AIRPORT EXIT

Murtala Muhammed International Airport (LOS)

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THE ANSWER

Order Bolt or inDrive - 10,000-25,000 to Victoria Island (app-quoted range), 45 min-2.5 hrs with Lagos traffic - while FAAN's 2026 airport car-hire desk starts near 20,000 and is negotiated.

Uber exited Nigeria on 2 Sep 2026 and FAAN briefly suspended the other apps at airports before clearing Bolt to resume; the apps still show a price up front, the rank just quotes one.
Late-night landing? Pre-booked transfer 25,000-45,000 to V.I. with a name board - the most reliable ride after midnight. Only as far as Ikeja? inDrive bids have settled near 6,100 where the rank asked 30,000.

EVERY WAY OUT — REAL PRICES

Bolt / inDrive *BEST FOR MOST* **10,000-25,000 to Victoria Island (flagged range)**
Bolt is Nigeria's most-used app (Uber left in Sep 2026); inDrive lets you bid. Card in-app. Pickup arrangements at the airport have shifted all year - drivers meet at parking outside the FAAN perimeter; expect cancellations at peak.

Official car-hire desk (ACHRAMS rank) **20,000-40,000 to the Island (flagged range)**
FAAN's Airport Car Hire Rank Management System dispatches the rank cars. Its posted grid: 10,000-20,000 to the city centre, 20,000-30,000 to suburbs. Cash; FAAN says these are the pre-existing airport taxi rates, now made visible.

Pre-booked private transfer / hotel shuttle **25,000-45,000 to V.I. (flagged range)**
Fixed quote paid or agreed before you land, meet-and-greet with flight tracking. The standard choice for night arrivals and first-timers; hotel shuttles (where offered) book through your reservation.

Minibus + BRT via Oshodi **1,000-2,500 total (flagged range)**
No bus serves the terminal directly: hop to the Airport/Ikeja road or Mafoluku, then yellow danfo or LAMATA BRT toward Oshodi, then bridge again. 2+ hrs with luggage; 2026 guides advise against it for visitors.

Rental car **Agency quoted**
Desks at both complexes; only sensible if you're driving out of Lagos - self-drive in city traffic is a separate skill.

THE TRAPS — WALK PAST THESE

The 30,000 quote for a 20-minute drive
A creator's viral video (Aug 2026) showed the ACHRAMS desk quoting 30,000 from the airport to Radisson Blu Ikeja - 4-9 km the app does for 6,000-8,000. FAAN's own answer: those were existing rank rates. **Do this:** open Bolt/inDrive before you join the rank queue - or book a fixed transfer

Booking Uber, which no longer exists here
Uber wound down Nigeria on 2 September 2026; guides older than that still say 'Uber works at LOS'. Bolt and inDrive are the apps - and even Bolt was briefly suspended from FAAN forecourts in July before an agreement restored it. **Do this:** install and pre-verify Bolt (and inDrive) with your card before you fly

The driver who reprices once you're in
Airport pressure makes some drivers demand more than the shown fare - press samples: app said 13,000, driver asked 25,000 'for the risk'. Paying cash invites the requote. **Do this:** pay in-app, and get out if the driver renegotiates after pickup

Landing at the wrong complex
International arrivals use MMA1, domestic MMA2 - roughly a kilometre of traffic between them. A transfer sent to the wrong side is a wasted hour. **Do this:** confirm the complex with your airline and name it to your driver

KNOW BEFORE YOU WALK

- Traffic sets the price, not distance: the same V.I. run is ~25,000 at 5pm and near 10,000 at midnight.
- Buy a Nigerian SIM at the airport - drivers reach app riders far easier with a local number in the profile.
- Withdraw naira at the terminal ATMs; the apps take cards, the rank is cash-only.
- Allow a generous gap for international->domestic connections between the two complexes.
- Third Mainland Bridge or Eko Bridge? Confirm which your driver takes - 'island' covers several very different routes.

ACHRAMS posted fares and the 30,000/6,100 examples read in Punch's and CDA News's FAAN reporting (Aug 2026); the 13,000->25,000 requote from BusinessDay's July-suspension investigation. Uber's 2 Sep 2026 Nigeria exit per BBC/Guardian Nigeria. FAAN's own website was unreachable during this run; Bolt/Uber/taxi figures are flagged 2026 ranges from transfer guides (airportsnow, firstdayabroad, airporttransferportal). Confirm on the day.
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