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Renaissance Nigeria raises \$4.1bn for Shell onshore assets

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Renaissance Africa Energy has mobilised \$4.1 billion through a financing programme involving 13 banks, following its 2025 acquisition of Shell's onshore business in Nigeria. The capital raise is designed to support the company's operational scale-up and to fund a supplier-finance scheme targeting Nigerian service companies working across the acquired asset base.

The Shell onshore portfolio, now under Renaissance's ownership, forms the foundation of an ambitious production target: 500,000 barrels of oil per day by 2030. Reaching that level from a standing start as a new operator will require sustained capital deployment across drilling, facilities, and field infrastructure — all of which depend heavily on a functional supply chain. The 13-bank financing structure signals that institutional lenders are prepared to back Renaissance's growth thesis, and that the company is moving quickly to establish the financial architecture needed to execute it.

The supplier-finance programme is a notable element of the package. By extending structured financing to Nigerian companies that provide services to Renaissance, the company is attempting to strengthen its local supply chain rather than rely solely on international contractors. This approach reflects both commercial pragmatism — a functional local supplier base reduces operational risk — and the regulatory environment in Nigeria, where local content obligations shape how large operators structure their procurement and contracting.

For international service companies, the significance of this transaction lies in what comes next. Renaissance has taken on one of the largest onshore oil portfolios in Nigeria at a moment when the assets require investment after years of underperformance and security-related disruption. The path to 500,000 bopd will require well workover campaigns, pipeline rehabilitation, facility upgrades, and potentially new drilling activity across multiple fields. The scale of the ambition, combined with the financing now in place, makes Renaissance one of the more consequential new operator relationships in West African upstream.

The transition from an international major to an African-led independent also reshapes how service companies should engage with the asset. Renaissance's decision-making will be faster and more locally anchored than Shell's, but the company will still require international technical capability for complex operations. Norwegian service companies with proven onshore and swamp experience in the Niger Delta — particularly in well services, pipeline integrity, and production facilities — should treat this financing close as a signal that procurement activity is approaching, even if formal tender processes have not yet been announced.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

The \$4.1 billion financing package is now closed, but Renaissance has not yet announced open tenders or prequalification processes — Norwegian service companies should monitor procurement channels and initiate relationship-building with Renaissance Africa Energy's operations and supply chain teams in Lagos. The scale of the production target (500,000 bopd by 2030) and the breadth of the onshore portfolio suggest that well services, pipeline integrity, and facilities contracts will follow. Partners with Niger Delta operational references should position now, before formal tender windows open.

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- **Drilling:** Renaissance will need intensive well workover and new-drill campaigns across the inherited Shell onshore portfolio to approach 500,000 bopd — drilling contractors with onshore and swamp Nigeria experience should initiate early-stage dialogue.

- **Pipeline:** Rehabilitation of pipeline infrastructure across the Niger Delta asset base is a prerequisite for production growth; pipeline inspection, integrity management, and repair companies should monitor for tender releases.
- **Service:** The supplier-finance programme signals Renaissance is actively building its Nigerian service ecosystem — international well-services firms with local-content structures or Nigerian JV partners are well-placed to engage.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** While the current focus is onshore, production growth toward 500,000 bopd may eventually require export infrastructure upgrades; FPSO and offtake logistics specialists should track how the portfolio develops.

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