE\_NAME, TYPE, TIME)

**STAFF BIO** (UID, F\_NAME, L\_NAME, CONTACT, ADDRESS, EMAIL)

**TICKET BOOKING** (TB\_ID, \*UID, TRANSACTION\_NO, BUS, TICKET\_NUM, \*ROUTE\_ID, SEAT\_NO, SEAT\_RESERVE, BOOKING\_DATE, TRAVEL\_DATE)

**TICKET CANCEL** (ID, \*TB\_ID, CANCEL\_DATE)

**TICKET PAYMENT** (ID, \*TB\_ID, PAYMENT\_DATE, CASHIER\_ID)

**TICKET POSTPONE** (ID, \*TB\_ID, POSTPONE\_DATE)

**TICKET TRAVEL** (ID, \*TB\_ID, OPERATOR\_ID)

**USER** (UID, USERNAME, PASSWORD, ROLE)

**USER LOG** (USER\_LOG\_ID, \*UID, USERNAME, LOGIN\_DATE, LOGOUT\_DATE, UID).

\* Define As Foreign Key.

#### 4.4.3 Physical Database Design

It deals with the physical implementation of the database in a database management system. It include the specification of data elements, data types, indexing etc. All these information are stored in the data dictionary. The tables 4.1 below shows the data dictionary of online bus ticketing system.

Tables' 4.1 data dictionary

TABLE NAME: **Activity Log**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
activity_log_id	integer	11	No	Primary key		A unique id to identify each activity log
Uid	integer	11	No	Foreign Key	User	A unique id to identify user.
Username	varchar	40	No			A field that indicates a username
Date	varchar	40	No			A field that indicates date of activity log
Action	varchar	50	No			A field that indicates a action performed

TABLE NAME: **Customer Bio**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
Uid	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each customer
fname	Varchar	30	no			A field that indicates a customer first name
Lname	Varchar	30	no			A field that indicates a customer last name
oname	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates a customer other name
gender	Varchar	10	no			A field that indicates a customer gender
country	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates a customer country
State	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates a customer state
Lga	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates a customer local government
Town	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates a customer town
contact	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a customer contact number
Email	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates a customer email address
address	Varchar	50	no			A field that indicates a customer contact address
kinname	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates a customer next of kin name

kincontact	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a customer next of kin contact number
kinaddress	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates a customer next of kin contact address

TABLE NAME: **Driver Bio**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
did	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each driver
f_name	Varchar	20	No			A field that indicates a driver first name
l_name	Varchar	20	No			A field that indicates a driver last name
conact	Integer	11	No			A field that indicates a driver contact number
address	Varchar	40	No			A field that indicates a driver address
dstatus	Integer	11	No			A field that indicates a driver status

TABLE NAME: **Driver Bus**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each driver bus
did	Varchar	11	no	Foreign key	Driver Bio	A unique id to identify each driver
route	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates a driver route range

route_id	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Route	A field that indicates a driver route id
astatus	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver allocation status

TABLE NAME: **Driver Rate**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each driver bus
uid	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Customer Bio	A unique id to identify each customer
did	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Driver Bio	A unique id to identify each driver
route_id	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Route	A unique id to identify each route
very_poor	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver rating for very poor
poor	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver rating for poor
good	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver rating for good
very_good	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver rating for very good
excellent	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver rating for excellent
rstatus	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a driver rating status

TABLE NAME: **News**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each news
uid	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Staff Bio	A unique id to identify each Staff
topic	Varchar	100	no			A field that indicates the topic name
event	Varchar	1000	no			A field that indicates the events name
date	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates the date news posted

TABLE NAME: **Route**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
Id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each route added
Route	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates the route range
Price	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates the price of route
Numseats	Varchar	11	no			A field that indicates the number of seats of bus
route_name	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates the name of route
Type	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates the type of bus
Time	Varchar	20	no			A field that indicates the time of travel

TABLE NAME: **Staff Bio**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
uid	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each staff
f_name	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates the staff first name
l_name	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates the staff last name
contact	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates the staff contact number
address	Varchar	50	no			A field that indicates the staff contact address
email	Varchar	100	no			A field that indicates the staff email address

TABLE NAME: **Ticket Booking**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
tb_id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each ticket booking
Uid	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Customer Bio	A unique id to identify each customer book a ticket
transaction_no	Varchar	11	no			A field that indicates the ticket transaction number
Bus	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates the ticket bus number

ticket_num	Integer	5	no			A field that indicates the ticket number
route_id	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Route	A unique id to identify each route
seat_no	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates the ticket seat numbers
seat_reserve	integer	11	no			A field that indicates the number of seat reserve
booking_date	Date		no			A field that indicates the ticket booking date
travel_date	varchar	20	no			A field that indicates the ticket travel date

TABLE NAME: **Ticket Cancel**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
Id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each ticket cancel
tb_id	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Ticket Booking	A unique id to identify each ticket booking
cancel_date	Date		no			A field that indicates the ticket travel date

TABLE NAME: **Ticket Payment**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
Id	integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each ticket payment
tb_id	integer	11	no	Foreign key	Ticket booking	A unique id to identify each ticket booking



payment_date	Date		no			A field that indicates the ticket payment date
cashier_id	integer	11	no			A field that indicates a cashier identification

TABLE NAME: **Ticket Postpone**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
Id	integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each ticket payment
tb_id	integer	11	no	Foreign key	Ticket Booking	A unique id to identify each ticket booking
postpone_date	Date		no			A field that indicates a ticket postponement

TABLE NAME: **Ticket travel**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
Id	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each ticket travel
tb_id	Integer	11	no	Foreign key	Ticket booking	A unique id to identify each ticket booking
operator_id	Integer	11	no			A field that indicates a ticket cancel

TABLE NAME: **User**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
uid	Integer	11	no	Primary key		A unique id to identify each user
uname	Varchar	40	no			A field that indicates a username

password	Varchar	40	No			A field that indicates a password
role	Integer	11	No			A field that indicates a user role

TABLE NAME: **User Log**

Field name	Data type	Length	Null	Key	Reference	Description
user_log_id	Integer	11	No	Primary key		A unique id to identify each user's log
Uid	Integer	11	No	Foreign Key	User	A unique id to identify each users.
Username	varchar	11	No			A field that indicates a username
login_date	varchar	20	No			A field that indicates a login date
logout_date	varchar	20	No			A field that indicates a logout date

## 4.5 Tools and Methodology used

In this section the Tools and Methodology used in the development of the prototype system is introduced.

### 4.5.1 Software Package used

To develop the prototype of the proposed system an appropriate software package needs to be selected. To determine suitable software, it can be identified by addressing several questions:

**(a) Familiarity:** Is it familiar and easy to learn?

This aspect concerns the Administrator and the Customer. It is best to choose a software that is familiar to the Administrator and Customer so that the both party is more comfortable to use the system and easy to learn.

**(b) Flexibility:** Can the system be changed or is it easy to modify the program?

The system needs to be changed or enhanced from time to time, as the Administrator may want to alter or modify some functions. This can be achieved depending on the type of software package and the degree of flexibility allowed.

**(c) Maintainability:** Can the system be maintainable easily?

The system should be able to be maintained easily by the Administrator. Maintainability will also reduce time and cost if the software package allows maintainability and this would mean that the software is more reliable and efficient to use. Thus, in choosing the tools to develop the prototype system, the above criteria are checked to ensure it is met.

#### **4.5.2 Tools used**

The tools used for the development of the prototype system are important, as it would affect the effectiveness and efficiency of the system. Thus, careful consideration has been taken in choosing the appropriate tool.

##### **4.5.2.1 Software Requirement**

Hypertext Preprocessor (PHP) is an Open Source and cross-platform which is widely-used as general-purpose scripting language that is especially suited for Web Development and can be embedded into hypertext markup language (HTML). PHP is used for this system to replace static HTML pages with 'live data' from a database.

##### **4.5.2.2 Scripting Language**

Java Script is a scripting language that allows the designing of the interactive web sites. JavaScript is an open source language that anyone can use without purchasing a license.

##### **4.5.2.3 Database Management**

MYSQL is a database that enables easy searching, storing, retrieving and sorting data. MySQL server will monitor the access to the database in a multi user environment and ensure only

authorized users can access. It uses SQL (Structured Query Language) which is the standard database query language around the world. MySQL can be found in commercial and open source product. It is an Open Source database (Welling, 2003).

#### **4.5.2.4 Operating System**

For this project Windows 8.1 Professional Edition is used as the development platform since it has user friendly interface and more improved user management compared to other Windows platforms.

### **4.6 Hardware and Software Requirements**

The choosing of Hardware and Software is very important for developing a system as it has a profound impact on the quality and productivity of the system.

#### **4.6.1 Requirement for System Development**

The basic software and hardware used to develop the system are as follows:

1. Intel core i5 CPU M520 @2.5 GHZ dual processor
2. 6GIG of RAM
3. 500GIG Hard disk space
4. Window 8.1
5. Opera version 24.0
6. PHP 5.3.1.3
7. MYSQL version 5.5.2.4
8. WampServer version 2.2
9. Microsoft office package 2013
10. HP printer LaserJet professional P1102

#### **4.7 Human Computer Interaction (HCI) Factors**

The design is created based on Human Computer Interaction factors such as user, productivity factors, organizational factors, and user interface factors.

##### **(a) The user**

In designing the site, the experience and educational background of the users have been taken into consideration.

##### **(b) Productivity factors**

The design must have good quality and at the same time have increased output and minimal error.

##### **(c) Organizational factors**

There is no need to provide training for the system, as the design is easy to use.

##### **(d) User Interface**

The use of colors, icons and command buttons, graphic and output display is important when designing the interface. All these have been included when designing the web portal.

#### **4.8 Goals of User Interface (Usability Factors)**

When considering Human Computer Interaction factor in designing the framework for Online Bus Ticketing System web portal, there are several goals of user interface needs to be achieved as listed below:

##### **(a) Learnability**

The interface is easy to learn by the users so that even a first time users can learn it with minimal time frame.

### **(b) Flexibility**

The design of the Online Bus Ticketing system supports the flexibility to add any new features in future.

### **(c) Visibility**

Visibility is the goal of user interface. The framework is designed in such a way it would be able to provide informative feedback to confirm the action of users.

### **(d) Forcing function**

Forcing function is essential for certain functions in order to avoid incorrect input from the users, for example, typing alphabets to insert IC Number.

### **(e) Affordance**

When designing the system, the practice of affordance user interface goal is also taken into consideration. For example, a normal user will be directed to the member registration form when wanting to purchase an online bus ticket. This is important to let the users know what actions they can perform while navigating the

## **4.9 Web Page Design Principles**

The principles of Web Page Design focuses mainly on the interface design of the web page. This is where all requirements of the users are translated into a detailed design. Here are the major principles (Shneiderman, 1998) that has adopted in designing the user interface of Online Bus Ticketing System web portal.

### **(a) Focus on user needs**

By integrating the requirement statements and user preference, an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is designed according to the user needs.

### **(b) Maintain competitiveness**

Online Bus Ticketing System web portal will cause minimal time cost to the user. Cost means time taken to download a material such as going to the other modules applications and time taken to retrieve information. This is important, as it will indirectly affect the user's impression on the effectiveness of the functions.

### **(c) Standardization**

The interface of Online Bus Ticketing System web portal has common user- interface features across other pages. This is to reduce the need for users to relearn the new design of the system.

### **(d) Good graphical design**

Good graphical design means to create a consistent, pleasing and efficient look and feel for the system. With a consistent layout, users will feel eased and pleased to use the system.

## **4.10 System Implementation**

After the system design phase that discusses on how the system should be functioning, the next process will be System Implementation. System Implementation is a process that converts the system requirements and design into program codes. This phase at time involves some modification to the previous design and describes how the initial and revised process design is put into a real working system. Therefore, huge effort will be spent in this phase to determine the success of the system and ease the process of modification, debugging, testing, verification, system integration and for future enhancement.

### **4.10.1 Guidelines on How Online Bus Ticketing System web portal can be implemented**

Following are the guidelines on how Online Bus Ticketing System web portal can be implemented.

- (a) Plan to include all company staff and to maintain a uniform standard operation for all bus operators.
- (b) Make online ticketing available or accessible via Online Bus Ticketing System portals for the public.
- (c) Analysis of business requirements and benefits by applying ICT
- (d) Evaluate existing information flow and transactions between bus operators and the public.

This suggestion could then help in implementing Online Bus Ticketing System web portal easily without any further delay.

#### **4.11 System Architectural Design**

After developing an application into several logic parts, it is necessary to find an approach to organize these parts together to create a software system. N-tier applications have become the norm for building software today.

In software engineering, multi-tier architecture (often referred as n-tier architecture) is a client-server architecture in which presentation, application processing, and data management functions are physically separated (Fowler, 2002). The most widespread use of multi-tier architecture is the three-tier architecture. The figure below represent the architectural diagram for online bus ticketing web portal.

##### **Tier I: Bus Ticketing System Presentation Tier**

The top-most level of application is the user interface. The user interacts with the server using a web browser such as Internet Explorer, Firefox or Opera. The client requests the web server for a page and the server responds to it.



## Tier II: Bus Ticketing System Logic Tier

The Bus ticketing System logic layer works as a mediator to transfer the data from the presentation layer. This layer coordinates the application, process commands, makes logical decisions and evaluations, and performs calculations. It also moves and processes data between the two surrounding layers.

## Tier III: Bus Ticketing Data Tier

Here information is stored and retrieved from a database or file system. The information is then passed to the logic tier for processing, and they eventually back to the user. The data layer includes the data persistence and mechanisms (databases servers, file servers, etc.) and the data access layer that encapsulates the persistence mechanisms and exposes the data. The data access layer should provide an application programming interface (API) to the application tier that exposes methods of managing the stored data without exposing or exposing dependencies on the data storage mechanism.

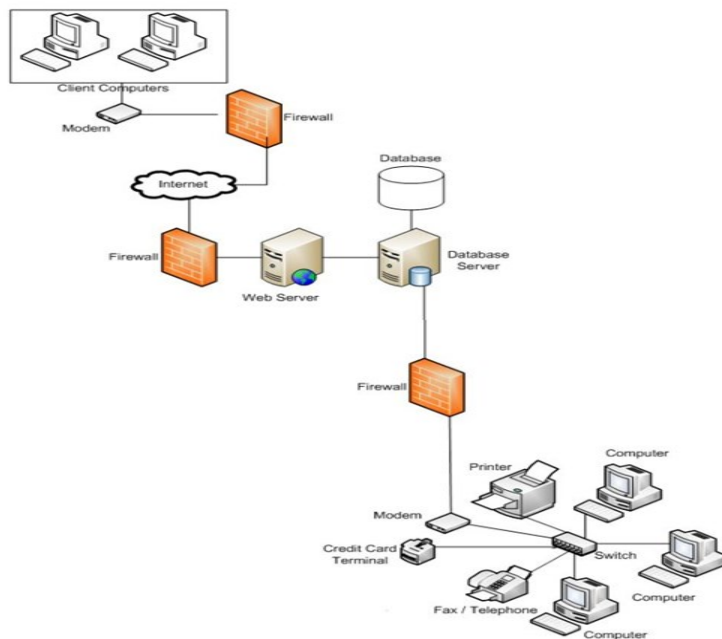


Figure 4.9: System architectural diagram

#### **4.12 Interface Design**

The further explanation of the interface design for the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is attached in Appendix A (Homepages), Appendix B (Staff Section) and Appendix C (Customer section).

#### **4.13 Source Codes**

The source codes for the Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is attached Appendix D, (login.php), Appendix B (addcustomer1.php).

#### **4.14 Testing**

Testing is the process that is carried out to ensure that the system conforms to the specification and meets the requirements of the users, namely staff, administrator and customers. Testing had been conducted not only in the end but also during the development of the prototype system. Functional and interface testing were carried out for the module or for the whole system. Each and every link had been checked to make sure all the links are working correctly. Interface testing is carried out to identify that the interface works correctly and faults are not created because of interface errors.

##### **4.14.1 Unit Testing**

Unit Testing is to test software in terms of a unit, a module, a function, a specific section of code. This testing occurs while the software is being developed and before completion (David Fletcher, 2000).

For Unit Testing, test cases are designed to verify that an individual unit implements all design decisions made in the unit's design specification. A thorough unit test specification should include positive testing where the unit does what it is supposed to do, and also negative testing

where the unit does not do anything that it is not supposed to do. Table 4.2 shows the Unit Testing for the Administrator login module.

Table 4.2

Unit testing for administrator login module

Test procedure	Output/error	Analysis of the test result
Login as admin with valid login ID, password username.	Admin is redirected to the admin home.	Successfully redirected to the admin home after the system checks the validity of login ID, password and username.
Invalid login ID, password or username.	Error message is displayed	Login is denied and an error message of wrong login ID, password or username.
None	Message is displayed requesting the admin insert the required fields.	Login denied and a message is displayed requesting to insert the required fields.

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elseif($member['role'] == 5) {

    $_SESSION['SESS_ADMIN_ID'] = $member['uid'];
    $_SESSION['SESS_ADMIN'] = $login;
    header("Location: admin/dashboard_manager.php");
    $update=mysql_query("insert into user_log (username,login_date,uid)values('$login',NOW(),".$member['uid'].")"or die(mysql_error()));
    }

}

}else {
    ?>
    <script type="text/javascript">
    alert("Invalid Username Or Password");
    window.location = "index.php";
    </script>

```

#### 4.14.2 Integral Testing

Upon completion of Unit Testing, Integration Testing will begin. The purpose is to ensure the distinct components of the application still work in accordance to customer requirements. Test sets will be developed with the purpose of exercising the interfaces between the components. This

activity is to be carried out by the bus operators and customers. Integration test will be complete when actual results and expected results are either in line or differences are explainable or acceptable based on the user input.

#### 4.14.3 System Testing

Upon completion of Integration Testing, System Testing will begin. During system testing, the complete system is configured in a controlled environment to validate its accuracy and completeness in performing the functions as designed. The system test will simulate production as it will occur in the “production-like” test environment and test every functions of the system that will be required in production. It is also important that validation of the system meets the functional and non-functional requirements. Table 4.3 shows the Integrated Testing for the Customer Booking Ticket module.

Table 4.3

Integrated Testing for the Customer Ticket Booking module

Test procedure	Output/error	Analysis of the test result
Search the ticket availability by inserting route, number of passenger, departure date before the time and date of travel from the Current date.	Customer is redirected to the Bus Registration page, which contain the details of customer. The error message prompt If the route buses the driver is not allocated or number of seats is exhausted or the time slot is not available.	Successfully redirected the customer registration page, which contains customer Information. The customer fill the required field and Clicks on the confirm button, the system will
Makes a payment either by choosing offline on skipping the page or by clicking make payment button to pay online using Credit Card.	The registered customer is Directed to the Online vougePay payment page on click Make pay. The price will be deducted From the Customer’s account.	Successfully redirected the customer to the Online VougePay payment page, Or successfully moves to the print ticket

System shows a confirmation message after a successful payment and allows users to print the Ticket.	The customer is shown a confirmation message and is given a option to print the Ticket.	Successfully a confirmation message appears and Customer can print his ticket.
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$hours = date("H");
$mins = date("i");
$ampm = date('a');
$mydate = date('Y-m-d');
$thedata = $_POST['date'];
$dates = explode("/", $thedata);
$year = substr($dates[2], 2, 4);
$thedata = $dates[2].'-'. $dates[1].'-'. $dates[0];
//echo $thedata;
$f = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM route WHERE id='$_POST[route]'");
$f = mysql_fetch_array($f);

$t = $f;
$fr = $t['route'];
$fr = explode("-", $fr);
$lo = $fr[0];
$up = $fr[1];
$y = 0;
for($m=$lo; $m<=$up; $m++) {
    $er = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM driver_bus WHERE route=$m");
    if(mysql_num_rows($er) == 0)
        $y++;
}
$f = explode(':', $f['time']);
$h = $f[0];
$m = $f[1];
if(($hours <= $h && $mins <= $mins) || ($thedata != $mydate) || ($hours < $h && $mins >= $m)) {
    if($y == 0) {
        $busnum=$_POST['route'];
        $qty=$_POST['qty'];
    }
} else {
    } else {
        echo "<script>alert('Bus occupied change the travel date');window.location='index.php'</script>";
    }
    } else {
        echo "<script>alert('driver not allocated');window.location='index.php'</script>";
    }
} else {
    echo '<script>';
    echo 'window.alert("Time slot not available");';
    echo 'window.location="../index.php"';
    echo '</script>';
}
?>

```

#### **4.14.4 Acceptance Testing**

Acceptance testing will give both Customers, staff, and Administrator the opportunity to verify the system functionality and usability prior to the system deployment. The users will test the system interaction with the database, using network communications, or interacting with other hardware or other applications. The system is tested with data supplied by the end users rather than simulated test data. Acceptance testing reveals errors and omissions in the system requirement definition because real data exercises the system in different ways from the test data. It also reveals requirements problem where the system's facilities do not really meet the user's need or the system performance is unacceptable. The testing process continues until the system developer and client agrees that the Online Bus Ticketing web portal is an acceptable implementation of the system requirement.

## **CHAPTER FIVE: CONCLUSION**

### **5.1 Introduction**

This chapter discusses on the outcome of this entire project, limitations of the project and last but not least the future outcome of this project.

Finally, this chapter concludes WITH various issues that had been highlighted in the earlier chapters. Knowledge in terms of concept, theory, technical and practical aspects on Online Bus Ticketing System web portal had been gained.

### **5.2 Limitations of the project**

There were few constraints that had been encountered during completing the research document. The first constrain was the inability to find any research document obtaining information on star ranking for bus operators. It was difficult to acquire any information on this area because there are no any governing bodies that award ratings to bus drivers as how hotels and airlines are rated. It is discovered there are none of the bus e-ticketing sites offers star ranking for any of its bus operators.

The second constraint was on the information gathered from the public on e-ticketing in Nigeria. It is difficult to have a perfect percentage of statistics constructed. The opinion responded by public during data gathering process is too subjective and how genuine the opinion is questionable. The existence of e-ticketing in Nigeria is still new for many and those who have the knowledge of e-ticketing still do not fully utilize the services.

### **5.3 Outcomes of the project**

Based on the research objective that has been stated in the earlier chapter the following are the achievements:

The first objective has been successfully completed, which is to investigate and analyze the problems on the existing e-ticketing systems provided by individual bus operators. The problems of existing e-ticketing are clearly stated in Chapter 2 where a thorough study had been conducted by investigating existing bus e-ticketing systems in Nigeria and overseas.

Further improvement had been identified that need to be done on the existing bus e-ticketing systems.

The next objective is to identify the relevant features of various components and methods needed for an Online Bus Ticketing web portal. This objective has been highlighted clearly in Chapter 3 that includes the improvements needed on the existing e-ticketing systems through interviews and surveys. Based on the suggested information gathered, the relevant features of various components and methods needed for an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is designed. This objective is also to assist bus operators operations and marketing decision through timely decision making via Management Information System. The system allows the system staff to generate up to date reports, user logs, driver rates, activity logs from the system for future decision making.

The next objective identifies the improvements needed on the existing e-ticketing systems through interviews and surveys. With the suggested information gathered, the relevant Features of various components and methods needed for an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is designed. This objective explains on the development of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. The tools and methodology used, user requirements and other issues on designing the system are discussed.

The remaining objectives identifiers the futures such as ticket cancel, online payment, ticket postponement etc. for customers base on the propose system to ease ticketing activities. The



suggested feature was gathered from chapter 2 Reviews on the existing online ticketing system, these relevant features for proposed system were implemented.

#### **5.4 Conclusion**

Online Bus Ticketing System web portal is a system with its own strengths and limitations. A through study and implementation of an Online Bus Ticketing System web portal had been conducted. An investigation on some bus e-ticketing sites in Nigeria and overseas had also been conducted, and the discovery that there are not many of these sites offers a collaborated bus operators services and none has an awarding star ranking to their bus drivers, which will be considered a niche and vital information to the customers and the company in general. Thus, an introduction of the Online Bus Ticketing web portal that collaborates all staff and star ranking feature for bus drivers in Nigeria as well as creating convenience to bus users, conducting virtual business transaction more efficiently, and over the Internet, which has already become a crucial part of our daily lives.

Overall, Online Bus Ticketing System web portal has been successfully built and has achieved and fulfilled the objectives and requirements that are stated in the project proposal. The use of web-based approach bring along many benefits include the ability to access information anywhere and at any time of the day.

There is room for improvement on the suggested guidelines, study and implementation of Online Bus Ticketing System web portal. An important challenge is by providing awareness about a collaborated web portal of Online Bus Ticketing System in Nigeria and the introduction of star ranking for all bus drivers in Nigeria. This will help to improve the country's bus transport service industry by offering the best service in terms of performance, security and safety.

Finally, the useful information provided by the respondents towards the completion of this project document is greatly appreciated.

## **5.5 Future Work of the Research**

Some of the future work of the research for this Online Bus Ticketing web portal that can be taken into consideration are:

### **(a) Enhanced User Interface**

The user interface of the system can be enhanced to be more attractive, impressive and interactive when this web portal is converted to a real-time system.

### **(b) Increase Administrators Task**

Administrator's task can be further enhanced to include more features to ease maintenance process. For example, analytical tools, data mining, other relevant reports and database backup are recommended to be included in this Online Bus Ticketing web portal to provide more analytical function to the company.

### **(c) Common working community**

The system can also be a "newsletter" to all employers and employees who are related to bus transportation in Nigeria. Various information or news can be displayed to the targeted audience such as employment availability, staff news and so on.

### **(d) Staff Management**

The staff management can also be included to generate staff attendance, promotions, and salary and so on.

### **(e) Choice of Desired Bus seat**

The customer can also have opportunity to select a desired seat of particular bus of route to travel.

**(f) Bus Renting**

The system should allow a customer that travelled 20 times or some extinct with SSTA to rent bus from a company.

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## Appendix A

### Interface Design (Homepages)



Figure A1: User login

Figure A1 shows the Main Page of all users where there is a login feature for security purpose. A user can login by inserting his/her name and also inserting the password. In case of a wrong password, the system displays “Invalid Username or Password” error message.

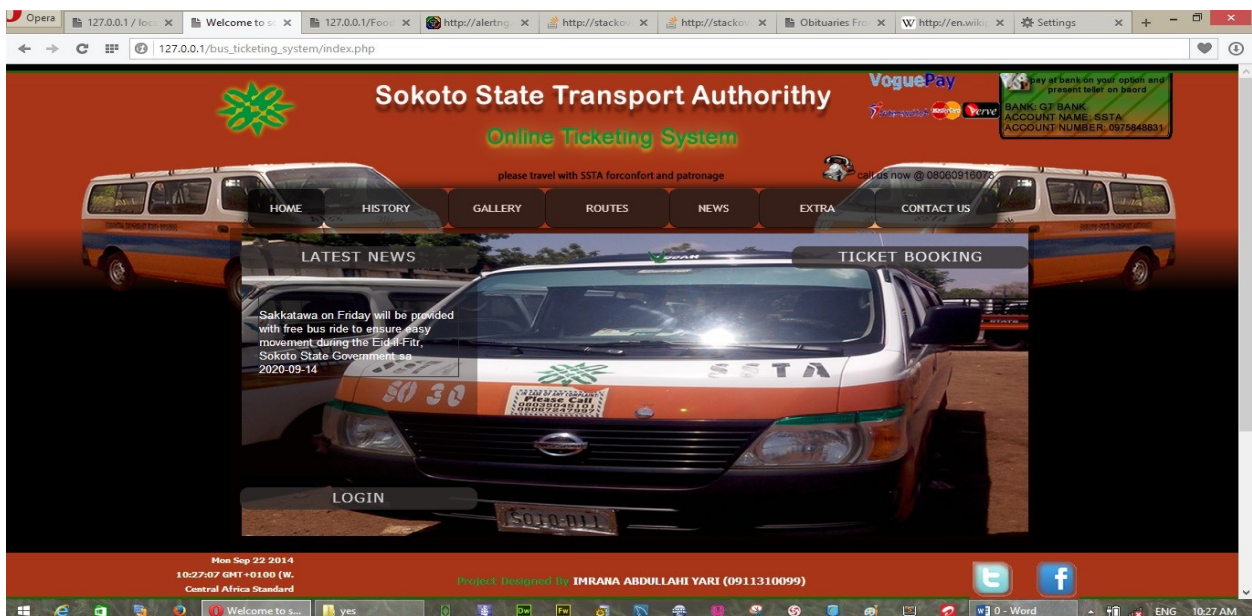


Figure A2: News Headlines

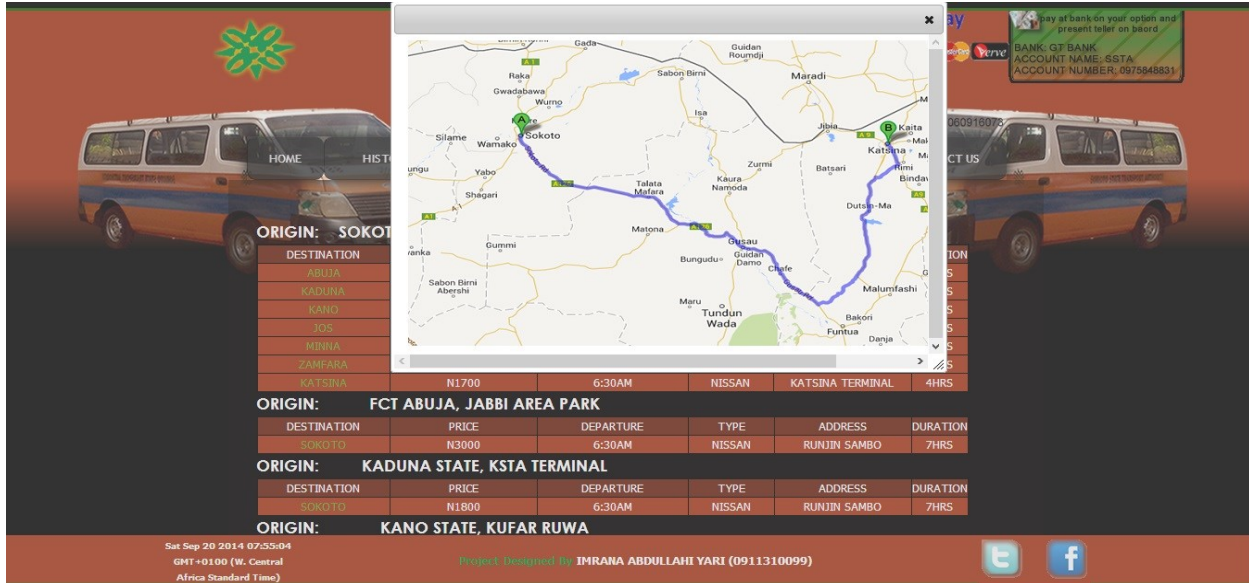


Figure A3: Route map

## Appendix B

### Interface Design (Staff section for administrator)

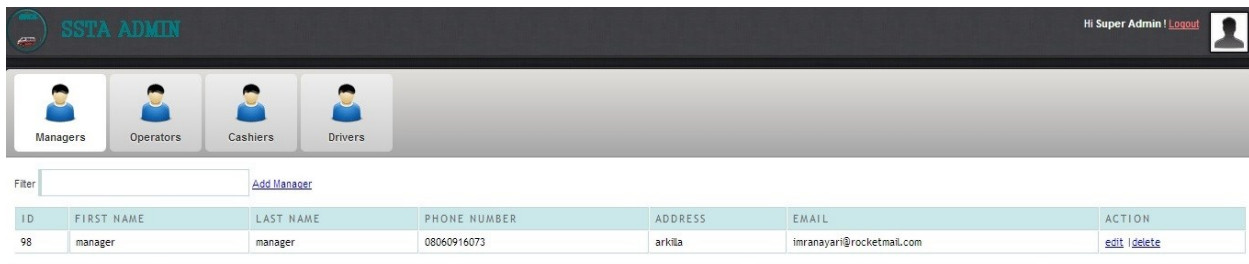


Figure B1: Admin panel

Figure B1 shows the Main Page of admin where there feature for admin to add, edit or delete staff (manager, cashier and operator). The figures below shows the feature of admin to add, delete and edit staff.

Figure B2: Adding and editing staff

LAST NAME	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS	ACTION
wazirin boko	07068143858	bakasau	<a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Bello	08123465789	arkilla	<a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Aliyu	07068143858	tungan hiti	<a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>
Bt	08060916073	Basb	<a href="#">edit</a> <a href="#">delete</a>

Figure B3: Delete staff.



## Appendix C

### Interface Design (Staff section for Manager)

The screenshot shows the SSTA ADMIN interface for a manager. At the top, there is a header with the SSTA ADMIN logo and a user profile icon labeled 'Hi Manager ! Logout'. Below the header is a navigation menu with icons for 'Users logs', 'Activity logs', 'Reports', 'Customers', 'News', and 'Drivers'. A 'Filter' input field is located below the navigation menu. The main content area displays a table with the following data:

USER LOG ID	USERNAME	LOGIN_DATE	LOGOUT_DATE	USER ID
1	operator	2014-09-19 21:11:57	2014-09-20 06:57:40	99
2	cashier	2014-09-19 21:26:39	2014-09-19 21:26:54	100
3	operator	2014-09-19 21:27:05	2014-09-20 06:57:40	99
4	imranayari	2014-09-19 21:27:40	2014-09-20 07:44:03	154
5	imranayari	2014-09-20 07:42:39	2014-09-20 07:44:03	154
6	imrana	2014-09-20 07:44:28		155
7	admin	2014-09-20 07:57:48	2014-09-20 08:02:07	1
8	admin	2014-09-20 08:01:16	2014-09-20 08:02:07	1
9	manager	2014-09-20 08:02:22		98


Figure C1: Manager main page

Figure C1 shows the Main Page of manager where there is a feature for manager to view logs, view activity logs, generate report, edit customer, manage news and suspend or release driver. The figures below shows those features.

The screenshot shows the SSTA ADMIN interface for a manager, specifically the 'Activity logs' section. The navigation menu is the same as in Figure C1, but the 'Activity logs' icon is highlighted. Below the navigation menu is a 'Filter' input field. The main content area displays a table with the following data:

ACTIVITY LOG ID	USERNAME	DATE	ACTION
1	operator	2014-09-19 21:19:00	change astatus change to 1
2	operator	2014-09-19 21:19:10	change astatus change to 1
3	operator	2014-09-19 21:19:24	change astatus change to 1
4	operator	2014-09-19 21:20:07	change astatus change to 1
6	cashier	2014-09-19 21:26:47	pstatus is change to 1
7	operator	2014-09-19 21:27:14	change a of 940B44JE
8	imranayari	2014-09-19 21:27:47	rate a driver
9	imrana	2014-09-19 21:31:05	booked a ticket
10	operator	2014-09-20 06:32:23	change astatus change to 1
11	operator	2014-09-20 06:32:37	change astatus change to 1
12	operator	2014-09-20 06:32:51	change astatus change to 1
13	operator	2014-09-20 06:33:05	change astatus change to 1
14	operator	2014-09-20 06:33:36	change astatus change to 1
15	operator	2014-09-20 06:34:27	change astatus change to 1
16	operator	2014-09-20 06:34:40	change astatus change to 1
17	operator	2014-09-20 06:34:59	change astatus change to 1
18	operator	2014-09-20 06:35:12	change astatus change to 1

Figure C2: Activity logs


SSTA ADMIN Hi Manager! Logout 

Users logs Activity logs Reports Customers News Drivers

Event:  From:  To:

S/N	FULL NAME	TRANSACTION NO	TICKET NO	BOOKING DATE	AMOUNT TO PAY
1	imrana abdualahi yari	49JEEFCE	00001		700
2	baffa ahmed yari	CE19B1JJ	00002		1800
3	aliyu dan ladi	CJD4609C	00003		27500
4	imrana abdualahi yari	FAQJC334	00004		3000
Total:					33000

Figure C3: Generate Reports


SSTA ADMIN Hi Manager! Logout 

Users logs Activity logs Reports Customers News Drivers

Filter

ID	F. NAME	L. NAME	O. NAME	GENDER	COUNTRY	STATE	L/G	TOWN	ADDRESS	CONTACT	EMAIL	N. KIN	N. KIN CONTACT	N. KIN ADDRESS	ACTION
155	imrana	abdualahi	yari	M	Nigeria	Sokoto	Wamako	Birini Kebbi	arkilla federal lowcost	08060916073	imranayari@rocketmail.com	Al-Mustapaha maccido	08021318711	arkilla federal lowcost house number 7	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
156	baffa	ahmed	yari	M	Nigeria	Sokoto	Wamako	gayi	Arkilla	08021304412		abduhamid mustapha	08078675643	ilelar yari	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
157	aliyu	dan ladi		M	Nigeria	Kebbi	Zuru	zuru	near central market	08065986863		baba gada	08081781234	old area	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
155	imrana	abdualahi	yari	M	Nigeria	Sokoto	Wamako	Birini Kebbi	arkilla federal lowcost	08060916073	imranayari@rocketmail.com	Al-Mustapaha maccido	08021318711	arkilla federal lowcost house number 7	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>

Figure C4: Edit Customer

SSTA ADMIN Hi Manager! Logout 

Users logs Activity logs Reports Customers News Drivers

Filter

ID	TOPIC	EVENT	DATE	ACTION
1	National news on transport	Associated Bus Company Plc, operators of ABC Transport commenced operations in road passenger transport in February 13, 1993 as an off-shoot of Rapido Ventures Limited in Owerri with an authorized share capital of N1, 000,000. The authorized and paid up share capitals have since been increased to N800million. Fashioned with a view to running a modern road transportation system in Nigeria with international standards, the company is ably managed by a team of time-tested professionals with excellent	2020-09-14	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
2	Sokot state	Published on September 6, 2013 by pmnews Governor Aliyu Magatakarda wamako the executive Governor of Sokoto State, Nigeria, has raised alarm that commuter bus drivers in the state now take drugs and engage in other substance abuse, warning that it is a dangerous trend that is akin to taking a gamble with people's lives. He said this must stop. According to the governor, at least many bus drivers in many parks in the state tested positive for taking some drugs and marijuana while others in three parks were found to be driving under the influence of excessive cigarette. Au made this known on Thursday during a Motor Park Health and Safety Awareness Campaign organised by the State Ministries of Health and Transportation in partnership with some organizations Nigeria Plc. The event took place at sokoto main motor park.	2020-09-14	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
3	sakkwatava	Sakkatava on Friday will be provided with free bus ride to ensure easy movement during the Eid-il-Fitr, Sokoto State Government says. A statement by the Managing Director of the Sokoto Metropolitan Area Transport Authority, Ah. Bello wurno, said the free bus ride would, in particular, enable Muslims to have easy access to different praying centres across the state. Bello wurno noted that the free bus service, which began in 2008, had helped in reducing congestion and accident on the roads during festive periods. He added that the free bus service would run for 13 hours starting from 7am to 10pm. Bello urged motorists that would be on the road to drive with care and observe all traffic rules.	2020-09-14	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>

Figure C5: Edit news

Users logs Activity logs Reports Customers News

Status: Suspend Edit

Filter

ID	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS	DRIVER RATE/RANK	DRIVER STATUS	ACTION
3	zukiflu	wazirin boko	07068143858	bakasau	View	Released	edit
4	Abubakar	Belo	08123465789	arkilla	View	Released	edit
5	teema	Aliyu	07068143858	tungan hiti	View	Released	edit
6	sani	Bt	08060916073	Basb	View	Released	edit
7	buba	Galadima	07068143858	Arkilla	View	Released	edit
8	Babba	Baba	07068143858	gwarinpa	View	Released	edit
9	Gadanga	Giya	08123465789	angan	View	Released	edit

Figure C6: Suspend/release driver

Users logs Activity logs Reports

Ratings for this Driver (8 total)

1 very poor  
0 poor  
1 good  
6 very good  
0 excellent

Filter

ID	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS	DRIVER RATE/RANK	DRIVER STATUS	ACTION
3	zukiflu	wazirin boko	07068143858	bakasau	View	Released	edit
4	Abubakar	Belo	08123465789	arkilla	View	Released	edit
5	teema	Aliyu	07068143858	tungan hiti	View	Released	edit
6	sani	Bt	08060916073	Basb	View	Released	edit
7	buba	Galadima	07068143858	Arkilla	View	Released	edit
8	Babba	Baba	07068143858	gwarinpa	View	Released	edit
9	Gadanga	Giya	08123465789	angan	View	Released	edit
10	Dalhat	Bala	0823666712	kali	View	Released	edit
11	aminu	abubakar	07021318711	nassarawa 2	View	Released	edit
12	garba	jadadi	09011415211	bodinga	View	Released	edit
13	dan galadima	raba	08065988862	Arkilla	View	Released	edit
14	Tanko	Altime	09033231212	Low coast	View	Released	edit
15	Habibu	Hali	08022334455	hayin Mal, Sani	View	Released	edit
16	Aliyu	Sani Dantala	08022233333	Sokoto rima	View	Released	edit
17	Tukur	Tahir Tanimu	08050505050	Hayin Sabo	View	Released	edit
18	Rabiu	Ahaji Baba	08055555566	Gada local Govt	View	Released	edit
19	Dan Iroko	Yakubu	08069679000	Tusuun Murata	View	Released	edit

Figure C7: driver rate

## APPENDIX D

### Interface Design (Staff section for Operator)


ID	TRANSACTION NUMBER	DATE	FIRST NAME	STATUS	ACTION
48	49JEEFCE	2014-09-20	imrana	Not Travelled	<a href="#">edit</a>
49	CE1981JJ	2014-09-21	baffa	Not Travelled	<a href="#">edit</a>
50	CJD4609C	2014-09-21	aliyu	Travelled	





Figure D1: Manager main page

Figure D1 shows the Main Page of Operator where there is a feature for operator to assign travel status, manage routes, manage ticket and allocate driver to bus. The figures below shows those features.

ID	DATE	ROUTE NAME	BUS TYPE	ROUTE	SEAT NUMBER	TRANSACTION CODE	ACTION
48	2014-09-20	Sokoto - Zamfara	NISSAN	1-4	1	49JEEFCE	<a href="#">delete</a>
49	2014-09-21	Kano - Sokoto	NISSAN	30-39	1	CE1981JJ	<a href="#">delete</a>
50	2014-09-21	Sokoto - Minna	NISSAN	15-22	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11	CJD4609C	<a href="#">delete</a>
51	2014-09-21	Jos - Sokoto	NISSAN	23-29	1	FA0JC334	<a href="#">delete</a>

Figure D2: Seat Inventory


SSTA ADMIN Hi Operator! Logout 





 Approve
  Bus
  Seat Inventory
  Drivers to Bus

Filter  [Add Route](#) | [Delete All](#)

ID	ROUTE NAME	BUS TYPE	ROUTE	SEAT NUMBER	PRICE	TIME	ACTION
1	Sokoto - Zamfara	NISSAN	1-4	14	700	07:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
3	Sokoto - Abuja	NISSAN	5-14	14	3000	06:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
5	Sokoto - Minna	NISSAN	15-22	14	2500	06:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
6	Sokoto - Jos	NISSAN	23-29	14	3000	06:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
7	Sokoto - Kano	NISSAN	30-39	14	1800	06:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
8	Sokoto - Kaduna	NISSAN	40-48	14	1800	06:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
9	Sokoto - Katsina	NISSAN	49-56	14	1700	06:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
10	Zamfara - Sokoto	NISSAN	1-4	14	700	12:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
11	Abuja - Sokoto	NISSAN	5-14	14	3000	16:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
12	Minna - Sokoto	NISSAN	15-22	14	2500	16:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
13	Jos - Sokoto	NISSAN	23-29	14	3000	16:30	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
14	Kano - Sokoto	NISSAN	30-39	14	1800	14:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
15	Kaduna - Sokoto	NISSAN	40-48	14	1800	14:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>
16	Katsina - Sokoto	NISSAN	49-56	14	1700	13:00	<a href="#">edit</a>   <a href="#">delete</a>

Figure D3: Edit Routes

SSTA ADMIN Hi Operator! Logout 

 Approve
  Routes
  Seat Inventory
  Drivers to Bus

Filter

ID	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS
3	zukifu	wazirin boko	07068143858	bakasau
4	Abubakar	Belo	08123465789	arkilla
5	teema	Aiyu	07068143858	tungan hiti
6	sani	Bt	08060916073	Basb
7	buba	Galadima	07068143858	Arkilla
8	Babba	Baba	07068143858	gwarinpa
9	Gadanga	Giya	08123465789	bangan
10	Dahat	Bala	08236666712	kai
11	aminu	abubakar	07021318711	nassarawa 2
12	garba	jadadi	09011415211	bodinga
13	dan galadima	raba	08065986862	Arkilla
14	Tanko	Altine	09033231212	Low coast
15	Habibu	Hai	08022334455	hayin Mal, San
16	Aiyu	Sani Dantaia	08022223333	Sokoto rima
17	Tukur	Tahir Tanimu	08050505050	Hayin Sabo
18	Rabiu	Alhaji Baba	08055555566	Gada local Gov
19	Dan Iroro	Yakubu	08069679000	Tudun Murta
20	Salisu	Bako	07033883425	Kusa Da Gidan
21	Sabaraje	Ama	08123456789	Layout Sokot

BUS TYPE	ROUTE NAME	SEAT NUMBER	PRICE	TIME	ALLOCATION
NISSAN	Sokoto - Zamfara	14	700	07:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Sokoto - Abuja	14	3000	06:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Sokoto - Minna	14	2500	06:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Sokoto - Jos	14	3000	06:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Sokoto - Kano	14	1800	06:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Sokoto - Kaduna	14	1800	06:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Sokoto - Katsina	14	1700	06:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Zamfara - Sokoto	14	700	12:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Abuja - Sokoto	14	3000	16:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Minna - Sokoto	14	2500	16:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Jos - Sokoto	14	3000	16:30	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Kano - Sokoto	14	1800	14:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Kaduna - Sokoto	14	1800	14:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>
NISSAN	Katsina - Sokoto	14	1700	13:00	<a href="#">allocate</a>

ALLOTTED	DRIVER STATUS	ALLOCATION STATUS
juja Bus No:5	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
infara Bus No:1	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
infara Bus No:2	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
infara Bus No:3	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
infara Bus No:4	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:6	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:7	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:8	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:9	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:10	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:11	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:12	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:13	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
juja Bus No:14	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
inna Bus No:15	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
inna Bus No:16	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
inna Bus No:17	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
inna Bus No:18	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>
inna Bus No:19	Released	<a href="#">Unallocate</a>

Figure D4: allocate driver

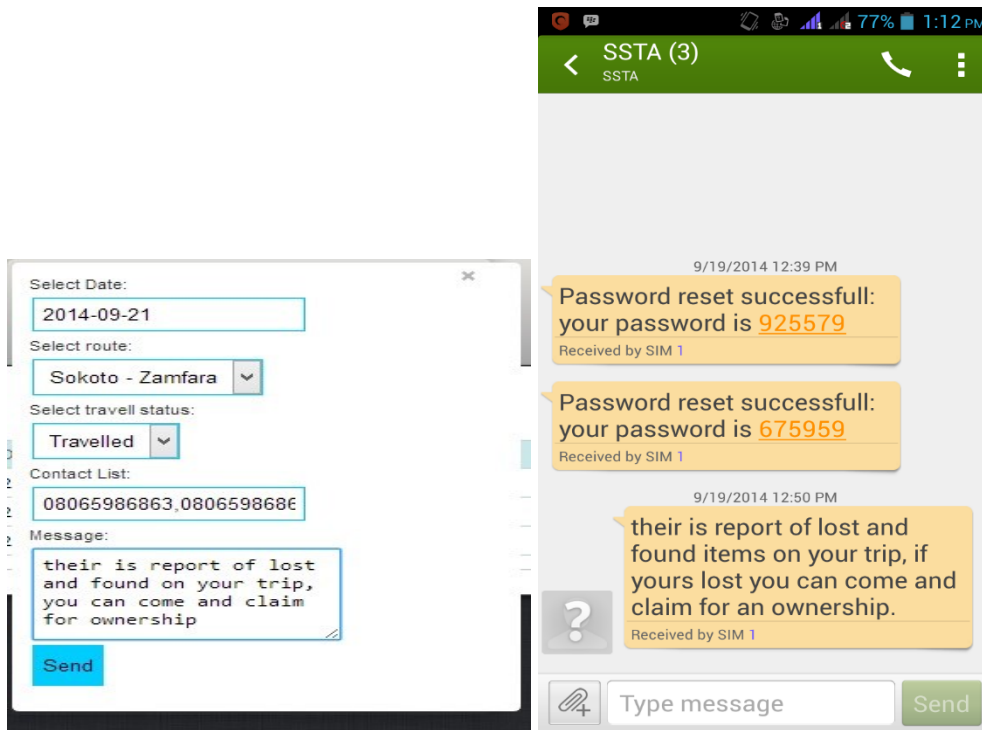


Figure D5: Send Broadcast and message

## APPENDIX E

### Interface Design (Staff section for Cashier)

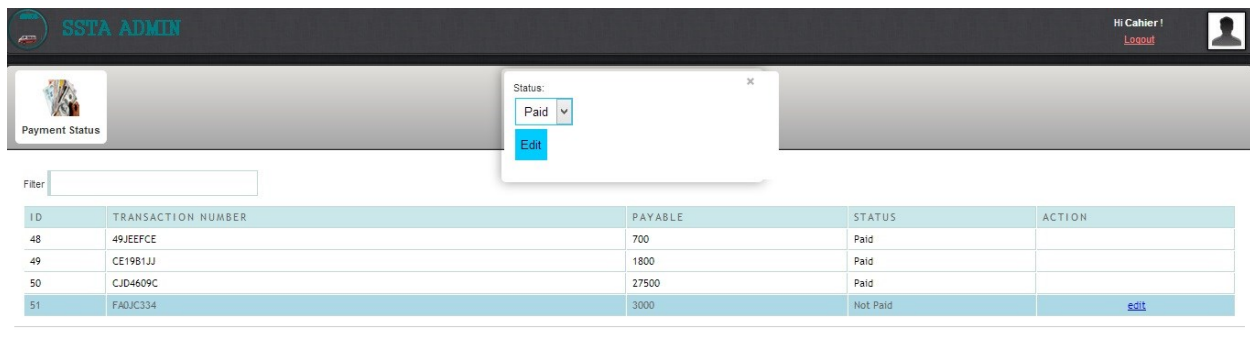


Figure E1: Staff section for cashier

Cashier main page

## Appendix F

### Interface Design (Customer Section)



Figure F1: Customer main page

Figure F1 shows the Main Page of Customer after successful login, where there is a feature for customer to re- book a ticket, cancel ticket, postpone ticket, reset password or rate a driver. The figures below shows those features.

**Sokoto State Transport Authority**  
**Online Ticketing System**

Register  
 Auto Generated view seat

Seat Number: 1  
 Bus Number: 1  
 First Name: imrana  
 Last Name: abduhlahi  
 Other Name: yari  
 Gender: Female  
 Country: Nigeria  
 State: Kebbi  
 LG: Birnin Kebbi  
 Home Town: Birnin Kebbi  
 Address: rafin atiku, birni kebbi  
 Mobile No: 08060916073  
 Email: imranayari@rocketmail  
 Next of Kin Name: Al-Mustapha maccido  
 Next of Kin Contact Number: 08078675645  
 Next of Kin Address: 08090897865  
 Username: imranayari  
 Password: [masked]  
 Confirm Password: [masked]  
 I agree the terms and condition of this company

Enter the Code here: 3144843

clear submit

Help!

- All fields marked with "\*" are compulsory fields and must be filled to proceed.
- Only Characters are allowed in fields of first name, Other name, last name and home town.
- Only numbers are allowed in the mobile number field.
- Your Contact Mobile Number is used to send your ticket details via SMS.
- To see more item of select list, press or click first item, then select.
- To Pay online you need to use your ATM card details.
- If you are not from Nigeria do not select any State.
- Use a clear fields button to reset all fields.
- Use always a unique username that is always memorable, Note that if you are re-booking you have to always change your username
- You can click a reminder button on the print page to fill the form to text you about your future schedules of travelling especially when the travelling its not soon
- fill the captcha code accurately for verification
- Always read and accept the terms and condition

Figure F2: Customer registering ticket

**Sokoto State Transport Authority**  
**Online Ticketing System**

please travel with SSTA for confort and patronage

Registration STEP: 2

Amount To Be Paid: 700  
 Transaction Number: 5596CBE9  
 Username: imranayari

Skip

MAKE PAYMENT

Mon Sep 22 2014  
 16:47:54 GMT+0100 (W. Central Africa Standard)

Project Designed by IMRANA ABDULLAHI YARI (0911310099)

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Figure F3: Customer ticket payment



**Fawahir Tech**

VoguePay securely processes payments for Fawahir Tech.

Please review your transaction details

Cart Details		
Item	Description	Price (₦)
Bus Ticket	Bus Ticket	50.00

Payment Details	
<b>Total Order</b>	<b>₦ 50.00</b>
Transaction ID (Write it down)	<b>541c130a1bc47</b>
Memo	Sokoto State Transport Authority
Select Payment Type	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>VoguePay</b>
	<input type="radio"/> Interswitch  
	<input type="radio"/> Verified by <b>VISA</b> <small>Service Provided by United Payment Services Agency Ltd.</small>
	<input type="radio"/> <b>eTranzact</b> 

Proceed

Figure F4: vogue pay payment

**Webpay**
**VoguePay**

info@fawahirtech.com - sani.abubakar22@yahoo.com

[Return to merchant site](#)

MasterCard™ Naira Debit

**₦ 50.76**

CARD NUMBER

EXPIRY DATE


CVV2 [\(What is cvv2?\)](#)

Card PIN


4	6	0
3	8	5
7	1	9
Clr	2	Del


By clicking Pay, I have agreed to this service's [Terms and Conditions](#)


**Pay**



powered by VeriSign







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Figure F5: card verification



Figure F6: OPT code verification

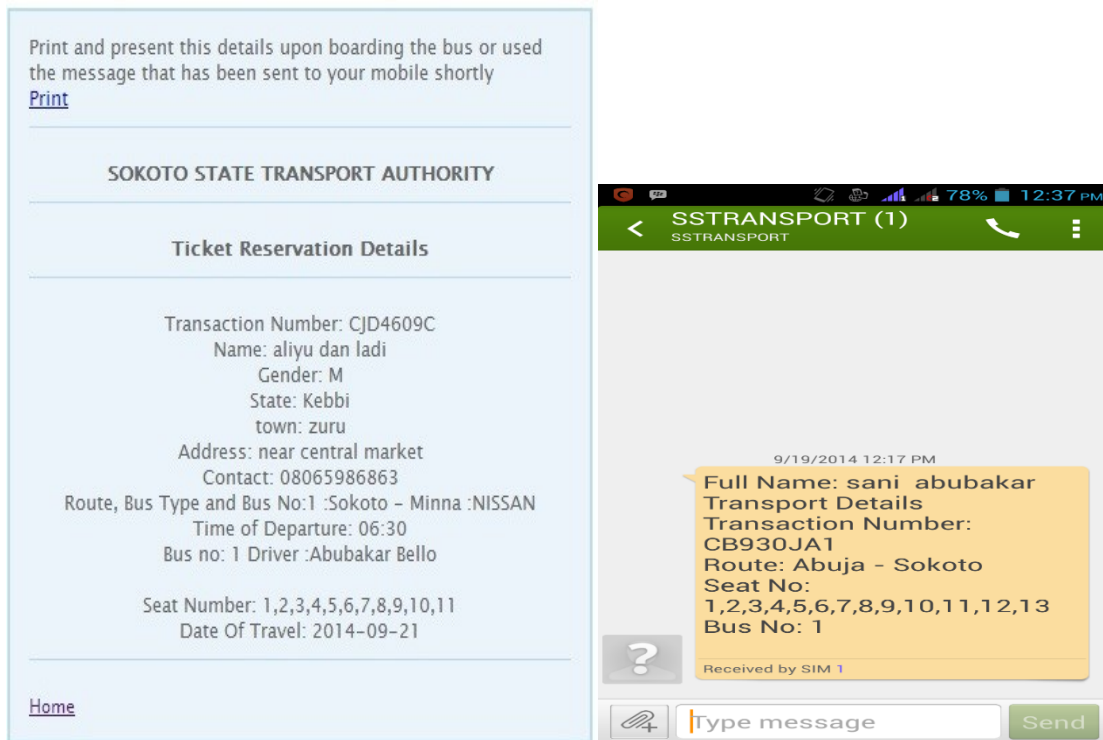


Figure F7: Customer print a ticket




Hi user !  
[Logout](#)

Current Password:

:New Password

:Confirm Password

Figure F8: Customer password reset




Hi user !  
[Logout](#)

Filter

Route	Date to Travel	Travel Status	Postpond to
Sokoto - Zamfara Bus no:1	2014-09-20	Traveled	Not available
Jos - Sokoto Bus no:1	2014-09-21	Not Traveled	<input type="text"/>

Figure F9: Ticket postpone



Hi user !  
[Logout](#)

Filter

Route	Date to Travel	Travel Status	Cancel
Sokoto - Zamfara Bus no:1	2014-09-20	Traveled	Not available
Jos - Sokoto Bus no:1	2014-09-21	Not Traveled	<input type="checkbox"/>

Figure F10: Ticket cancel

Driver Rating	Drivers	Routes	Rating
Very_poor ★ -- poor ★ -- Good ★ -- Very_good ★ -- Excellent ★ --	nafiu karhi	Sokoto - Kaduna Bus no:40	excellent

Figure F11: driver rate

## Appendix G

### Source Codes(login.php)

```

<?php if(@$_GET['login'] == 'true') { ?>
<?php session_start(); require "include/db.php";
    function clean($str) { $str = @trim($str);
        f(get_magic_quotes_gpc()) { $str = stripslashes($str); } return
mysql_real_escape_string($str); }
    $login = clean($_POST['username']);
    $password = md5(clean($_POST['password']));
    $qry="SELECT * FROM user WHERE uname='$login' AND password='$password'";
    $result=mysql_query($qry) or die(mysql_error());
    if($result) { if(mysql_num_rows($result) == 1) { session_regenerate_id();
    $member = mysql_fetch_assoc($result);
    $query = mysql_query("SELECT password_change FROM staff_bio WHERE
uid='$member[uid]");
    $row = mysql_fetch_array($query);
    if($member['role'] == 1) { $_SESSION['SESS_MANAGER_ID'] = $member['uid'];
    $_SESSION['SESS_MANAGER'] = $login; if($row['password_change'] == 0) { header("Location:
index.php?login=true"); } else header("location: manager/view_user_log.php");
    $update=mysql_query("insert into user_log
(username,login_date,uid)values('$login',NOW(),".$member['uid'].")"or die(mysql_error()); }
    elseif($member['role'] == 3) { $_SESSION['SESS_CASHIER_ID'] = $member['uid'];
    $_SESSION['SESS_CASHIER'] = $login; if($row['password_change'] == 0) { header("Location:
index.php?login=true"); } else header("Location: cashier/view_payable.php");
    $update=mysql_query("insert into user_log
(username,login_date,uid)values('$login',NOW(),".$member['uid'].")"or die(mysql_error()); }
    elseif($member['role'] == 2) { $_SESSION['SESS_CUSTOMER_ID'] = $member['uid'];
    $_SESSION['username'] = $login; header("Location: customer/index.php");
    $update=mysql_query("insert into user_log
(username,login_date,uid)values('$login',NOW(),".$member['uid'].")"or die(mysql_error()); }
    elseif($member['role'] == 4) { $_SESSION['SESS_OPERATOR_ID'] = $member['uid'];
    $_SESSION['SESS_OPERATOR'] = $login; if($row['password_change'] == 0) { header("Location:
index.php?login=true"); } else { header("Location: operator/view_approve.php");
    $update=mysql_query("insert into user_lo
(username,login_date,uid)values('$login',NOW(),".$member['uid'].")"or die(mysql_error()); }

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elseif($member['role'] == 5) { $_SESSION['SESS_ADMIN_ID'] = $member['uid'];
$_SESSION['SESS_ADMIN'] = $login; header("Location: admin/dashboard_manager.php");
$update=mysql_query("insert into user_log
(username,login_date,uid)values('$login',NOW(),'$member[uid].')")or die(mysql_error()); }
} else { ?<<script type="text/javascript">alert("Invalid Username Or Password");
window.location = "index.php";</script> <?php exit(); } else {
die("Query failed");} ?>

```

## Appendix G

### Source Codes (addcustomer1.php)

```

<?php
include('include/db.php'); date_default_timezone_set('Africa/Lagos');
if(isset($_POST['confirm'])) { function createRandomPassword() { $chars =
"ABCDEFJ12345609"; $pass = ""; for($i=0; $i<8; $i++) { $pass .= $chars[mt_rand(0,strlen($chars)-1)]; }
return $pass; } mysql_select_db($mysql_database,$bd); $busnum=$_POST['busnum'];
$setnum=$_POST['setnum']; $date=$_POST['date']; $username = $_POST['username']; $seat_reserve =
$_POST['qty']; $transaction_no = createRandomPassword(); $status = 1; $password =
md5($_POST['password']);
if(empty($username)) { $status = 0; $message = "Username required"; }
if(empty($_POST['fname'])) { $status = 0; $message = "First name required"; }
if(empty($_POST['lname'])) { $status = 0; $message = "Last name required"; }
if(empty($_POST['kinname'])) { $status = 0; $message = "kinname required"; }
if(empty($_POST['address'])) { $status = 0; $message = "address required"; }
if(empty($_POST['kinaddress'])) { $status = 0; $message = "kinaddress required"; }
if(empty($_POST['password']) || empty($_POST['password2'])) { $status = 0; $message =
"Password, confirm required"; }
if($_POST['password'] != $_POST['password2']) { $status = 0; $message = "Password
mismatch"; }
if(!preg_match("/^0[7-9]0[0-9]{8}/", $_POST['contact'])) { $status = 0; $message = "Wrong
mobile number for contact"; }
if(!preg_match("/^0[7-9]0[0-9]{8}/", $_POST['kincontact'])) { $status = 0; $message = "Wrong
mobile number for kincontact"; }
if(empty($_POST['State'])) { $status = 0; $message = "State required"; } $chk =
mysql_query("SELECT uid FROM user WHERE uname='$username'") or die(mysql_error());
$ticket_query = mysql_query("SELECT MAX(ticket_num) AS ticket FROM ticket_booking ");
$ticket_row = mysql_fetch_array($ticket_query); $ticket = $ticket_row['ticket'] + 1;
if($status == 1) { if(mysql_num_rows($chk) == 0) { mysql_query("INSERT INTO
user(uname,password,role) VALUES('$username','$password',2)"); $uid_query = mysql_query("SELECT
uid FROM user WHERE uname='$username'"); $uid_row = mysql_fetch_array($uid_query); { $uid =
$uid_row['uid']; } mysql_query("INSERT INTO customer_bio SET
uid=$uid,fname='".$_POST['fname']\",'lname='".$_POST['lname']\",'oname='".$_POST['oname']\",'gender='".$_
POST['gender']\",'country='".$_POST['country']\",'state='".$_POST['State']\",'ga='".$_POST['lga']\",'town='".$_POST['to
wn']\",'contact='".$_POST['contact']\",'email='".$_POST['email']\",'address='".$_POST['address']\",'kinname='\
$_POST['kinname']\",'kincontact='".$_POST['kincontact']\",'kinaddress='".$_POST['kinaddress']\"); $bd =
date('Y-m-d'); mysql_query ("INSERT INTO
ticket_booking(uid,route_id,bus,seat_no,seat_reserve,booking_date,travel_date,transaction_no,ticket_nu
m) VALUES($uid,\''$_POST[route]'\',\''$busnum'\',\''$setnum'\',\''$seat_reserve'\',\''$bd'\', '$date',
'$transaction_no','$ticket') or die(mysql_error()); }

```

```

$update2=mysql_query("INSERT INTO activity_log(date,uid, username,action)
values(NOW(),'$ _SESSION[SESS_CUSTOMER_ID]','$username','booked a ticket')")or
die(mysql_error());
$query4 = mysql_query("SELECT bus FROM
ticket_booking ORDER BY tb_id DESC");
$row4 = mysql_fetch_array($query4); $buses = $row4['bus']; $buses = explode(",", $buses);
$query3 = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM ticket_booking INNER JOIN driver_bus USING(route_id)
INNER JOIN driver_bio USING(did) WHERE uid = (SELECT MAX(uid) FROM ticket_booking ) AND
(route='$buses[0]' OR route='$buses[1]')") or die(mysql_error());

while($row3 = mysql_fetch_array($query3)) { mysql_query("INSERT INTO
driver_rate(uid,did,route_id) VALUES((SELECT MAX(uid) FROM ticket_booking),
$row3[did],$row3[route_id]);}
if($isUploaded) { header("location:print_ticket.php?username=$username"); } else {
header("Location:add_payment.php?username=$username");} } else { $message = "Username exist"; }
$query = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM customer_bio JOIN ticket_booking t USING(uid) JOIN route
r ON r.id = t.route_id JOIN user USING(uid) WHERE uname='$username'");
$row = mysql_fetch_array($query);
$msg = ""; $msg .= "Full Name: $row[fname] $row[lname]\n"; $msg .= "Transport Details\n"; $msg .=
"Transaction Number: $row[transaction_no]\n"; $msg .= "Route: $row[route_name]\n"; $msg .= "Seat
No: $row[seat_no]\n"; $msg .= "Bus No: $row[bus]\n"; $sender = "SSTRANSSPORT"; $url =
"http://www.alertng.com/components/com_smsreseller/smsapi.php"; $url .= "?username=alsudqee"; $url
.= "&password=ibrahim2"; $url .= "&sender=$sender"; $url .= "&recipient=".urlencode($row['contact']);
$url .= "&message=".urlencode($msg); @$fp = fopen($url, "r",255); } }
$hours = date("H");$mins = date("i"); $ampm = date('a'); $mydate = date('Y-m-d'); $thedata =
$_POST['date']; $dates = explode("/",$thedata); @$year = substr($dates[2],2,4); @$thedata = $dates[2].'-
'.$dates[1].'-'.$dates[0];
$f = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM route WHERE id=$_POST[route]"); $f = mysql_fetch_array($f);
$t = $f; $fr = $t['route']; $fr = explode("-", $fr); $lo = $fr[0]; $up = $fr[1]; $y = 0;
for($m=$lo; $m<=$up; $m++) { $er = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM driver_bus WHERE route=$m");
if(mysql_num_rows($er) == 0) $y++; } $f = explode(':', $f['time']); $h = $f[0]; $m = $f[1];
if(($hours <= $h && $mins <= $mins) || ($thedata != $mydate) || ($hours < $h && $mins >= $m)) { if($y
== 0) { $busnum=$_POST['route']; $qty=$_POST['qty']; $result = mysql_query("SELECT * FROM route
WHERE id='$busnum'");
$query = mysql_query("SELECT seat_no,route FROM ticket_booking t JOIN route r ON t.route_id = r.id
WHERE r.id='$busnum' AND travel_date='$thedata' AND (SELECT COUNT(*) FROM ticket_cancel
WHERE tb_id = t.tb_id) = 0 ORDER BY tb_id DESC") or die(mysql_error()); $row =
mysql_fetch_array($query);
$query2 = mysql_query("SELECT route FROM route WHERE id='$busnum'"); $row2 =
mysql_fetch_array($query2); $seats = explode(',',$row['seat_no']);
if(!empty($row['seat_no'])) $lastseat = $seats[sizeof($seats)-1]; else $lastseat = 0;
$query3 = mysql_query("SELECT bus FROM ticket_booking WHERE route_id='$busnum' AND
travel_date='$thedata' AND tb_id = (SELECT MAX(tb_id) FROM ticket_booking)") or
die(mysql_error());
$row3 = mysql_fetch_array($query3);
if(!empty($row3['bus'])) { $bus = explode(',', $row3['bus']); $lastbus = $bus[count($bus)-1]; } else {
$lastbus = 1;};
$N = $qty; $m = array(); $route = $row2['route']; $route = explode('-', $route); $lower = $route[0]; $upper
= isset($route[1]) ? $route[1] : $lower; $nums = array();
for($i=$lastseat+1; $i <= $N+$lastseat; $i++){ $nums[] = $lastbus + ceil($i/14)-1; }
$a = array_unique($nums);
for($i=$lastseat+1; $i <= $N+$lastseat; $i++){ $x = $i; $x = ($x > 14) ? $x-14 : $x; $m[] = $x; } $hi = 0;

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    foreach($a as $l) {
        if($l > $hi) $hi = $l; } if($sup > $hi) { ?>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml"><head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
<style type="text/css"> a:link {color: #00C;}</style> </head>
<script type="text/javascript">
function DrawCaptcha() { var a = Math.ceil(Math.random() * 10)+ "";var b = Math.ceil(Math.random() *
10)+ ""; var c = Math.ceil(Math.random() * 10)+ ""; var d = Math.ceil(Math.random() * 10)+ ""; var e
= Math.ceil(Math.random() * 10)+ ""; var f = Math.ceil(Math.random() * 10)+ ""; var g =
Math.ceil(Math.random() * 10)+ ""; var code = a + b + c + d + e + f + g;
document.getElementById("txtCaptcha").value = code} </script>
<body onload="DrawCaptcha();"><?php if(empty($_POST['date'])) { header("Location:../index.php");} ?
<script> $(function() { $('input[name=codetype]').focusout(function(e) { val = $(this).val();
pass = $('input[name=codetypecopy]').val(); if(val != pass) { alert("captcha code mismatch"); return false;
} });
$('#confirm').click(function(e) { var terms = $('#condition').attr('checked');
if(terms == undefined) { alert("Confrim terms and conditions");e.preventDefault(); return false; }
});}); </script>
<style type="text/css"> .style6 { font-size: 13px; color:#666; text-align: justify; font-
family:"Trebuchet MS", Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;} </style> </script>
<script> jQuery(document).ready(function(){ $('a[rel*=facebook]').facebook({ loadingImage :
'src/loading.gif, closeImage : 'src/closetlabel.png' } )});</script>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml"><head> <meta http-equiv="Content-Type"
content="text/html; charset=utf-8" /> <title>Welcome to sokoto state transport authourity</title> <div
id="account"></div> <div id="header1"></div> <div id="wrapper"> <div id="header">
 <map name="Map" id="Map"> <area shape="poly" coords="56,21" href="#" alt="" />
</map> <table width="900px" border="1" align="" cellpadding="0" cellspacing="0"> <tr>
<td width="66%" valign="top"><form name="drop_list" method="post" action="" id="formID"
enctype="multipart/form-data"><div class="addform"></div ><div class="addform"></div><div
class="body1">
<input name='route' value='<?php echo $_POST['route'] ?>' type='hidden' /> <style type="text/css"> .a{
width:400px; margin-left:22px;
input[class=id_empno], input.id_empno{ background:#CCC;} } </style>
<table border="0" width="auto" cellspacing="0" bordercolorlight="#00FF66" class="addrec"
align="center"> <input type="hidden" value="<?php echo preg_replace("/^-{0,20}/","",$thedate) ?>"
name="date" /> <input type="hidden" value="<?php echo $qty ?>" name="qty" />
<fieldset class="a" > <legend>Register</legend>
<span class="small">Auto Generated <a rel="facebook" href="view_seat_location.php?id=<?php echo
$busnum; ?>"><span style="color: #00C;">view seat </span></a></span> <p>
<span style="color:#ff0;"><?php echo @$message ?> </span> <td width="174">Seat Number:</td><td
width="238" align="center"><input type="text" name="setnum" value=" <?php echo implode($m, ',');?>"
id="name" readonly/> </p> </td></tr> <tr>
<td width="174">Bus Number:</td> <td width="238" align="center"> <input type="text" value="<?php
echo implode(',',$a); ?>" name="busnum" readonly="readonly" /></td></td></tr></tr>

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<td width="174">First Name: *</td><p><td width="238" align="center"> <input type="text"
class="validate[required] text-input" id="fname" name="fname" tabindex="1" onFocus="if (this.value ==
'0') {this.value = ";}" onBlur="if (this.value == '0')" {this.value = '0';}> </p></td></tr> <tr>
<td width="174">Last Name: *</td><p><td width="238" align="center"><input type="text"
class="validate[required] text-input" name="lname" id="lname" onFocus="if (this.value == '0')
{this.value = ";}" onBlur="if (this.value == '0')" {this.value = '0';}></p></td></tr>
<tr><td width="174">Other Name: </td><p> <td width="238" align="center"><input name="oname"
type="text" class="content" id="oname" /> </p></td></tr><tr> <td style="width: 95px;">Gender: *</td>
<p>
<td><select
                                style="width:
                                                                148px;"
name="gender"><option>F</option><option>M</option></select><p></td>
width="174">Country: *</td><p>
<td><select
                                name="country"
                                class="content"
                                id="country"
                                ><option
value="countries"></select><p></td></tr> <td width="174">State: *</td> <p><td>
<select name="State" class="validate [required] text-input" id="State" onChange="SelectSubCat3()"
><option value="">- Select State -</option><option value=""> </option></select><p></td></tr><td
width="174">LG: *</td><p><td><select name="lga" class="content" id="lga()" /></select> </p>
</td></tr>
<tr><td width="174">Home Town: *</td><p><td width="238" align="center"><input name="town"
type="text" id="town" class="validate[required] text-input" value="" onFocus="if (this.value == '0')
{this.value = ";}" onBlur="if (this.value == '0')" {this.value = '0';}></p></td></tr>
<tr><td>Address:*</td><td align="center"><p><input name="address" type="text" id="address"
value="" class="validate[required] text-input" onFocus="if (this.value == '0') {this.value = ";}" onBlur="if
(this.value == '0')" {this.value = '0';}></p></td></tr>
<tr><td width="174">Mobile No: *</td><td width="238" align="center"> <input type="text"
name="contact" id="contact" class="validate[required,custom[integer],maxSize[12],minSize[11]] text-
input" /></p> </td></tr>
<tr><td>Email: </td><p> <td align="center"> <input name="email" type="text" id="email"
/></p></td></tr>
<tr><td width="174">Next of Kin Name: *</td><td width="238" align="center"><input type="text"
name="kinname" id="kinname" value="" class="validate[required] text-input" onFocus="if (this.value
== '0') {this.value = ";}" onBlur="if (this.value == '0')" {this.value = '0';}></p></td></tr>

<tr><td width="174">Next Kin Contact Number: *</td><td width="238" align="center"><input
type="text"
                                name="kincontact"
                                id="kincontact"
class="validate[required,custom[integer],maxSize[12],minSize[11]] text-input" /></p></td></tr>
<tr><td>Next Kin Address: *</td><p><td align="center"><input name="kinaddress" type="text"
id="kinaddress" value="" class="validate[required] text-input" onFocus="if (this.value == '0') {this.value
= ";}" onBlur="if (this.value == '0')" {this.value = '0';}></p> </td> </tr>
<td>Username: *</td><td align="center"><input value="" class="validate[required] text-input"
id="username" type="text" class="style1" name="username" value=""tabindex="11"/></td></tr><tr>
<td>Password: *</td><td align="center"><input value="kipruto090" class="validate[required] text-input"
id="password" type="password" name="password" id="password" /></td></tr>
<tr><td>Confirm Password: *</td><td align="center"><input value="kiprutoBAD"
class="validate[required,equal[password]] text-input" type="password" name="password2"
id="password2" /></td></tr>
<tr><td width="238"> </td></tr>
<tr> <td width="238"><small>i agree the <a rel="facebox" href="view_terms_condition.php"> <span
style="color: #00C;">tems and condition: *</span></a> of this company</small></td><p><td><input
type="checkbox" name="condition" id="condition" value="checkbox" /></p></td></tr>

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<tr><td></td><td><div id="Layer1"> <input type="text" name="codetypecopy" id="txtCaptcha" /></div></td><td><a
href="#" onclick="DrawCaptcha();"></a></td> </tr>
<tr><td><div align="right" class="style1">Enter the Code here: *</div></td><td><input
name="codetype" type="text" class="ed" id="code" size="35" /></td><td>&nbsp;</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="2" align="center"><input name="reset" type="reset" id="reset" tabindex="5"
value="clear" /><input type="submit" name="confirm" id="confirm" value="submit"
tabindex="19"></td></tr>
</table></form> &nbsp;</td> <td width="34%" align="center" valign="top"><div class="side-bar"><div
class="heading">Help!</div>
<?php } else { echo "<script>alert('Bus occupied change the travel
date');window.location='index.php'</script>"; } } else { echo "<script>alert('driver not
allocated');window.location='index.php'</script>";}}
else { echo '<script>; echo 'window.alert("Time slot not available");'; echo
'window.location='../index.php''; echo '</script>';}?> </div>
<div id="footerIT"> <div style="width: 1000px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto; font-weight: bold;
color: #FFF;">
<table width="100%" border="0" cellspacing="0" cellpadding="0"><tr> <td width="14%"><span
style="font-size:9px;"><script type="text/javascript"> document.write("+Date()+")
</script></span></td><td width="74%" align="center"><span style="color: #093">Project Designed
By</span> IMRANA ABDULLAHI YARI (0911310099)</td><td width="12%"></td></tr></table></div> </div>
</body></html>

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