

## **Airtel Niger Launches Ten-Day Financial Inclusion Training for Women Entrepreneurs in The Zinder Region**

**Niamey, Niger – 05 February 2026** – Airtel Niger has officially launched an extensive capacity-building programme dedicated to financial inclusion, benefiting 500 women involved in agri-food processing and pottery within the Zinder region.

This major initiative is spearheaded by the Airtel Africa Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Airtel Africa, as part of its core mission to drive socio-economic development across the continent. This programme aligns with the Foundation's commitment to promoting economic empowerment and supporting local entrepreneurship through its "FEED" strategy.

The initiative provides participants with practical skills to improve business management and increase their competitiveness in the local market.

"Financial inclusion is a necessity for women entrepreneurs; it is the engine of true empowerment. By training these women, we are not just providing a technical solution but building bridges towards long-term financial independence."

The programme aims to provide participants with a deeper understanding of modern financial tools, specifically through the Airtel Money platform, which is currently at the heart of electronic transactions in Niger.

In his address, the **Managing Director, Mr Amadou Dina**, reiterated that the economic empowerment of women remains a primary lever for social progress and inclusive development. He highlighted the decisive role of digital and mobile financial services in improving the performance of small businesses, particularly in rural and semi-urban areas.

Mr Dina also emphasised Airtel Niger's unwavering commitment to supporting administrative authorities in their efforts to improve living conditions through various development initiatives led by the Airtel Africa Foundation.

The administrative and traditional authorities in attendance praised the initiative, noting its significant contribution to promoting female entrepreneurship, alleviating poverty, and stimulating local economic activity.

Through this programme, Airtel Niger and the Airtel Africa Foundation confirm their commitment to long-term community support, using financial inclusion as a catalyst for growth. The Foundation intends to continue investing in initiatives that facilitate access to digital tools for management, payment, and savings—placing women at the heart of human capital development strategies.

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