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Kano CNG network hits 12 stations in one year

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Kano State has grown its Compressed Natural Gas refuelling infrastructure from virtually zero to 12 stations within a single year, following the commissioning of two new CNG refilling stations and a vehicle conversion centre by NU Synergy, according to Pi-CNG, the private sector operator driving the rollout.

The milestone marks a significant acceleration in Nigeria's broader push to substitute petrol and diesel with domestically produced natural gas in the transport sector. Pi-CNG confirmed the latest additions bring Kano's total to 12 operational CNG refilling points, supported by a conversion centre that enables vehicle owners to retrofit their engines to run on compressed natural gas. The News Agency of Nigeria reported the development without disclosing the investment value or the number of vehicles converted to date.

Kano is Nigeria's second-largest city by population and a major commercial hub for the northwest, making it a strategically important market for alternative fuel adoption. The pace of expansion — from a standing start to a dozen stations in twelve months — suggests that private operators such as Pi-CNG and NU Synergy are moving faster than the headline metrics of Nigeria's national CNG programme might indicate. The transport sector remains the primary demand driver, with fleet operators, commercial buses, and tricycles representing the most accessible conversion targets in a high-density urban environment.

Nigeria's CNG push is linked directly to the federal government's response to the removal of the petrol subsidy, which sharply raised the cost of liquid fuels for

ordinary Nigerians. The Presidential CNG Initiative has been tasked with accelerating infrastructure rollout nationally, and Kano's trajectory illustrates how state-level deployment, backed by private capital, can move quickly once a framework is in place. Whether the current conversion centre capacity in Kano is sufficient to meet demand, and how quickly Pi-CNG intends to expand beyond 12 stations, was not disclosed in the report.

For Norwegian service and technology companies, this story sits at the distribution and retail end of the gas value chain rather than the upstream or midstream segments where Norwegian competence is typically deployed. The article does not reference any upstream gas supply contracts, pipeline infrastructure tenders, or LNG liquefaction components that would create immediate procurement entry points. The relevant dynamic to monitor is whether rapid CNG demand growth in northern Nigeria eventually pulls through investment in dedicated gas gathering, small-scale compression, or transmission infrastructure — segments where Norwegian engineering and equipment suppliers have established track records.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

This story describes early-stage retail CNG distribution in an urban market, not upstream or midstream infrastructure where Norwegian service companies typically operate. No tenders, contracts, or FIDs are mentioned, so procurement outreach is premature. Partners should monitor whether accelerating CNG demand in Kano and other northern Nigerian cities triggers investment in gas gathering, compression, or small-scale transmission infrastructure that aligns with Norwegian technical capabilities.

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- **LNG/Gas:** Track Pi-CNG and NU Synergy expansion plans as a leading indicator of small-scale gas compression and distribution infrastructure demand in northern Nigeria.
- **Pipeline:** Monitor whether Kano's retail CNG growth creates downstream pull for dedicated gas transmission or distribution pipeline investment requiring engineering and integrity services.

- **Service:** Vehicle conversion centre scale-up may eventually require imported compression equipment and metering technology where Norwegian suppliers hold competitive product lines — worth watching for tender activity.

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