



Nigeria's gas station attendants get wage increase

Around 300,000 Nigerian gas station attendants will be enjoying a raise in their monthly salary after a new deal was signed with the employing companies, reported The Nation.

The majority of service station attendants were earning less than N8,000 (\$40) a month, with the new scheme no worker will be receiving less than N15,000 (\$75) a month, according to Samson Akintayo from the Petrol Station Workers Union (PSWU).

"There are over 30,000 filling stations and about 300,000 attendants in the country. The minimum salary for the attendants is N15,000 while the older and experienced ones would earn between N20,000 – N25,000 per month," said Akintayo.

The new package will also include new salary structures such as leave bonuses, hospital bills, and others. The negotiations for the national salary raise started a few years back after gas station workers organized protests.

Akintayo explained the new scheme has been designed by the PSWU, Petrol Dealers Association of Nigeria (PEDAN), Independent Marketers Association of Nigeria (IPMAN) and National Union of Petroleum and Natural Gas Workers (NUPENG).