



BIMBO ADEKANMBI

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Public finance professional, technocrat and public servant with deep Ibadan roots and experience across banking, consulting, government and infrastructure delivery.

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PROFILE

A professional life shaped by finance, systems and service.

Abimbola “Bimbo” Adekanmbi, FCCA, is a Nigerian chartered accountant, public-finance professional, technocrat and political figure whose career has moved across commercial banking, international consulting and senior public service in Oyo State. He is widely known for serving as Deputy Chief of Staff and later Commissioner for Finance, Budget and Planning in the administration of the late Governor Abiola Ajimobi. [1][2]

In July 2024, Governor Seyi Makinde appointed Adekanmbi to chair the committee overseeing the upgrade of the Samuel Ladoke Akintola Airport, Ibadan, a major infrastructure assignment that has continued into 2026. [3][4]

In May 2026, the Allied Peoples Movement (APM) adopted him as its consensus governorship candidate for Oyo State ahead of the 2027 election. Governor Makinde subsequently identified him publicly as his preferred successor. [5][6]

Full name	Abimbola “Bimbo” Adekanmbi
Roots	Ibadan, Oyo State
Professional standing	Fellow, Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA)
Education	B.Sc. Accounting (OAU); B.Sc. Applied Accounting (Oxford Brookes); MBA Strategy & Finance (Liverpool John Moores)
Public-service record	Deputy Chief of Staff; Acting Chairman, state internal revenue body; Commissioner for Finance, Budget and Planning
Current roles	Chairman, Samuel Ladoke Akintola Airport Upgrade Committee; APM governorship candidate for Oyo State, 2027

ROOTS AND EDUCATION

Grounded in Ibadan. Trained for a global profession.

Adekanmbi has consistently described himself as an Ibadan son with strong family and community roots. In a detailed interview, he recalled growing up across Apata, Iwo Road and Bodija. His late father, Revd. Adekanmbi, was associated with the Omo Ajorosun community, while his mother traded in Bodija Market, where he and his siblings helped while growing up. [1][2]

His schooling combined local beginnings with a national and international outlook. Public profiles and his own interviews identify Oritamefa Baptist School in Ibadan and Federal Government College, Okigwe, among his early schools. He studied Accounting at Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, graduating in 1998. [1][7]

He later obtained a B.Sc. in Applied Accounting from Oxford Brookes University in the United Kingdom and an MBA in Strategy and Finance from Liverpool John Moores University. He is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA). [7][8]

Professional orientation

Adekanmbi's academic and professional path has remained centred on accounting, finance, business systems and strategy - disciplines that later defined both his consulting work and his responsibilities in government.

Banking and consulting experience

Before entering government, Adekanmbi worked in banking in Lagos, including roles at Global Bank, MBC Bank and Liberty Bank. He later built consulting experience in the United Kingdom, including work involving Accenture, IBM and Xansa Consulting, and a finance role at Birmingham City Council. [1][2][8]

In interviews about his career, Adekanmbi has emphasised systems, measurement and disciplined execution. His professional background included enterprise-finance and business-process work, including SAP finance and controlling assignments, and exposure to large institutional payment and treasury environments. [2][8]

PUBLIC SERVICE

From the private sector to the engine room of government.

Adekanmbi returned to Oyo State public service in 2011 and was appointed Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Abiola Ajimobi. Contemporary accounts describe him as part of the administration's technocratic core, with responsibilities that connected policy implementation, finance and major development programmes. [2][9]

He also served as Acting Chairman of the state's internal revenue body before being appointed Commissioner for Finance, Budget and Planning in 2016. He remained in that role until the end of the Ajimobi administration in 2019, overseeing budgeting, fiscal administration and state financial management during a period that included national economic pressures and constrained public revenues. [7][10]

Selected career timeline

1998	Graduated in Accounting from Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife.
2000s	Built banking and UK consulting experience; developed expertise in finance systems, business processes and public-sector financial operations.
2011	Appointed Deputy Chief of Staff, Oyo State Government.
2016-2019	Served as Commissioner for Finance, Budget and Planning, Oyo State.
2024	Appointed Chairman of the committee overseeing the upgrade of Samuel Ladoke Akintola Airport, Ibadan.
2026	Adopted by the Allied Peoples Movement as its consensus governorship candidate for Oyo State ahead of the 2027 election.

CURRENT CHAPTER

Infrastructure responsibility and the 2027 governorship race.

The Samuel Ladoke Akintola Airport upgrade has kept Adekanmbi in an active public-service role. Oyo State Government records and national media reports identify him as Chairman of the Airport Upgrade Committee, representing the state in project engagements and in the provision of operational support to aviation agencies as the airport moves toward international-standard operations. [3][4]

In May 2026, the Allied Peoples Movement formally adopted Adekanmbi as its consensus governorship candidate for Oyo State. At the same political event, Governor Seyi Makinde publicly described Adekanmbi as his preferred successor and urged him to build on what works while charting his own path. [5][6]

Adekanmbi's present political platform therefore brings together several strands of his career: professional finance, public administration, infrastructure delivery, private-sector systems thinking and longstanding ties to Ibadan and Oyo State.

OYO NEXT

OYO NEXT is the digital movement platform built around public participation, ideas, events, community engagement and policy conversations in the Campaign for Bimbo Adekanmbi. Its core public question - "What should Oyo do next?" - is designed to keep citizen input visible in the movement's development agenda.

Campaign positioning

OYO NEXT presents Adekanmbi's current chapter around continuity where programmes work, improvement where government can do better, and a stronger emphasis on production, enterprise, skills, technology and wider economic participation.

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VERIFICATION AND SOURCES

Public sources consulted

This biography was prepared for OYO NEXT from publicly available material and current reporting as at August 2026. It intentionally avoids disputed or weakly sourced claims such as net-worth estimates and an unverified date of birth. The campaign committee should replace or supplement this version with primary CV records where available.

[1] Biography Insights NG - “Bimbo Adekanmbi Biography: Early Life, Age, Personal Life, Net Worth” (14 May 2026). Used for background, education and career cross-checking. biographyinsights.com.ng

[2] City People Magazine / Oyo Insight - Long-form interview with Adekanmbi on his Ibadan upbringing, banking/consulting experience and move into Oyo State government. citypeopleonline.com / oyoinsight.com

[3] Oyo State Government - Public records identifying Hon. Abimbola Adekanmbi as Chairman of the Samuel Ladoke Akintola Airport Upgrading Committee. oyostate.gov.ng

[4] Channels Television / The Guardian - Reporting on the airport upgrade and Adekanmbi’s role as committee chairman, 2025-2026.

[5] Channels Television - “APM Adopts Adekanmbi As Consensus Governorship Candidate In Oyo” (29 May 2026).

[6] TheCable - “Makinde declares Bimbo Adekanmbi as his preferred successor” (28 May 2026), with subsequent August 2026 reporting on the succession arrangement.

[7] Tribune Online - “2027: Meet Adekanmbi, Ajimobi’s ex-commissioner endorsed by Makinde for Oyo guber” (29 May 2026). Used for education, public-service and current-role cross-checking.

[8] Professional profile records - Public professional-profile records list B.Sc. Accounting (OAU), B.Sc. Applied Accounting (Oxford Brookes), MBA Strategy & Finance (Liverpool John Moores) and FCCA.

[9] London School of Economics research - Academic research on technocratic governance in Oyo State identifies Adekanmbi as Deputy Chief of Staff from 2011-2015 and discusses his role in implementation-oriented government projects.

[10] Recent public profiles / City People - Cross-checking of his service as Acting Chairman of the state internal revenue body and Commissioner for Finance, Budget and Planning.

Committee note

Before printing a final “official” edition for mass distribution, verify the exact spelling of all institutions, dates and titles against Adekanmbi’s primary CV and campaign records. This edition is designed to be publication-ready while remaining conservative where public sources conflict.