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List of Abbreviations

Admin System Administrator

CSS Cascading Style Sheet

CPU Central Processing Unit

DFD Data Flow Diagram

HTML Hypertext Markup Language

Id Identity

IT Information Technology

KSBIR Kano State Board of Internal Revenue

LAMP Linux Apache MySQL PHP

MAC Macintosh

MySQL My Simple Query Language

OS Operating System

RAM Random Access Memory

WAMP Windows Apache MySQL PHP

Abstract

The process of handling the Revenue payers information and registration services in organization such as Kano State Board of Internal Revenue is attached with considerable problems of additional expenses as a result of the manual operations involved. In line with that there is a demand to bring about a solution that can automate the processes and cater for the needs of both the management, staff and the Revenue payers. This project looked at these issues and carried out the tasks of integrating the information and registration records of Revenue payers by automatically registering a Revenue payers, generating registration number with the KSBIR format i.e the year of enrolment, nationality, individual number, the Tax/Plate Number and the intake month. The project also brought about an avenue for registering Tax/Plate Numbers by the Revenue payers and at the same time allocate classes or venues for each Tax/Plate Number. In addition to that the system administrator can be able to view every Revenue payers's records and to keep the records in databases for future analysis and report.

To come up with the automated system of Revenue payers information and registration; data about the current system and operations was collected and analyzed, a system design was developed using Data Flow, Work Flow and Entity Relationship Diagrams and implemented using PHP, MySQL, JavaScript, HTML and CSS. The implemented system was tested and validated to ensure the system works effectively. Advantages of the system includes high accessibility, availability, security and responsiveness together with reducing the operational costs and the cost of accessories.

Chapter 1

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Background

Information Technology (IT) involves the use of electronic devices and processes to collect or capture data for use. Tested and trusted over the years, it is obvious to notice its reliability and integrity. This is one of the many reasons why most organizations have adopted it to solve one problem or the other. Recently, the IT students could burst of resolving any problem with the aid of information technology. With reference to the latter statement, there is a strong indication that the information technology could be used to solve endless cases of corruption and other financial mismanagement in the developing State like Kano.

Kano as a State is suffering from incessant cases of financial misappropriation and a very weak revenue generation system. Although, there exist several agencies responsible for revenue and tax collection, their efforts are not yielding sufficient result. This is the reason why the state government raised alarm over the weakness of the agencies. The main agency been charged with such responsibility is the Kano State Board of Internal Revenue(KSBIR).

However, having studied the activities of KSBIR, there are several units where the information technology can be adopted to enforce working standards, sanity and reduce financial misappropriation to the barest minimum. In essence, this is the first time the agency would be using this kind of system, as a result of that; information technology would be applied to specific areas where urgent decisions are to be taken.

Furthermore, it is hoped that an information system would be built for KSBIR. The system would help reduce the financial misappropriation. It is also forecasted that the system would bring sanity to the organization.

1.2 Problem Statement

With the rapid Revenue payers population increase in KSBIR combined with the current trends and developments in information technology (IT), Providing a high-quality Revenue payers information and registration system that is reliable, secure, adaptable, scalable, and fault tolerant becomes a fundamental issue. It is therefore very clear to state that there are several problems with the current manual system of managing Revenue payers records and information especially when it comes to the registration processes and these are time consuming which brings about delays and long number of Revenue payers queues and increased workload to both the Revenue payers and staff together with costly processes in terms of purchasing accessories like paper, files and shelvesn combined with dissatisfaction from Revenue payers and staff as a result of redundancy of work that may lead to inadequate accountability and cases of redundant registration number allocation to Revenue payers.

1.3 Objectives

1.3.1 Main Objective

- 1. To develop a user friendly system capable of solving most of the problems associated with their current system.
- 2. To ensure that the revenue generate are fully delivered to the state's account.

1.3.2 Specific Objectives

- 1. To create a central database for the clients (organizations)
- 2. To create a central database for the KSBIR workers
- 3. To bring sanity to the activities of revenue generation
- 4. To ensure that clients pay the actual amount they are supposed to pay
- 5. To prompt the percentage of revenue to be paid by clients in relation to their activities
- 6. To sensitize the clients on the benefits of revenue clearance
- 7. To send an automatic reminder or notice to the clients when payment is due
- 8. To automate the system of collecting revenue and acknowledging the receipt of payment
- 9. To recommend the proper punishment for clients who fail to comply
- 10. To ensure that the revenue collected are successfully delivered to state's account
- 11. To ensure judicious use of the revenue generated

1.4 Scope

The scope of the project refers to the boundary of the study. The study would be centered within the Kano State Board of Internal Revenue and its clients. This means that, the whole activities of Kano State Board of Internal Revenue is of importance to us. In addition, a lot needs to be known in relation to the clients – the revenue payers. The study would further observe the relationship between them and determine the official boundary of each. It is also hoped that an information system would be developed and placed at Kano State Board of Internal Revenue. The system shall have as users both Kano State Board of Internal Revenue and their clients.

1.5 Significance

- (i) The system provides a clear understanding of the current registration and payment system and its related problems and delivers reliable findings that are not only helpful to KSBIR. The system delivered a technological solution to the problem of Revenue payers' registration in organization and specifically to KSBIR.
- (ii) The system developed easily and efficiently manage and control Revenue payers information and registration processes
- (iii) The solution provided by this project will enable KSBIR and other organization to keep and manage Revenue payers records and solve the problems of manual Revenue payers registration and payment system.

Literature review:

The last two decades have witnessed an explosion in computing and communication capabilities. Dramatic technological advances continue to increase our ability to acquire, store, process and network data; hence making information available at prompt disposal.

However, relevant and relative literatures on information system (IS) and Database Management system (DBMS) will be reviewed.

Kano State is faced with varieties of difficulties to source adequate revenue, such problems are cogwheel to the smooth running of State administration. They are; the dishonesty on the part of officers collecting the revenues, such as cases of printing receipts by the officers had been the major problem in releasing the expected revenues. The machinery put in place for collection of revenue is inadequate hence, most of the government money are not collected and this is in case of the internally generated funds that is while, there need to review the revenue generation in the State. The objectives of the study are: to review the revenue collection in the State, to analyze the machinery of internally generated revenue, to determine the impact of revenue generated in the state, to review the various sources of internally generated revenue. Data were collected from 44 local governments in Kano State for this study and the analysis is through descriptive and inferential statistical methods. The descriptive analysis involves the use of percentage, tabulation and counts while inferential statistical method employs chisquare. Keeping of appropriate accounting records and books (c) Supply of social and economic services: Establishment of Projects: Staff motivation: workers should be encouraged so that they can put in their maximum services and when this is done, there will be increase or solid improvement in revenue generation.

Chapter 2

Literature Review

2.1 Introduction

This chapter attempts to identify and locate completed articles, journals, reports, and formerly developed systems about Revenue payers information and registration. And it is true that Revenue payers information and registration problem existed and some solutions were developed accordingly to respond diligently to this matter.

2.2 Information systems

M.Z Hashim (2013) defines an information system as an organized combination of people, hardware, software, communication networks and data resources that collect transform and disseminate information in an organization.

2.2.1 Revenue payers Information Systems:

According to Geeta R.B. and S.G. Totad (2013) a Revenue payers Information System (RPI) is a system used by Government or company to provide an interface for capturing and maintenance of Revenue payers information or records. This type of information systems deal with Revenue payers details either personal or official related and it should be available through a secure online or web-based interfaces. A number of company's or organization today use Revenue payers information management and registration systems to record and maintain information relevant to the Revenue payers. Moreover web-based or online systems allow Revenue payers and staff to access the information they need round the clock through the internet and this also makes it easier to provide data for accountability.

Greg Johnson (2008) stated that the traditional Revenue payers information systems used by many organization are unable to keep pace with the desired demands, likewise the pressure for information integration and unified access is making it difficult to cope with the old

systems. But with the advent of a common online Revenue payers information and registration systems there will be new improvements that can provide all the information needed by board to manage revenue effectively, improve Revenue payers achievement, and ensure accountability. The systems also enable and support policy change and new payment delivery methods to achieve the targeted outcomes.

According to Zain and Idris (2004), for every organization that focuses on Revenue payers achievement, accountability, flexibility, and autonomy, improving Revenue payers management has to be its overarching goal in all directions. Such goals are achieved by funding and supporting systems and models that allows achieving any idea needed to enable timely access to data and information and as a result there is high requirement for improved information management systems.

2.3 Revenue payers Registration

Atis (2005) stated that the word registration means the accurate positioning of, or the degree of accuracy in the positioning of an entity relative to (a) another entity, or (b) an independent frame of reference. Revenue payers register in order to be allowed access to the administrative sectors of management board. It is through registration that they are allowed to choose the Tax/Plate Numbers and subjects they intend to be taught and hence examined

2.3.1 Revenue payers Registration Systems

Temple (2006) describe Revenue payers registration systems as systems that involve step-by-step interdependent actions of formally assigning and recording Revenue payers's enrolment and other records and it is open to those who have already been enrolled or applying to be enrolled into an registration and payment system.

According to MADDISON and DARTON (2007) web based or online Revenue payers registration and payment services offer users convenient access to and the ability to manipulate information that is of concern to them. Due to the high requirements in functionality and performance, these systems are often very large in demand because of the size of the benefits they provide. The development of integrated and online systems comes into play for various reasons, not only does it address the manageability

issues but it also ensures greater consistency and high usability of components, these advantages in turn lead to better productivity and hence better outcome when the overall design of the system is accomplished. Revenue payers information systems are the primary systems used widely by KSBIR to collect the information they need to manage Revenue payers services and provide the underlying infrastructure needed to improve management of information and record keeping.

2.3.2 Examples of the existing information and payment systems

a) Federal in land Revenue, Revenue payers Registration and Payment System

(i) Description:

Federal in land Revenue is one of the best organization in Nigeria, The organization has a web based-online system with an registration and payment system functionality. The system is made up of a number of links for application, registration and Tax/Plate Number lists.

(ii) Interface

In terms of interface, the system does not contain much multimedia, the interface is very clear and attractive and the text is legible. The banner is also good in which it contains the logo together with the name of the organization, which is the first thing that someone visiting the site will see. Therefore, the entire interface will be considered while designing the interface our system.

(iii) Usability:

The site is available anytime someone wants to use it. But in terms of registration and payment system there are specific time for that, which means that if a Revenue payers fails to apply or register within that time, the system will not provide that function.

(iv) Accessibility:

The access to registration is by obtaining a registration card with login PIN. Moreover one has to create an account before logging into the system by providing username and password. Therefore

whenever a registered Revenue payers wants to login in to the account, the username and password must be provided.

b) The Florida Online Tax/Plate Number Registration system.

(i) Description:

According to Tolstoy and Aditya (2010), the organizationy of Dataville Revenue payers registration system is developed with a front-end web interface and a back-end database and the system allow each Revenue payers to insert a unique Revenue payers identity (ID) and a profile. The profile includes first/last names, gender, date of birth, local address, department, enrolment year, username, login password, and a picture photograph of the Revenue payers

(ii) Usability

The use of the system is to maintain records of all the Tax/Plate Numbers a Revenue payers has already taken or registered. The system also check Tax/Plate Number prerequisites when registering.

(iii)Accessibility:

For the system to be accessed each Revenue payers is requested by the system to login with a unique Revenue payers identity (I.D) and create a profile by entering their details.

c) Tabular comparison between the discussed Revenue payers registration systems and the payment system.

Features	Federal in land	Florida	of	The	system	under
	Revenue	Dataville		payn	nent/regis	tration
	Registration	Registration				
	gygtom	cyctom				
	system	system				
Accessibility	Medium	Medium		High		

Level			
Customization	No	No	Yes
Possibility			
Database	Good	Good	Better and Easy
structure			
Easy Navigation	No	Yes	Yes
Easy update	No	No	Yes
Easy upgrade	No	Yes	Yes
Mobility	Could be possible	Can be possible	Possible
Automatic	No	No	Yes
Revenue payers			
I.D generation			
Login PIN	Present	Not present	Present
User interface	Good	Not bad	Good and interactive
Web System	Yes	Yes	Yes

Table 1:Comparison between Revenue payers different Revenue payers registration systems

2.3.3 Conclusion

By comparison our system is unique because it can provide features and functionalities that other similar systems doesn't provide and it can automatically generate Revenue payers identity/plate number registration nnumber.

Chapter 3

Research Methodology 3.0 Introduction

This chapter provides detailed description of the tools and techniques used during the development of this system. The study applied different methodologies which includes collection techniques like interviews, questionnaires with the concerned parties. The data collection techniques and tools will helped to get a clear understanding of the problems faced by the current system and identify clear facts to help in coming up with the solution.

3.1 Data collection:

This method addresses the techniques employed in gathering of information for research operations. The study make use of Interviews, questionnaires, and observation which are the major tools used for data collection for the system development.

3.1.1 Interview:

According to Grazianno (2010) an interview is as a method of data collection where the researcher/investigator follows a rigid procedure and seeks answers to pre-conceived questions through face to face conversation between the researcher and the respondents for the purpose of obtaining information. Therefore interviews are used to get first hand information from the respondents about the topic under study.

We conducted interviews with the stakeholders; to identify and specify functional and non-functional requirements to determine requirement specification. Our interviews were both semi-guided and unguided and also contained both closed and open ended questions as we obtained the data mainly about the operation of the existing system; its problems, strength, information flow and processing of the current system.

3.1.2 Questionnaires:

This involves using a predetermined set of questions designed to collect information from a respondent on the subject under study. It is believed that the use of this tool can be useful in exploratory studies in which various dimensions and facts of a problem are examined.

3.1.3 Observation:

The University of Harvard defines observation as the unobtrusive method of gathering data. This involved a purposive or intentional examination of something, particularly for the purpose of gathering data. Observation was used to get a personal judgment about the current Revenue payers information and registration system so as to compare with the findings obtained from questionnaires and interviews as this will provide the researcher with a richer and more direct account of the phenomena under study.

3.2 System Analysis

Systems analysis is the process of identifying and summarizing data with the intent to extract useful information and develop conclusions. In system analysis requirements were determined. The requirements includes the functional and non-functional base on the system study.

3.3 System Design

i. Process Modeling: This was achieved by use of Data Flow Diagrams to show processes and external entities in the system and the end product was a detailed description of processes involved (process models). The information used in building the Data Flow Diagram was obtained from the Data Dictionary.

ii. Data Modeling: This was achieved using Entity-Relationship Diagrams to show the data requirements and model. This yielded the structure of relations in the relational schema (database).

3.3 System Implementation

This is whereby the physical realization of the database and the application design was done. This involved the implementation of both the database and the application programs. It was achieved using the Data Definition Language (DDL) of the selected Database Management System (DBMS). Following are the tools used in the implementation methodology.

3.4.1 PHP (Hypertext Preprocess)

PHP being a very powerful server-side scripting language for developing dynamic web applications was used in this project in order to build an interactive and dynamic system. PHP script can be embedded straight into the html code and due to its compatibility and support to various web servers and databases like MySQL it is therefore applicable to this project.

3.4.2 MySQL

MySQL was used in order to allow access and manipulate the database at the same time it will be used to execute queries, create, insert, retrieve, update and delete record from the system's database.

3.4.3 CSS

CSS Stands for "Cascading Style Sheet." Cascading style sheets are used to format the layout of Web pages. CSS was used in this project to define text styles, table sizes and CSS will also be used to organize, customize the page content, add special effects and manage the body alignment and position of body items within the pages thus keeping a uniform appearance throughout the navigation.

3.4.4

3.4.5 JavaScript

JavaScript, by definition, is a Scripting Language of the World Wide Web. It is going to be used in this project to add various Web functionalities, Web form validations, browser detections, creation of cookies and confirmation of alert messages.

3.4.6 HTML

HTML is a hypertext markup language which is in reality a backbone of a website. In this project HTML was used to make the web pages more effective as well as efficient. HTML was also be used to define and display the normal body content such as forms, text, divisions and many other body items.

3.5 System Testing and Validation

3.5.1 Testing

In testing process the intention is to find errors and correct using carefully planned test strategies and realistic data. The system will be rigorously tested to uncover faults in the application programs and the database structure. The testing is repeatedly done until the system was proven to be working according to users' specification and performance requirements. This following are the tested functions:

- i. Testing the system performance, efficiency, disk space and its throughput to ensure proper functioning of the system.
- **ii.** Checking the compatibility of the system with different operating systems for example Windows XP, Linux and Windows 7.
- iii. Testing for security issues like resistance to remote attacks and authentication procedures.

3.5.2 Evaluation

The evaluation process provided a high degree of assurance that specific processes consistently provide products which met predetermined specifications and quality attributes. It involved identifying compliance to quality management procedures, life cycle definition, specifications, for

example; user requirements specification and functional specification, documentation controls and various items of documentation for example user manuals and administrator documentation and testing procedures.

Chapter Four

System Study, Analysis and Design

4.0 Introduction

This chapter provides a clear and structured description of the findings from the investigation carried out. Such findings are the user and the system requirements, and from the acquired findings a functional representation of the system is derived.

4.1 System Study

From data gathered about the existing systems through interviews, questionnaires and observation was found that the current Revenue payers information and registration system is manual and the further study shows that there is clear need to develop a system that can improve the efficiency of the registration processes.

4.1.1 Results from questionnaires

Twenty five questionnaires were distributed (see appendix II) and Revenue payers were chosen randomly in order to gather their response and the tables below summarizes the results obtained.

#	Questions	Yes	NO	Total number of respondents	Deduction
1.	How are you finding the current registration process, is it satisfactory or not?	2	23	25	92% find the current registration process unsatisfactory
2.	Do you face challenges while making payment manually with the current system?	21	4	25	84% stated they face challenges while making paying tax with the current system.
3.	Does the current information and registration system in	19	6	25	76% agree that the information and registration system

	the need review?				needs review
4.	Are you comfortable that your documents and information are managed and stored using files and shelves?	7	18	25	72% of the respondents are not comfortable with the current handling of their documents and information.
5.	We are introducing a web-based system for Revenue payers information and registration, do you think it's a good idea?	24	1	25	96% of respondents support the development and use of the proposed system.

Table 2: Description of results obtained from questionnaires

4.1.2 Results from interviews

Staff members and Revenue payers were interviewed. Each person was interviewed separately so as to avoid people giving inconsistent answers. An interview guide was designed (see appendix I) and included the set of questions to be asked similar to those in the questionnaires and respondents gave their answers which were recorded, below are the findings.

Questions	Answers	Deductions	
	(Revenue payers)	(Staff)	
How is the	It is mostly	We are currently	The system should
current	paper based and	recording Revenue	try to avoid the
Revenue	Revenue payers	payers information	manual and paper
payers	have to join	in a register-like	based processes
information	queues to make	book and then	involved while
and	the state	allocate them	making

registration system done in the University?	government registration and Tax/Plate Number registration activities	registration numbers manually and then allow them Revenue payers register for their various Tax/Plate Numbers also manually.	registration.
What are the difficulties and challenges you are facing with this current system?	Sometimes the registration process seems to be tiring and the number of queues brings about a lot of delays.	The process is time consuming as we have to get all the Revenue payers information, create a file, allocate numbers and sometimes the same registration number can be allocated to different Revenue payers which bring about identity clash and redundancy in our work.	be as fast as possible and the system should provide quick
it is a good idea to come up with a new system that will ease your	and once this idea is developed it will ease so	Its really very good to bring about this idea and for us doing this registration services will ease our tasks.	answer queries in a
If a web based system is developed how do you think it will ease your tasks?	bring is that it can be accessed	The system will ease our job and it will reduce the expenses on stationery materials and reduce or eliminate the rate of	be universally accessible meaning it should be accessible by all and each

payers ac while registerin	evenue redundant tivities and elimina registration g with number clas	ate the
the KSBIR	<u>.</u>	

Table 3: Results obtained from interviews

4.1.3 Results from observation

Checklist	Status
ICT environment and infrastructures in the state	There is availability of the ICT equipments and the infrastructure can accommodate
government	facilities
Revenue payers population and the	Revenue payers population is medium but
trend	on high trend of increase
The way records are kept and managed	Majority is paper based
Time spent to record and store	Long process and is taking
information	
Time spent to perform registration	Is a long process and time consuming
by Revenue payers	

Table 4: Observation results

4.2 System Analysis

Data collected was analyzed in order to identify user, functional, non-functional, software and hardware requirements that guided the design and implementation of the integrated Revenue payers information and registration system.

i. User requirements

These are statements, of what services the system is expected to provide and the constraints under which it must operate. Below are the user requirements for the system;

a) Process user's tasks as fast as possible

- b) Allow users login and logout efficiently.
- c) Provide a user friendly interface with easy navigation option
- d) Be able to provide error control and recovery process to a user in case errors are committed in data entry; so as to allow for error-free and accurate data input.
- e) The user shall expect predictable results/information from the system after a given request.

ii. Functional requirements

These are statements of services the system should provide, how the system should react to particular inputs and how the system should behave in particular situations.

- a) The system shall enable the Admin to view and manage the users and their login detail
- b) The system shall authenticate users provided once correct documents are supplied.
- c) The system shall generate a registration number for new Revenue payers when registered.
- d) The system shall generate the registered personal details report.
- e) The system shall dynamically provide payment details.

iii. Non-functional requirements

These are requirements that are not directly concerned with the specific functions delivered by the system. They relate to emergent system properties such as reliability, response time and storage capabilities of the system.

- a) The system shall provide fast processing to all user requests.
- b) The system shall use KSBIR colors
- c) The system shall be platform independent
- d) The system shall be available and accessible to the authorized users all the time.

4.3 System Design

System design defines the architecture, components/subsystems, modules, interfaces and data for the system to satisfy specified requirements. It defines a physical/diagrammatical representation of the system and what processes are involved. In system design the following tools and techniques were used; process modelling and data modelling.

4.3.1 Process Modeling

In process modelling a Context Diagram (Figure 1) and the Level 1 DFD (Figure 2) were modelled. The context diagram shows the overall context of the system and how it interacts with the external entities while the Level 1 DFD shows the major sub processes identified in the Revenue payers information and registration system. Data obtained from the DFD and context diagram are collectively used to yield the data dictionary.

4.3.2 Context Diagram (Dataflow diagram – level zero)

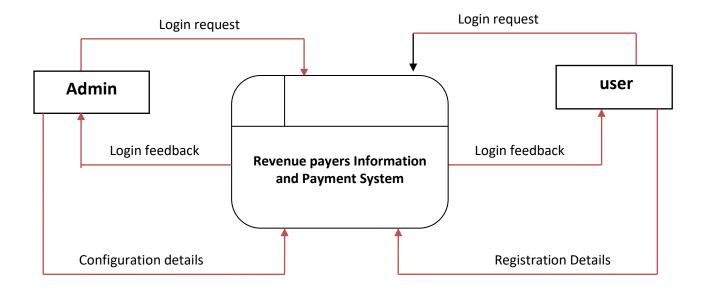


Figure 1: Context diagram (Level zero dataflow diagram)

4.3.3

a) Description for the level 1 DFD

The tables below give a description of all design objects used in developing the system. They include Processes, Data flows, Data stores, Data reports and the External entities involved in the system. The following tables describes the level one Dataflow diagram components

i) Data dictionary for External entities

Entity name	Description
Admin	Super system user who can configure the system and manage users
Revenue payers	Basic system user who can only browse the system, add personal details, browse Tax/Plate Numbers and make Tax/Plate Number registration and Payment online.

Table 5: Description of External entities

ii) Data Stores Dictionary

Data store name	Description	
Personal Detail	Storage for personal details and information for the	
data	Revenue payers	
Tax/Plate	Storage for Tax/Plate Numbers to select and the	
Numbers data	Tax/Plate Numbers registered by the Revenue payers	
Payment data	Storage for payment details.	

Table 6: Description of Data stores

iii) Data Reports Dictionary

Data Report	Description		
name			
Registered	This is the report of the Tax/Plate Numbers assigned by		
Tax/Plate	the Admin, applied and registered by the Revenue		

Number	payers
number Assigned	This is a report of assigned registration number to be member by the Revenue payers and where a Tax/Plate Number will be taught
payment Results	This is a report on the Tax Payment

Table 7: Description of Data reports

iv)Dictionary for Processes

Process name	Description	
Login	Activity of authenticating a user to in order to access the system's information	
Process Personal Details	Activity whereby the Admin (Super User) can view other users' details, reconfigure them or log any user out and the other user can insert their personal details for processing	
Process Tax/Plate Number Details	Activity whereby a guest or any other basic user can view Tax/Plate Number details and check the availability of a given Tax/Plate Number	
Tax/Plate Number Registration Revenue payers, a Revenue payers select the Tax/Plate Numbers to register and the process and allocate the Tax/Plate Numbers to register Numbers and Numbers to register Numbers Nu		
Results Processing	Activity of checking and providing the results obtained by the Revenue payers after payment	
Logout	Action whereby a user decides to leave the system	

v) Data Dictionary for used symbols

Symbol	Description
	Process
	External entity
	Data Store, holding data from processes
	Data Report
	Arrow showing data flow between the system and the external entities as well as between the processes and the data stores

Table 9: Description of symbols

4.3.4 Data Modeling

From the information obtained from the data dictionary, a data model was built. This was done by identifying data requirements for the system database, identification of entities and their attributes making up the system and relationships between these entities. From this an Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD) was obtained.

a) Data Requirements

The table below shows the data requirements that were based on to obtain entities for the system database.

Entity Name	Description	Attributes
Admin	A User with the highest access	Admin_id, username,
	level to the system, able to login,	password
	manage other Users and	

	manage Rooms (Add, Edit or Delete). The Admin can manage one or many Users.	
Revenue	A standard User who login to	_ ·
payers	browse, add personal information, register with the KSBIR Or register a Tax/Plate Number and makes Payment.	, , , ,
Tax/Plate Number	A unit or subject a Revenue payers registers and taught	Tax/Plate NumberId, Tax/Plate NumberName

Table 10: Description of Entity's names and attributes

4.3.5 Modeling relationship between entities

Relationships between entities identify all possible associations between the entities. It also gives the corresponding multiplicities (participation and cardinality).



Figure 3: Relationship between Admin and Revenue payers

In figure 3 an Admin can manage a minimum of zero and a maximum of many Revenue payers and a Revenue payers can be managed by only one Admin at a given time.



Figure .4: Relationship between Admin and Tax/Plate Number

In figure 4 An Admin can manage a minimum of one and a maximum of many Tax/Plate Numbers and a Tax/Plate Number can be managed by only one Admin at a given time.



Figure 5: Relationship between Admin and system

In figure 5 Admin can assign one to many at a time



Figure 6: Relationship between Revenue payers and Tax/Plate Number

In figure 6 One or many Revenue payers can register for one Tax/Plate Number



4.3.6 Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)

The ERD below shows the entities, their attributes and the relationships between these entities. The relationships further indicate the multiplicities between these entities.

Mapping ERD to Relationship Schema Admin:

Attributes	Datatype	Constraint
Admin_id	int(6)	Primary Key, Not Null
Username	Varchar(32)	Not Null
Password	Varchar(32)	Not Null

Table 11: The Admin table

Revenue payers:

Attributes	Datatype	Constraint
Revenue payers_id	Varchar(16)	Primary Key, Not Null
Username	Varchar(32)	Not Null

Revenue payersName	Varchar(32)	Not Null
Password	Varchar(32)	Not Null
Date of birth	Varchar(32)	Not Null
Nationality	Varchar(32)	Not Null
Gender	Char(1)	Not Null
Email	Varchar(64)	Not Null

Table 121:The Revenue payers table

Tax/Plate Number:

Tax/Plate Number	Datatype	Constraint
Cus_Id	int(6)	Primary Key, Not Null
Tax/Plate NumberName	Varchar(64)	Not Null

Table 13: Tax/Plate Number table

Class:

Attributes	Datatype	Constraint
Tax_Id	int(6)	Primary Key, Not Null
TaxName	Varchar(64)	Not Null

Table 14: Class table

Chapter 5

System Implementation and Testing

5.1 Introduction

This chapter describes the implementation of the design models in of the system based upon the findings from the study undertaken and the requirements of the end-users of this system and the system design and also shows the different results generated by the system. Therefore screenshots of the system will be displayed to show how the system displays results given a command.

5.2 Functions provided by the system

This section specifies the functions the system provides to all its users and external entities. The system has two types of users differing by their access levels to the system, their characteristics and also their entitlements. The main users are Admin and Revenue payers.

5.2.1 Functions provided to the Admin:

Admin is a user having a level of access and the highest level of access to the system means that the admin manages other users. The admin has the power and possibility to logout another user without the consent of the user. An Admin user has his/her own menu different from the one visible to other users. The following are the functions system provided for the Admin.

i. Manage other Users

Admin can use the system to display all registered users specifying which ones are logged in or active or those ones who are logged out and the time these users logged in or logged out. Admin can logout users and edit user details, add new user or remove a user from the system.

ii. Check Revenue payers's Personal details

Admin has the possibility of checking the personal details entered by the Revenue payers and can allow the Revenue payers to re-open the details to make corrections.

iii. Manage Tax/Plate Numbers

An Admin can assign Tax/Plate Numbers to be taken by the Revenue payers and at the same time able to edit or delete a particular Tax/Plate Number assigned to a Revenue payers.

iv. Manage Payments details

Admin is able to display the payment details applied by the Revenue payers and is able to either approve the request of the Revenue payers or not.

5.2.2 Function provided to Revenue payers:

A Revenue payers is a name assigned to the basic users of the system whose access levels vary between one and two. A Revenue payers accesses many pages than the Admin user and the following are the pages and their functions within the Revenue payers user menu.

i. Registering personal details

Revenue payers enters their personal information to register with the KSBIR in order to get registration number before proceeding to the Tax/Plate Number registration.

ii. Checking Tax/Plate Number details

All the Tax/Plate Numbers to be taken by the Revenue payers are displayed on this page and a Revenue payers has an option of checking the Tax/Plate Numbers and their details

iii. Logging Out

Action whereby a user decides to leave the system

5.3 System screen shots

5.3.1 Revenue payers Login page

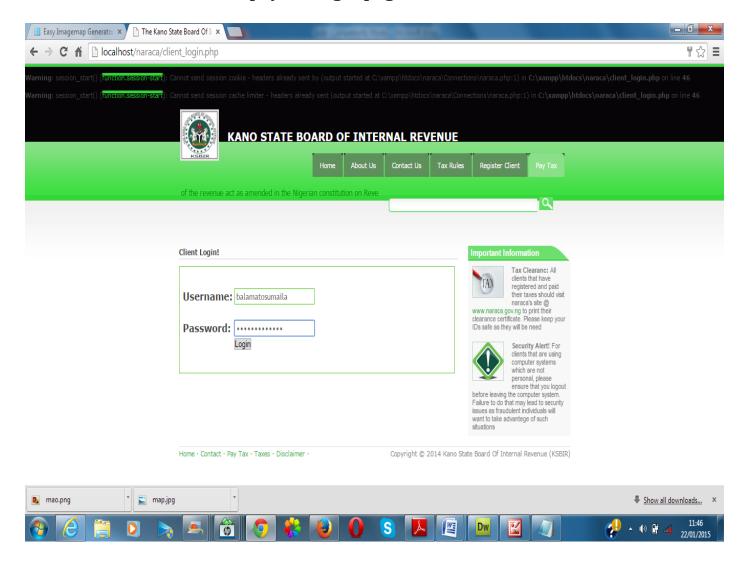


Figure 10:

Figure 10 shows the page that enables a Revenue payers to login and get redirected in order to register personal information and proceed to Tax/Plate Number registration.

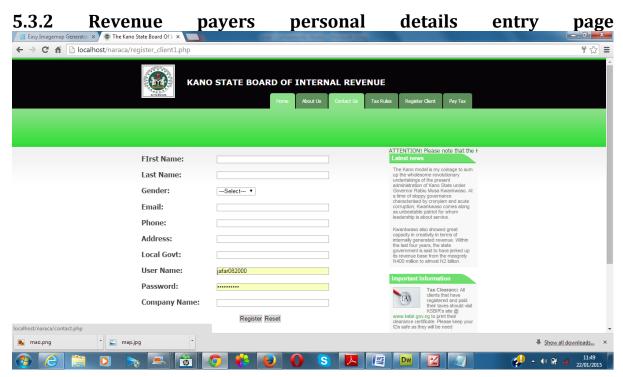


Figure 11:

Figure 11 shows a page where new Revenue payers enters their personal details for the system to capture and generate registration number

5.3.3 Automated generation of Revenue payers registration

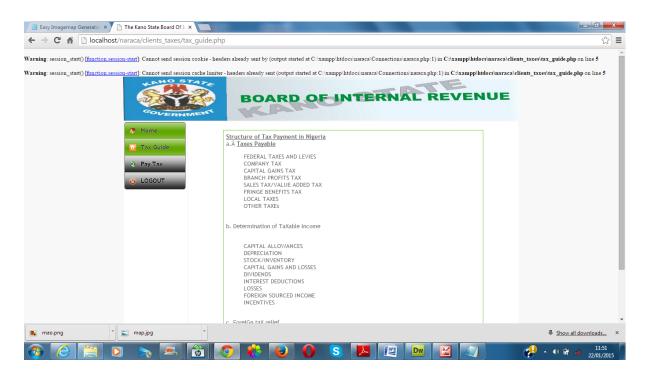


Figure 12: Automatic registration number generation

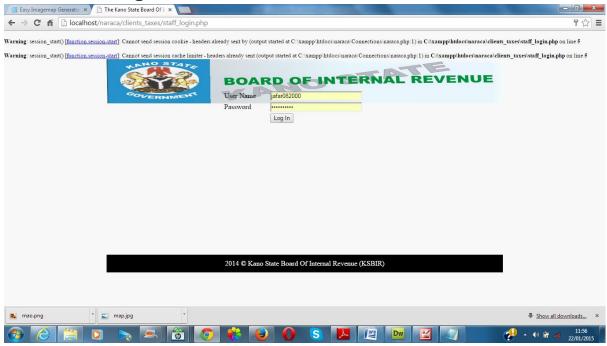
Figure 12 shows an automatic registration number is and allocated to a Revenue payers by the system after entering personal details

5.3.4 Tax/Plate Number Registration

Figure 13: Tax/Plate Number Registration page

Figure 13 showing how a Revenue payers will register for subjects in a particular Tax/Plate Number

5.3.5 Admin Page

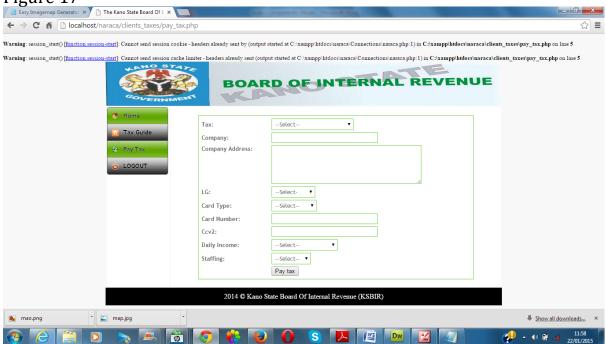


5.3.7 Admin Assigning Tax/Plate Numbers

Figure 16: Assigning Tax/Plate Number

Figure 16 shows how an Admin assign Tax/Plate Numbers to a particular Revenue payers

Figure 17



5.4 System testing and validation

A system testing was carried out with the aim of finding out errors that were in the system and a validation is to ensure that the system conformed to the then defined user needs and requirements. We presented the system to some of the users so as to get feedback about the system performance in relation to their requirements.

The system was tested in the unit level and integration level. During unit test, unit modules were tested to ascertain that they functioned as individual units. During integration test, the unit modules were linked together and tested to ascertain that they worked together as a system. The authentication of the system could only allow administrative users to access the system information and make the necessary changes.

A test was also conducted to see whether the system is capturing valid data, this was done by putting wrong data and then the system responded by alert messages displaying the type of error. Testing and validation was done successfully.

5.4.1 System Testing Results

The system was tested several times and different number of responses was gathered from different people. Some of the individuals that the system was tested in their presence are KSBIRRevenue payers from different faculties, KSBIRStaff and external expertise. Below are the findings from the testing results and responses obtained. Six people were sampled and tested the system in their presence and interviewed them in order to observe how they see the abilities and features of the developed system.

People's	Feature Teste	Total respondents		
category	User Interface	Validation	System Responsiveness	•
KSBIRRevenue payers	Ease of navigation	Good validation	Quick	5

KSBIRLecturer	It is easy and has clarity	It is good	Fast Enough	3
Revenue payers Registration Officer	It is interesting and easy to use	Forms, Session should be enhanced	Very fast response	1
System Development Expert	The interface is good	It is good	Not far from quick	2

Table 25: Summary of system testing results

5.5 System Requirements

System requirements include hardware and software requirements that will be sufficient for the smooth operation of the system.

(i) Software requirements

The system will require supporting software on which it will run. The software requirements range from operating systems to some utility software. The system runs on predominantly Windows Operating Systems including Windows XP, Windows Vista and Windows 7.

MySQL will be required to interpret SQL queries/commands that were used in the implementation of the database and data retrieval form the database. WampServer will be used on windows Operating Systems to process all requests and display results on web pages.

A number of web browsers can be used for this system which include; Mozilla Firefox, Internet Explorer, Opera Browser and Google Chrome. The table below summarizes the software requirement:

Software	Minimum requirements
Web server	Wamp server
Database management system	MySql
Web browser	Firefox, Internet Explorer, Opera, Google Chrome
Operating system	Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7,

Table 16: Summary of system software requirements

(ii) Hardware requirements

These are the minimum requirements of hardware resources required for the system. To ensure faster processing of data, a system with processor speed of at least 1.5GHz, 1GB RAM and storage space of at least 20GB. The table below summarizes the hardware requirements:

Hardware	Minimum requirements	
CPU	1.5 GHz	
RAM	1GB	17.
Disk space	20GB	17:

Summary of system Hardware requirement

Table

Chapter Six

Summary, Recommendations and Conclusion.

6.1 Summary

This project is aimed at improving the speed, easiness and efficiency in carrying out Revenue payers registration processes and at the same time provides an avenue for integrating Revenue payers information and records in a digital way. There is need to guarantee improved quality of service, reduced redundancy of data increase efficiency in registration processes to allow better management of records and this is the area that this project was focused to bring.

We looked at other systems alike and compared them with our system and realized some services

were not offered by those systems. So this system targeted to provide a reliable and efficient services that can be used in registration and managing information in academic institutions. Many people both the Revenue payers and staff will benefit from further development in this area since it is very vital towards success and smooth running of administration and Revenue payers record keeping purposes.

6.2 Challenges Encountered

- (i) Some people do not provide timely response to the questionnaires allocated to information.
- (ii) There are few authors that directly looked at the Revenue payers information and registration systems projects therefore it was difficult coming up with the study's literature review.
- (iii) The limited time allocated for the compilation and making the system ready

6.3 Recommendations

We recommend that this system should be used by Revenue Management Board and other organization such as Kano State Board of Internal Revenue(KSBIR) because we believe that the system can make the registration process and information management processes effective and efficient.

In future the developed system could be enhanced by from the current status to a mobile application to enable Revenue payers, staffs and management execute the tasks being carried out by the system using mobile gadgets even on the go. Other modules like Library, payroll and hostel management can be developed and attach to the system to make it cater all the University's information management and record keeping demands.

6.4 Conclusion

It can be concluded that this project was rewarding as it enabled us have a better insight of real world problems and how to go about with solving them. It is also imperative to affirm that the goals we set at the beginning have been met as the system is fully functional as proposed.

Moreover, this system is not only an additional web application on top of the existing multitude of them, but a contributing solution to the problems encountered in Revenue payers registration and information management services in organizationsuch as IUEA.

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Appendices

Interview Guide: Questions asked during the interview

Appendix I: Interview guide INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR THE STAFF

- 1. What is the current registration system used in the University?
- 2. What are the steps that Revenue payers take while registering?
- 3. How do you manage the information and records collected from each Revenue payers?
- 4. What are the difficulties and challenges you are facing with this current system?
- **5.** Do you think it is a good idea to come up with a new system that will ease your work and that of Revenue payers?
- 6. If a web based system is developed how do you think it will ease your tasks?
- 7. Identify the major areas that you will want the new system to cover
- 8. What impact will the application make to the above areas?
- 9. Will this benefit the University?
- 10. Do you think that we can now go ahead with this research study in order to come up with the new system?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Appendix II Questionnaire:

Questions asked during the interview

TOPIC: INTRODUCING A WEB-BASED REVENUE PAYERS MANAGEMENT AND REGISTRATION SYSTEM TOKano State Board of Internal Revenue(I.U.E.A)

We are Revenue payers from the Information Technology department of I.U.E.A currently performing a research study that will enable us come up with a web based Revenue payers management and registration system. We kindly request for your assistance in answering this questionnaire. Information obtained will be strictly used for educational purpose only.

1.	Full
	Name
2.	Faculty &
	Department
3.	Gender: Male Female
4.	Year of
	study
5.	Level of study Certificate Diploma Degree Postgraduate
6.	How many times do you make registration in this
	University?
7.	How do you find the registration process is it satisfactory or not? (
	please briefly comment)
8. Wh	nat challenges do you face while registering?
9. Do	es the current registration system needs review?

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND RESPONSE.

Appendix III: Pseudo code

Pseudo code for Admin login

Initialize Parameters to access data (username and password)
If Parameters are equal to null
Alert box, please enter a username and password
Else
Go to Admin page

Pseudo code for Revenue payers login

Initialize Parameters to access data (login pin)
If Parameters are equal to null
Alert box, please enter a login pin
Else
Go to personal details page

Pseudo code for Registering New Revenue payers details

Initialize Parameters to user data
If Parameters are equal to null
Alert box, Please fill in all the required fields
Else
Submit the details and save to database